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Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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New Sunday

***Weekend Masses:** Saturdays: Mass at 4:00 p.m. and Sundays: Mass at 10:30 a.m.

***Weekday Masses:** Mondays and Wednesdays and Fridays: No Mass. Pastor's office work.
Tuesdays and Thursdays Mass at 12:00 Noon

***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.

New Sunday

Readings: Is 5:2-7; 2Cor 5:11-21 and Jn 20:26-31

“**We have seen the Lord !**” The risen Christ had already appeared to the disciples in the absence of Thomas. He had shown the wounds of His passion and imparted to them His messianic peace. In anticipation of Pentecost He had given them the Holy Spirit -the Spirit who by their means would effect the work of salvation. Then came Thomas, and careless of what others thought, but true to himself, said flatly: “**Unless I see, I refuse to believe.**”

Thomas the apostle was a forthright and honest man: his mentality is revealed in various places in the Gospels. Here he shows us that in what concerns the adventure of faith, he is not easily convinced. How like ourselves he is, in his pursuit of the real, the tangible; mistrustful of ideologies unless they are vouched for by everyday experience. Yet God is not displeased at this! The most amazing thing about faith is that one can believe. The Lord understands this, and a week later takes him at his word and submits to his demand: “Give me your hand and put it into my **side. Doubt no longer but believe.**”

And what about us, twentieth century believers: are we going to drift through the liturgical celebration of the Easter Season, repeating abstractedly: “**Happy are those who have not seen, yet believe ?**” We ought rather to follow Thomas in trying to see the power of the Resurrection manifested in our lives -as individuals and as a community! We should wish to see this power healing the wounds of our brothers; undoing oppression; bringing back from the dead those men and women still engulfed in sin.

At least we can offer these a helping hand. Another amazing truth about faith is that we can believe in the impossible and do our utmost to achieve it. Then, and only then, dare we say, quite truthfully: “**My Lord and my God !**”

This Weekend: Saturday-Sunday, April 6-7: New Sunday

Saturday, April 6 at 4:00 pm: Mass followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

- ✠ Matthew Siebieda (Anniversary) by Larry & Lillian Siebieda
- ✠ 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 Burkhart

Sunday, April 7 at 10:30 am: Mass followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

- ✠ Our parents Joe & Nell Duffy and George & Rose Fadoul by Earl & Linda Duffy
- ✠ Chamse Rahi (Birthday) by her daughter Alicia Peklinsky
- ✠ Deceased of the Wakim Family by Chris and Jeannette Wakim

Weekdays Mass Schedule

Monday, April 8: No Mass. Pastor's day off.

Tuesday, April 9 Mass at Noon:

- ✠ Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, and her son Mark by her last will
- ✠ Janis & George Thomas (Ohio) by their last will
- ✠ Mary Stees by her Family

Wednesday, April 10: No Mass. Office works.

Thursday, April 11, Mass at Noon:

- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her last Will
- ✠ John Shiben by Denna O. Shiben (FL)
- ✠ Mary Stees by her Family

Friday, April 12: No Mass. Visitation of the sick

Next Weekend: Sat-Sunday, April 13-14: 3rd Sunday of Easter

Saturday, April 13 at 4:00 pm:

- ✠ Rosemary F. Coury (Anniversary) by Richard Coury
- ✠ Melo J. Wakim (Anniversary) by Chris & Jeannette Wakim
- ✠ Dana Burkhart by his wife Carol Burkhart

Sunday, April 14 at 10:30 am:

- ✠ Nancy Ferris Coffield (Anniversary and Mary Stees by Libby Magnone
- ✠ Gerard Joseph (Anniversary) by Larry & Becky Ferrera
- ✠ Deceased of the Yeater Family by Chris and Jeannette Wakim

Coming Parish Events

Sunday, April 14	Cedar Club Meeting after 10:30 am Mass
Sunday, April 21	Women's Society Meeting after 10:30 am Mass
Sunday, April 28	Mother Day dinner after 10:30 am Mass. Please reserve a seat early.
Saturday, May 11	Bake Sale. More details in next bulletins.
Father Day Masses	2 weekends Masses for Fathers & Grandfathers (June 15-23)

