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Sunday of the Paralytic

- *Weekend Masses: **Saturdays: Mass at 4:00 p.m.**
 Sundays: Mass at 10:30 a.m.
- *Weekday Masses: **Mondays and Wednesdays: No Mass. Pastor's office work.**
 Tuesdays and Thursdays Mass at 12:00 Noon
 Fridays during Lent: Mass at 5:30 pm followed by Stations of the Cross
- ***Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament:** Every 1st Saturday and Sunday of the month after Mass.
- ***Confession:** Saturday: 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. or any other time by appointment.
- ***Baptism:** Please call the Pastor as soon as baby is born; at least one Godparent must be Catholic.
- ***Weddings:** Please make arrangements at least **six** months in advance before any other plans are made.
- ***Sick Calls & Anointing of the Sick:** Please notify the Pastor at 304-233-1688
- ***Parish Council:** Lou Khourey, Susan (John) Burns, Mark McLaughlin, Liz Murad, Gary Weisner.
- ***Choir Members:** Lou Khourey, Robert Harris, Joe Simon, Shelly Hancher, Holly Stahl.
- ***Bulletin Coordinator:** Thomasina Geimer
- ***Altar Server:** Earl Duffy and Joe Roxby
- ***Altar Boy:** Christopher AlKhouri
- ***Cedar Club:** Linda Duffy, President
- ***Women's Society:** Jeannette Wakim, President



- ***Bulletin Announcements:** Submit all Bulletin Information to Msgr. Bakhos by Noon on Tuesday every week.
- ***New Parishioners:** We welcome you with great joy & invite you to officially register as one of our parishioners.
- ***Remember the Church in your Last Will & Testament:** Her prayers will accompany you to heaven.

Sunday of the Paralytic

Readings: Is 35:1-10; 1Tim 5:24-6:5 and Mk 2:1-12

“**Seeing their faith,**” it says. You perceive in this place, brethren, how God does not heed the inclinations of the foolish, nor does he regard the faith of those who are ignorant of Christian truth, nor trouble with the foolish desires of the weak, but that he will come to our aid because of another’s faith, which he bestowed by grace alone: for whatever comes from the divine will, he will not deny. And when, brethren, does a physician ask for or pay heed to the inclinations of the sick: since a sick man will always crave for and ask for things that may be harmful. Instead, he will make use, now of the iron, now of fire, now of the bitter draught, and apply them even to the unwilling, so that when well they will understand what was done for them, which they could not when ill. And if a man will take no notice of insults, and be indifferent to abuse, that he may bring life and health to those affected by disease; how much the more will not Christ the physician, in his divine goodness, draw to salvation those who are sick from the wounds of sin, or sinking in the delirium of some vice; even the reluctant and unwilling?

Or if we but chose! Brethren, if we but chose to look into every paralysis of our mind, and see our soul as it lies abandoned upon its bed of sin; we would see it clearly as Christ sees us; each day looking with patience on our sinful desires, drawing us, urging us, even unwilling, towards his saving remedies!

“**Son,**” he says, “**your sins are forgiven you.**” Saying this, he intimates that it is his will that men should know he is God: though now as man still hidden to human eyes. Through his signs and wonders he was already compared with the prophets who, through him, had also wrought signs and wonders. Now he began to implant in human breasts that he was God: for to forgive sin, since it is beyond the power of man, is the particular sign of divinity.

Stations of the Cross & Light Dinner (Every Friday during Lent)

Every Friday during Lent, we celebrate Stations of the Cross at 5:30 p.m. It will be followed by a spiritual reflection and the Benediction of the Cross. We start the Rosary and Litany at 5:15 pm. Please come early. The “*Stations of the Cross*” is a devotion which consists of following the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ by recalling the fourteen prominent events that took place from the time of the trial under Pontius Pilate until His death and burial on Mount Calvary. Many Thanks to these generous families who sponsored light meatless dinners after the Stations of the Cross. If any other family wants to participate in the social hour, please ask and join the families listed below.

