

Our Lady of Lebanon

Maronite Catholic Church

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Church Clergy

Father Pierre ElKhoury, M.L.M., Pastor
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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.

Season of the Great Lent The Healing of the Blind Man April 02, 2017

Pray For Our Sick

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, Bobbi Sfire, Kathy Tomusiak, Julia Parkinson, Hank Yario.

Mass Intentions for Next Sunday April 09, 2017

09:30 a.m.

Megan Shaker (By Joseph and Teresa Shaker)

11:30 a.m.

For all the children and their parents in our parish Community

Bible Verse for the Week

The blind man said to Jesus, "Master, I want to see."

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From the Second Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians 10:1-7

Brothers and Sisters,

Now I myself, Paul, urge you through the gentleness and clemency of Christ, I who am humble when face to face with you, but brave toward you when absent, I beg you that, when present, I may not have to be brave with that confidence with which I intend to act boldly against some who consider us as acting according to the flesh. For, although we are in the flesh, we do not battle according to the flesh, for the weapons of our battle are not of flesh but are enormously powerful, capable of destroying fortresses. We destroy arguments and every pretension raising itself against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive in obedience to Christ, and we are ready to punish every disobedience, once your obedience is complete. Look at what confronts you. Whoever is confident of belonging to Christ should consider that as he belongs to Christ, so do we.

Praise be to God always!

From the Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark 10:46-52

The Evangelist Mark Said:

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."

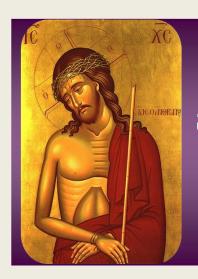
Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.

This is the truth. Peace be with you.

Palm Sunday Candles

Please Contact Gisele Mulcahey or Micheline Dwayer





Lenten Lecture Series

The Chicago area Antiochian heritage churches present the 2017 Lenten Lecture Series! Uniting our faithful; and together sharing in the Passion of our Lord, and celebrating His Glorious Resurrection.

All lectures will begin promptly at 7:00pm and will last for 45 minutes, followed by a 15 minute Q&A. Fellowship and Lenten dinner will follow. Join us.

Date	Host Parish	Presenter / Topic
March 9 th 2017	St. John Melkite Church with St. Afrem Syriac Orthodox Church 200 E. North Ave. Northlake, IL 60164	Fr. Joseph Abouid "The Desert: a safe haven For the salvation of man, even in this day and age"
March 16 th 2017	Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Church 950 N. Grace St. Lombard, IL 60148	Fr. Mousa Haddad "The Art of Forgiveness"
March 23 rd 2017	St. John Syriac Orthodox Church 250 S. Villa Ave. Villa Park, IL 60181	Fr. Pierre El Khoury "The Agony in the Garden"
March 30 th 2017	St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church 1220 S. 60th Ct. Cicero, IL 60804	Fr. Sharbel Bcheiry "Between Theology and Welding: a reflection on manual labor from the perspective of a priest-worker"
April 6 th 2017	St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church 6330 W. 127th St. Palos Heights, IL 60463	Fr. Michael Hull "Our Crisis of Faith"

"For what good is it if we abstain from birds and fishes, but bite and devour our brothers and sisters?"

St. John Chrysostom

Mass Celebration



The Healing of the Blind Man: P. 246 **Anaphora of Saint Peter:** P. 774

Sunday Readings



Reading: Corinthians 10:1-7 Holy Gospel: Mark 10:46-52

Mass Intentions



09:30 a.m.

11th Anniversary for Joseph Shaker, Sr. (By the Shaker Family)
The deceased of the Shaker & Abraham Family (By the Breit Family)

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Habib & Matilde Naffah – Mgr John Naffah – Marie Naffah –
Dr. Bechara & Elide Naffah (By Pierre & Ann Naffah)

Schedules	Sunday 9:30 am	Sunday 11:30 am
Altar Servers	Andres Ballines, Leila Nehra Anthony Jazarlian	Miriam Dandan, Cassandra Chahoud, Estifan Azzo, Yousif, Reem Hattar, Rayana Mounsef
Readers	Joe Shaker	Gisele Mulcahey (Arabic)
Ushers	Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend	Ed Kneip, Joe Gharib, George Zakhem, Sami Tabet

Announcements

* Stations of the Cross: All Fridays of Great Lent, Mass is celebrated at 6:30 P.M. and Stations of the Cross at 7:00 P.M., followed by a potluck Supper in the Shaker Hall.

* Palm Sunday candles

After Mass, the MYO will be selling decorated Candles for Palm Sunday. Contact Gisele Mulcahey or Micheline Dwayer.

***Lenten Lectures Series**

St. Mary Orthodox Church in Palos Heights will host the Last Lenten lecture on Thursday April 06, 2017 (See flyer in Bulletin). Fr Michael Hull will discuss the Crisis of Faith. The lecture will begin at 7:00 pm and will last for 45 minutes, followed by a 15 minute Q&A. Fellowship and Lenten dinner will follow. **Join us.**

* Easter Bake Sale

Our annual Easter Bake sale fundraising event is on Sunday, April 9th, 2017. To pre-order go to our website (**ollchicago.org**) or pick up a pre-order flyer. All pre-Orders need to be submitted no later than April 5th, 2017. We appreciate your generosity, your Contributions and your support. For more info please call **Mrs. Madeleine Malek (847) 533-5698.**

★ Saturday Mass

Every Saturday, Mass will be celebrated at 5 pm.

* Holy week Celebrations

Palm Sunday April 9th: 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Monday – Tuesday: Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM

Wednesday (Healing Mass and Blessing of the oil): Liturgy at 7:00 PM

Thursday April 13th: washing feet & Good Friday April 14th: Liturgy at 7:00 PM

Saturday April 15th: 10:00 AM – 2 PM Easter Egg Hunt and Egg coloring (Lunch: Pizza)

Easter Sunday March 27: Midnight Mass – 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

Let us remember

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

⊕ Joseph Allen

⊕ Minnie Bohakel

⊕ Joseph Basil

⊕ Gurken Israelian

↑ Charles Jage

⊕ Dr. Issam Kaddourah

⊕ Julia A. Saad

COLLECTION

Sunday March 26, 2017: \$ 1,829.00

"For it is in giving that we receive."

Saint Francis