Mothers' Day Masses (from May 11 until May 19)

Masses for the Deceased Mothers and Grandmothers

✠ Special Remembrance:

- on May 12: Ray McLaughlin, Sr. (Anniversary) by Mark & Bard McLaughlin
- on May 12: Betty J. Fadoul, MarthAnn Rienhart and Elaine Cybulski and Jim Heagler (Birthday) by Millet Louis Fadoul and his children Janet, Millet C. and Jonathan.
- ✠ Deceased of the Togliatti & Harb Families by GiGi Rice
- ✠ Deceased mothers & grandmothers of Jamil Harb (MI)
- ✠ Louise N. Khourey & Gladys Howard by children Lou & Charlotte & grandchildren Emmalena & Louie
- ✠ Emma Nader & Nabiha "Lena" Khourey by Lou, Charlotte, Emmalena & Louie Khourey
- ✠ Minnie Church Riggs & Cassandra "Cassie" Howard by Lou, Charlotte, Emmalena & Louie Khourey
- ✠ Sadie Chidiac (mother), Kathrine & Hasibi (grandmothers) & all my sisters by Msgr. Bakhos
- ✠ Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, & her son Mark by her last will
- ✠ Janis & George Thomas (Ohio) by their last will
- ✠ Catherine Arthur by her daughter Carole Burkhart
- ✠ Pearl I (Nolte) Shutler (mother), Clara (Frohnafel) Shutler (grandmother) by Janet Shutler
- ✠ Isabelle (Frey) Nolte (great-grandmother) by Janet Shutler
- ✠ Lucy Gibbons, Ann Otterbeck and Sadie Coury by Ron & Kim Gibbons
- ✠ Shirley Elias Nickerson and Amelia Elias and Deceased of the Elias Family by Tammy Strong
- ✠ Wanda Nickerson by Tammy Strong
- ✠ Sara Joseph McLaughlin & Selma Joseph by Mark & Barb McLaughlin
- ✠ Mary Miller by Mark & Barb McLaughlin
- ✠ LaVerne Thomas and Siham Frenn by Dr Adel, Diane & Justin Frenn & Andreah & Zack & Christian Riedel
- ✠ Ginny and Martha Shia and Anna Shia by Sue Jochum and Family
- ✠ Edna Jochum by Sue Jochum and Family
- ✠ Foumia Saad Cater by her daughter Dr. Maryann Cater
- ✠ Siberia Georges Cater by her niece Dr. Maryann Cater
- ✠ Cecilia Ann Murad by her daughter Luane Frazier
- ✠ Lottie Ann Elwartoski by her son Richard Elwartoski
- ✠ Dorothy Saseen by Jim & Pat Connell
- ✠ Marie Connell by Jim & Pat Connell
- ✠ June Fahey by George & Patricia Fahey
- ✠ Agnes Jacovetty by George & Patricia Jacovetty-Fahey
- ✠ Mary K. Ferris by her daughter Denise Ferris
- ✠ Chamse Rahi and Mary Rouhana by the Peklinsky, Storm, Howarth and Rahi Families

