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Bulletin #20

Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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Pentecost 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**: 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.

Pentecost Sunday

Readings: Gen 11:1-19; Acts 2:1-21 and Jn 14:15-20

“Peace be with you” (Jn 20:1 9b), Jesus says as he breathes the Holy Spirit into us. The breath of God animated the first man and woman, and the Spirit gives birth to a new people of God. This is the great event when all peoples become one. No law can unite “every nation under heaven” (Acts 2:5b). It can only happen when people gather together to pray and seek God’s guidance. Without God’s Spirit, we perish, and all our efforts turn to dust.

As the fire of divine wisdom widens our horizons, the barriers between us disappear and everyone sings the praise of God in one voice. The Spirit is Lord of all, many people with unique gifts and different ministries. In “the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body” (1 Cor 12:13a), whether Jew or gentile, slave or free, woman or man. Black, red, white, yellow, or brown, we are all one people. Baptized into the Body of Christ, we share our broken lives to heal a broken world. The “Great 50 Days” may end, but the task of bringing about God’s reign has just begun.

From Saturday, May 11 until Sunday, May 19: Masses for the Living & Deceased Mothers & grandmothers

Masses for the Deceased Mothers and Grandmothers

† Special Remembrance:

--on May 6: Leona M. Albaugh (Anniversary) by Denny Albaugh

--on May 12: Ray McLaughlin, Sr. (Anniversary) by Mark & Barb McLaughlin

--on May 12: Betty J. Fadoul, MarthAnn Rienhart & Elaine Cybulski and Jim Heagler (Birthday) by Millet Louis Fadoul & his children Janet, Millet C. and Jonathan.

--on May 19: Gladys Howard by Lou, Charlotte and Louie Khourey

† 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 Burkhardt

† Pearl I (Nolte) Shutler (mother), Clara (Frohnappel) Shutler (grandmother) by Janet Shutler

† Isabelle (Frey) Nolte (great-grandmother) by Janet Shutler

† Lucy Gibbons, Ann Otterbeck & Sadie Coury by Ron & Kim Gibbons

† Shirley Elias Nickerson & 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 & Siham Frenn by Dr. Adel, Diane & Justin Frenn and Andrea and 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 & Mary Rouhana by the Peklinsky, Storm, Howarth and Rahi Families
- † Frances Serafin by Dick & Ann Marie Serafin
- † Julia Gongola by Dolores Oser
- † Cecilia (mother) & Saada (grandmother) by Carol Dougherty (OK)
- † Helen Schroeder by her son Mark & Jane Wine
- † Dolores Palotay by the Palotay Family
- † Elizabeth Luczak, Helen Hitt, Julia & Filka Hodulik & 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 & 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 & grandchildren
- † Patricia Gompers by the Matt Gompers Family
- † Evelyn Goodson (mother) & Mariam Joseph (grandmother) by Cathy Goodson
- † Viola Jeannette Yeater & Viola J. Reass by Chris & Jeannette Wakim
- † Laura Z. Wakim & Edna Wakim by Chris & Jeannette Wakim
- † Mariam Joseph & Mary Catherine Habeb by Jean Weisner & Family
- † Martha Saseen by her son George Saseen
- † Elizabeth Harasuk by her daughter Susan Saseen
- † Georgette Joseph & Betty Allen by Vickie Joseph
- † Nancy Valles by Vickie Joseph
- † Mary J. Shipley (mother) & Salema A. Joseph (grandmother) by Thomasina Geimer
- † Elena Caputi Blake & Delia Cetorelli and Angela Caputi by Lillian & Larry Siebieda
- † Mary Stees (sister) and Jennie Magnone (grandma) by Libby Magnone
- † Elizabeth A. Magnone (mother), Josephine Ferris & Isabel Wolfe (aunts) & Zaid Ferris (grandma) by Libby Magnone
- † Cecilia Kzaley and Scundra Aside (MN) by Pat & Leon Anderson
- † Hazel Anderson and Warde Kzaley (MN) by Pat & Leon Anderson
- † Beloved mother Elizabeth Gaudio by her daughter Shirley Bine
- † Miriam Joseph by Kenny & Nancy Joseph & Family
- † Sharon Dennis and Ellen Dennis by Annette Wetzel
- † Mona Lauderman Wetzel and Beryl Wetzel by Rusty Wetzel
- † Betty Joseph, Teresa Ferrera, Edith Joseph, Sara McLaughlin, Diane Russell and Selma Joseph by Larry & Becky Ferrera
- † Mary Jean Comas, Janet Ferrera and Joan Slack by Larry & Becky Ferrera
- † Rose Fadoul & Nell Duffy by Mickey & Linda Duffy
- † Theresa Sofka by Mike & Judy Sofka
- † Mary Jean Stanton by Mike & Judy Sofka
- † Janice Roxby by Mary Ragase
- † Nawal Korban and Najla Nassar by Anthony & Rena Nassar
- † Charlotte George and Beatrice Stiles (MN) by Margaret George
- † Maryanna George (MN) by Margaret George
- † Mary Popovich and Anna Popovich by Joe & Nikki Popovich
- † Helen Fielding and Freda Hartman and Angela Montalbano by Joe & Nikki Popovich