Date:	Volunteers Who are sponsoring the Light Meals on Fridays during Lent:
5 th Friday, March 15	Meal Sponsors: George & Susan Saseen and the Frenn Family
6 th Friday, March 22	Meal Sponsors: Don Nickerson and Family
Good Friday, March 29	Meal Sponsors: The Cedar Club & Parishioners
Easter Sunday, March 31	Happy Easter

Creating Your Legacy

How can you manage your charitable giving more efficiently to benefit the charities you love and support, like our church established by our ancestors since 1906? The Parish Council opened an Endowment Fund Account designated exclusively for the church maintenance for years to come. All donations are tax deductible. Please let us keep our beautiful church well maintained and donate anytime toward this account or put the church in writing in your last will. To donate, please call the church office at 304-233-1688. May the Blessed Mother reward you in this life and in the next.

--Monsignor Bakhos, pastor.

***This Weekend: Saturday-Sunday, March 9-10:
Sunday of the Paralytic***

Saturday, March 9, Mass at 4:00 p.m.:

- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her last Will
- ✠ Bob Sengewalt by his grandchildren: Jeff, Courtney and Pat Sengewalt
- ✠ Dana Burkhart by his wife Carol and Family
- ✠ Good health of Julia Schiess by her father Leo Bleifus

Sunday, March 10, Mass at 10:30 a.m.:

- ✠ Mary Stees by Mary Lee & Dennis Porter
- ✠ Betty Abraham, Clara Carter, Evelyn Goodson (Anniversaries) by Jean Weisner & Family
- ✠ Good health of Julia Schiess by her father Leo Bleifus

Weekdays Mass Schedule

Monday, March 11: No Mass. Pastor's day off.

Tuesday, March 12 Mass at Noon:

- ✠ Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, and her son Mark by her last will
- ✠ Greg George (Birthday) by Margaret George (MN)
- ✠ Mary Stees by Dr. Nabil Alkhouri and Family

Wednesday, March 13: No Mass. Office works.

Thursday, March 14, Mass at Noon:

- Robby Hunter III and Mary (Joseph) Shipley (Anniversary) by Thomasina Geimer
- ✠ Mary Stees by her Family
- ✠ John Shiben by Denna O. Shiben (FL)

Friday, March 15, at 5:30 pm Stations and Benediction & Light Dinner (Rosary starts at 5:15 pm)

- ✠ Special prayers for those who prepared the light meal after the Stations of the Cross.

***Next Weekend: Saturday-Sunday, March 16-17:
Sunday of the Blind***

Saturday, March 16, Mass at 4:00 p.m.:

- ✠ Janis & George Thomas (Ohio) by their last will
- ✠ Mary Stees by Becky & Larry Ferrera
- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her last Will
- ✠ Dana Burkhart by his wife Carol and Family
- ✠ Good health of Julia Schiess by her father Leo Bleifus

Sunday, March 17, Mass at 10:30 a.m.:

- ✠ Mary Stees by Mary Lee & Dennis Porter
- ✠ Mike & Sue Linton and their parents Joe and Frances Linton by Steve Linton
- ✠ Good health of Julia Schiess by her father Leo Bleifus

Coming Parish Events

Palm Class design	A creative Palm Class will be offered after 10:30 am Mass on Palm Sunday, March 24 th in the Cedar Hall. Class will be offered by Patrick Stees, Marianna, Christopher and Isabella Alkhouri. All are welcome to learn creative design with the palms. Please let Jeannette Wakim know if you can attend at 304-551-3934.
Sunday, April 28	Mother Day dinner after 10:30 am Mass. Please reserve a seat early.

Mother Day Masses	2 weekends Masses for Mothers & Grandmothers (May 11-19)
Saturday, May 11	Bake Sale. More details in next bulletins.
Father Day Masses	2 weekends Masses for Fathers & Grandfathers (June 15-23)



Easter Lillies Donated in Memory of:

