

# **Our Lady of Lebanon**

#### **Maronite Catholic Church**

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# **Church Clergy**

Father Pierre ElKhoury, M.L.M., Pastor
Deacon John Sfire
Subdeacon Thomas Podraza

# **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 Announcement to the Virgin Mary November 26, 2017



On this day the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us, uniting for evermore our human nature to the Divine nature.

The Mystery of the Incarnation brings vividly before us the humility of God the Son in stooping to our condition in order to be our Savior. Equally it proclaims the blessedness of Mary, who was chosen to be The "Mother of God" and to give to the Divine Word human flesh and human birth, and so to cooperate with God in the restoration of mankind.

# 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 December 03, 2017

09:30 am

**Sophia Abraham** (By Joseph and Teresa Shaker)

11:30 am

Samir Rizkallah (1 year) (By Mona and the Rizkallah Family)

Tom & Nabiha Basile – Chuck Basile

& Dr. Simon Basile (By Pierre & Ann Naffah)

# Bible Verse for the Week

"Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you." Luke 1.28

#### Psalm 40

Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will. Sacrifice or oblation you wished not, but ears open to obedience you gave me. Holocausts or sin-offerings you sought not; then said I, "Behold I come." In the written scroll it is prescribed for me, To do your will, O my God, is my delight, and your law is within my heart!". **Alleluia!** 

#### From the Letter of Saint Paul to the Galatians 3:15-22

Brothers and Sisters, I give an example from daily life: once a person's will has been ratified, no one adds to it or annuls it. Now the promises were made to Abraham and to his offspring; it does not say, "And to offsprings," as of many; but it says, "And to your offspring," that is, to one person, who is Christ. My point is this: the law, which came four hundred thirty years later, does not annul a covenant previously ratified by God, so as to nullify the promise. For if the inheritance comes from the law, it no longer comes from the promise; but God granted it to Abraham through the promise. Why then the law? It was added because of transgressions, until the offspring would come to whom the promise had been made; and it was ordained through angels by a mediator. Now a mediator involves more than one party; but God is one. Is the law then opposed to the promises of God? Certainly not! For if a law had been given that could make alive, then righteousness would indeed come through the law. But the scripture has imprisoned all things under the power of sin, so that what was promised through faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe. **Praise be to God Always!** 

# From the Gospel of our Lord according to Luke 1:26-38

The Evangelist said: In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you." But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David. He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?" The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God. And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren. For nothing will be impossible with God." Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her. This is the truth. Peace be with you.

