

# **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 <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 10:20 am – 11:20 am.

# 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost Season **The Parable of the Sower** August 27, 2017



#### Parable of the Sower

Jesus is referring to himself as the sower and the seeds as his teachings. The parable describes four different attitudes (ground) toward his words: the seed on the path is devoured by birds; the seed sown on rocky ground is scorched by the sun because it has no roots; and the seed sown among thorns is choked. Some of the seeds fall on good soil and bring forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

# 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: Pierre Naffah, Bobby Sfire, Julia Parkinson, Hank Yario.



# Bible Verse for the Week

They have heard the word, embrace it with a generous and good heart, and bear fruit through perseverance.

Luke 8.15

# From the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians 3:1-11

**Brothers and Sisters,** Brothers, I could not talk to you as spiritual people, but as fleshly people, as infants in Christ. I fed you milk, not solid food, because you were unable to take it. Indeed, you are still not able, even now, for you are still of the flesh. While there is jealousy and rivalry among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving in an ordinary human way? Whenever someone says, "I belong to Paul," and another, "I belong to Apollos," are you not merely human? What is Apollos, after all, and what is Paul? Ministers through whom you became believers, just as the Lord assigned each one. I planted, Apollos watered, but God caused the growth. Therefore, neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who causes the growth. The one who plants and the one who waters are equal, and each will receive wages in proportion to his labor. For we are God's co-workers; you are God's field, God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a wise master builder I laid a foundation, and another is building upon it. But each one must be careful how he builds upon it, for no one can lay a foundation other than the one that is there, namely, Jesus Christ. **Praise be to God Always!** 

# From the Gospel of our Lord according to Luke 8:1-15

Jesus Said, "A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path and was trampled, and the birds of the sky ate it up. Some seed fell on rocky ground, and when it grew, it withered for lack of moisture. Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some seed fell on good soil, and when it grew, it produced fruit a hundredfold." After saying this, he called out, "Whoever has ears to hear ought to hear." Then his disciples asked him what the meaning of this parable might be. He answered, "This is the meaning of the parable: The seed is the word of God. Those on the path are the ones who have heard, but the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts that they may not believe and be saved. Those on rocky ground are the ones who, when they hear, receive the word with joy, but they have no root; they believe only for a time and fall away in time of trial. As for the seed that fell among thorns, they are the ones who have heard, but as they go along, they are choked by the anxieties and riches and pleasures of life, and they fail to produce mature fruit. But as for the seed that fell on rich soil, they are the ones who, when they have heard the word, embrace it with a generous and good heart, and bear fruit through perseverance.

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

# 10TH ANNUAL Our Lady Of Lebanon Lebanese Festival 950 N. GRACE ST. LOMBARD, IL 60148

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 • 5:00 P.M.-11:00 P.M.

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FEATURING LIVE PERFORMANCE BY LEBANESE STARS

El Fares Ziad Imaz And Doris Farhat

> ALSO FEATURING: DJ SAWMA IN THE MIX AND BELLY DANCERS.



AUTHENTIC LEBANESE CUISINE, FAMILY FUN LEBANESE BEER & WINE, HOOKAH

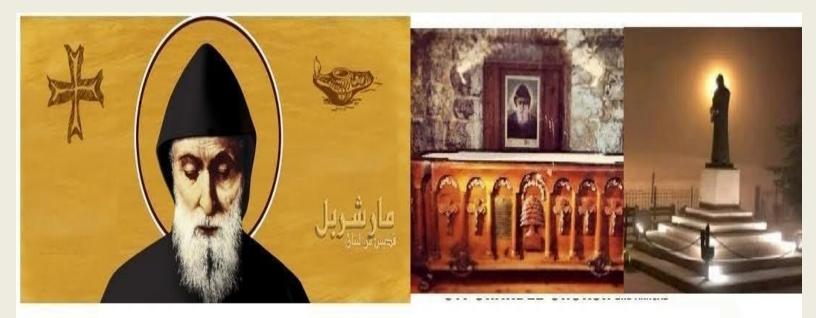


\$25 PER TICKET FIRST PRIZE: \$3,000 SECOND PRIZE: (2) Two way tickets Chicago to Europe THIRD PRIZE: \$1,000 ADMISSION \$5 PER PERSON FREE FOR KIDS UNDER 10

