



Our Lady of Lebanon

Maronite Catholic Church

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Church Clergy

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

Deacon John Sfire

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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.

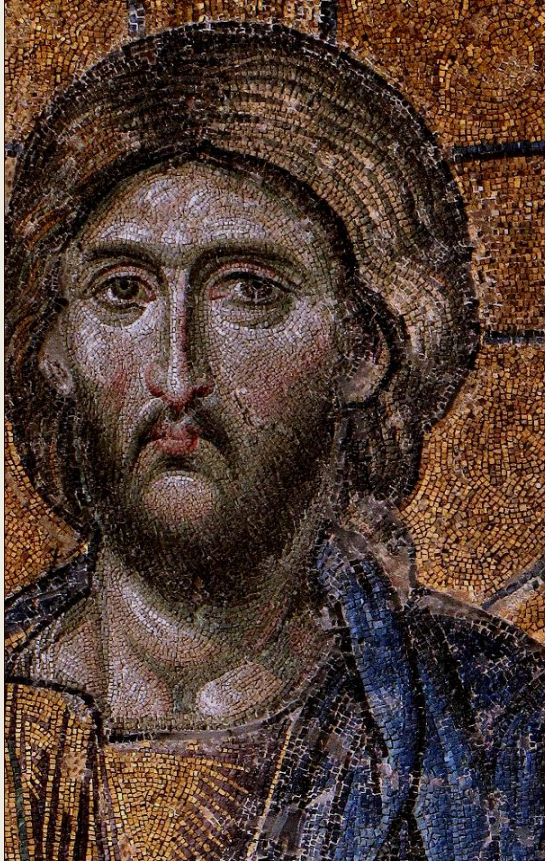
Ministry of the Sick

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.

Opening of the Liturgical Year
Consecration of the Church
November 05, 2017



**But who
do you say
that
I am?**

Matthew 16:15

Jesus asks his apostles, “Who do you say that I am?”

The Bible has many names for Jesus: Word of God, Teacher, Rabbi, Prophet, Savior, Shepherd, Truth, Light, Door, Gate, King of kings, Lord of lords, Son of God, the Messiah... Simon answered, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” Jesus told him, his answer was not his own, but was given to him from the Father in heaven. Jesus renamed Simon Peter (Rock) Jesus declared that Peter’s “rock solid” confession of faith in him would be the foundation for his Church.

Nothing has changed; the question for each and every one of us today, is always the same. It is the key to eternity and salvation. Jesus continues to call out to each of us saying; “Who do you say that I am?”

Precious Lord Jesus, open our hearts to the truth and reality of your abiding presence. Amen.

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, Laure Zayeck, Julia Parkinson, Hank Yario.

Mass Intentions for Next Sunday November 12, 2017

09:30 am

Jackie Shaker *(By Joseph and Theresa Shaker)*

11:30 am

40 days for Elie Abiad *(By Naji and Margret Abiad)*

1 year for Dennis Kneip family *(By Edward and Cynthia Kneip)*

Bible Verse for the Week

"You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

Matthew 16:16

From the Letter of Saint Paul to the Hebrews 9:1-12

Brothers and Sisters,

Even the first covenant had regulations for worship and an earthly sanctuary. For a tent was constructed, the first one, in which were the lampstand, the table, and the bread of the Presence; this is called the Holy Place. Behind the second curtain was a tent called the Holy of Holies. In it stood the golden altar of incense and the ark of the covenant overlaid on all sides with gold, in which there were a golden urn holding the manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tablets of the covenant; above it were the cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy seat. Of these things we cannot speak now in detail. Such preparations having been made, the priests go continually into the first tent to carry out their ritual duties; but only the high priest goes into the second, and he but once a year, and not without taking the blood that he offers for himself and for the sins committed unintentionally by the people. By this the Holy Spirit indicates that the way into the sanctuary has not yet been disclosed as long as the first tent is still standing. This is a symbol of the present time, during which gifts and sacrifices are offered that cannot perfect the conscience of the worshiper, but deal only with food and drink and various baptisms, regulations for the body imposed until the time comes to set things right. But when Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption.

Praise be to God Always!

From the Gospel of our Lord according to Matthew 16:13-20

The Apostle Matthew said:

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?"

And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"

Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah. This is the truth. Peace be with you.

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Lebanese Heritage PARTY



Saturday November 18, 2017
Our Lady of Lebanon Church
950 N Grace St. Lombard, IL
7:00 PM to 12:00 AM


Dinner will be served at 8:00 pm

Music by DJ Sawma • Babysitter

\$50 / Adults \$20 / Children under 12 years old



RESERVE TODAY BY CALLING
630-932-9640 or 630-886-7114

	Mass Celebration	
	Consecration and renewal of the Church: Page 606 Anaphora of Saint Peter: P. 774	
	Sunday Readings	
	Psalm 84 Reading: Hebrews 9:1-12 Holy Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20	
	Mass Intentions	
	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>09:30 am</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Deceased of the Shaker family and Abraham family <i>(By the Breit Family)</i> Fred Guttas <i>(By Margret Budz)</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>11:30 am</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Rihan and Asia Brakhia and Kamel Abboud <i>(By Henry and Mirna Abboud)</i> Antoon Naffah-Antoine & Georgette Khoury - Joseph and Olga Mattar <i>(By Pierre and Ann Naffah)</i></p>	
Schedules	Sunday 9:30 am	Sunday 11:30 am
Altar Servers	Isabella and Anthony Jazarlian, Danny Chelala, Andres Ballines	Rayana and Rayme Mounsef, Estifan Azzo, Jason Bendok, Casandra Chahoud
Readers	Jenny Chalala	Chadi Haddad (Arabic) Eddy Mouannes (English)
Ushers	Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend	Ed Kneip, John Albani, Albert Dakhoul, Stephen Georges

ANNOUNCEMENTS

✳ **SUNDAY, November 5** - Daylight Savings Time ends. Set your clocks back 1 hour!

✳ **CHOIR PRACTICE:** Tuesdays @ 7:30 pm

✳ **Kids Clubs:** this Saturday November 4th and next Friday November 11th

✳ **BAKE SALE:** Christmas Bake sale fundraising event is on Sunday, December 17th.

✳ **Thanksgiving Food drive**

Help us make a difference by donating canned and non-perishable food items. Deadline November 19. Thank you for your generosity and concern for the poor and needy among us.

✳ **Heritage Party:** SATURDAY November 18 at 7 pm.

Let us remember

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

Jackie Shaker - Bernice Karsa - Micki O'Connell - Anton Ibrahim - George Gage - George Hanna - John De Salvo - Richard Gorra, Jr. - Samir Rizkallah - Robert D. Kooiker - Herbert Jage - Thomas A. Neely - Joanne Ibrahim - William Halowi - Joseph Basil - Farida Khattar - Selma Jage Vokal - Theodore W. Jage - Joseph Windsor - Helen Dandan - Linda T. Fischer - Regina Gage - Nasafe Kassis - Saleme Gossan - Sarah Bolis

COLLECTION

Sunday October 29, 2017: \$ 3,433.00

"Lord, teach us to give and not count the cost."

St. Ignatius de Loyola