- † Gladys Howard & Louise N. & Lois H. Khourey, Sr. by Lou & Charlotte Khourey & Family
- † Tom & Mary K. Ferris by their daughter Denise Ferris
- † Mary Stees by Denise Ferris
- † Adib & Sadie (parents), Nadim (brother), Mona (sister) by Msgr. Bakhos Chidiac
- † Bob Sengewalt by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt
- † Bob Saseen by his wife Fran
- † Deceased of the Duffy & Fadoul Families by Earl & Linda Duffy
- † Matthew Siebieda & Charles & Della Cettorelli by Larry & Lillian Siebieda
- † Shirley Elias Nickerson & Deceased of the Elias Family by Tammy Strong
- † In Honor of Ron Weisner
- † Phillip Geimer & the Deceased Family of Thomasina Geimer
- † Pearl Shutler by her daughter Janet Shutler
- † Bob Shutler by his sister Janet Shutler
- † Nimon & Miriam Joseph Family by the Joseph & Weisner Families
- † In Honor of Michael Duymich
- † Deceased of the Wakim & Yeater Families by Chris & Jeannette Wakim
- † Mary Stees by the Jay & Liz Murad Family
- † Danny & Milly Manners by their daughter Nini Miller
- † The McLaughlin & Joseph Families by Mark & Barb McLaughlin
- † John Shibben by his wife Dee Shibben

Diocesan Appeal

The Lenten Appeal for the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon is now taking place. A letter from Bishop Elias Zaidan about the Appeal will be mailed to every family. Copies are also available online at www.eparchy.org. The Eparchy relies upon you to support our Maronite parishes and train our future Maronite priests. Every family is asked to participate in the Appeal and please be generous. You may make a donation using a check, cash or credit card. Please support your Eparchy. Thank you.

Diocesan Appeal Fulfilled

Many Thanks for all the following generous parishioners who fulfilled their Easter Obligations so far.

Our Quota is \$3,000 to be sent to our Diocese to help paying the cost of different projects mainly educating our seminarians. May your fasting and almsgiving contribute to the forgiveness of your sins:

Dr. & Mrs. Al Ghaphery, Nick Ghaphery, Jamil Harb, Msgr. Bakhos Chidiac, David John, Jean Weisner, Tom & Sharon Beatty, Rosalie Conti, Carol Burkhart, Millet L. Fadoul, Frank & Anna Marie Duymich, Gary Weisner, Mark Schroeder, Mark & Barb McLaughlin, Thomasina Geimer, Larry & Lillian Siebieda, Ron & Susan Burns, Robert Harris, Sue Jochum, Elsie Renzella, The Frenn Family, Rex Strawn, Debbie Huffman, John & Opal Ritts, Deanna (Dee) Shibben, Jackie & Pat Petros, Nettie Seidler, Randy Weisner, Janet Shutler, Denny Albaugh, Ron & Kim Gibbons, Earl & Linda Duffy, Jane Palmer, Carol Dougherty, Mary Rose Kukula, Evelyn (Cathy) Goodson, Judy Bedway, GiGi Rice, Tom & Judy Brock, Denise Ferris, George & Patty Fahey, Lou & Charlotte Khourey, Mike & Judy Sofka, Joe Roxby, Mary Beth Weisner, Patrick & Laurie Henry, Kenny & Nancy Joseph, Angele Mansor,

91st Mahrajan News Update

--Mahrajan Date: Sunday, August 11, 2024 from 11:00 am until 6:00 pm at Oglebay Park.

--Church Dance Troupe Announcement

We are looking for kids and young adults to participate in our parish dance troupe for the 91st Mahrajan! If you know anyone who would be interested, please contact the church at 304-233-1688. Practices will be held every Sunday starting April 7 after 10:30 am Mass. Mrs. Nesrin Alkhouri

--**Mass:** Outdoor Mass at Oglebay **at 10:00 a.m.** not 10:30 am.

--**Program:** Live Band, Belly dancers, inflatables, face painting, souvenirs, Lebanese Food, shish kebab, pastry, wine, beer, adult and children games, and much more.

--**Raffle Prize:** will be \$10,000 if all 1,000 numbered tickets are sold.

