



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.

Season of Great Lent
Sunday of THE PARALYTIC
MARCH 11, 2018



“True healing happens when we allow Jesus’ mercy to enter into the deepest layers of brokenness within us.”

Jesus desires to go to the very depth of our pain. He sees beneath the surface to the source of our hurts, uncovering our deepest needs, even those masked by surface level scars.

During this Lenten season, can I bring my own brokenness and sinfulness before God? Can I allow Jesus to enter into my wounded soul and heal me from the inside?

When someone else hurts me, can I see that person as someone who is needy and broken? Can I look through the eyes of compassion and mercy, as Jesus does?

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:

**Jackie Haddad, Pierre Naffah, Bobby Sfire,
Laure Zayeck, Julia Parkinson, Hank Yario.**

Mass Intentions for Next Sunday MARCH 18, 2018

09:30 am

Edward Jage *(By Bill and Cheryl Blum)*

11:30 am

Adele and Fouad Boutros *(By the Boutros Family)*

BIBLE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, pick up your mat and walk'?

MARK 2:9

From the First Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy 6:6-19

Brothers and Sisters, Faith with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share.

But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called by God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone is Holy and immortal, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honor and might forever. Amen. **Praise be to God Always!**

From the Gospel of our Lord according to Mark 2:1-12

The Evangelist Mark Said: When Jesus returned to Capernaum after some days, it became known that he was at home. Many gathered together so that there was no longer room for them, not even around the door, and he preached the word to them.

They came bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men. Unable to get near Jesus because of the crowd, they opened up the roof above him. After they had broken through, they let down the mat on which the paralytic was lying. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Child, your sins are forgiven."

Now some of the scribes were sitting there asking themselves, "Why does this man speak that way? He is blaspheming. Who but God alone can forgive sins?"

Jesus immediately knew in his mind what they were thinking to themselves, so he said, "Why are you thinking such things in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, pick up your mat and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority to forgive sins on earth"-- he said to the paralytic, "I say to you, rise, pick up your mat, and go home." He rose, picked up his mat at once, and went away in the sight of everyone.

They were all astounded and glorified God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this." **This is the truth. Peace be with you.**

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RUMMAGE



WHEN

Friday, April 6	10am-5pm
Saturday, April 7	10am-5pm
Sunday, April 8	1pm-5pm

WHERE

Our Lady Of Lebanon - Shaker Hall
950 N. Grace Street, Lombard, IL 60148

DONATIONS ACCEPTED: gently used household items such clothing, jewelry and accessories, bikes, toys, board games, holiday decorations, small appliances, books, sports items, small electronics, wall art, home decor, gardening items, etc.

WWW.OLLCHICAGO.ORG

DROP OFF ITEMS:

Drop Off Times:

All items must be dropped off in advance by Wednesday, April 4th

CONTACT:

For more information, contact:

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630-932-9640

BENEFITING:

All proceeds will be donated to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital



	Mass Celebration	
	The paralytic: Page 237 Anaphora of Saint Peter: P. 774	
	Sunday Readings	
	Reading: 1 Timothy 6:6:19 Holy Gospel: Mark 2:1-12	
	Mass Intentions	
	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>09:30 am</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Fr. Dr. William Nijm <i>(By The Nijm Family)</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Speedy recovery for Jackie Haddad</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>11:30 am</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Youssef ELKartabani <i>(By El Kartabani Family)</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Anthony Ghassoub <i>(By Ziad and Rita Ghasoub)</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Lucille and Victor Wertz & Tammer and Mary Caleel – Maria Louise Caleel and Dr. George Caleel <i>(By The Caleel Family)</i></p>	
Schedules	Sunday 9:30 am	Sunday 11:30 am
Altar Servers	Gabby & Elias Tamer, Dany Chlala, Mauricio Saad	Cassandra Chahoud, Estephan Ezzo, Lynn Harb, Miriam Dandan, Ramez Sayegh
Readers	Lillian Hanna	Gisele Mulcahey (Arabic) Mary Mulcahey (English)
Ushers	Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend	Ed Kneip, Joe Gharib, Albert Dakhoul, Stephen Georges

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** Stations of the Cross**

Every Friday at 7 pm followed by a potluck Dinner in the Shaker Hall.

*** Saint Joseph Lunch**

Saint Joseph Lunch will be held on Sunday March 18 and it is a fundraising event for our youth group MYO. Adult \$10 and children \$5. For more info contact Gisele Mulcahey.

*** Easter Bake Sale**

Easter Bake Sale is scheduled for March 25, 2018. Please place your pre- orders ASAP. For more info Contact Madeleine Malek.

*** Lenten Appeal**

The Annual Lenten Appeal for the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon is now taking place. Thank you for your Support.

*** Rummage Sale Benefiting St Jude Children Hospital**

Friday April 6, Saturday April 7 and Sunday April 8. Gently used items must be donated before April 4th. For more info contact Lina Daou.

*** Feed my starving children**

MRE (Maronite religious Education) will be attending feed my starving children in Schaumburg on Saturday April 14th 7pm and Saturday June 2nd at 2pm. Starting age is 7 years old and older. Sign-up sheets in the narthex. Contact Diala Chahoud for information.

Let us remember

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

Stasia Abraham - Peter Dumit - Robert Basil - Dixie Lee Haddad - Chris Crispin - James C. Bomrad - Louis Haddad - Fredia Saige - Nabiha Farris - Mary Bouzide - Maurice Zayek

COLLECTION

March 04, 2018: \$ 3,643.00

*Those who have little and give it all are the believers in Life.
And there are those who give with joy, and that joy is their reward.*

Khalil Gibran