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 & Justin Frenn and Zack & Christian Riedel
- † Jean Weisner by her 8 children
- † Judy Hudlik Wilson by Buzz, Chris, Pete & Bailey
- † Nancy Valles & Jo Ann Morrison by Vickie Joseph
- † Josie Fertig (niece) by Libby Magnone
- † Caroline McDowell (niece) by Libby Magnone
- † Cherilynn Kzaley (MN) by Pat & Leon Anderson
- † Jean Weisner by her son Gary
- † Clara Sue Bker by Annette Wetzel
- † Becky, Andee, Deana Ferrera and Melissa Renzeller by Larry, Tony, Larry III and Denny Ferrera
- † Nikki J. Lenz by Joe & Nikki Popovich
- † Nikki A. Popovich by Joe Popovich

Weekdays Mass Schedule

Monday, May 20: No Mass. Pastor's day off.

Tuesday, May 21 Mass at Noon:

- † Mary Stees by her Family
- † Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her last Will
- † Walter & Lottie Elwartoski (Wedding Anniversary) by their son Richard
- † Noel Foreman by his wife Anne and Family

Wednesday, May 22: No Mass. Office works.

Thursday, May 23, Mass at Noon:

- † Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, & her son Mark by her last will
- † Erlinda Pacheco Tackaberry (TN) by her husband Steve Tackaberry
- † Rex Strawn by the Cedar Club
- † Janis & George Thomas (Ohio) by their last will

Friday, May 24: No Mass. Visitations of the sick.

Next Weekend: Sat-Sun., May 25-26: 2nd Sunday of Pentecost

Saturday, May 25 at 4:00 pm:

- † John Glaser by his sisters Kathy Boehm & Mary Gotses & Families
- † Janice Roxby by Mary Ragase
- † Robert Rose (Birthday) by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt
- † Dana Burkhart by his wife Carol & Family

Sunday, May 26 at 10:30 am:

- † Mary Stees by her Family
- † Bill Dougherty (Birthday) by his wife Carol (OK)
- † John H. & Marion W. Colfer (OH) by their son Sean P. Colfer

Coming Parish Events

Sunday, May 19	Women's Society Club Meeting after 10:30 a.m. Mass in Cedar Hall
Father Day Masses	2 weekends Masses for Fathers & Grandfathers (June 15-23)

Flowers to the Blessed Mother During May

Thank you to Nettie Seidler & Mary Lish for sponsoring the first week Flowers

Week of 05/19/24	Liz Murad, Susan John Burns, Kathleen George
Week of 05/26/24	Libby Magnone, Thomasina Geimer, Pam Obyc, Patrick Stees

NAM Delegate needed

Dear parishioners, If anyone have time to attend the NAM Convention in Detroit this year, our church needs one or two delegates to represent us at the meetings. The NAM is in the first week of July (4-7 July). Please contact Msgr Bakhos for details. Thanks.