--**Magnet:** Save the Date Magnet will be mailed soon

Birthdays Wishes in the Coming Month:

March 10: Liam George
 March 15: Shelby Imer
 March 16: Mia Ferrera
 March 18: Kenny Imer, Bill Stees, Patrick Petros
 March 21: Caroline Stees McDowell
 March 22: Jennifer Imer
 March 26: Joseph John
 March 30: Greg John
 April 1: Patrick Sengewalt
 April 6: Ronald Weisner
 April 8: Jesse John

<i>Your Church Support Last Week</i>	
\$1,380.00	Sunday Collection
1,490.00	Diocesan Appeal
27.00	Candles
19.00	Coffee hour
50.00	Donations in Memory of Mary Stees
130.00	Mother Day dinner
275.00	Donation to the church
401.00	Utilities
\$3,772.00	Total Deposits: <i>May God reward you abundantly for supporting your spiritual home!</i> Finance Committee: Lou Khourey, Susan Burns, Liz Murad, Mark McLaughlin

Please Pray for Those on Our Prayer List

(Note: Please call Msgr. Bakhos if you need your name added to our Prayer List. HIPPA regulations)

John Glaser (brother of Kathy Boehm), Dolores Oser, Sally Sengewalt, Anthony Wakim, Earl Duffy, Fran Saseen, Rex Strawn, Sandra DeMuth, Ken Imer, Justin Frenn, Elia Frenn, Patty Fahey, Patty Olinsky, Julia Schiess (daughter of Leo Bleifus), Earl Ragase, Fred Schweizer (brother of our organist Mary Lee Porter),

Rummage Sale Items Drop off all Year Long

Please bring with you to the church all the items you wish to donate toward the Rummage Sale. Items are accepted all year long. The Cedar Club and the Women Society raise funds to cover the expensive Building Insurance of our church. Any donation is accepted and helpful. We will open the basement door for you anytime. Please call 304-233-1688

What's New?

2024 Food Handling Classes dates:

All volunteers at food events or at the festival are required to have their "Food Handling Card" when preparing food. Jeannette will work with the health department to schedule a class at the cedar hall for all the volunteers. She will inform everyone about the day and time of that class. Anyway, if someone wants to get his/her card at a different place and time, here are some dates. Thanks.

Tuesday, April 2	Wheeling Park (hall of Champions)
Tuesday, June 4	Wilson Lodge (terrace Room)
Tuesday, July 2	Wheeling Park (hall of Champions)

Diocese Pilgrimage to Poland and Prague

When: From August 26 to September 4, 2024. Space is limited

Where: Poland and Prague

Cost: \$2,900.00 double occupancy. Price per person

Information: call our Diocese at 323-336-3168 or 818-626-9193

Spirituality: God recall notice

The Maker of all human beings (GOD) is recalling all units manufactured, regardless of make or year, due to a serious defect in the primary and central component of the heart.

This is due to a malfunction in the original prototype units code named Adam and Eve, resulting in the reproduction of the same defect in all subsequent units. This defect has been technical termed, "sub-Sequential Internal Non-Mortality", or more commonly known as S.I.N., as it is primarily expressed.

Some of the symptoms include: Loss of direction, Foul vocal emissions, Amnesia of origin, Lack of peace and joy, Selfish or violent behavior, Depression or confusion in the mental component, fearfulness, idolatry, rebellion.

The manufacturer, who is neither liable nor at fault for this defect, is providing factory-authorized repair and service free of charge to correct this defect.

The Repair Technician, JESUS, has most generously offered to bear the entire burden of the staggering cost of these repairs. There is no additional fee required. The number to call for repair in all areas is: P-R-A-Y-E-R. Once connected, please upload your burden of SIN through REPENTANCE procedure. Next, download ATONEMENT from the Repair Technician, Jesus, into the heart component. No matter how big or small the SIN defect is, Jesus will replace it with: Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self Control.

Please see the operating manual, the B. I. B. L. E. (Believers' Instructions Before Leaving Earth) for further details on the use of these fixes.

WARNING: Continuing to operate the human being unit without correction voids any manufacturer warranties, exposing the unit to dangers and problems too numerous to list and will result in the human unit being permanently impounded. For free emergency service, call on Jesus.

DANGER: The human being units not responding to this recall action will have to be scrapped to the furnace. The SIN defect will not be permitted to enter Heaven so as to prevent contamination of that facility. Thank you for your attention!

