



# **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**

**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 Pentecost  
Parable of the Pharisee and Tax Collector  
SEPTEMBER 02, 2018



The Pharisee stands before us as the incarnation of absolute self-satisfaction. The self-satisfied Pharisee seriously thinks that he is perfect. But his self-satisfaction obscured from him what was taking place in his soul. Self-satisfaction had seized him that he completely forgot that all his so-called virtues lose all their value and meaning before God's judgment.

The tax collector, sensing his worthlessness, he only beats his breast and prays: God be merciful to me a sinner! This modest man concentrated his spiritual powers on his sinfulness, on his imperfectness before the face of God.

**Venerable John Climacus said,** "Many people thank God with their mouth, but mentally magnify themselves. God needs our heart. Pride is the annihilation of virtue."

## 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:  
**Eva Sassine, Jackie Haddad, Bobby Sfire, Julia Parkinson.**

## Mass Intentions for Next Sunday September 09, 2018

09:30 AM

**Deceased of the Shaker and Abraham Family** *(By the Shaker Family)*

11:30 AM

**President Bashir El Gemayel**

## *Bible Verse*

*For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled,  
and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.*

*Luke 18:14*

## **Psalm 65**

Praise is due to you, O God, and to you; to you our vows must be fulfilled.  
You who hear and answer our prayers! To you all flesh must come.  
When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions.  
Blessed the one whom you will choose and bring to dwell in your courts.  
We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple.  
By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation;  
You are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.  
You are robed in power, and you set up the mountains by your might.  
You make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.  
You greatly enrich the earth with water; you provide the people with grain.  
The whole creation shout and sing together for joy. **Alleluia**

## **From the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans 8:18-27**

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are as nothing compared with the glory to be revealed for us. For creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God; for creation was made subject to futility, not of its own accord but because of the one who subjected it, in hope that creation itself would be set free from slavery to corruption and share in the glorious freedom of the children of God.

We know that all creation is groaning in labor pains even until now; and not only that, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, we also groan within ourselves as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved.

Now hope that sees for itself is not hope. For who hopes for what one sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait with endurance. In the same way, the Spirit too comes to the aid of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit itself intercedes with inexpressible groanings. And the one who searches hearts knows what is the intention of the Spirit, because it intercedes for the holy ones according to God's will.

## **From the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke 18:9-14**

He then addressed this parable to those who were convinced of their own righteousness and despised everyone else. "Two people went up to the temple area to pray; one was a Pharisee and the other was a tax collector. The Pharisee took up his position and spoke this prayer to himself, 'O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity--greedy, dishonest, adulterous--or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income.' But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.' I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.



11TH ANNUAL  
OUR LADY OF LEBANON

# *Lebanese Festival*

950 N. GRACE ST. LOMBARD, IL 60148

FRIDAY, AUGUST 31, 2018

5:00 PM - 11:00 PM

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2018

2:00 PM - 11:00 PM

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2018

2:00 PM - 9:00 PM

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## *Doris Farhat & Tony Eid*



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|  | <b>Mass Celebration</b>  |
|   | <p><b>Sunday B: 492</b><br/> <b>Anaphora of Saint Peter: P. 774</b></p>  |
|  | <b>Sunday Readings</b>   |
|   | <p><b>Psalm 65</b><br/> <b>Reading: Romans 8:18-27</b><br/> <b>Holy Gospel: Luke 18:9-14</b></p>   |
|  | <b>Mass Intentions</b>   |
|  | <p><b><u>11:30 AM</u></b><br/> <b>Samir Salame and Elaine Saleme</b> <i>(The Salame Family)</i><br/> <b>Pierre Naffah - Tom and Nabih Basile</b><br/> <b>Chuck Basile - Dr. Simon Basile</b> <i>(Naffah Family)</i><br/> <b>For the founders and pioneers of Our Lady of Lebanon</b><br/> <b>For all who labor and volunteer in Our Parish Community</b><br/> <b>Speedy Recovery for Gene Josephus</b> <i>(By Brian and Amanda Josephus)</i></p> |
| <b>Schedules</b>   | <b>Sunday 11:30 am</b>   |
| <b>Altar Servers</b>   | Karen Sayegh, Ramez Sayegh<br>Yousif, Reem & Fadi Hattar.  |
| <b>Readers</b>   | Nabil Zahra (Arabic)<br>Rima Antoon (English)  |
| <b>Ushers</b>  | Ed Kneip, William Harb<br>Henry Abboud, Sami Tabet   |

## **Announcements**

✳ **Welcome to the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Lebanese Festival. Thank you to all our amazing volunteers. May God Bless you and Our Lady Of Lebanon Church.**

✳ **MRE Registration**

Maronite Religious education MRE will begin on September 16th at 10:20 am in the hall with father Pierre. Registration is open after mass - to register please see Diala Chahoud in the hall. MRE is scheduled every Sunday from 10:20 am to 11:20 am, we look forward to seeing our returning students and new students. We welcome all of you to another great year.

### **Let us remember**

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

Msgr. John Naffah - Fr. Dr. William Nijm - Ruth Bourjaily - Caesar Tabet - Camile Tabet - Christo Yasmine - Samir Salame - Thomas F. Nelly - Carrie Lynn Pavlousky - Dennis Toland - Alfred Abdo - Bahjat Yousif - Fada Nemeh - Dr. Roland Yammine - Nouha Assaf - Ida Yousif - James Hanna

### **COLLECTION**

**Sunday August 26, 2018: \$ 2,434.00**

*"It's not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving."*

**Mother Theresa**