

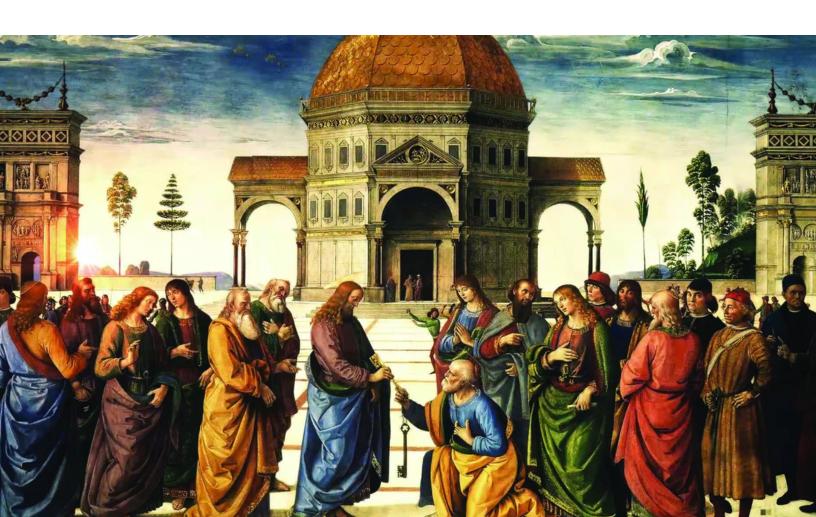
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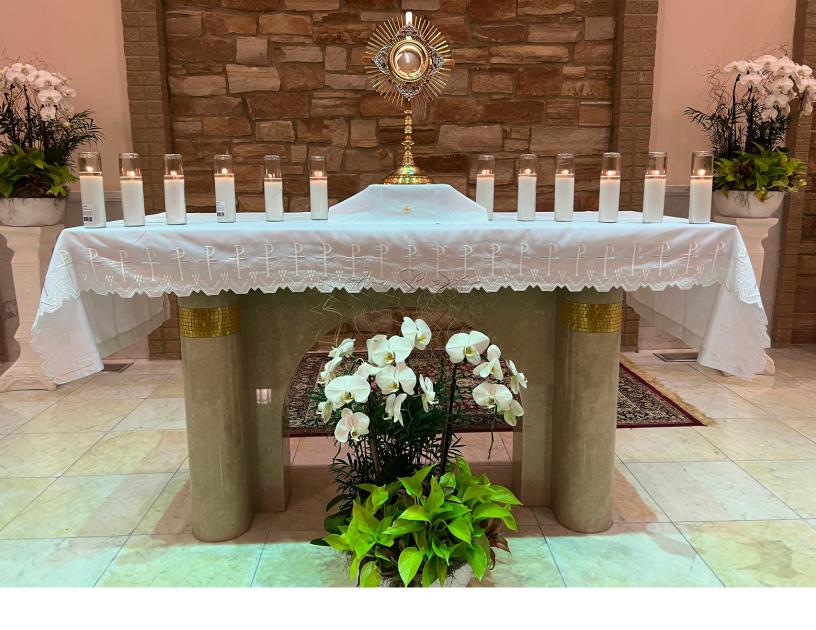
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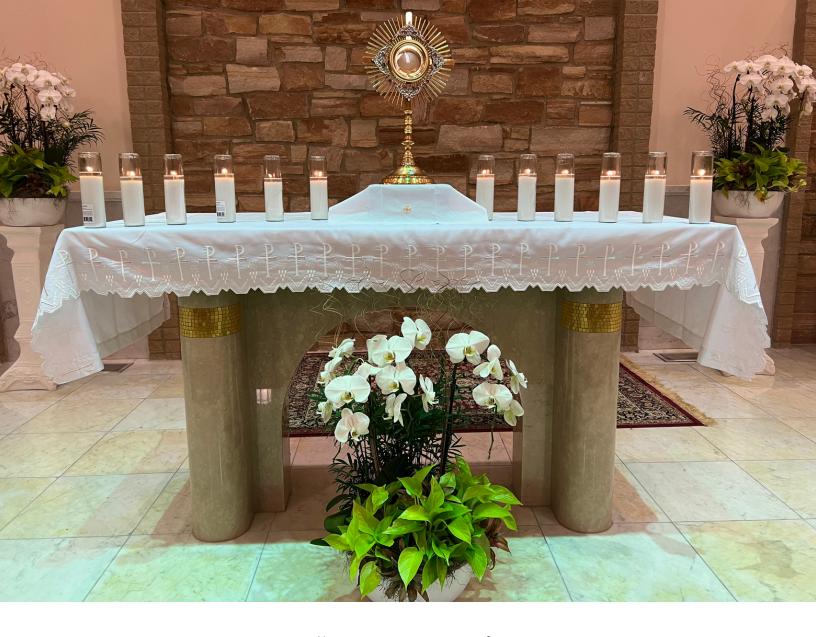
# Consecration of the Church Beginning of New Liturgical Year





