



Our Lady of Lebanon

Maronite Catholic Church

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Church Clergy

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

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Mass Schedule

Saturdays: 5:00 pm (English) - **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.

Sunday of the Faithful Departed

February 19, 2017

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, Bobbi Sfire, Andrew Sullivan, Mark Tarabey.

Mass Intentions for February 26, 2017

09:30 a.m.

George J Hanna *(By Lillian Hanna)*

Fr. Dr. William Nijm *(By the Shaker Family)*

11:30 a.m.

40 days Memorial: Sleiman Beddawi *(Father of Margot Abiad)*

Chukri Elia Daniel *(By Madeleine Malek)*

Bible Verse for the Week

'They have Moses and the prophets.
Let them listen to them.'

Luke 16:29

From the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Thessalonians 5:1-11

Brothers and Sisters,

Concerning the times and the seasons, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

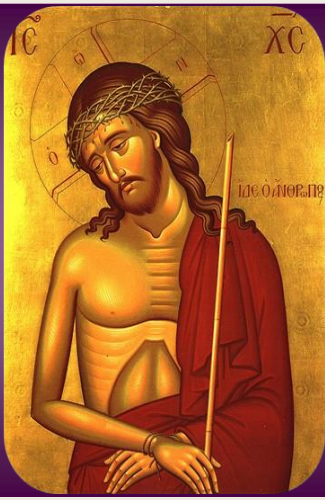
Praise be to God always!

From the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke 16:19-31

The Lord Jesus Said:

"There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, 'Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house — for I have five brothers — that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"

This is the truth. Peace be with you.



Lenten Lecture Series

The Chicago area Antiochian heritage churches present
the 2017 Lenten Lecture Series!

Uniting our faithful; and together sharing in the
Passion of our Lord, and celebrating
His Glorious Resurrection.

All lectures will begin promptly at 7:00pm and will last for 45 minutes, followed by a 15 minute Q&A. Fellowship and Lenten dinner will follow. Join us.

Date	Host Parish	Presenter / Topic
March 9 th 2017	St. John Melkite Church with St. Afrem Syriac Orthodox Church 200 E. North Ave. Northlake, IL 60164	Fr. Joseph Abouid “The Desert: a safe haven For the salvation of man, even in this day and age”
March 16 th 2017	Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Church 950 N. Grace St. Lombard, IL 60148	Fr. Mousa Haddad “The Art of Forgiveness”
March 23 rd 2017	St. John Syriac Orthodox Church 250 S. Villa Ave. Villa Park, IL 60181	Fr. Pierre El Khoury “The Agony in the Garden”
March 30 th 2017	St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church 1220 S. 60th Ct. Cicero, IL 60804	Fr. Sharbel Bcheiry “Between Theology and Welding: a reflection on manual labor from the perspective of a priest-worker”
April 6 th 2017	St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church 6330 W. 127th St. Palos Heights, IL 60463	Fr. Michael Hull “Our Crisis of Faith”

“For what good is it if we abstain from birds and fishes,
but bite and devour our brothers and sisters?”

St. John Chrysostom

	Mass Celebration	
	Sunday of the Faithful Departed: P. 168 Anaphora of Saint Peter: P. 774	
	Sunday Readings	
	Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Holy Gospel: Luke 16:19-31	
	Mass Intentions	
	<p><u>09:30 a.m.</u></p> <p>The deceased members of the Shaker Family <i>(By the Breit Family)</i> John Budz <i>(By Sara Guttas)</i> Chukri Elia Daniel <i>(By Emile and Jackie Haddad)</i></p> <p><u>11:30 a.m.</u></p> <p>One Week Memorial: Riad Chebib <i>(Brother of Hanan Merheb)</i> Naim Makhoulta and Adele Deeb <i>(By Sonia Makhoulta and Maurice Harb)</i> Lucile and Victor Wertz & Tammer and Mary Caleel – Maria Louise Caleel <i>(By Annette Caleel)</i></p>	
Schedules	Sunday 9:30 am	Sunday 11:00 am
Altar Servers	Andres Ballines, Leila Nehra Anthony Jazarlian	Miriam Dandan, Cassandra Chahoud, Estifan Azzo, Yousif & Reem Hattar
Readers	Margret Budz	Sami Daniel (Arabic) Dr. Daniel Yousif (English)
Ushers	Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend	Ed Kneip, Toni Boumitri, William Harb, Sami Tabet

Announcements

✳ **Friday Night**

Starting Next Friday February 24, 2017 the Shaker Hall will be opened at 7 pm for a family gathering and game night. During lent will have a mass on friday at 6:30 pm – Station of the cross at 7 pm followed by a family gathering and potluck Supper in the Shaker Hall.

Ash Monday is February 27, 2017 - Mass at 7 pm.

✳ **Lenten Lectures Series**

Our Eastern Antiochian Churches in Chicago Area will host a Lenten lecture Series, every Thursday from March 9, 2017 to April 6, 2017 (See flyer in Bulletin). On March 16th, 2017 our Lady of Lebanon will host the lecture; Fr. Moussa Haddad will be the Speaker. And on March 23rd, 2017 Fr. Pierre ElKhoury will be the Speaker at St. John Syriac Orthodox Church – Villa Park. All lectures will begin at 7:00 pm and will last for 45 minutes, followed by a 15 minute Q&A. Fellowship and Lenten dinner will follow. **Join us on this Lenten Journey.**

✳ **Saturday Mass**

Every Saturday, Mass will be celebrated at 5 pm.

Let us remember

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

✝ Antoine Khoury	✝ Abraham Rayyan	✝ Ralph J. Lutfy
✝ Eleanor Haddad	✝ Angelina Lombardo	✝ Libby Hajje
✝ Leila Saadeh Sweilem	✝ George Owen	✝ Sarah Thomas
✝ Anton Kattany	✝ Jacob P. Schuck	✝ Margaret Tamer
✝ Elsie Be-Hannesey	✝ Monroe Bouzide	✝ Jorge Ruiz
✝ David Gage	✝ John S. Nemeh	✝ Eva Wintergeast
✝ George Albert		

COLLECTION

Sunday February 12, 2017: \$ 3,435.00

“For it is in giving that we receive.”

Saint Francis