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:

May 20:	John Fadoul
May 21:	Ella George,
May 23:	Danny Ferrera, Jim George Jr.,
May 27:	Emmalena Khourey, Brad McLaughlin
May 30:	Josie Stees Fertig
June 1:	Billy Committee
June 2:	Debbie Sengewalt
June 5:	Earl "Mickey" Duffy, Kenly George
June 7:	Jean Weisner
June 9:	Ava DeMuth
June 14:	P.J. Lenz, Kathy Boehm
June 15:	Becky Joseph Ferrera, Grace Ferrera

Your Church Support Last Week

\$2,495.00	Sunday Collection
39.00	Candles
18.00	Coffee hour
1,665.00	Mahrajan
411.00	utilities
1,963.50	Bake sale deposited in Women Society account
\$6,591.50	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)

Regina, Shelly and Gavin Hancher, Mary Zigler (sister of Lillian Siebieda), Dolores Oser, Sally Sengewalt, Anthony Wakim, Earl Duffy, Fran Saseen, 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),

What's New?

In our Mailbox

Dear Msgr Bakhos and Our Lady of Lebanon Parishiners.

We would like to graciously say thank you for your most generous donation to myself, my wife Melissa and our children! We are so thankful for everyone to consider us in our time of need. We are humbled to have such a great community of support and love. After this accident it has been such a challenge in every part of our lives and by helping us to continue our journey by donating \$4,250.00, you have made such a difference in our lives. We will use these funds toward much needed transportation and rehab so that someday mobility will return! Please know that we will continue to keep faith and are so thankful to have the kindness of your giving to us. God bless all of you from the bottom of our hearts! With much love and gratitude,
Frank, Melissa, Macy, Cole and Cade Gilbert

Rummage Sale Information

Drop off days are scheduled for **May 20, 21, 22** and **May 27, 28, 29** from **12 Noon to 3:00 p.m.** in the basement Hall. Our Parish Rummage Sale will be on **Friday, June 7th from 4:00p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** and on **Saturday, June 8th from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** For any questions call Linda at 304-242-6853. Thank you

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

Around Us

Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration at St. Michael Church, 1225 National Road Wheeling, Monday – Friday from 8:00am – 5:00 pm. The adoration chapel is located next to the cry room or you may enter from the door next to the parking lot on Seibert Street. **All are welcome.** While you are there you are welcome to take a Miraculous medal, a St. Benedict medal or a St. Benedict crucifix. You may stay as long as you like or as long your schedule permits. We are always looking for those who would like to commit to an hour or those who would like to be a substitute. If you have any questions, please call Gretchen Wilson at: 304-280-1451.

Jesus is waiting for you. Thank you ~ Gretchen Wilson

Spirituality: Apparitions

Apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary:

1-Our Lady of Guadalupe (1531 Approved)

2-Rue de Bac, Paris, France (1830 Approved)

- 3-Las Salette, France (1864 Approved)
- 4-Lourdes, France (1858 Approved)
- 5-Pontmain, France (1871 Approved)
- 6-Fatima, Portugal (1917 Approved)
- 7-Beauraging, Belgium (1932-1933 Approved)
- 8-Banneux, Belgium (1933 Approved)
- 9-Amsterdam, The Neverlands (1945-1984 Under investigation)
- 10-Garabandal, Spain (1961 Under investigation)
- 11-Akita, Japan (1973 Approved by Local Bishop)
- 12-Medjugorje, Yugoslavia (1981 Still going under investigation)
- 13-Kibeho, Rwanda (1981 Approved by local bishop)
- 14-San Nicholas, Argentina (1983 Under investigation).

The Blessed Mother is the mother of mercy and mother of the merciful Savior as Jesus is present body, blood, soul, and divinity in the Eucharist. She leads us to him and gives us examples of pure humility.

