



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 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

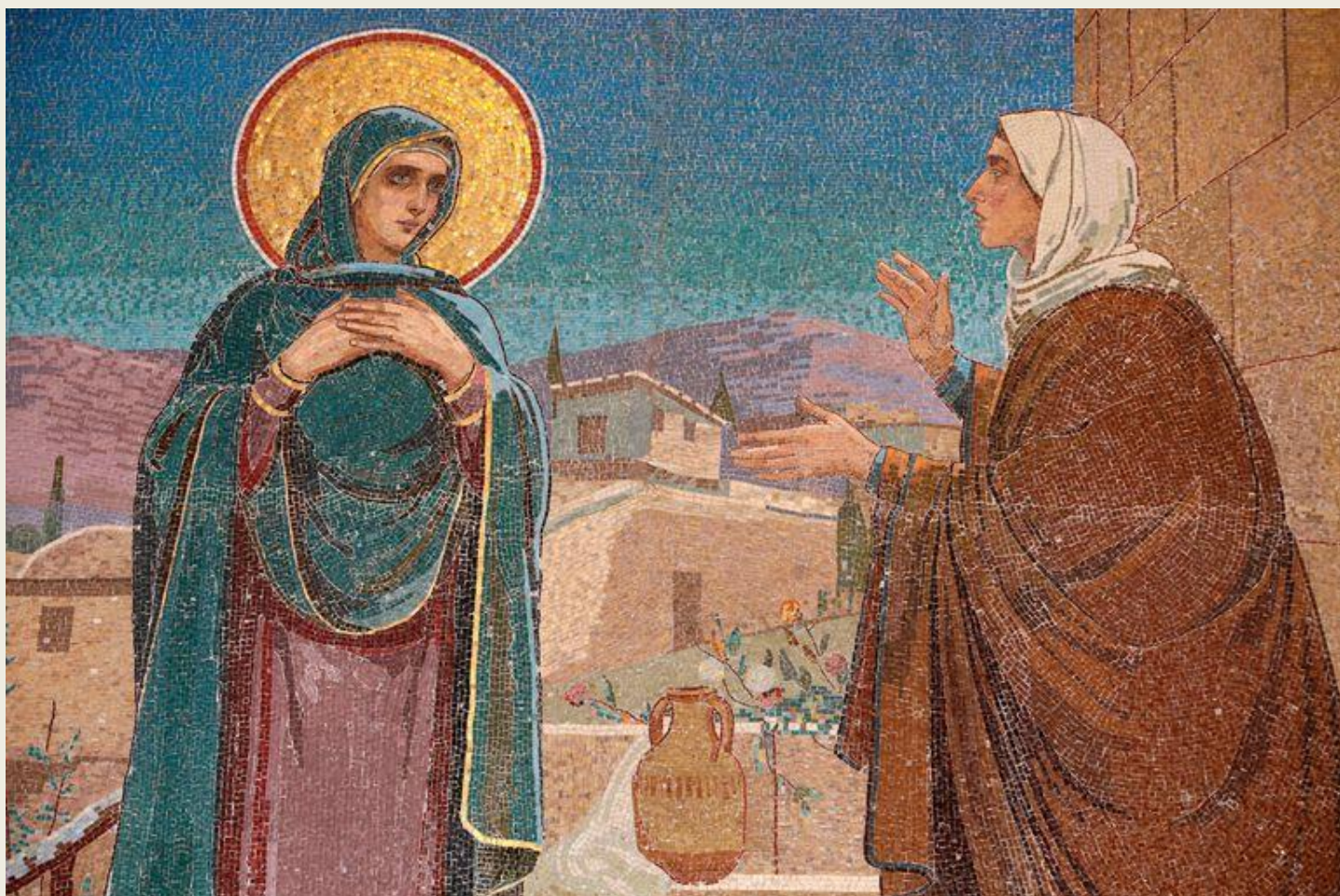
If any parishioner is seriously ill at home or in a hospital, please call the pastor or the Church office to arrange for Communion, Confession or Anointing of the Sick.