### **Jesus in the Eucharist**

Jesus, you are holy. You are covered in silence in this little piece of bread. You are here in front of me. You are here, alive for me. You understand my heart and you fill me with gratitude and love for you. Grant me to worship you with all my being: with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind and with all my strength.



## يسوع في القربان الاقدس

يسوع انت قدوس. لقد احتجبت بصمت في كسرة الخبز الصغيرة. انت هنا امامي. افهمني في قلبي انك هنا، حي من اجلي. إملأني ايمانا حيا لأؤمن انك هنا وأنني أمامك. امنحني نعمة عبادتك بكل كياني<sup>:</sup> بروحي، بعقلي وجسدي. ايتها الملائكة، ايها القديسون رافقوني، اسجدوا معي امام الرب، تعالوا نسجد ليسوع المسيح الحي.



Dear Bishop A. Elias Zaidan,

Thanks for all your leadership, guidance, and support to Caritas Lebanon USA.

Below are some information for the work of Caritas Lebanon USA.

- \*Caritas Lebanon USA sponsored 444 Lebanese families in need for one year in 2021, and it is renewing the commitment of sponsoring families for another year 2022. We Provide different medical and support needs to certain towns and villages who are sponsored directly by families in the USA.
- \*Caritas Lebanon USA is helping with another project to support Caritas Lebanon in paying hospitalization bills of many Lebanese patients who cannot afford their medicine or hospital bills at this difficult time.
- \*In year 2020, Caritas Lebanon USA wire transferred more than \$1,000,000.00 in cash to Caritas Lebanon, not counting all individual donations from the different Maronite churches at our USA Eparchies.
- \*In year 2021, Caritas Lebanon USA wire transferred \$500,000.00 in cash and more donations like medicine, clothes,...
- \*Year-to-date 2022, Caritas Lebanon USA wire transferred \$330,000.00 in cash to Caritas Lebanon.

Caritas Lebanon USA, is blessed to announce that it operates on zero administration fees and it covers all the bank and wire transfer fees, in order to have 100% of the donation money go the families in need. We thank all our volunteers for their tireless and many hours of hard work.

For Donations:

- 1/ You can go to <a href="www.CaritasLebanon.org">www.CaritasLebanon.org</a> and donate, (there is a Donate button on the right)
  2/ or you can wire transfer to Bank of America Routing # 121000358 Bank Acc# 000057467405
  3/ or make a check to the order of Caritas Lebanon and mail to: St Raymond Cathedral, 931
  Lebanon Dr, St Louis, MO 63104
- 4/ For Stock donations, contact your financial advisor to donate stock to "St. Raymonds Church" account number 5887-3955 DTC# 0141 @ Wells Fargo

#### Video Clip links:

Mission and Work By Fr. Michel Abboud <a href="https://clipchamp.com/watch/6nxa0OGaFQI">https://clipchamp.com/watch/6nxa0OGaFQI</a>
Witnessing and Supporting By different families <a href="https://clipchamp.com/watch/44IFxNMILKA">https://clipchamp.com/watch/44IFxNMILKA</a>

Attached supporting documents:

Sponsorship USA- Post Distribution Monitoring Findings/ Audit



#### Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles

October 26, 2022

Dear Msgrs. and Fathers,

Greetings and Peace!

As you know, the struggles and difficulties in our beloved homeland of Lebanon continue and the people there are suffering hardships. They are in dire need of assistance and support.

For the past two years, our parishioners across the United States were generous and sponsored 444 families through Caritas Lebanon USA in addition to other programs. Since 2020, Caritas Lebanon USA has helped to support Caritas Lebanon in paying for medicine, hospital bills, and offered assistance in several critical areas. Caritas Lebanon USA also wired \$1,830,000.00 of individual donations, medicine, and clothes through Caritas Lebanon. Our parishioners have been extremely generous in making a difference in the lives of the poor and needy in Lebanon along with their continued support of their own families.

