



# **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

### **Mass Schedule**

**Saturdays:** 5:00 pm (English) - **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 10:20 am – 11:20 am.

**Season of the Glorious Resurrection**  
**The Marian Month of May**  
**May 07, 2017**



*High on a summit overlooking the Mediterranean, Our Lady of Lebanon stands majestically with her arms outstretched, welcoming her children. Muslims and Christians alike come to the shrine, 16 miles north of Beirut.*

*During the Marian month of May, the shrine receives about 1 million visitors. For Lebanese, particularly Maronite who have a deep devotion to Mary, this May pilgrimage is an annual tradition.*

*"When you go to Harissa to visit Our Lady of Lebanon, you feel like you are under the Virgin's mantle, under her protection; it's like your problem will be solved."*

## 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.*

We Pray for those who are hospitalized or homebound, including:

**Matthew Haddad, Johnnie Harb, Bobbi Sfire,  
Pierre Naffah, Julia Parkinson, Hank Yario.**

## Mass Intentions for Next Sunday May 14, 2017

09:30 a.m.

**Fr. Dr William Nijm** *(By the Shaker Family)*  
**Francis and Patricia Kermend** *(40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)*

11:30 a.m

**Minnie Bohakel & George Bohakel** *(By Richard & Marianne Bohakel)*  
**Antoon Naffah – Antoine & Georgette Khoury –**  
**Joseph and Olga Mattar** *(By Pierre & Ann Naffah)*

## Bible Verse for the Week

**"Blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it."**

**Luke 11:28**

## **From the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians 1:9-20**

### **Brothers and Sisters,**

We do not cease praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding to live in a manner worthy of the Lord, so as to be fully pleasing, in every good work bearing fruit and growing in the knowledge of God, strengthened with every power, in accord with his glorious might, for all endurance and patience, with joy giving thanks to the Father, who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light. He delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For in him were created all things in heaven and on earth, the visible and the invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers; all things were created through him and for him.

He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things he himself might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile all things for him, making peace by the blood of his cross on earth and in heaven.

**Praise be to God always!**

## **From the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke 11:27-32**

### **The Evangelist Luke Said:**

While he was speaking, a woman from the crowd called out and said to him, "Blessed is the womb that carried you and the breasts at which you nursed." He replied, "Rather, blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it."

While still more people gathered in the crowd, he said to them, "This generation is an evil generation; it seeks a sign, but no sign will be given it, except the sign of Jonah. Just as Jonah became a sign to the Ninevites, so will the Son of Man be to this generation.

At the judgment the queen of the south will rise with the men of this generation and she will condemn them, because she came from the ends of the earth to hear the Wisdom of Solomon, and there is something greater than Solomon here.

At the judgment the men of Nineveh will arise with this generation and condemn it, because at the preaching of Jonah they repented, and there is something greater than Jonah here."

**This is the truth. Peace be with you.**

	<b>Mass Celebration</b>	
	<b>Commemoration of Virgin Mary: Page 454</b> <b>Anaphora of Saint Peter: P. 774</b>	
	<b>Sunday Readings</b>	
	<b>Reading: Colossians 1:9-20</b> <b>Holy Gospel: Luke 11:27-32</b>	
	<b>Mass Intentions</b>	
	<p><b><u>09:30 a.m.</u></b></p> <p><b>Fr. Dr William Nijm</b> <i>(By the Shaker Family)</i></p> <p><b>Francis and Patricia Kermend</b> <i>(40<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)</i></p> <p><b>Speedy Recovery of Matthew Haddad</b></p> <p><b><u>11:30 a.m</u></b></p> <p><b>Minnie Bohakel &amp; George Bohakel</b> <i>(By Richard &amp; Marianne Bohakel)</i></p> <p><b>Antoon Naffah – Antoine &amp; Georgette Khoury –</b></p> <p><b>Joseph and Olga Mattar</b> <i>(By Pierre &amp; Ann Naffah)</i></p>	
<b>Schedules</b>	<b>Sunday 9:30 am</b>	<b>Sunday 11:30 am</b>
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Andres Ballines, Leila Nehra Anthony Jazarlian	Miriam Dandan, Cassandra Chahoud, Estifan Azzo, Yousif, Reem Hattar, Rayana Mounsef
<b>Readers</b>	Nabil Zahra	Dani Tabet (English) Nabil Sayegh (Arabic)
<b>Ushers</b>	Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend	Ed Kneip, Elie Masud, Albert Dakhoul, Stephen Georges

## Announcements

### ✳ **Month of May**

During the Month of May, the statue and the Icon of Virgin Mary will visit our homes as we pray the rosary together.

On the Last Sunday of May, we will have a celebration for Mary:

**10:30 a.m.:** Rosary and meditation before the Blessed Sacraments

**11:30 a.m.:** Mass and procession - the Feast of our Lady of Lebanon

**12:30 a.m.:** Food (Shawarma, Mnakeesh, Arguileh) and Music

### ✳ **Mother's Day Party**

Our Lady of Lebanon will host a Mother day Party on Friday May 12, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. with International food and live Music. Tickets \$25. To purchase your tickets, contact Sabah Dakhoul (312-493-4747) and Joumana Pavkov (847-567-3745)

## Let us remember

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

† Frances Zamito	† John Jage	† Colette Woods
† Agnes Dumit	† Eli Joe Jage	† Fouad Amawis
† Naseem Fahel	† Sophie Nahra	† Fred A. Malouf
† Reine Chartouni	† Alexander Rash	† J. Herbert Flagh, Sr.
† Fred Guttas	† John Bomrad	† Rocco D. Pietrandoomo
† Barcha E. Lebbos	† Amelia Lutfy	

## COLLECTION

**Sunday April 30, 2017: \$ 2,828 .00**

*"Love grows by giving. The love we give away is the only love we keep."*

*Elbert Hubbard*