

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 <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 Glorious Birth of Our Lord Genealogy of Jesus Christ December 18, 2016

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, Joseph Fegali, Andrew Sullivan, Mark Tarabey.

Mass Intentions for Christmas December 24-25, 2016

<u>Christmas Eve – Saturday 24th - 5:00 pm:</u>
The founders and pioneers of Our Lady of Lebanon Church

Midnight Mass - Sunday 25th - 12 am:

The Shaker Family and the Founders of the Parish

Christmas Day – Sunday 25th - 11:30 pm:

The founders and pioneers of Our Lady of Lebanon Church

Bible Verse for the Week

The gospel of His son, descended from David according to the flesh, but established as Son of God in power according to the spirit of holiness...

Romans 1.8-4

From the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans 1:1-12

Brothers and Sisters,

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed throughout the world. For God, whom I serve with my spirit by announcing the gospel of his Son, is my witness that without ceasing I remember you always in my prayers, asking that by God's will I may somehow at last succeed in coming to you. For I am longing to see you so that I may share with you some spiritual gift to strengthen you — or rather so that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine.

Praise be to God always!

From the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew 1:1-17

The Apostle Matthew said:

An account of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham. Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Aram, and Aram the father of Aminadab, and Aminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab, and Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse, and Jesse the father of King David. And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah, and Solomon the father of Rehoboam, and Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asaph, and Asaph the father of Jehoshaphat, and Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzziah, and Uzziah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, and Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amos, and Amos the father of Josiah, and Josiah the father of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon. And after the deportation to Babylon: Jechoniah was the father of Salathiel, and Salathiel the father of Zerubbabel, and Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, and Abiud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Azor, and Azor the father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud, and Eliud the father of Eleazar, and Eleazar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called the Messiah. So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; and from David to the deportation to Babylon, fourteen generations; and from the deportation to Babylon to the Messiah, fourteen generations.

This is the truth. Peace be with you.

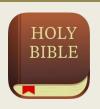


Mass Celebration



Revelation to Joseph: P. 68 **Anaphora of Saint Peter:** P. 774

Sunday Readings



Reading: Romans 1:1-12
Holy Gospel: Matthew 1:1-17

Mass Intentions

09:30 Mass:

Helen Shaker (By the Shaker Family)
Anthony Abraham (By Louis and Rita Bourjaily)

11:30 Mass:

Antoine and Melanie Khoury (By Joe Khoury and Family)
Samir Rizkallah (By Ziad and Rita Ghasoub)

Schedules	9:30 A.M. Mass	11:30 A.M. Mass	
Altar Servers	Andres Ballines, Leila Nehra Anthony Jazarlian	Miriam Dandan, Cassandra Chahoud, Estifan Azzo, Yousif & Reem Hattar	
Readers	Nabil Zahra	Tonia Khoury (English) Joumana Pavkov (Arabic)	
Ushers	Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend	Ed Kneip, John Albani, Naji Abiad, Sam Sweillem	

Announcements

* Christmas Celebrations 2016:

Saturday December 24: Christmas Eve Mass at 5:00 pm

Sunday December 25: Christmas Midnight Mass at 12:00 AM

Sunday December 25: Christmas Day Mass at 11:30 AM

※ New Year's Party

Our Lady of Lebanon will host a New Year's Eve Party on Saturday, December 31st in the Shaker Hall from 7 PM to 1 AM with DJ AlSharrk music Entertainment and holiday raffle. For more information contact **Mona Akouri (847) 456-8070**.

Let us remember

And pray for our Beloved Ones who died during the Month of December

	🕆 Virginia Nimer	⊕ George Bohakel	⊕ Helen Cordell
🕆 Genevieve Abraham	🕆 Gerges Hattar	⊕ Emil Ayan	⊕ Patrick O'Shea
🕆 Eugene D. Bodan		🕆 George L. George	⊕ Michelle York
	⊕ Rose Halowi	🕆 Hattie Yorecki	🕆 Nicola Shahwan
⊕ Michael Ibrahim	⊕ Genevieve Salem		
		🕆 Safa Ghandour	🕆 George Hanna

COLLECTION

Sunday December 11, 2016: \$ 2,305.00

"Give, but give until it hurts.
Otherwise, there is no true love in you."

Mother Teresa