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# **First Annual Saint Sharbel Mission Festival**



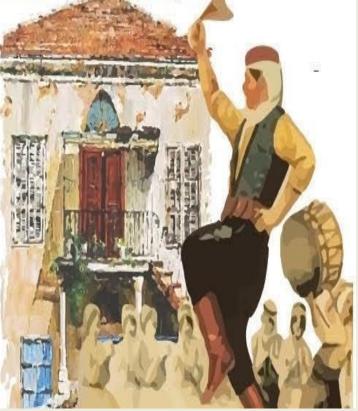
Saturday, August 26, 2:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m. & Sunday, August 27, 11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. @St. Sebastian Church - 31

Sacred Relics of St. Sharbel at the Church during the Festival. Mass, Saturday, 8/26/2017 @ 12:00 noon.

Lebanese Food, Children Games, Dance, live music with Doris Farhat & Band



@St. Sebastian Church - 3126 95th. St. Sturtevant, Wi.



	Mass Celebration					
	Memorial of the Resurrection: Page 494 Anaphora of Saint Peter: P. 774					
	Sunday Readings					
HOLY BIBLE	Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:1-11 Holy Gospel: Luke 8:1-15					
	Mass Intentions					
T	09:30 a.m. Rev. Father Wehbe - Rev. Father Martin Scannel - Mgr. John Naffah and the founders of our Lady of Lebanon <u>11:30 a.m.</u> Bishop Robert Shaheen (By the Shaker Family) Pierre Massoud (By Albert and Sabah Dakhoul) Lucille and Victor Wertz & Tammer and Mary Caleel - Maria Louise Caleel and Dr. George Caleel (By the Caleel Family)					
Schedules	Sunday 9:30 am	Sunday 11:30 am				
Altar Servers	Andres Ballines, Leila Nehra Anthony Jazarlian, Dany Chelala	Miriam Dandan, Cassandra Chahoud, Estifan Azzo, Yousif, Reem Hattar, Rayana Mounsef				
Readers	Lillian Hanna	Gisele Mulcahey (Arabic) Marybeth Rezey (English)				
Ushers	Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend	Ed Kneip, Tony Boumitri, Nakhoul Nehra, George Stephen				

# **Announcements**

✤ Next Sunday, there is no Mass at 9:30 am and instead of 11:30 am Mass, Holy Mass will be celebrated at 11 am.

#### **ォ MRE**

We started taking Registration for MRE (Maronite Religious Education) for Children. Please See Mrs. Diala Chahoud After Mass to register your Children.

#### **\* OUR ANNUAL FESTIVAL**

Our Lebanese Festival will take place on **1st**, **2**<sup>nd</sup> **and 3**<sup>rd</sup> **of September 2017**. We need volunteers to help setting the tents, the tables and the Chairs.

#### **★** Festival Meeting

Mandatory meeting on Tuesday August 29 @ 7:30 pm

### Let us remember

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

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÷	Mitchell Shaker	÷	Carmen Tano	÷	May Jage
÷	Haj Dandan	÷	Margaret Gilaty	。 	Edward Witterson
÷	Nicholas Coury	÷	Hannie Haddad	۰ ۲	Catherine Najehton
÷	Rose Joseph	÷	Helen Coury	۰ ۴	•
순	Norma Gattas	순	Edward Georgies Khalaf	_	John Paul Nemeh
			Ŭ	÷	Georgette Tarazi

# **COLLECTION** Sunday August 27, 2017: \$ 2,314.00

"Lord, teach us to give and not count the cost." *St. Ignatius de Loyola*