- ✠ Frances Serafin by Dick & Ann Marie Serafin
- ✠ Julia Gongola by Dolores Oser
- ✠ Cecilia (mother) and Saada (grandmother) by Carol Dougherty (OK)
- ✠ Helen Schroeder by her son Mark and Jane Wine
- ✠ Doloes Palotay by the Palotay Family
- ✠ Elizabeth Luczak, Helen Hitt, Julia and Filka Hodulik and Alice Wilson by Judy Wilson
- ✠ Eileen M. Hatty and Mary Ann Hatty by the Hattys of Michigan
- ✠ Cecilia Frances Hatty by the Hattys of Michigan
- ✠ Ann Bott and Angela Henning by Don & Roberta Henning
- ✠ Dolores M. Leech Fahey and Minnie M. Leech by Jackie & Pat Petros
- ✠ Betty Lou Sherman Petros and Gertrude Sherman by Jackie & Pat Petros
- ✠ Rose Ann Polsinelli by Rosalie Conti
- ✠ Emily Vince by her children and grandchildren
- ✠ Patricia Gompers by the Matt Gompers Family
- ✠ Evelyn Goodson (mother) and Mariam Joseph (grandmother) by Cathy Goodson
- ✠ Viola Jeannette Yeater and Viola J. Reass by Chris & Jeannette Wakim
- ✠ Laura Z. Wakim and Edna Wakim by Chris & Jeannette Wakim
- ✠ Mariam Joseph and Mary Catherine Habeb by Jean Weisner and Family
- ✠ Martha Saseen by her son George Saseen
- ✠ Elizabeth Harasuk by her daughter Susan Saseen
- ✠ Georgette Joseph and Betty Allen by Vickie Joseph
- ✠ Nancy Valles by Vickie Joseph

Masses for the Living Mothers and Grandmothers

- ✠ Charlotte Kourey by her children Emmalena & Louie
- ✠ Living mothers & grandmothers of Jamil Harb (MI)
- ✠ My sisters & their daughters in law by Msgr. Bakhos
- ✠ Barb McLaughlin by Brad McLaughlin & Kristen Graney
- ✠ Barb McLaughlin by Nathan & Shane Graney
- ✠ Diane Frenn & Andrea Riedel by Dr Adel, Diane & Justin Frenn and Zack & Christian Riedel
- ✠ Jean Weisner by her 8 children
- ✠ Judy Hudlik Wilson by Buzz, Chris, Pete and Bailey
- ✠ Nancy Valles and Jo Ann Morrison by Vickie Joseph

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 was mailed to everyone on the church mailing list.

Birthdays Wishes in the Coming Month:

- April 8: Jesse John
- April 11: Randy Weisner
- April 12: Justin Frenn
- April 13: Adel Frenn

April 14: Mark McLaughlin, Lori Chickos
 April 20: Angela Petros
 April 28: Ann Marie Weisner Serafin
 April 29: Jeannette Wakim
 May 5: Eden DeMuth
 May 6: Nikki Lenz

<i>Your Church Support Last Week</i>	
\$1,738.00	Sunday Collection
318.00	2 nd collection Holy Land
72.00	Candles
3.00	Coffee hour
173.00	Donation to the church
40.00	Mother Day dinner
557.44	Mercy Meal
\$2,901.44	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)

Dolores Oser, Sally Sengewalt, Anthony Wakim, Earl Duffy, Fran Saseen, Rex Strawn, Sandra DeMuth, Justin Frenn, Elia Frenn, Patty Fahey, Patty Olinsky, Julia Schiess (daughter of Leo Bleifus), 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?

Parish Condolences: Rex Strawn

The pastor and the parishioners of Our Lady of Lebanon Church, offer their heartfelt sympathy to the Strawn Family on the loss of their beloved Rex who was preceded in death by his wife Rita Thomas-Strawn. Msgr. Bakhos -who was a very good friend of Rex for the last 23 years- celebrated the funeral service at Kepner Funeral Home on Saturday, April 6th. May the Blessed Mother intercede for Rex and Rita and lead them to the light of Christ. We extend the parish's condolences to their Family in their time of sorrow.

Parish Condolences: John Glaser

The pastor and the parishioners of Our Lady of Lebanon Church, offer their heartfelt sympathy to the Glaser Family on the loss of their beloved John who passed away in Cincinnati. John was the brother of our beloved parishioners Cathy & Mark Boehm and Mary Gotses. May the Blessed Mother intercede for him and lead him to the light of Christ. We extend the parish's condolences to his Family in their time of sorrow.