Mother Theresa said, *“Through Mary, the cause of our joy, you discover that nowhere on earth you are more welcomed. Nowhere on earth are you more loved by Jesus, living and truly present in the most blessed sacrament... He is really there in person waiting just for you.”*

Apparitions of the Risen Lord Jesus Christ:

- 1-To Mary Magdalene Jn 20:11 ff and Mk 19:9ff
- 2-To other women who saw two angels and Jesus met them on the road Lk 24:1ff
- 3-To Peter Jn 21:15ff
- 4-To two disciples on the road to Emmaus Lk 24:13ff
- 5-To other disciples Lk 24:36ff
- 6-To Thomas Jn 20:24ff
- 7-To 7 disciples Jn 21:1ff
- 8-To disciples on the mountain Lk 24:50ff
- 9-To James and 500 peoples 1Cor 15:5ff
- 10-To Saul (Saint Paul) on the road to Damascus Acts 9

Note: Saint Peter participated in 6 appearances

In all the appearances the Blessed Mother and Jesus conveyed the same message: Repent for the forgiveness of your sins. The Gospel started this message with John the Baptist and ended it with Jesus in Luke 24:47.

Wisdom: Safety Tips for Women

Because of the recent abduction of Dru Sjodin, from Grand Forks parking lot in daylight hours, refresh yourself of these things to do in an emergency situation...This is for you, and for you to share with your wife, your children, everyone you know.

Please take the time to read this. I know you are smart enough to know these pointers but there will be some, where you will go "hmm I must remember that".

After reading this, share it with someone you care about. It never hurts to be careful in this crazy world we live in.

1. Tip from Tae Kwon Do: The elbow is the strongest point on your body. If you are close enough to use it, do!
2. Learned this from a tourist guide in New Orleans. If a robber asks for your wallet and/or purse, DO NOT HAND IT TO HIM. Toss it away from you.... chances are that he is more interested in your wallet and/or purse than you, and he will go for the wallet/purse. RUN LIKE MAD IN THE OTHER DIRECTION!
3. If you are ever thrown into the trunk of a car, kick out the back tail lights and stick your arm out the hole and start waving like crazy. The driver won't see you, but everybody else will. This has saved lives.
4. Women have a tendency to get into their cars after shopping, eating, working, etc., and just sit (doing their checkbook, or making a list, etc. DON'T DO THIS! The predator will be watching you, and this is

the perfect opportunity for him to get in on the passenger side, put a gun to your head, and tell you where to go. **AS SOON AS YOU GET INTO YOUR CAR, LOCK! THE DOORS AND LEAVE.**

5. A few notes about getting into your car in a parking lot, or parking garage:
 - a- Be aware: look around you, look into your car, at the passenger side floor, and in the back seat.
 - b- If you are parked next to a big van, enter your car from the passenger door. Most serial killers attack their victims by pulling them into their vans while the women are attempting to get into their cars.
 - c- Look at the car parked on the driver's side of your vehicle, and the passenger side. If a male is sitting alone in the seat nearest your car, you may want to walk back into the mall, or work, and get a guard/policeman to walk you back out. **IT IS ALWAYS BETTER TO BE SAFE THAN SORRY.** (And better paranoid than dead.)
6. **ALWAYS** take the elevator instead of the stairs. (Stairwells are horrible places to be alone and the perfect crime spot).
7. If the predator has a gun and you are not under his control, **ALWAYS RUN!** The predator will only hit you (a running target) 4 in 100 times; and even then, it most likely **WILL NOT** be a vital organ. **RUN!**
8. Women, always try to be sympathetic: **STOP.** It may get you raped, or killed. Ted Bundy, the serial killer, was a good-looking, well educated man, who **ALWAYS** played on the sympathies of unsuspecting women. He walked with a cane, or a limp, and often asked "for help" into his vehicle or with his vehicle, which is when he abducted his next victim
9. Another Safety Point: Someone just told me that her friend heard a crying baby on her porch the night before last, and she called the police because it was late and she thought it was weird. The police told her "Whatever you do, **DO NOT** open the door." The lady then said that it sounded like the baby had crawled near a window, and she was worried that it would crawl to the street and get run over. The policeman said, "We already have a unit on the way, whatever you do, **DO NOT** open the door." He told her that they think a serial killer has a baby's cry recorded and uses it to coax women out of their homes thinking that someone dropped off a baby. He said they have not verified it, but have had several calls by women saying that they hear baby's cries outside their doors when they're home alone at night. Please pass this on and **DO NOT** open the door for a crying baby.

