

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

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 Resurrection **Appearance by the Sea**APRIL 22, 2018



The Miraculous Catch is a unique story to John and like most of John's accounts, it is a story full of symbolism. This story is clearly a parable, about the fishers of people, and their work of success that originates in the power of Jesus following what he tells them to do.

The main point, however, is to emphasize God's generosity, recalling the amount of water changed into wine at Cana, the amount left over after feeding the crowds in the desert, the abundance of life that the Good Shepherd gives and the fullness of the Spirit, life-giving water that guarantees we are never thirsty... and the net was not broken (Net= Kingdom of God).

We have here some central pillars of our faith: — Recognizing Christ in the stranger's face-Expressing our love through the Eucharist (breaking bread) — working with the power of Jesus to fill the net (the Kingdom), and becoming truly fishers of people.

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, Julia Parkinson.

Mass Intentions for Next Sunday APRIL 29, 2018

9:30 AM

Memorial Mass for Hank YARIO (By Shaker Family)

Joseph and Laurice Allen, Sam and Olga Allen, Naseem & Sophie Fahel

Aurelio de Jesus, Maria Procaccio, Mitchell Allen (By Allen and Procaccio Family)

11:30 AM

Memorial Mass for Hank Yario (By Lynn Ridgway)

BIBLE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses.

ACTS 3:15

Psalm 62

For God alone my soul waits in silence; for my hope is truly in him.

He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

In God is my safety and my honor; my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.

Put your trust in him always, O people, pour out your hearts before him.

Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride;

For God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, and that power belongs to God.

From the Acts of Apostles 3:13-19

Peter said to the people: "The God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and denied in Pilate's presence when he had decided to release him. You denied the Holy One and asked that a murderer be released to you. The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses. Now I know, brothers, that you acted out of ignorance, just as your leaders did; but God has thus brought to fulfillment what he had announced beforehand through the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer. Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away." **Praise be to God Always!**

From the Gospel of our Lord according to John 21:1-14

After this, Jesus revealed himself again to his disciples at the Sea of Tiberias. He revealed himself in this way. Together were Simon Peter, Thomas called Didymus, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, Zebedee's sons, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We also will come with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. When it was already dawn, Jesus was standing on the shore; but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?" They answered him, "No." So he said to them, "Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something." So they cast it, and were not able to pull it in because of the number of fish. So the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord." When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he tucked in his garment, for he was lightly clad, and jumped into the sea. The other disciples came in the boat, for they were not far from shore, only about a hundred yards, dragging the net with the fish. When they climbed out on shore, they saw a charcoal fire with fish on it and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you just caught." So Simon Peter went over and dragged the net ashore full of one hundred fifty-three large fish. Even though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come, have breakfast." And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish. This was now the third time Jesus was revealed to his disciples after being raised from the dead. This is the truth. Peace be with you.





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Sunday Readings



Psalm 62 Reading: Acts 3: 13-19

Holy Gospel: John 21:1-14

Mass Intentions



9:30 AM

Deceased of the Shaker and Abraham Family (By Shaker Family) **Mariam Habib Zodo** (By Zodo Family)

11:30 AM

Minnie Bohakel (By Richard & Marianne Bohakel)

Pierre Malek & Marie & Roger ElKhoury (By Madeline Malek)

Schedules	Sunday 9:30 am	Sunday 11:30 am
Altar Servers	Anthony and Isabella Jazarlian Stephanie Nehra, Dany Chlala	Miriam Dandan, Cassandra Chahoud, Estifan Azzo, Yousif and Reem Hattar,
Readers	Margret Budz	Roula Chartouni (Arabic) Christopher Chartouni (English)
Ushers	Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend	Ed Kneip, Nakhoul Nehra Naji Abiad, Stephen Georges

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- * Last day of MRE (Maronite religious education) is April 29th.
- * First Communion Celebration is May 6th. His excellency Bishop Zaidan will be with us and celebrate this Event. Parents and candidates, please arrive at 10 am.
- * First Communion practice: Saturday April 28 and Saturday May 5th at 10 am. First holy communion is May 6 at 11:30 mass, but please arrive at 10:30 dressed and ready for pictures. We can't wait to celebrate receiving the body and blood of Jesus Christ.

Month of May: During the Month of May, the statue of our Lady will visit your homes as we pray together the Rosary. Sign-up sheet is located in the Narthex.

* His Excellency Bishop Zaidan will visit our parish and Celebrate both Masses on May 6th.

Let us remember

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

Joseph Shaker, Sr. - Joseph Allen - George Abraham - Abe Abraham - Minnie Bohakel - Joseph Basil - John Deeham - Atena Hanna - Gurken Israelian - Charles Jage - Dr. Issam Kaddourah - Jack Markwell - Julia A. Saad - Anice Anthony Shababy - Mary Ann Sirbeck

COLLECTION

April 15, 2018: \$ 2,644.00

And there are those who give with joy, and that joy is their reward.

Khalil Gibran