



# **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**

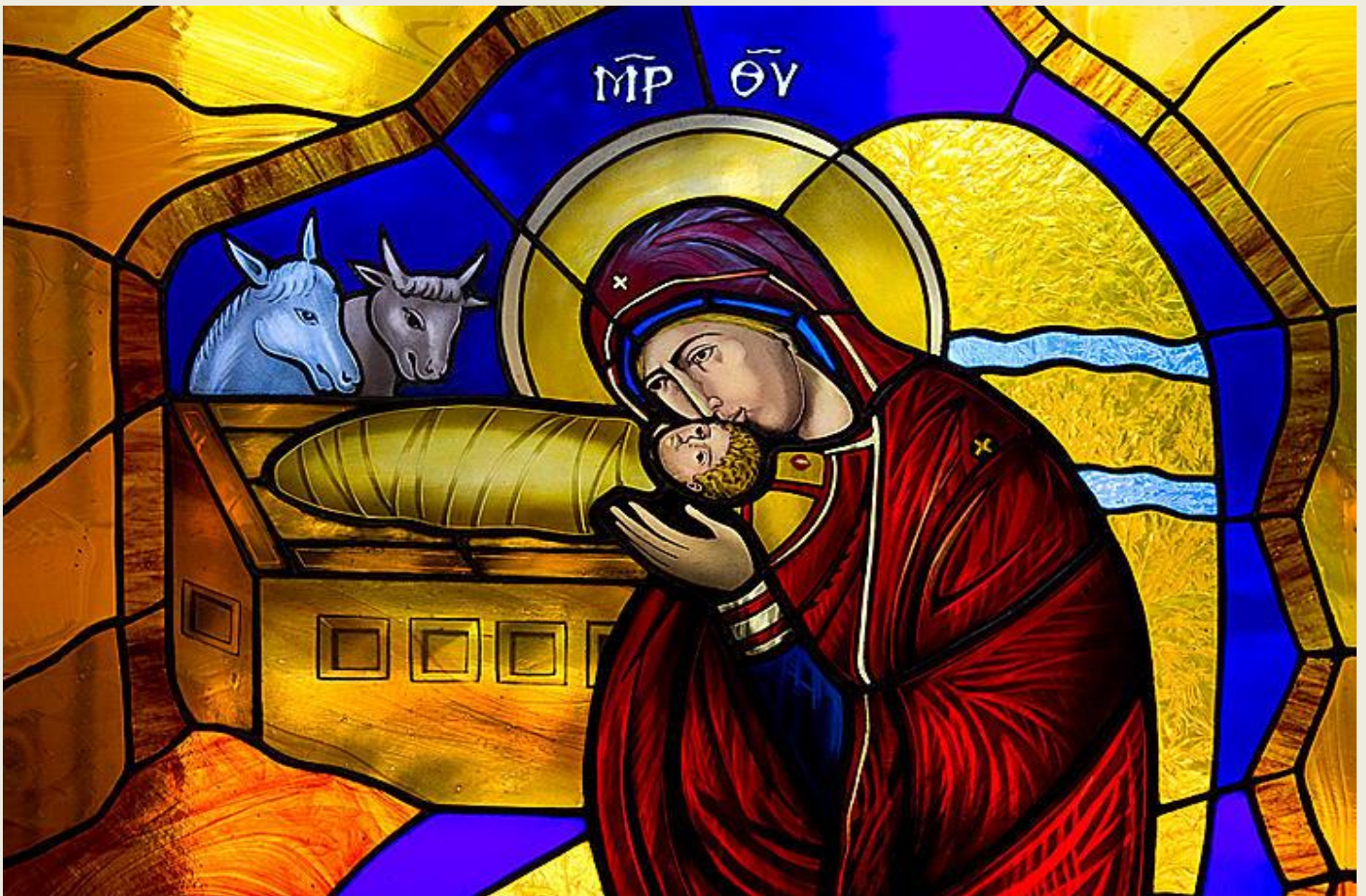
If any parishioner is seriously ill at home or in a hospital, please call the pastor or the Church office to arrange for Communion, Confession or Anointing of the Sick.

### **Maronite Catholic Education**

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

# GENEALOGY OF JESUS

## DECEMBER 22, 2019



But why does the genealogy of Jesus matter?

From his opening statement, we expect this family tree to help us understand Jesus identity and mission. Jesus is called the son of both David and Abraham.

Abraham represents the moment when God selected his family from the rest of the nations. It is through this nation that God will bring blessing to all of humanity. Jesus is the long-awaited son of Abraham who will bring God's blessing to all humanity.

"Son of David," is a term that draws our attention to the royal line of King David. Jesus was royalty. Jesus is a royal successor and rightful heir to the throne of David that all of Israel has been waiting for.