GOD

P.S. Please assist where possible by notifying others of this important recall notice and you may contact the Father anytime by 'Knee mail'.

Wisdom

For many of us, busy work weeks end with weekends jam-packed with back-to-back errands; household chores and other obligations. With these hectic schedules, the idea of taking an entire day Just to relax may sound laughable. But while taking a day off might feel like a luxury we can't afford, a day of rest may actually be a health imperative we can't afford to give up.

Our bodies require rest to be healthy. The negative impacts of stress range from tight muscles and irritability to increased risk of chronic diseases such as heart conditions and cancer. Not taking vacation time has been found to increase risk of heart attack in men by 32 percent. Rather than considering a day of rest a luxury, we should consider it a necessity.

Testing Out Rest

Humans have long recognized the value of taking a day to relax and abstain from labor. The tradition exists in religions and cultures from around the globe, from modern Christianity to ancient Babylonia. But of course, observing a day of rest doesn't have to be tied to any specific religion or culture - it's all about relaxation, whatever that means to you.

Several years ago, I decided to create my own weekly day of rest. I wasn't concerned about limiting my use of cars, computers or other tools; what I needed was freedom. So I decreed that I could do anything my heart desired on Sundays, as long as it entailed no sense of obligation.

I could not believe how hard it was. Those first few Sundays found me playing computer games for hours. Simple relaxation and self-indulgence were too unfamiliar. I'd been driven for so long by my sense of responsibility that it took many Sundays for me to learn to just breathe and enjoy.

I am so glad I did. Not only did I ease into naps under the oak tree and aimless country drives, but these new habits had a ripple effect throughout the rest of my week. In the midst of a busy workday, I began to notice when I was flagging and would take a restorative break. The result? I cleared my head and got more done. I still work hard, but learning to balance work and rest is one of the best moves I've ever made. In a culture hell-bent on winding us all up to the snapping point, that's no small matter.

Reasons to Rest

For many of us, the idea of taking a day off every week can be frightening; a day off is a day lost, a day of falling behind on the never-ending to-do list, a day that could be spent doing something useful. Guilty feelings leap up, as if we owe it to others to grind ourselves into oblivion. Our sense of worth is so often wrapped up in what we do - especially for others - that it's difficult to stop. And when everyone around us works without rest, we fear we'll appear lazy and self-indulgent if we step off the treadmill.

But driving ourselves to be productive at all times actually makes us less productive. Our bodies require (not just prefer) regular rest in order to function well and keep on going. While stress brings on illness and fatigue, relaxation makes us physically healthier. And many studies confirm the importance of rest, in both small and large doses, in keeping our minds working at peak efficiency. Quite simply, a day of rest makes us more productive the rest of the week.

A day off also can improve our relationships both at home and at work, making us less likely to snap at our children, spouses and coworkers. It lets us unwind and spend unhurried time with friends and family. And most important, it will make us live longer, healthier lives, allowing us to do more to help others and the world for a much longer span.

Story

Bored with the speed and hassles of highway driving, my husband and I decided to take "the road less traveled" to the beach last summer. A stop in a small, nondescript town on Maryland's Eastern Shore led to an incident that will forever remain in our memory.

It began simply enough. A traffic light turned red. As we waited for the signal to change, I glanced at a faded brick nursing home. Seated on a white wicker chair on the front porch was an elderly lady. Her eyes, intent upon mine, seemed to beckon, almost implore me to come to her. The traffic light turned green. Suddenly I blurted, "Jim, park the car around the corner."

Taking Jim's hand, I headed toward the walkway to the nursing home. Jim stopped. "Wait a minute; we don't know anyone here." With gentle persuasion, I convinced my husband that my purpose was worthwhile. The lady whose magnetic gaze had drawn me to her rose from her chair and, leaning on a cane, walked slowly toward us. "I'm so glad you stopped," she smiled gratefully. "I prayed that you would. Have you a few minutes to sit and chat?" We followed her to a shady secluded spot on the side of the porch.