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, 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

Five Surprising Places to Find God in Your Life

Last Sunday I met some neighbors as we were walking to Mass. When we turned the corner and could see the church, their four-year-old pointed and said proudly, “That’s where God lives.” Like that four-year-old, many of us fall into the subtle trap of thinking the only place to find God is at church. If we’re not expecting to find God everywhere, we might just miss great opportunities for help, healing, and spiritual growth.

Here are five places where God awaits you:

1-At Work:

The relationships you have, the results you achieve, the quality and mindfulness with which you do your work can all be the stuff of holiness. Plus, the money you earn to support your family and the esteem you hold as a contributor to the world can either help serve the kingdom or be an impediment to it. Each day we “suit up and show up” at work we get opportunities to learn more about ourselves and to contribute our gifts to the good of the world.

2- In Difficult Relationships:

It’s easy to love other people when everything’s going well. When there are hurt feelings, mistrust, or clashing wills, however, relationships don’t feel very much as though they are of God. Yet it is at just those times that we can witness the movement of God in our lives, leading us to healing, trust, and cooperation. These can be opportunities to let go of character defects and to exercise virtues.

3- In Our Failings:

We all like to be heroes. We all want an “undefeated season. Yet it’s a given that each of us will fail in our lives—sometimes quite seriously. Nevertheless, when we hit our limits or even when we sin, we can turn to God for acceptance, mercy, and the strength to make amends and sin no more. In that turning to God and in our opening ourselves up to God’s grace and forgiveness, we become better people.

4- In Loneliness

Our hearts are restless until they rest in you, O God. Rather than trying to fill the emptiness with mindless entertainment or indulging our cravings, sit still and find God in the emptiness. It takes patience and courage and humility, but you will hear the “still small voice” of God even in the midst of your emptiness responding to your loneliness and restlessness with the only love that fully satisfies.

5- In Pleasure

Many people seem to think that if something’s fun, it must be at least partially wrong. Yet God gives us the world to live in and enjoy. In the words of St. Irenaeus, the “glory of God is a human being fully alive.” Therefore, pleasure is a place to meet God, whether it be the pleasure of nature, of playing, of loving one another, of beauty, or of the occasional overwhelming conviction that we are loved by God.

Wisdom

Risking

Two seeds lay side by side in the fertile soil.

The first seed said, "I want to grow! I want to send my roots deep into the soil beneath me, and thrust my sprouts through the earth's crust above me ... I want to unfurl my tender buds like banners to announce the

arrival of spring ... I want to feel the warmth of the sun on my face and the blessing of the morning dew on my petals!"

And so she grew...

The second seed said, "I am afraid. If I send my roots into the ground below, I don't know what I will encounter in the dark. If I push my way through the hard soil above me I may damage my delicate sprouts ... what if I let my buds open and a snail tries to eat them? And if I were to open my blossoms, a small child may pull me from the ground. No, it is much better for me to wait until it is safe."

And so she waited...

A yard hen scratching around in the early spring ground for food found the waiting seed and promptly ate it.

Moral of the Story: Those of us who refuse to risk and grow get swallowed up by life.

Story

Lisa gazed out over the sea, feeling the faint breeze against her face - eyes shut, the white sand warm between her bare toes. The place was beautiful beyond belief, but it was still unable to ease the grief she felt as she remembered the last time she had been here.

She had married James right here on this spot three years ago to the day. Dressed in a simple white shift dress, miniature white roses attempting to tame her long dark curls, Lisa had been happier than she had ever thought possible. James was even less formal but utterly irresistible increased summer trousers and a loose white cotton shirt. His dark hair slightly ruffled and his eyes full of adoration as he looked at his bride to be. The justice of the peace had read their vows as they held hands and laughed at the sheer joy of being young, in love and staying in a five star resort on the island. They had seen the years blissfully stretching ahead of them, together forever. They planned their children, two she said, he said four so they compromised on three (two girls and a boy of course); where they would live, the travelling they would do together - it was all certain, so they had thought then.

But that seemed such a long time ago now. A lot can change in just a few years - a lot of heartache can change a person and drive a wedge through the strongest ties, break even the deepest love. Three years to the day and they had returned, though this time not for the beachside marriages the island was famous for but for one of its equally popular quickie divorces.