Maronite Catholic Education

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

VISITATION TO ELIZABETH

DECEMBER 01, 2019



The feast of the Visitation celebrates the visit of Mary, the Mother of God, with the child Jesus in her womb, to her cousin Elizabeth. The visit took place when Elizabeth was herself six months' pregnant with Saint John the Baptist.

Arriving at the house of Zachariah and Elizabeth, Mary greets her cousin, and something wonderful happens: As Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, John the Baptist leaps in Elizabeth's womb. The presence of the Divine Child in her womb, according to the will of God, was to be the source of very great graces.

John's leap was no ordinary movement of an unborn child. It is his cleansing from sin. The angel Gabriel's prophecy to Zachary, before John's conception, "he shall be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb".

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 December 08, 2019

09:30 AM

1 year Memorial for George Antoon *(The Antoon Family)*

11:30 AM

**For all Children in our Parish Community
and for our teachers and their families**

Bible Verse

*Blessed are you who believed that what was
spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled.*

Luke 1: 45

Psalm 113

Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD; praise the name of the LORD.
Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time on and forevermore.
From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the LORD is to be praised.
The LORD is high above all nations, and His glory above the heavens.
Who is like the LORD our God, who is seated on high,
Who looks far down on the heavens and the earth?
He raises the poor from the dust, and lifts the needy from the ash heap,
to make them sit with princes, with the princes of his people.
He gives the barren woman a home, making her the joyous mother of children.
Praise the LORD! Alleluia!

From the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, to the saints who are in Ephesus and are faithful in Christ Jesus: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

From the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke 1:39-45

During those days Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled."

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

SATURDAY
DEC. 7TH



Christmas Retreat



OUR LADY OF LEBANON CHURCH

Mass and Children Christmas Party

December 8, 2019



Practice for all Children
Sunday December 1st & Friday December 6 at 7:00 pm.

Merry Christmas

The American Lebanese Joint Civic Assn. is proud to announce
A new Lebanese American Cultural & Research Center.

The Cultural and Research center will be open to the public on
Thanksgiving weekend Nov 30th and Dec 1st from 1:00pm to 6:00pm.

Looking forward to see you at the Center
2500 S Highland Av. (Unit #345)
Lombard, IL 60148



Phoenician

Club of Chicago

101th ANNUAL APPRECIATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS DINNER & CHRISTMAS PARTY

Saturday, December 7, 2019

New Crystal Palace
1070 S. Elmhurst Rd.
Mt. Prospect, IL 60056

Cocktails: 6:00PM (cash bar) Dinner: 7:00 PM
Ticket: \$50.00 Adult \$25.00 (Children under 12)

Awards Recipients:

Dr. Rania Agha, Humanitarian of the year
Deacon Tony Shehadah, Man of the year
Tonia Khouri, Woman of the year

ARABIC AND AMERICAN MUSIC by DJ Fares Chamoun

For information and tickets please call:

Patricia Antoon 630 717-5232	Fahim Shadid 630 852-8224
Cheryl Ghasan 630 357-8457	Nick Malik 630 305-8519
Charlie Barbari 708 997-7307	George Kfoury 630 974-0331

Featuring 5 course dinner of soup, salad, choice of **Chicken or Salmon** plus Chateaubriand, dessert, coffee, tea and soft drink.

Please make check payable to the **Phoenician Club of Chicago** and mail, no later than **November 28, 2019** to: Carol Kfoury, (630 520-2579)
29w120 Smith Rd
West Chicago, IL 60185

Name:
No. of Tickets donation \$
Amount Enclosed \$ Food Selection



Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church
CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE MENU - Sunday, December 15, 2019