With the coming holidays approaching, we would like to ask you to continue to raise awareness in your parishes of the needs of families in Lebanon and encourage them to sponsor a family this coming new year or to donate to Caritas Lebanon USA. The full amount of their donations will go directly to the families in need as Caritas Lebanon USA is operating on zero administration fees and covers all the bank and wire transfer fees.

Attached you will find a letter from Father John Nahal, President of Caritas Lebanon USA, and Rector of St. Raymond Cathedral along with financial and project documents. For more information, our community may visit www.CaritasLebanon.org. I hope that every parish continues to bring the plight of our people to light so that they can get the assistance they desperately need.

Donations may be wire transferred to Bank of America Routing # 121000358 Bank acc# 000057467405, checks made be payable to Caritas Lebanon and mailed to St Raymond Cathedral, 931 Lebanon Dr, St Louis, MO 63104, or by calling the Chancery Office for direct withdrawal.

Please know that we are sincerely grateful for your ministry of love and care.

With my sincere best wishes and prayers, I remain

Yours in Christ,

+A. Elias Zaidan

Bishop of the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles

# Catholics Care. Catholics Vote.

**We vote** because we are citizens. But we vote conscientiously because we are people of faith. Our consciences are formed through studying Scripture and the teachings of the Church, examination of the facts, and prayerful reflection.

This brief insert is intended as a starting point to help us respond to our choices in the current political landscape.

# Forming Consciences



#### While there are many moral issues before us, every issue is not equal.

- ★ Issues that directly affect human lives—such as abortion and euthanasia—are fundamental and demand serious consideration.
- ★ Our Constitution heralds religious liberty in the First Amendment, yet increasingly people of faith are having to fight to retain this basic right.
- There is a move in the nation to redefine marriage. The marriage of a man and a woman is the foundation of the family and an essential core element of a flourishing society.
- ★ The growing disparity between rich and poor means most of the world's resources are in the hands of a small percentage of its people. The federal budget is a moral document and must prioritize the poorest and most vulnerable among us.
- ★ The millions of undocumented persons living in the United States deserve our compassion. There is an immigration problem, and we need a humane solution to it.
- ★ War, terror, and violence have caused thousands of lost lives. We must work for just solutions to conflict in the Holy Land, throughout the Middle East, and beyond.

Visit FaithfulCitizenship.org today.

#### As Catholic citizens, we should remember three things:

- Respect for the dignity of each person is the core of Catholic social and moral teaching. This is our most basic principle.
- 2. We focus on the common good, not our own personal interests. We ask, how can we make the world a better place? Not, how can I improve my own personal situation?
- We have a responsibility a true obligation—to form our consciences and participate in the civic life of this nation.

#### Here are some ways to do that.

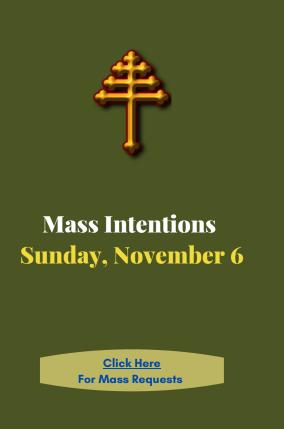
- ★ Be true to the **teachings of the**Church. Read Scripture, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, teachings from the Holy See, and the statements of our bishops. Read Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship at faithfulcitizenship.org. We need to be sure that our reasoning and judgments are well-grounded in our faith.
- ★ Stay well-informed about issues through judicious and reasoned engagement with the immense world of information in the twentyfirst century. Just as all issues are not equal, all sources are not equal. For example, an individual's blog—while potentially very insightful—may not have the same fidelity to factual truth as our media sources that hold themselves to professional standards of journalistic ethics, imperfect though they are.
- ★ Remain in contact with our representatives in local, state, and federal government. Our responsibility to form our consciences leads to an obligation to be active citizens. We communicate regularly with our leaders—not only during election seasons.
- ★ Engage in reasoned, compassionate, and loving dialogue with others—Catholics and non-Catholics alike—about the issues and choices that we are facing as a nation. Remember that we are called first to witness the Gospel, and through that witness, to share our social teaching, to highlight the moral dimensions of issues, and to participate in debate on public policy.
- ★ The dual calling of faith and citizenship lies at the heart of what it means to be a Catholic in the United States. We stand on the shoulders of many Catholics who have gone before us, who have helped the United States of America become a better country because of their faith in a loving God.