Four women, non Israelites - outsiders, are included and are all associated with Israel's sin and covenant failure. For Jesus is the king of Israel who blesses all the nations of the world, especially the outsiders.

## 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 29, 2019

09:30 AM

**For all the Families in our Parish Community**

11:30 AM

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## *Bible Verse*

*The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ,  
the son of David, the son of Abraham.*

*Matthew 1:1*

## **Psalm 89**

I will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD, forever;  
With my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.  
I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;  
Your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.  
You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one,  
I have sworn to my servant David:  
'I will establish your descendants forever,  
And build your throne for all generations.  
Our shield belongs to the LORD, our king, the Holy One

### **From the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians; 4:1-9**

You whom I love and long for, my joy and my crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, dear friends! Rejoice in the Lord always. And I shall say it again: Rejoice!  
Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. May you have the strength to do all things, through him who empowers us.  
And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

### **From the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew 1:1-16**

The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.  
Abraham became the father of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of Judah. Judah became the father of Perez, whose mother was Tamar. Perez became the father of Hezron, Hezron the father of Ram, Ram the father of Aminadab. Aminadab became the father of Nahshon, Nahshon the father of Salmon, Salmon the father of Boaz, whose mother was Rahab. Boaz became the father of Obed, whose mother was Ruth. Obed became the father of Jesse, Jesse the father of David the king.  
David became the father of Solomon, whose mother had been the wife of Uriah. Solomon became the father of Rehboam, Rehboam the father of Abijah, Abijah the father of Asaph. Asaph became the father of Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, Joram the father of Uzziah. Uzziah became the father of Jotham, Jotham the father of Ahaz, Ahaz the father of Hezekiah. Hezekiah became the father of Manasseh, Manasseh the father of Amos, Amos the father of Josiah. Josiah became the father of Jechoniah and his brothers at the time of the Babylonian exile.  
After the exile, Jechoniah became the father of Shealtiel, Shealtiel the father of Zerubbabel, Zerubbabel the father of Abiud. Abiud became the father of Eliakim, Eliakim the father of Azor, Azor the father of Zadok. Zadok became the father of Achim, Achim the father of Eliud, Eliud the father of Eleazar. Eleazar became the father of Matthan, Matthan the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary. Of her was born Jesus who is called the Messiah.

## 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	<b>5pm:</b> Christmas Eve Mass
Wednesday 25	<b>12am:</b> Christmas Midnight Mass
Wednesday 25	<b>11:30am:</b> 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

*Our Lady of Lebanon Church  
Invites you for*



# **Christmas Recital & Potluck**

**Sunday December 22  
(After 11:30 Mass)**



# OUR LADY OF LEBANON NEW YEAR'S EVE 2020

Entertainment:  
DJ - Ibrahim

7:30 Cocktail  
8:00 Dinner  
Cash Bar

Ticket Price:

Adult \$60  
Children \$35 (10 & under)  
Cash Bar

Limited Seating  
Please RSVP



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT CHURCH OFFICE @ (630) 932-9640  
Elie Masud (630) 991-1111

	<b>Mass Celebration</b>	
	<p><b>Genealogy of Jesus: Page 66</b>  <b>Anaphora of Saint Peter: P. 774</b></p>	
	<b>Sunday Readings</b>	
	<p><b>Psalm 89</b>  <b>Reading: Philippians 4:1-9</b>  <b>Holy Gospel: Matthew 1:1-16</b></p>	
	<b>Mass Intentions for <b>THIS SUNDAY</b></b>	
	<p><u><b>09:30 AM</b></u>  <b>For all who serve Our Lady of Lebanon Parish Community</b></p> <p><u><b>11:30 AM</b></u>  <b>For all who serve Our Lady of Lebanon Parish Community</b></p>	
<b>Schedules</b>	<b>Sunday 9:30 am</b>	<b>Sunday 11:30 am</b>
<b>Readers</b>	Lillian Hanna	Fadia Gharib ( <i>Arabic</i> ) Mary Mulcahey (English)
<b>Ushers</b>	Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend	Ed Kneip, Joe Gharib Albert Dakhoul, John Albani

## Announcements

✳ **MRE Classes** Resume on January 12, 2019.

✳ **Christmas Bake Sale** : Thank for the lady who prepared the bake sale and all who supported us. we still have some items for sale if you are interested.

✳ **Christmas Toy Drive:** Saturday Dec 21<sup>st</sup>.

✳ **Christmas Recital followed by a potluck lunch:** Sunday December 22.

✳ **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.

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### 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 - Geroges Hattar - Michael Ibrahim - Anton Kassis - Patrick O'Shea – Genevieve Salem - Nicola Shahwan - Alice C. Thomas

### COLLECTION

**December 15, 2019: \$ 2,966.00**

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

**2 Corinthians 9:7**