

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 Romanos

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.

RENEWAL OF THE CHURCH NOVEMBER 10, 2019



Jesus wanted us to know that He is not just the shepherd, He is the GOOD shepherd. He loves His people so deeply that He willingly died for their sins. He cares for their every need and promises to give them rest from all the worries of life. This is who He is.

Jesus said 'I AM.' It seems to be a still voice that speaks—a voice of profound presence, of authority, of creativity—a voice that tells us who he is and who we are, a voice that teaches and guides, a voice that beckons us toward what He would have us do.

Despite the distortions of a fallen world surrounding us, and even the distortions of our own sinful ways, the voice of our shepherd calls to us. He makes known to us His grace, His love—that our lives are always in His hands. He died for us, and rose to eternal life for us—so that we with confidence can die daily to our sin, and rise by Him, with Him, and in Him. Rise to receive the bread of angels, the food of heaven—given for our sake to actually make Him present again. Amen.

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 November 17, 2019

09:30 AM

Loucine Kassis (The Kassis Family)

11:30 AM

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Bible Verse

I am the good shepherd.

A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep

John 10:11

المزمور الثالث والعشرون

الربّ راعيَّ فلا يعوزني شيء في مراعٍ خصيبة يقيلني ومياه الراحة يوردني. يَرُدُّ نَفْسي ويَهْدِيني إلى سُبُلِ البِرِّ مِنْ أَجْل اسمِهِ. إِنِّ وَلَوْ سَلَكْتُ في وادي ظِلالِ المَوْت، لا أَخافُ سُوءًا لأَنَّكَ معي. عَصاكَ وعُكازُكَ هُما يُعَزيانِني. تُهَيِّ أَمامي مَائِدَةً تُجاهَ مَضايِقِيَّ، وقد مَسَحْتَ رأْسِي بالدُهنِ وكأْسي مُرْوِيَةٌ. أَلجُودَةُ والرَحْمَةُ تَتَبَعانِني جَمِيعَ أَيامِ حياتي، وسُكنايَ في بَيْتِ الرَبِّ طولَ الأَيام. أَلجُودَةُ والرَحْمَةُ تَتَبَعانِني جَمِيعَ أَيامِ حياتي، وسُكنايَ في بَيْتِ الرَبِّ طولَ الأَيام.

From the Letter to the Hebrews 9: 11-15

But when Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, He entered once and for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God! For this reason Christ is the Mediator of a new covenant, that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance—now that He has died as a ransom to set them free from the sins committed under the first covenant.

From the Holy Gospel according to Saint John 10:11-42

I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and mine know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. These also I must lead, and they will hear my voice, and there will be one flock, one shepherd. This is why the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down on my own. I have power to lay it down, and power to take it up again. I told you and you do not believe. The works I do in my Father's name testify to Me. But you do not believe, because you are not among my sheep. My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow Me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of My hand.

Upcoming Events at Our Lady of Lebanon

October (2019)		
Monday 21	Relics of St. Veronica Giuliani	
Saturday 26	All Saints Party (Halloween)	

November (2019)		
Sunday 3	Mass for all souls followed by potluck lunch	
Sunday 10	Start of Christmas Toy Drive	
Saturday 16	Lebanese Independence Party	
Sunday 17	Deadline for Thanksgiving Food Drive	

December (2019)		
Saturday 7	Christmas Retreat	
Sunday 8	Children's Christmas Party	
Sunday 15	Christmas Bake Sale	
Saturday 21	Deadline for Christmas Toy Drive	
Sunday 22	Christmas Recital followed by potluck lunch	
Christmas Celebration (2019)		
Tuesday 24	5pm: Christmas Eve Mass	
Wednesday 25	12am: Christmas Midnight Mass	
Wednesday 25	11:30am: Christmas Day Mass	
Sunday 29	Feast of the Holy Family	
Tuesday 31	New Year's Party	

January (2020)		
Wednesday 1	5pm: Mass – beginning of Year 2020	
Sunday 5	Feast of Epiphany (End of season)	