Lisa let out a sigh that was filled with pain and regret. What could she do but move on, find a new life and new dreams? - the old one was beyond repair. How could this beautiful place, with its lush green coastline, eternity of azure blue sea and endless sands be a place for the agony she felt now?

The man stood watching from the edge of the palm trees. He couldn't take his eyes off the dark-haired woman he saw standing at the water's edge, gazing out to sea as though she was waiting for something - or someone. She was beautiful, with her slim figure dressed in a loose flowing cotton dress, her crazy hair and bright blue eyes not far off the color of the sea itself. It wasn't her looks that attracted him though; he came across many beautiful women in his work as a freelance photographer. It was her loneliness and intensity that lured him. Even at some distance he was aware that she was different from any other woman he could meet.

Lisa sensed the man approaching even before she turned around. She had been aware of him standing there staring at her and had felt strangely calm about being observed. She looked at him and felt the instant spark of connection she had only experienced once before. He walked slowly towards her and they held each other's gaze. It felt like meeting a long lost friend - not a stranger on a strange beach.

Later, sitting at one of the many bars on the resort, sipping the local cocktails they began to talk. First pleasantries, their hotels, the quality of the food and friendliness of the locals. Their conversation was strangely hesitant considering the naturalness and confidence of their earlier meeting. Onlookers, however, would have detected the subtle flirtation as they mirrored each other's actions and spoke directly into each other's eyes. Only later, after the alcohol had had its loosening effect, did the conversation deepen. They talked of why they were here and finally, against her judgment, Lisa opened up about her heartache of the past year and how events had led her back to the place where she had married the only man she believed she could ever love. She told him of things that had been locked deep inside her, able to tell no one. She told him how she had felt after she had lost her baby.

She was six months pregnant and the happiest she had ever been when the pains had started. She was

staying with her mother as James was working out of town. He hadn't made it back in time. The doctor had said it was just one of those things, that they could try again. But how could she when she couldn't even look James in the eye. She hated him then, for not being there, for not hurting as much as her but most of all for looking so much like the tiny baby boy that she held for just three hours before they took him away. All through the following months she had withdrawn from her husband, family, and friends. Not wanting to recover from the pain she felt - that would have been a betrayal of her son. At the funeral she had refused to stand next to her husband and the next day she had left him.

Looking up, Lisa could see her pain reflected in the man's eyes. For the first time in months she didn't feel alone, she felt the unbearable burden begin to lift from her, only a bit but it was a start. She began to believe that maybe she had a future after all and maybe it could be with this man, with his kind hazel eyes, wet with their shared tears.

They had come here to dissolve their marriage but maybe there was hope. Lisa stood up and took James by the hand and led him away from the bar towards the beech where they had made their vows to each other three years ago. Tomorrow she would cancel the divorce; tonight they would work on renewing their promises.

A Time to Laugh (110)

Jonah & the Whale

A little girl was talking to her teacher about whales. The teacher said it was physically impossible for a whale to swallow a human even though they were a very large.

The little girl stated that Jonah was swallowed by a whale.

The teacher reiterated that a whale could not swallow a human; it was impossible.

The little girl said, *"When I get to heaven I will ask Jonah"*

The teacher asked, *"What if Jonah went to hell?"*

The little girl replied, *"Then you ask him."*

What if God used voice mail?

"I'm sorry, all of our angels are busy helping other saints right now. However, your prayer is important to us and will be answered in the order it was received, so please stay on the line.

If you would like to speak to:

Gabriel, press 1. Michael, press 2. For directory of other angels, press 3.

If you'd like to hear King David sing a psalm while you are holding, press 4.

To find out if a loved one has been assigned to Heaven, press 5, enter his or her social security number, then press the pound key. (If you get a negative response, try area code 666.)

For reservations at "My Father's House," please enter J-O-H-N, followed by 3-1-6.

For answers to nagging questions about dinosaurs, the age of the earth and where Noah's Ark is, please wait until you arrive here.

