

Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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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 Epiphany REVELATION OF CHRIST'S MYSTERY January 14, 2018



Come & See...Then What?

Jesus' call to His disciples involved steps of commitment in order to establish a relationship that grows! His call to us involves more of Him and less of ourselves.

In our very nature, the nature that God created within us, we are curious! We are designed to think, discover, and seek out what is true.

Come and See ... That invitation was a step, and likely a test, to see if these guys were willing to check out this Jesus and begin a relationship with Him that would change their lives forever. God gives us small steps in His call is to check our faith and first see if we will obey Him.

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 JANUARY 21, 2018

<u>09:30 am</u>

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

<u>11:30 am</u>

Farid Mikhayel Ziade (By the Ziade Family)

BIBLE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

Jesus saw them and said, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi, where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come, and you will see."

JOHN 1:38-39

From the Second Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians 4:5-15

Brothers and Sisters, We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake.

For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us.

We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies.

For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh.

So death is at work in us, but life in you. But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture — "I believed, and so I spoke" — we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence.

Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. **Praise be to God Always**!

From the Gospel of our Lord according to John 1:35-42

The Apostle said: The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!"

The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.

When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see."

They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon.

One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

This the truth. Peace be with you.

| | Mass Celebration | |
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| | Glorious Epiphany: Page 107 Anaphora of Saint Peter: P. 774 | |
| | Sunday Readings | |
| HOLY BIBLE | Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:5-15 Holy Gospel: John 1:35-42 | |
| | Mass Intentions | |
| | 09:30 am 3 rd Anniversary: Helen Shaker (By the Shaker Family) <u>11:30 am</u> 3 rd Anniversary: Helen Shaker (By the Shaker Family) 2 nd Anniversary: Michael Kasis (By the Kasis Family) | |
| Schedules | Sunday 9:30 am | Sunday 11:30 am |
| Altar Servers | Isabella & Anthony Jazarelian, Mauricio Saad, Danny Chlala, | Cassandra Chahoud – Jason Bendok - Antonio and Marcelino Jaber - Estephan Ezzo |
| Readers | Joe Shaker | Gisele Mulcahey (Arabic) Diala Chahoud (English) |
| Ushers | Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend | Ed Kneip, Toni Boumitri John Albani, Nakhoul Nehra |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- *** The donation envelopes** are ready for pick up.
- * Kids Club meets on Friday January 19, 2018 at 7 pm
- * Adult Bible Study on Fridays at 7 pm

Let us remember

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

Helen Shaker - Betty Shaker - Fred Gilaty - George Paul Doucette - Lynley M. Garvin -Albert Hopsy - Michael Jabour - Louise Lucchesi - Sarah Malouf - Isabel Damuny Shahwan -Barbra Nahra - Joseph V. O'Neil.

COLLECTION

January 07, 2018: \$4,044.00

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