I was impressed by our hostess' natural beauty. She was slender, but not thin. Aside from the wrinkles at the corners of her hazel eyes, her ivory complexion was unlined, almost translucent. Her silky silver hair was

tucked back neatly into a knot. "Many people pass by here," she began, "especially in the summer. They peer from their car windows and see nothing more than an old building that houses old people. But you saw me; Margaret Murphy. And you took time to stop." Thoughtfully, Margaret said, "Some people believe that all old people are senile; the truth is that we're just plain lonely." Then, self-mockingly she said, "But we old folks do rattle on, don't we?" Fingering a beautiful diamond-framed oval cameo on the lace collar of her floral cotton dress, Margaret asked our names and where we were from. When I said, "Baltimore," her face brightened and her eyes sparkled. She said, "My sister, bless her soul, lived on Gorusch Avenue in Baltimore all her life." Excitedly I explained, "As a child, I lived just a few blocks away on Homestead Street. What was your sister's name?" Immediately, I remembered Marie Gibbons. She had been my classmate and best girlfriend. For over an hour, Margaret and I shared reminiscences of our youth.

We were engaged in animated conversation when a nurse appeared with a glass of water and two small pink tablets. "I'm sorry to interrupt," she said pleasantly, "but it's time for your medication and afternoon nap, Miss Margaret. We've got to keep that ticker ticking, you know," she said, smiling and handing Margaret the medicine. Jim and I exchanged glances.

Without protest, Margaret swallowed the pills. "Can't I stay with my friends a few minutes longer, Miss Baxter?" Margaret asked. Kindly but firmly, the nurse refused.

Miss Baxter extended her arm and helped Margaret from the chair. We assured her that we would stop and see her the following week when we returned from the beach. Her unhappy expression changed to gladness. "That would be wonderful," Margaret said. After a sunny week, the day Jim and I left for home was cloudy and damp. The nursing home seemed especially dreary under the slate-colored clouds.

After we waited a few minutes, Miss Baxter appeared. She handed us a small box with a letter attached. Then she held my hand as Jim read the letter:

"Dear Ones,

These past few days have been the happiest ones in my life since Henry, my beloved husband, died two years ago. Once more, I have a family I love and who cares about me. Last night the doctor seemed concerned about my heart problem. However, I feel wonderful. And while I'm in this happy mood, I want to thank you for the joy you both have brought into my life. Beverly dear, this gift for you is the cameo brooch I wore the day we met. My husband gave it to me on our wedding day, June 30, 1939. It had belonged to his mother. Enjoy wearing it, and hope that someday it will belong to your daughters and their children. With the brooch comes my everlasting love. Margaret."

Three days after our visit, Margaret died peacefully in her sleep. Teardrops stained my cheeks as I held the cameo in my hands. Tenderly, I turned it over and read the inscription engraved on the sterling silver rim of the brooch: "Love is forever." So are memories, dear Margaret, so are memories.

A Time to Laugh (106)

The Millionaire

An unemployed man goes to apply for a job with Microsoft as a janitor. The manager there arranges for him to take an aptitude test (Section: Floors, sweeping and cleaning).

After the test, the manager says, "You will be employed at minimum wage, \$5.15 an hour. Let me have your e-mail address, so I can send you a form to complete and tell you where to report for work on your first day."

Taken aback, the man protests that he has neither a computer nor an e-mail address. To this the MS manager replies, "Well, then, that means that you virtually don't exist and can therefore hardly expect to be employed."

Stunned, the man leaves. Not knowing where to turn and having only \$10 in his wallet, he decides to buy a 25 LB flat of tomatoes at the supermarket. Within less than 2 hours, he sells all the tomatoes individually at 100% profit. Repeating the process several times more that day, he ends up with almost \$100 before going to sleep that night. And thus it dawns on him that he could quite easily make a living selling tomatoes. Getting up early every day and going to bed late, he multiplies his profits quickly. After a short time he acquires a cart to transport several dozen boxes of tomatoes, only to have to trade it in again so that he can buy a pickup truck to support his expanding business. By the end of the second year, he is the owner of a fleet of pickup trucks and

manages a staff of a hundred former unemployed people, all selling tomatoes. Planning for the future of his wife and children, he decides to buy some life insurance.

Consulting with an insurance adviser, he picks an insurance plan to fit his new circumstances. At the end of the telephone conversation, the adviser asks him for his e-mail address in order to send the final documents electronically.