Our computers show that you have already prayed once today. Please hang up and try again tomorrow so that others may have a chance to get through.

This office is closed for the weekend to observe a religious holiday.

If you need emergency assistance when this office is closed, contact your local pastor."

(Luckily, God's office is open 24 hours a day and we will not be put on hold)

Holy Humor

Two boys were walking home from Sunday school after hearing a strong preaching on the devil.

One said to the other, 'What do you think about all this Satan stuff?'

The other boy replied, 'Well, you know how Santa Claus turned out.

It's probably just your Dad.'

Holy Humor

Attending a wedding for the first time, a little girl whispered to her mother, 'Why is the bride dressed in white?'

The mother replied, 'Because white is the color of happiness, and today is the happiest day of her life.'

The child thought about this for a moment then said, 'So why is the groom wearing black?'

Holy Humor

A little girl, dressed in her Sunday best, was running as fast as she could, trying not to be late for Bible class. As she ran she prayed, 'Dear Lord, please don't let me be late! Dear Lord, please don't let me be late!' While she was running and praying, she tripped on a curb and fell, getting her clothes dirty and tearing her dress. She got up, brushed herself off, and started running again!

As she ran she once again began to pray, 'Dear Lord, please don't let me be late...But please don't shove me either!'

Famous Quotes (15)

- Before beginning, prepare carefully. (Cicero)
- I start where the last man left off. (Thomas Edison)
- Begin it, and the work will be completed. (Johann Goethe)
- Once begun, a task is easy. (Horace)
- Great is the art of beginning, but greater is the art of ending. (H. Longfellow)
- The beginning is the most important part of the work. (Plato)
- Believe not all that you see nor half what you hear.
- What a man desires he easily believes.
- Seeing is believing.
- Every man who attacks my belief diminishes in some degree my confidence in it, and therefore makes me uneasy, and I am angry with him who makes me uneasy. (Samuel Johnson)
- If you love not the noise of bells, why do you pull the ropes?
- A full belly is the mother of all evil.
- An empty belly hears nobody.
- When the belly is full, the mind is amongst the maids.
- To accept a benefit is to sell one's freedom. (Latin proverb)
- If you stop to think about it, there are very few benefits in your life for which you can take sole credit. (Gary Smalley)
- The Bible in 50 Words!
God made, Adam bit, Noah arked, Abraham split, Joseph ruled, Jacob fooled, Bush talked, Moses balked, Pharaoh plagued, People walked, Sea divided, Tablets guided, Promise landed, Saul freaked, David peeked, Prophets warned, Jesus born, God walked, Love talked, Anger crucified, Hope died, Love rose, Spirit flamed, Word spread, God remained.
- Whom to Blame? The reason people blame things on previous generations is that there is only one other choice.
- Budget Analysis: A well-planned budget is the best way to know why you went broke.
- Economic Equation: If your outgo exceeds your income, then your upkeep will be your downfall.
- Income for One: The young man asked his girlfriend, "If we get married, will you be able to live on my income?"
- His girlfriend answered, "I think so, but what will you live on?"
- Test with One Foot: No one tests the depth of a river with both feet.
- Crocodile Confusion: Don't think there are no crocodiles because the water is calm.
- Recalled by Maker: Drive carefully, it's not only cars that can be recalled by their maker.
- Pandora's Box Lesson: From Greek mythology comes a great lesson. Pandora opened the box that unleashed all kinds of evil. The lesson is this: Don't open any box that you did not close.
- Creative Maturity: To exist is to change; to change is to mature; to mature is to create oneself endlessly. (Henri Bergson)
- True words then and true words now!
- When we get piled upon one another in large cities, as in Europe, we shall become as corrupt as Europe.

(Thomas Jefferson)

--The democracy will cease to exist when you take away from those who are willing to work and give to those who would not. (Thomas Jefferson)

--It is incumbent on every generation to pay its own debts as it goes. A principle which if acted on would save one-half the wars of the world. (Thomas Jefferson)