Weekly/Monthly Events		
Tuesdays	7pm: Choir Practice	
Fridays	7:30pm: Bible Study and gathering	
1st Saturday of the month	3pm: Rosary with Oumouna Mariam	





THANKSGIVING

Food Drive

Canned and Non-Perishable Food/Food Gift Cards
Deadline November 17 2019

OUR LADY OF LEBANON 950 N GRACE LOMBARD, IL 60148

"Saul Saul, Why Do You Persecute Me"







St. John Paul II Newman Center-UIC invites you for a presentation on: "Persecution of Christians in the World and the Middle East"

Speakers:

His Grace Mar Paulus Benjamin, Diocesan Bishop of the Assyrian Church of the East.

Mrs. Tonia Khouri: Vice President for In Defense of Christians (IDC) organization

Dr. Daniel Olsen, Archdiocese of Chicago, Director of Ecumenical and Interreligious affairs

Monday November 18, 2019

12:30-1:30 @ Student Center West - Room 218-219

828 S. Wolcott Ave., Chicago, Illinois 60612

Light lunch will be served

Mass Celebration



Renewal of the Church: Page 10 Anaphora of Saint Peter: P. 774

Sunday Readings



Psalm 23
Reading: Hebrews 9:11-15
Holy Gospel: John 10:11-28

Mass Intentions for THIS SUNDAY



09:30 AM

Fred Guttas (Margret Budz)

Deceased of Shaker and Abraham families (The Shaker Family) **Fr. Dr. William Nijm & Joseph Dacloush** (Ghada Nijm and Family)

11:30 AM

1 Year Pierre Mounsef (Amira Mounsef and Family)
1 Year Rezeq Hattar (Raed and samira Hattar and Family)
Speedy Recovery of all the sick in our parish

Schedules	Sunday 9:30 am	Sunday 11:30 am
Readers	Margaret Budz	Rania Lutfallah (Arabic) Dani Tabet (English)
Ushers	Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend	Ed Kneip, William Harb Sami Tabet, John Albani

Announcements

- * Bible study: Fridays at 7:30 pm.
- * Preparation for Children's Christmas party: ALL MRE students will practice every Sunday for 30 minutes right after communion starting on Sunday, November 10th.
- * Lebanon Independence Party: Shaker Hall. Saturday November 16. Singer Danny Achkar. Mesa, food and Cash Bar. Ticket \$65 for Adults. \$35 for Children.
- * Thanksgiving Food drive: We are looking for donations of canned and non-perishable food items or food gift cards. Deadline Sunday November 17. Thank you.
- * Christmas Retreat: Saturday December 7 at 9:30 am.
- * Christmas Toy Drive: Adopt one family member. Purchase a gift or gift cards.

 All gifts will be distributed at Hope House shelter, where our parish will prepare a Lunch and a Christmas Party for them on Saturday December 21st.
- ★ Christian Medical Association Invites you for a presentation: "persecution of Christian in the Middle East" on Monday November 18 12:30 pm 1:30 pm at Saint John Paul II Newman Center UIC. Speakers: Bishop Paulus Benjamin, Assyrian Church. Tonia Khoury, Vice president of IDC. Dr. Daniel Olsen, Archdiocese of Chicago. Light Lunch will be served.

Let Us Remember

our Beloved Ones who passed into Heaven during the Month of NOVEMBER

Bernice Simon - Bernice Karsa - Jackie Shaker - Micki Besser - Virginia Nimer - Anton Ibrahim - George Gage - George Hanna - John De Salvo - Richard Gorra, Jr. - Samir Rizkallah - Robert D. Kooiker - Herbert Jage - Thomas A. Neely - Joanne Ibrahim - William Halowi - Joseph Basil - Farida Khattar - Selma Jage Vokal - Theodore W. Jage - Joseph Windsor - Helen Dandan - Linda T. Fischer - Regina Gage - Nasafe Kassis - Saleme Gossan - Sarah Bolis.

COLLECTION

November 03, 2019: \$ 3,003.00

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

2 Corinthians 9:7