Story: The yellow roses

I walked into the grocery store not particularly interested in buying groceries. I wasn't hungry. The pain of losing my husband of 7 years was still too raw. And this grocery store held so many sweet memories.

He often came with me and almost every time he'd pretend to go off and look for something special. I knew what he was up to. I'd always spot him walking down the aisle with the three yellow roses in his hands. He knew I loved yellow roses. With a heart filled with grief, I only wanted to buy my few items and leave, but even grocery shopping was different since he had passed on. Shopping for one took time, a little more thought than it had for two. Standing by the meat, I searched for the perfect small steak and remembered how he had loved his steak.

Suddenly a woman came beside me. She was blonde, slim and lovely in a soft green pantsuit. I watched as she picked up a large pack of T-bones, dropped them in her basket, hesitated, and then put them back. She turned to go and once again reached for the pack of steaks. She saw me watching her and she smiled. "My husband loves T-bones, but honestly, at these prices, I don't know." I swallowed the emotion down my throat and met her pale blue eyes. "My husband passed away eight days ago," I told her. Glancing at the package in her hands, I fought to control the tremble in my voice. "Buy him the steaks. And cherish every moment you have together."

She shook her head and I saw the emotion in her eyes as she placed the package in her basket and wheeled away. I turned and pushed my cart across the length of the store to the dairy products. There I stood, trying to decide which size milk I should buy. Quart, I finally decided and moved on to the ice cream. If nothing else, I could always fix myself an ice cream cone. I placed the ice cream in my cart and looked down the aisle toward the front. I saw first the green suit, then recognized the pretty lady coming towards me. In her arms she carried a

package. On her face was the brightest smile I had ever seen. I would swear a soft halo encircled her blonde hair as she kept walking toward me, her eyes holding mine.

As she came closer, I saw what she held and tears began misting in my eyes. "These are for you," she said and placed three beautiful long stemmed yellow roses in my arms. "When you go through the line, they will know these are paid for." She leaned over and placed a gentle kiss on my cheek, then smiled again. I wanted to tell her what she'd done, what the roses meant, but still unable to speak, I watched as she walked away as tears clouded my vision. I looked down at the beautiful roses nestled in the green tissue wrapping and found it almost unreal.

How did she know? Suddenly the answer seemed so clear. I wasn't alone Oh, you haven't forgotten me, have you? I whispered, with tears in my eyes. He was still with me, and she was his angel.

A Time to Laugh (116)

Stupid #1

A Stupid and his friend were walking outside when the friend said, "Oh, look at the dead bird." The Stupid looked towards the sky and said, "Where, where?"

Holy Humor

A Sunday School teacher asked her class why Joseph and Mary took Jesus with them to Jerusalem ..A small child replied, 'They couldn't get a baby-sitter.'

Holy Humor

A Sunday school teacher was discussing the Ten Commandments with her five and six year olds. After explaining the commandment to 'Honor thy father and thy mother,' she asked, 'Is there a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters?'

Without missing a beat, one little boy answered, 'Thou shall not kill..'

Holy Humor

At Sunday School they were teaching how God created everything, including human beings. Little Johnny seemed especially intent when they told him how Eve was created out of one of Adam's ribs. Later in the week his mother noticed him lying down as though he were ill, and she said, 'Johnny, what is the matter?' Little Johnny responded, 'I have pain in my side. I think I'm going to have a wife.'

Idiots in food service:

My daughter went to a local Taco Bell and ordered a taco. She asked the person behind the counter for "minimal lettuce." He said he was sorry, but they only had iceberg.

