

# **Our Lady of Lebanon**

### **Maronite Catholic Church**

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# **Church Clergy**

Father Pierre ElKhoury, M.L.M., Pastor Deacon John Sfire Subdeacon Thomas Podraza Subdeacon George Roumanos

# **Mass Schedule**

Sundays: 9:30 am (English) & 11:30 am (English & Arabic)

#### Confession

Contact the priest or the church office to arrange your confession during the week.

## **Baptism**

Please call the Church office for arrangements <u>one month</u> prior to the celebration of the Sacrament.

# Marriage

Please allow at least <u>six months</u> of preparation time. Date arrangements are made after the initial meet with pastor before any other commitments are made.

## Ministry of the Sick

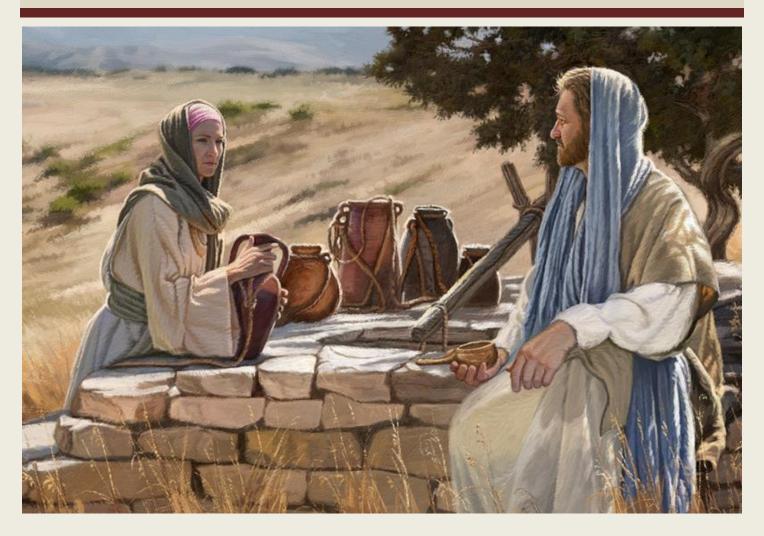
If any parishioner is seriously ill at home or in a hospital, please call the pastor or the Church office to arrange for Communion, Confession or Anointing of the Sick.

## **Maronite Catholic Education**

Catechism Classes for children are on Sundays from 10:20 am – 11:20 am.

# Season of Glorious Epiphany Jesus and the Samaritan Woman

February 03, 2019



A tired Jesus is sitting at the well when a Samaritan woman came to draw water from the well. Jesus asks the Samaritan woman for a drink. But His request was strange at several levels: Gender difference, religious difference and the woman's low status.

Nevertheless, Jesus asks her for a drink, and, though she doesn't refuse, she wonders aloud why He would go against the social norms to ask her for a drink.

Jesus' reply draws the woman's attention to two things: (1) His gift, and (2) His person. "If you knew the gift of God and Who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked Him and He would have given you living water."

Jesus makes two claims for those who drink this Living Water: (1) they will never thirst (2) they will have eternal life.

We will never thirst because we will always be in touch with God through the Spirit. And we will have eternal life because the Holy Spirit will seal and preserve us until the coming of Christ.

# Pray For

Please call the parish office to inform us of an illness or hospitalization of a parishioner or family member. If you would like to add or remove your name or a relative's name from our prayer list, please contact us.

# Mass Intentions for NEXT SUNDAY February 10, 2019

09:30 AM

**Deceased of the Shaker and Abraham families** (The Shaker Family)

11:30 AM

Lucille and Victor Wertz & Tammer and Mary Caleel – Maria Louise Caleel and Dr. George Caleel (By The Caleel Family)

# Bible Verse

"The water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

John 4:14

#### From the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans 7:1-6

Do you not know, that the law is binding on a person only during that person's lifetime? Thus a married woman is bound by the law to her husband as long as he lives; but if her husband dies, she is discharged from the law concerning the husband. Accordingly, she will be called an adulteress if she lives with another man while her husband is alive. But if her husband dies, she is free from that law, and if she marries another man, she is not an adulteress. In the same way, my friends, you have died to the law through the body of Christ, so that you may belong to another, to him who has been raised from the dead in order that we may bear fruit for God. While we were living in the flesh, our sinful passions, aroused by the law, were at work in our members to bear fruit for death. But now we are discharged from the law, dead to that which held us captive, so that we are slaves not under the old written code but in the new life of the Spirit.

# From the Holy Gospel according to Saint John - John 4:5-26

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon. A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."



## **Mass Celebration**



**Baptism of the Lord:** P. 109 **Anaphora of Saint Peter:** P. 774

# **Sunday Readings**



Reading: Romans 7:1-6 Holy Gospel: John 4:5-26

## **Mass Intentions**



09:30 AM

**George Antoon** (Dr Raymond and Laure Daou)

# 11:30 AM

Leila Saadeh Sweilem (Sweilem Family)
Pierre Naffah (Naffah Family)

Schedules	Sunday 9:30 am	Sunday 11:30 am
Readers	Anita Zodo	Gisele Mulcahey (Arabic) Sara Masud (English)
Ushers	Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend	Ed Kneip, Joe Gharib Albert Dakhoul, John Albani

## **Announcements**

- \* Arabic Classes: Fridays 7pm to 8 pm From next Friday till the end of April \$100 per child.
- **★ MYO Dabke and Choir:** Every Friday from 7 pm to 9 pm.
- \* Feast of Saint Maroun February 8 @ 7 pm: One hour of Prayer followed by refreshments and card games.
- \* Feast of Saint Maroun Sunday, February 10: Mass followed by lunch.
- \* Doris Farhat Valentine's Party February 16. Tickets \$60.

### Let us remember

We pray for our Beloved Ones who died during the Month of February

Megan Shaker - James Abraham - Stasia Abraham - Bertha Derzy - Dixie Haddad - Chris Crispin-Peter Dumit - Maurice Zayek - Louis Haddad - Robert Basil - James Bomrad - Fredia Saige - Nabiha Farris - Mary Bouzide

### COLLECTION

**January 27, 2018:** \$1,922.00

"Each one must give from his heart, for God loves a cheerful giver."

2 Corinthians 9:7