



# 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 one month prior to the celebration of the Sacrament.

### Marriage

Please allow at least six months 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  
Manifestation of Christ's Mystery  
January 13, 2019



It is interesting to know that John did not know who the Christ was when he began his mission as the forerunner. John simply began preaching and baptizing by faith. But one day, as he was baptizing, Jesus came to him. Unlike others, Jesus was holy and pure.

As Jesus was coming up out of the water, something amazing happened: "I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. And John testified, "This is the Son of God."

The Holy Spirit will open our eyes to see Jesus, the Son of God, and When the Holy Spirit comes into our hearts, he bums away our sins and purifies our souls. The Holy Spirit enables us to live a powerful and active life for the glory of God.

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Let's accept this word of God by faith and ask the work of the Holy Spirit in our hearts.

## 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 January 20, 2018

### 09:30 AM

**40 DAYS George Antoon** (*The Antoon Family*)  
**Abdo Daou & Jeanette Mattar** (*Dr. Raymond and Laure Daou*)  
**Jackie Haddad** (*Bill and Cheryl Blum*)

### 11:30 AM

**George Antoon** (*Terry Boden*)  
**Nina Haddad Mueller** (*Tony & Maha Ziade*)

## Bible Verse

*Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!*

John 1:29

## **Psalm 40**

I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me and heard my cry.  
He drew me up from the pit, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.  
He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.  
Happy are those who make the LORD their trust, who do not turn to the proud.  
You have multiplied, O LORD my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us;  
Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have given me an open ear.  
Then I said, "Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me.  
I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart."  
I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation;  
See, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O LORD.  
I have not hidden your saving help within my heart,  
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;  
I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.  
Do not, O LORD, withhold your mercy from me;  
Let your steadfast love and your faithfulness keep me safe forever. **Alleluia!**

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## **From the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians 1:1-9**

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, to the church of God that is in Corinth, to you who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be holy, with all those everywhere who call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, their Lord and ours.

I give thanks to my God always on your account for the grace of God bestowed on you in Christ Jesus, that in him you were enriched in every way, with all discourse and all knowledge, as the testimony to Christ was confirmed among you, so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, and by him you were called to fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **From the Gospel of our Lord according to John 1:29-42**

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God."

	<b>Mass Celebration</b>	
	<b>Baptism of the Lord: P. 107</b> <b>Anaphora of Saint Peter: P. 774</b>	
	<b>Sunday Readings</b>	
	<b>Psalms: Psalm 40</b> <b>Reading: 1 Corinthians 1: 1-9</b> <b>Holy Gospel: John 1:29-42</b>	
	<b>Mass Intentions</b>	
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>09:30 AM</u></b></p> <b>4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: Helen Shaker</b> <i>(The Shaker Family)</i> <b>Jackie Haddad</b> <i>(Dr. Raymond and Laure Daou)</i> <b>Deceased of the Shaker and Abraham families</b> <i>(The Shaker Family)</i>	
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>11:30 AM</u></b></p> <b>4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: Helen Shaker</b> <i>(The Shaker Family)</i> <b>George Antoon</b> <i>(Dr. Raymond and Laure Daou)</i>	
<b>Schedules</b>	<b>Sunday 9:30 am</b>	<b>Sunday 11:30 am</b>
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Stephanie and Leila Nehra Gaby & Elias Tamer, Dany Chlela	Mariam Dandan, Reem and Fadi Hattar Jason Bendok, Ramez Sayegh
<b>Readers</b>	Cathy Breit	Dr. Nadia Haddad (Arabic) Marybeth Rezy (English)
<b>Ushers</b>	Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend	Ed Kneip, Joe Gharib, George Zakhem, Albert Dakhoul

## **Announcements**

\* **Arabic Classes:** Fridays 7pm to 8 pm - From Next Friday till the end of April - \$100 per child.

### **Let us remember**

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

Helen Shaker – Betty Shaker – Fred Gilaty – Loretta Abraham – George Paul Doucette – Lynley  
M. Garvin – Albert Hopsy – Michael Jabour – Louise Lucchesi – Sarah Malouf –  
Barbra Nahra – Joseph V. O’Neil – Isabel Damuny Shahwan

### **COLLECTION**

**January 06, 2018: \$2,760.00**

*“Each one must give from his heart, for God loves a cheerful giver.”*

**2 Corinthians 9:7**