Innocent humorous Kids:

It was that time during the Sunday morning service for "*the children's sermon*," and all the children were invited to come forward. One little girl was wearing a particularly pretty dress and, as she sat down, the pastor leaned over and said to her, "*That is a very pretty dress. Is it your Easter dress?*" The little girl replied, directly into the pastor's clip-on microphone, "*Yes, and my Mom says it's hell to iron.*"

Idiot's # 2

Seems that a year ago, some Boeing employees on the airfield decided to steal a life raft from one of the 747s. They were successful in getting it out of the plane and home. When they took it for a float on the river, they were surprised by a Coast Guard helicopter coming towards them. It turned out that the chopper was homing in on the emergency locator that is activated when the raft is inflated. They are no longer employed at Boeing.

Idiot # 3

A true story from San Francisco: A man, wanting to rob a downtown Bank of America, walked into the branch and wrote: "*This iz a stikkup. Put all your muny in this bag.*" While standing in line, waiting to give his note to the teller, he began to worry that someone had seen him write the note and would call the police before he

reached the tellers window. So he left the Bank of America and crossed the street to Wells Fargo. After waiting a few minutes in line, he handed his note to the Wells Fargo teller. She read it and, surmising from his spelling errors that he wasn't the brightest light in the harbor, told him that she could not accept his stickup note that it was written on a Bank of America deposit slip and that he would either have to fill out a Wells Fargo deposit slip or go back to Bank of America. Looking somewhat defeated, the man said: "OK" and left. He was arrested a few minutes later, as he was waiting in line back at Bank of America.

Innocent humorous Kids

Finding one of her students making faces at others on the playground, Ms. Smith stopped to gently reprove the child. Smiling sweetly, the Sunday School teacher said, "*Bobby, when I was a child I was told if that I made ugly faces, it would freeze and I would stay like that.*" Bobby looked up and replied, "*Well, Ms Smith, you can't say you weren't warned.*"

Famous Quotes (20)

- "Smoking kills. If you're killed, you've lost a very important part of your life," (Brooke Shields, during an interview to become spokesperson for a federal antismoking campaign.)
- "I've never had major knee surgery on any other part of my body," (Winston Bennett, University of Kentucky basketball forward.)
- "Outside of the killings, Washington has one of the lowest crime rates in the country," (Mayor Marion Barry, Washington, DC.)
- "I'm not going to have some reporters pawing through our papers. We are the president," (Hillary Clinton commenting on the release of subpoenaed documents.)
- "Half this game is ninety percent mental." (Philadelphia Phillies, manager, Danny Ozark)
- "It isn't pollution that's harming the environment. It's the impurities in our air and water that are doing it." (Al Gore, Vice President)
- "I love California. I practically grew up in Phoenix." (Dan Quayle)
- "It's no exaggeration to say that the undecided could go one way or another" (George Bush, US President)
- "We've got to pause and ask ourselves: How much clean air do we need?" (Lee Iacocca)
- "I was provided with additional input that was radically different from the truth. I assisted in furthering that version," (Colonel Oliver North, from his Iran-Contra testimony.)
- "The word "genius" isn't applicable in football. A genius is a guy like Norman Einstein," (Joe Theisman, NFL football quarterback & sports analyst.)
- "We don't necessarily discriminate. We simply exclude certain types of people," (Colonel Gerald Wellman, ROTC Instructor.)
- "If we don't succeed, we run the risk of failure." (Bill Clinton, President)
- "We are ready for an unforeseen event that may or may not occur." (Al Gore, Vice President)
- "Traditionally, most of Australia's imports come from overseas." (Keppel Enderbery)
- "Your food stamps will be stopped effective March 1992 because we received notice that you passed away. May God bless you. You may reapply if there is a change in your circumstances." (Department of Social Services, Greenville, South Carolina)
- "If somebody has a bad heart, they can plug this jack in at night as they go to bed and it will monitor their heart throughout the night. And the next morning, when they wake up dead, there'll be a record." (Mark S. Fowler, FCC Chairman)
- "Oh, you hate your job? Why didn't you say so? There's a support group for that. It's called EVERYBODY, and they meet at the bar." (Author Unknown)