When the man replies that he has no e-mail, the adviser is stunned, "What, you don't have e-mail? How on earth have you managed to amass such wealth without the Internet, e-mail and e-commerce? Just imagine where you would be now, if you had been connected to the Internet from the very start!"

After a moment of thought, the tomato millionaire replied, "Why, of course! I would be a floor cleaner at Microsoft!"

Holy Humor

There was a very gracious lady who was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country. "Is there anything breakable in here?" asked the postal clerk. "Only the Ten Commandments," answered the lady.

Holy Humor

"Somebody has said there are only two kinds of people in the world. There are those who wake up in the morning and say, "Good morning, Lord," and there are those who wake up in the morning and say, "Good Lord, it's morning."

Holy Humor

A minister parked his car in a no-parking zone in a large city because he was short of time and couldn't find a space with a meter. Then he put a note under the windshield wiper that read: "I have circled the block 10 times. If I don't park here, I'll miss my appointment. Forgive us our trespasses."

When he returned, he found a citation from a police officer along with this note "I've circled this block for 10 years. If I don't give you a ticket I'll lose my job. Lead us not into temptation."

Holy Humor

There is the story of a pastor who got up one Sunday and announced to his congregation: "I have good news and bad news. The good news is, we have enough money to pay for our new building program.

The bad news is, it's still out there in your pockets."

Famous Quotes (12)

- When arguing with a stupid person, be sure he isn't doing the same thing.
- A man never tells you anything until you contradict him. (Bernard Shaw)
- Between friends differences in taste or opinion are irritating in direct proportion to their triviality (Auden)
- Silence is one of the hardest things to refute. (Josh Billings)
- A man convinced against his will is of the same opinion still. (Samuel Butler)
- A contentious man will never lack words.
- Men may be convinced, but they cannot be pleased, against their will. (Samuel Johnson)
- You have not converted a man because you have silenced him.
- There are two sides to every question. (Greek proverb)
- A long dispute means both parties are wrong. Voltaire
- Any fact is better established by two or three good testimonies than by a thousand arguments. (N. Emmons)
- I learned long ago never to wrestle with a pig. You get dirty, and besides, the pig likes it. (Cyrus Ching)
- There is nothing so annoying as arguing with somebody who knows what he is talking about.
- If you win all your arguments, you'll end up with no friends.
- One of the greatest wastes of energy known to humankind is arguing with someone whose opinion you don't give a hoot about anyhow.

- There are two major theories as to how men can win arguments with their wives and maintain their respect. Neither theory, however, has yet worked.
- Tact is the art of making a point without making an enemy.
- A degenerate nobleman is like a turnip. There is nothing good of him but that which is underground. (English saying)
- Arms carry peace. (Italian proverb)
- Let him who desires peace prepare for war. (Vegetius)
- Art is poetry without words. (Horace)
- If my husband would ever meet a woman on the street who looked like the women in his paintings, he would fall over in a dead faint. (Mis. Pablo Picasso)
- A modern artist is one who throws paint on a canvas, wipes it off with a cloth, and sells the cloth.
- An artist cannot speak about his art any more than a plant can discuss horticulture. (Jean Cocteau)
- Every artist dips his brush in his own soul, and paints his own nature into his pictures. (Henry W. Beecher)
- Real books should be the offspring not of daylight and casual talk but of darkness and silence. (Marcel Proust)
- Do not ask a blind man which is the right way. (German proverb)
- Remember that in giving any reason at all for refusing, you lay some foundation for a future request. (Arthur Helps)
- Make no little plans; they have no magic to stir men's blood. Make big plans, aim high in hope and work. (Daniel H. Burnham)
- 'Tis but a base, ignoble mind that mounts no higher than a bird can soar. (William Shakespeare)
- In the long run men hit only what they aim at. Therefore, though they should fail immediately, they had better aim at something high. (Henry David Thoreau)
- Words can never adequately convey the incredible impact of our attitude toward life. The longer I live the more convinced I become that life is 10 percent what happens to us and 90 percent how we respond to it. (Charles R. Swindoll)