# We care. Therefore, we vote.





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#### 9:30 AM

Jackie Shaker (John Shaker)

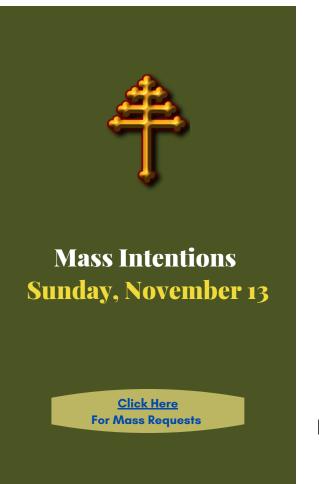
Owen Petrzelka, the deceased of Shaker,

Abraham & Crispin families (Joe & Terry Shaker)

Malek & Khoury Families & All the forgotten Souls (Madeleine Malek)

11:30 AM

Joseph Rantisi (Estephan Family)
Sister Rima Rantisi (Mona Wakim)



#### 9:30 AM

Fr Dr William Nijm, Joseph Dacloush & Nazmieh Joubran (Ghada Nijm)

Jackie Shaker & the deceased of the Shaker Family (Shaker Family)

11:30 AM

Sister Rima Rantisi (Mona Wakim)

Deceased Family Members of Cyrina Salem & Family: Abowd, Anthony, Bohakel, McCoy, Pace, Ponticelli, Salem, Saunders, Shields, Slavoutski.

### **Upcoming Events at OLL**

#### October - December 2022

#### Wednesdays 7pm Bible Study



#### October

16- Sunday MYO Kickoff (Mass & Lunch)

22- Saturday MYA Game Night

29 - Saturday Trunk or Treat in OLL Parking Lot
30 - Sunday Mass for All Souls - w\Potluck Lunch
30 - Sunday MRE Halloween Treats with Jesus

30 - Sunday Christmas drive for children in Lebanon

#### November

Nov 1- Nov 3 Adoration Week

4 - Friday 7pm: Adoration & Prayer

6 - Sunday Daylight Savings Time (Fall Back 1 hr)

19-Saturday MRE Thank a Hero Day

19 - Saturday Heritage Party

20- Sunday Thanksgiving Bake Sale
24 - Thursday Happy Thanksgiving

25- Friday Feed my starving children



#### December

3 - Saturday Christmas Breakfast with Abouna

10- Saturday MRE Christmas party

15 - Wednesday Start of Christmas Novena17 - Saturday MYO Breakfast With Abouna

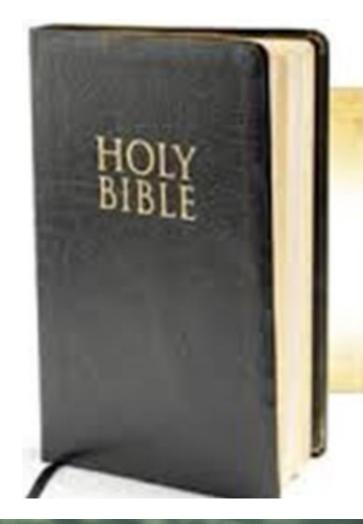
18 - Sunday Christmas Bake Sale

#### Christmas Celebration

24 - Saturday Christmas Eve - 5pm Mass 25 - Sunday Christmas - Midnight Mass 25 - Sunday Christmas - 11:30am Mass

1- Sunday 2023 Happy New Year





Let the Word of God Transform You.



# Bible Study "Who is Jesus?"

Wednesdays at 7pm via Zoom, by Abouna Pierre.

Find the link on: www.ollchicago.org



Join Us As We Celebrate

## An Evening of Lebanese Heritage

Dinner, Dabkeh, Contests, and more...