# OUR LADY OF LEBANON NEW YEAR'S EVE 2018

Entertainment: Singer - Simon Khoury & Band DJ - AL Sharrk

> 7:30 Cocktail 8:00 Dinner Cash Bar

Limited Seating Please RSVP

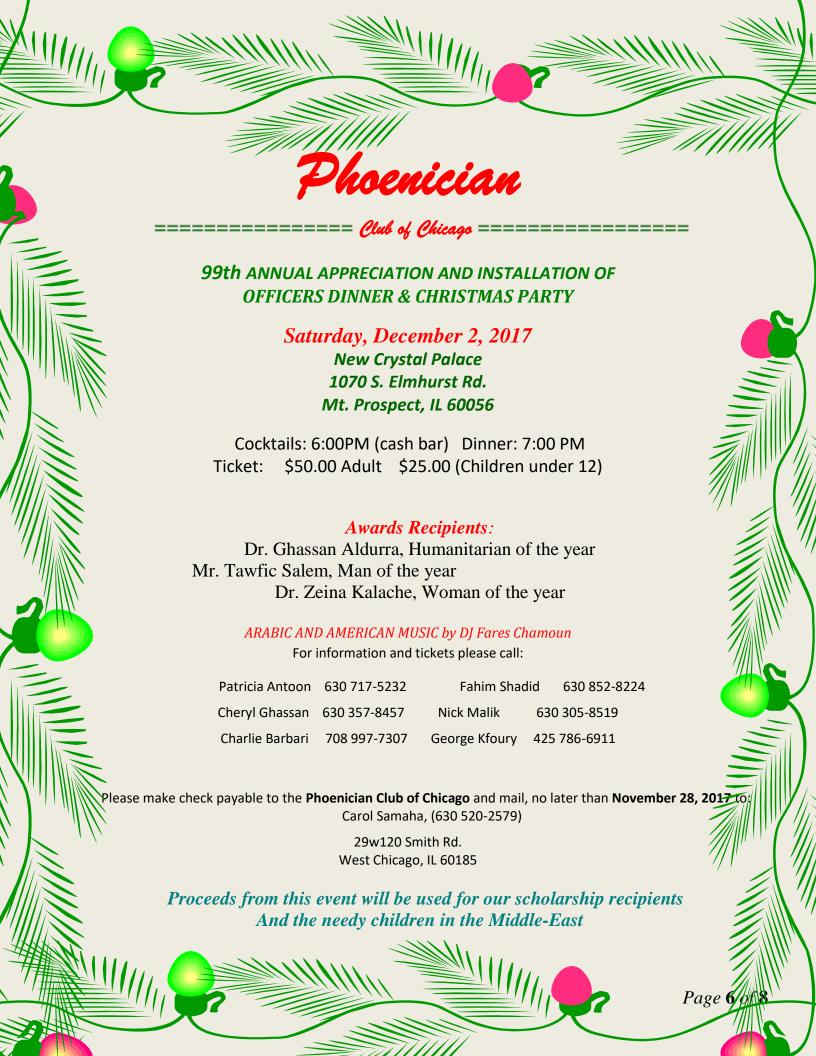


Ticket Price:
Adult \$60
Children \$30
Cash Bar





FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT CHURCH OFFICE @ (630) 932-9640 Mona Akouri Tarabay 847-456-8070 fadimona2006@gmail.com



# Mass Celebration Announcement To Mary: Page 27 Anaphora of Saint Peter: P. 774

**Sunday Readings** 



Psalm 40

Reading: Galatians 3:15-22 Holy Gospel: Luke 1:26-38

#### **Mass Intentions**



09:30 am

**Doris Isaac Jage** (By Bill and Cheryl Blum) **Chamel El Khoury** (By El Khoury Family)

# 11:30 am

Minister Pierre Amin Al Gemayel (By Kata'eb Chicago)

Josephine Mikhael Ziadé (By Tony and Maha Ziade)

Schedules	Sunday 9:30 am	Sunday 11:30 am
Altar Servers	Gabby & Elias Tamer, Stephanie & Leila Nehra	Rayana & Rayme Mounsef , Estifan Azzo, Jason Bendok, Yousef & Reem Hattar,
Readers	Cheryl Blum	Sami Daou (Arabic) Cynthia Daou (English)
Ushers	Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend	Ed Kneip, Joe Gharib, Amir Geha, John Albani

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- \* CHOIR PRACTICE: Tuesdays @ 7:30 pm
- \* Kids Clubs Next Friday @ 7 pm
- \* Christmas Toy Drive: We are collecting new toys or \$20 Gift Card. All donations will go to Catholic Charity Children program. Help us Spread the Joy of Christmas.
- \* BAKE SALE: Christmas Bake sale fundraising event is on Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>.
- \* New year Party: Sunday December 31 @ 7:30 pm. Entertainment: Singer Simon Khoury and DJ Al Sharrk. Tickets: Adults \$ 60 Children \$ 30. Contact person: Mona Akouri.

#### \* Holy Days Schedule & Events

Children Christmas Party: Sunday December 10 after 11:30 Mass

Christmas Toy Drive: Friday December 15 (deadline)
Christmas Concert: Sunday December 17 after 11:30 Mass

Bake Sale: Sunday December 17.

Christmas Masses: Monday December 25 – Midnight - 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM.

New year party: Sunday December 31 at 7:30 AM

\* Phoenician Club Christmas party: December Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup>.

#### 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 November 19, 2017:** \$ 1,783 .00

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

St. Ignatius de Loyola