

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.

Baptisms

Please call the Church office for arrangements <u>one month</u> prior to the celebration of the Sacrament.

Marriages

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 Holy Cross EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS September 11, 2016



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: Dr. William Najm (Fr), Cristo Yasmine, Samir Rizkallah & Jeanette Struven.

From the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians 1:18-25

Brothers and Sisters,

The message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written: "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the learning of the learned I will set aside."

Where is the wise one? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made the wisdom of the world foolish?

For since in the wisdom of God the world did not come to know God through wisdom, it was the will of God through the foolishness of the proclamation to save those who have faith.

For Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

Praise be to God always!

From the Holy Gospel according to Saint John 12:20-32

Now there were some Greeks among those who had come up to worship at the feast.

They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him,

"Sir, we would like to see Jesus."

Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus.

Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.

Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit.

Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me.

"I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name."

Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it and will glorify it again."

The crowd there heard it and said it was thunder; but others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered and said, "This voice did not come for my sake but for yours. Now is the time of judgment on this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself."

This is The Truth, Peace be with you.

Our Lady Of Lebanon Cebanese Festival

950 N. GRACE ST. LOMBARD, IL 60148

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 • 5PM - 11PM

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 • 2PM - 11PM

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	Mass Celebration		
	Commemoration of the Resurrection: P. 606 Anaphora of Saint Peter: P. 774		
	Sunday Readings		
HOLY BIBLE	Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 Holy Gospel: John 12:20-32		
	Mass Intentions		
	09:30 Mass The deceased of the Shaker Family (Req. by the Breit Family) And for all who contributed from their time, talent, and treasure toward our 9 th Annual Festival. <u>11:30 Mass</u> For the Living and the Deceased of Our Parish Church And for all who contributed from their time, talent, and treasure toward our 9 th Annual Festival.		

Schedules 9:30 A.M. Mass		11:30 A.M. Mass	
Altar Servers	Servers Joseph and George Estephan Youssif and Reem Hattar, Estifar Andres Ballines, Leila Nehra Cassandra Chahoud, Ramez Sa		
Readers	Rima Antoon	Dr. Daniel Yousif (English) Rania Lutfallah (Arabic)	
Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend		Ed Kneip, George Zakhem, Albert Dakhoul, Stephen George	

Announcements

***** Maronite Catholic Education (MCE)

We started taking Registration for the new Catechetical Year 2016-2017. Catechism classes will commence on Next Sunday September 18th from 10:20 a.m. – 11:20 a.m. To register your Children or for more details, see Subdeacon Tom Podraza or Mrs. Diala Chahoud.

★ Second Collection

Next Sunday September 18, a Second collection will be taken to assist victims of the recent flooding in Louisiana.

***** Lebanese Foreign Minister

Lebanese Foreign Minister Gibran Bassil will attend Mass on September 25th.

Mass Intentions for Next Sunday September 18, 2016

<u>09:30 Mass</u>: Doris Jage (Req. by Bill & Cheryl Blum)

<u>11:30 Mass</u>: Mgr. John Naffah - Souad Basil- Mouna Bana-yout – Nouhad Basil- Jeanette Barakat Daad Basil

(Req. by Pierre and Ann Naffah)

Let us remember

And pray for our Beloved Ones who died during the month of September

🕆 Msgr. John Naffah	🕆 James Hanna	🕆 Dr. Roland Yammine	
🕆 Caesar Tabet	🕆 Camile Tabet	🕆 Nouha Assaf	🕆 Bahjat Yousif
🕆 Loretta Abraham	🕆 Alfred Abdo	🕆 Carrie Lynn Pavlousky	🕆 Fada Nemeh
中 Ruth Bourjaily	🕆 Thomas F. Nelly	🕆 Dennis Toland	

COLLECTION

Sunday September 04, 2016: 3,748.00

"I slept and I dreamed that life is all joy. I woke and I saw that life is all service. I served and I saw that service is joy." **Gibran Khalil Gibran**