Live Entertainment by Said Abi Akl

Adults \$65 Children (under 12) \$30

RSVP\* by November 14th Maha (224) 422 6437 Tony (847) 312 5218



SATURDAY NOV 19, 2022 - 7:00PM

OUR LADY OF LEBANON CHURCH 950 N GRACE ST, LOMBARD, IL 6014B







### Thanksgiving & Christmas

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	PACKAGE SIZE	PACKAGE PRICE	QTY	TOTAL PRICE
Fatayer	Spinach Pies	Dozen	\$ 18.00		
Sfiha	Open Face Meat Pies	Dozen	\$20.00		
Sambousek	Fried meat pie	Dozen	\$20.00		
Mana'eesh w/Za'atar	Pizza w.oregano & sesame seeds	1/2 Dozen	\$12.00		
Mana'eesh w/Cheese	Pizza with cheese	1/2 Dozen	\$14.00		
Kibbe 'Rass - Frozen	Crushed wheat mixture w.meat mix stuffed w.meat	Dozen	\$22.00		
Kibbeh bilsaniye	Crushed wheat w.meat mix stuffed with meat	1/2 Sheet	\$35.00		
Shish Barak	Stuffed dough w.meat	2 Dozen	\$25.00		
Warak a-arish (veggie)	Veggie stuffed grape leaves	2 Dozen	\$25.00		
Sablet Cookies	Cookies with jam	Dozen	\$20.00		
Sha'aybiyet	Phyllo dough w.custard stuffing	1/2 Dozen	\$12.00		
Ka'ak btammer	Cookies with dates	Dozen	\$22.00		
Ka'ak bhalib	Milk based cookies	Dozen	\$15.00		
Ka'ak Yansoon	Yansoon (anise) based cookies	Dozen	\$15.00		
Add your item, here:					
TOTAL	TOTAL				

Last Order Date Pickup Date

Thanksgiving Sunday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday, Nov. 20

Christmas Sunday, Dec. 11th Sunday, Dec. 18

Kindly pay and place your order no later than Last Order Date, above

Make Checks payable to: Our lady of Lebanon Church
Online ordering: www.ollchicago.org

Call Madeleine with any questions: 847.533.5698

# Thank you, HERO!

MRE Students will visit

## LOMBARD POLICE

Saturday November 19 Meeting 10:30am at Church











# JOIN THE ORDER

TO SUPPORT THE EDUCATION OF MARONITE SEMINARIANS AND HELP BUILD THE FUTURE OF THE MARONITE CHURCH



## JOINTHEORDEROF SAINT SHARBELTODAY

Enroll online at www.orderstsharbel.org or in your Parish.

For more information about the Order, please contact your Parish Priest or Order of Saint Sharbel President Jim Abdo at info@orderstsharbel.org or call the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles at (314) 231-1021.

If you are interested in becoming a Priest or Religious Sister, contact Vocations Director, Chorbishop Donald J. Sawyer, D. Min, at 512-458-3693 or dsawyer@grandecom.net



#### Readers and Ushers

Mass 9:30 am

Readers

Anita Zodo

Ushers

Nabil Zahra Francis Kermend Joe Kermend



Mass 11:30 am

Readers

Sub. George Romanos

Ushers

Ed Kneip, Henry Abboud, Elie Masud, Naji Abiad, John Albani

# Let Us Remember our Beloved Ones who died during the month of November

Jackie Shaker Fred Gilaty Bernice Simon Bernice Karsa Joseph Basil Helen Dandan John De Salvo

Pierre Mounsef George Gage Regina Gage Richard Gorra, Jr. Saleme Gossan William Halowi George Hanna Samir Rizkallah Anton Ibrahim Joanne Ibrahim Herbert Jage Theodore W. Jage Loucine Kassis Nasafe Kassis Farida Khattar Robert D. Kooiker Sarah Bolis Thomas A. Neely Selma Jage Vokal Joseph Windsor Linda T. Fischer

## Weekly Collection

October 30, 2022

Collection:

\$ 2,440

THANK YOU FOR YOUR

Mail in:

\$ 100

LOVE, GENEROSITY AND

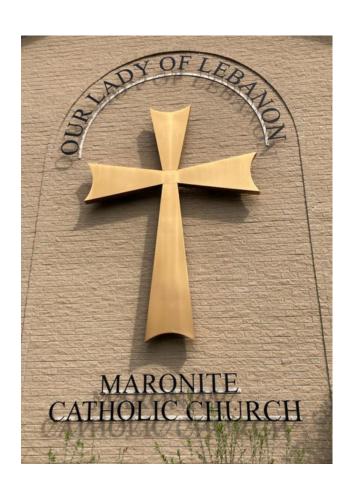
Online:

\$ 80

SUPPORT FOR OUR PARISH.

MAY GOD ACCEPT YOUR SACRIFICIES.

Donate online: <u>www.ollchicago.org</u> ■ Or mail your check to <u>Our Lady of Lebanon</u>



### MYO

#### (Maronite Youth Organization)

Meetings on Sundays - MRE.

For more information please contact **Gisele** 

## **MYA**

#### (Maronite Youth Adults)

Meetings on Thursdays, via Zoom.

For more information please contact:

**Karen Or Danny** 

