



# **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 Great Lent  
Sunday of THE BLIND MAN  
April 07, 2019



I believe that one of the reasons which prevent us from being truly ourselves and finding our own way is that we do not realize the extent to which we are blind! **If only we knew that we were blind, how eagerly would we seek healing, and we might, perhaps, turn to God.**

The tragedy is that we do not realize our blindness: The world demands our attention. Blinded by the world of things, we forget that it does not match the depth of which man is capable.

**But when we turn inward we discover that nothing in this universe is great enough to fill us to the brim.** The whole created world falls like a grain of sand into the depth of our being; we are too vast for it to fill or fulfil us. God alone, who has made us for Himself, can do that.

**The Holy Scripture speaks of the depth of the human heart.** This depth is rooted in God Himself and **which only God can fill!**

Blindness is manifold: We can see with the eyes of greed, of hatred, and of self and **we may see, with the eyes of love, a pure heart that can see God and His image in people.**

## 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 April 14, 2019

09:30 AM

**Nabil Karam** *(George Dandan)*

**Fr. Dr William Nijm & Joseph Dacloush** *(Ghada Nijm)*

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

11:30 AM

**Souad Ghasoub**

**For the living and the deceased of Bohakel, McCoy, Merlin,  
Pace, Perona, Ponticelli, Salem, & Sanders Families** *(By Cyrina Salem)*

## Bible Verse

*The Lord is my light and my salvation.*

Psalm 27:1

## **Psalm 27**

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?  
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?  
One thing I ask from the LORD, this only do I seek:  
That I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life,  
To gaze on the beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple.  
For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling;  
He will hide me in the shelter of his sacred tent and set me high upon a rock.  
My heart says of you, "Seek his face!" Your face, LORD, I will seek.  
Do not hide your face from me, do not turn your servant away in anger;  
You have been my helper. Do not reject me or forsake me, God my Savior

## **From the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians 3:7-14**

Whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.  
Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

## **From the Gospel of our Lord according to Mark 10:46-52**

They came to Jericho. And as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a sizable crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind man, the son of Timaeus, sat by the roadside begging. On hearing that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me." And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he kept calling out all the more, "Son of David, have pity on me." Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." So they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take courage; get up, he is calling you." He threw aside his cloak, sprang up, and came to Jesus. Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.

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### EASTER BAKE SALE - Sunday, April 14, 2019

ITEM	PACKAGE SIZE	PRICE PER PACKAGE	QUANTITY	TOTAL PRICE
Manakeesh with Za'atar	1/2 Dozen	\$ 8.00		
Manakeesh with Cheese	1/2 Dozen	\$10.00		
Spinach Pies	1 Dozen	\$13.00		
Meat Pies	1 Dozen	\$15.00		
Kibbe Meatballs	1 Dozen	\$18.00		
Veggie Kibbe	1 Dozen	\$18.00		
Shishbarak (pre-order only)	2 Dozen	\$15.00		
Kibbe Sayniye (pre-order only)	Half Tray	\$30.00		
Grape Leaves (pre-order only)	2 Dozens	\$15.00		
Sha'aybiyet (pre-order only)	1 Dozen	\$10.00		
Ma'amoul w/Walnuts	1 Dozen	\$15.00		
Ma'amoul w/Pistachios	1 Dozen	\$16.00		
Ma'amoul w/Dates	1 Dozen	\$15.00		
Sablet Cookies	1 Dozen	\$12.00		
Ka'ak Bhalib	16 oz./ 1 pound	\$12.00		
WINE: Ksara / Adayar	1 Bottle	\$25		
ARAK: Ksara / Brun	1 Bottle	\$30		
<b>TOTAL</b>				

***This price is only for Pre-order.***

*Kindly pay and place your order no later than April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019.*




*All items pre-orders to be picked up at the church on Sunday April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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	<b>Mass Celebration</b>	
	<p><b>Blind man: P. 246</b>  <b>Anaphora of Saint Peter: P. 774</b></p>	
	<b>Sunday Readings</b>	
	<p><b>Psalm 27</b>  <b>Reading: Philippians 3:7-14</b>  <b>Holy Gospel: Mark 10:46-52</b></p>	
	<b>Mass Intentions for THIS SUNDAY</b>	
	<p><b><u>09:30 AM</u></b>  <b>13<sup>TH</sup> YEAR MEMORIAL Joseph Shaker, Sr. (The Shaker Family)</b></p> <p><b><u>11:30 AM</u></b>  <b>13<sup>TH</sup> YEAR MEMORIAL Joseph Shaker, Sr. (The Shaker Family)</b>  <b>Hanna Youwanes</b>  <b>Souad Ghasoub</b></p>	
<b>Schedules</b>	<b>Sunday 9:30 am</b>	<b>Sunday 11:30 am</b>
<b>Readers</b>	Joseph Shaker	(Arabic) (English)
<b>Ushers</b>	Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend	Ed Kneip, Nakhoul Nehra, John Albani, Sami Tabet

## Announcements

✳ **40 Days Of Glory: Spiritual Retreat:** This Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, from 9 am till 5 pm.

**Thank you to Drs. Majed Dalloul and Dima Arbash**

✳ **Wednesday prayer and discussion at 7 pm – Bible Study: The Crucifixion**

✳ **Stations of the Cross:** Friday at 7 pm followed by a potluck dinner in the Shaker Hall

✳ **Easter Bake Sale** Easter Bake Sale is on April 14, 2019. Please place your pre- orders ASAP. For more info contact Madeleine Malek. You can make your order and pay online at [ollchicago.org](http://ollchicago.org)

### ✳ **Holy Week Schedule**

- Palm Sunday April 14<sup>th</sup>: 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM and procession
- Monday April 15<sup>th</sup> – Tuesday April 16<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross
- Wednesday April 17<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 PM: Healing Mass and Blessing of the oil
- Thursday April 18<sup>th</sup> at @ 7:30 PM: Mass with Washing of the feet and adoration
- Good Friday April 19<sup>th</sup>: Liturgy at 7:30 PM
- Saturday April 20<sup>th</sup>: 10:30 AM Easter Egg Hunt
- Easter Sunday April 21<sup>st</sup>: Midnight Mass – 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM

## Let us remember

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

Joseph Shaker, Sr. - Joseph Allen - George Abraham - Abe Abraham - Philip Conley –  
Mary Shaker - Dorothy Gilaty - Minnie Bohakel - Joseph Basil - John Deeham –  
Atena Hanna - Gurken Israelian - Charles Jage - Dr. Issam Kaddourah - Jack Markwell –  
Julia A. Saad – Anice Anthony Shababy - Mary Ann Sirbeck.

## COLLECTION

**March 31, 2019: \$4,102.00**

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

## 2 Corinthians 9:7