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	PRICES			
		PACKAGE	PRICE	QUANTITY	PRICE
Fatayer	Spinach Pies	Dozen	\$13.00		
Sfiha	Meat Pies	Dozen	\$15.00		
Warak a'arish	Veggie stuffed grape leaves	2 Dozens	\$15.00		
Kibbeh 'rass – Frozen	Crushed wheat w/meat mix ball stuffed with meat	Dozen	\$18.00		
Kibbeh bilsaniye	Crushed wheat w/meat mix 1/2 sheet stuffed with meat	1/2 sheet	\$30.00		
Za'atar Twist	Stick Za'atar	1 Bag	\$ 8.00		
Mana'eesh w/Za'atar	Pizza w/oregano & sesame seeds	1/2 Dozen	\$ 8.00		
Mana'eesh w/Cheese	(Pizza w/cheese)	1/2 Dozen	\$10.00		
Shish Barak	Stuffed dough w/meat	2 Dozen	\$12.00		
Sablet cookies	Cookies w/Jam	Dozen	\$12.00		
Sha'aybiyet	Phyllo dough w/ custard stuffing	1/2 Dozen	\$10.00		
Nammoura	Semolina cake	1/2 Dozen	\$10.00		
Ka'ak btammer	Cookies w/dates	Dozen	\$12.00		
Ka'ak bhalib	Milk based cookies	Dozen	\$12.00		
Ka'ak Yansoon	Yansoon based cookies	Dozen	\$12.00		
Tabouleh	1/2 sheet (4-6 people)		\$15.00		
Red Wine			\$25.00		
Arak			\$30.00		
Almaza Beer			\$35.00		
<i>Add your item here</i>					
TOTAL					

Kindly place and pay your order no later than Wednesday, December 11th, 2019
 All items/pre-orders to be picked-up at the Church hall on Sunday, December 15th, 2019

Name: _____

Phone#: _____

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	Mass Celebration	
	Announcement to Virgin Mary: Page 38 Anaphora of Saint Peter: P. 774	
	Sunday Readings	
	Psalm 113 Reading: Ephesians 1:1-14 Holy Gospel: Luke 1:39-45	
	Mass Intentions for THIS SUNDAY	
	<u>09:30 AM</u> John Zodo (<i>The Zodo Family</i>) Deceased of Shaker and Abraham families (<i>The Shaker Family</i>) Inocencio Reyes (<i>Alma Irene Reyes</i>) <u>11:30 AM</u> Catherine Schmidt (<i>Aunt of Tim Mulcahey</i>) Inocencio Reyes (<i>Alma Irene Reyes</i>)	
Schedules	Sunday 9:30 am	Sunday 11:30 am
Readers	Lillian Hanna	Julie Kozaili (<i>Arabic</i>) Tony Kozaili (<i>English</i>)
Ushers	Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend	Ed Kneip, William Harb Sami Tabet, Naji Abiad

Announcements

✳ **Christmas Retreat:** Saturday December 7 at 9:30 am. Contact Jeanne D'arc Yasmine

✳ **Children Christmas Party: Practice for all Children: Sunday 1st & Friday 6 @ 7pm**
On Sunday December 08, we will celebrate a special Mass for our children followed by a children's Christmas party in the Shaker Hall. Come and celebrate with your Children the joy of Christmas.

Christmas Bake Sale

Christmas Bake sale, Sunday, December 15th. Pre-Orders need to be submitted by December 11th. Your generosity and your support are appreciated. Contact Samira Marcus & Joumana Pavkov.

✳ **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. For more info Micheline Hanna.

✳ **New Year's Party**

Our Lady of Lebanon will host a New Year's Eve Party on Tuesday, December 31st in the Shaker Hall from 7:30 PM to 1 AM with DJ music Entertainment and holiday raffle. Contact Elie Masud.

✳ **Lebanese American Cultural & Research Center:** Open house Saturday Nov 30 and Sunday Dec 1st.

✳ **Phoenician Club Party: Dec 7 @ New Crystal Palace in Mt Prospect.**

Let us remember

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

George Antoon - Sophia Abraham - Genevieve Abraham - Virginia Nimer - Helen Botwin – Emil Haddad, Sr. – Sophie Fahel - Samir Rizkallah - Chukri Daniel - Karim El Tenn - Jamile Maalouf - Hattie Yorecki - Emil Aya - Michelle York - George Bohakel - Jeannette Youssef - Eugene D. Bodan - Helen Cordell - George L. George - Safa Ghandour - Rose Halowi – George Hanna - Gerges Hattar - Michael Ibrahim - Anton Kassis - Patrick O'Shea – Genevieve Salem - Nicola Shahwan - Alice C. Thomas

COLLECTION

November 24, 2019: \$ 2,705.00

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

2 Corinthians 9:7