



# **Our Lady of Lebanon**

## **Maronite Catholic Church**

950 North Grace Street, Lombard, IL 60148

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### **Church Clergy**

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

Deacon John Sfire

Subdeacon Thomas Podraza

### **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.

# Feast of Our Lady of Lebanon May 28, 2017



*Since 1908, the Churches of Lebanon officially started commemorating the Lady of Lebanon's day in a solemn ceremony the first Sunday of May. On that day, the statue of the Virgin Mary was erected on top of a new sanctuary over the hill of Harissa.*

*When the Shrine was inaugurated in 1908, the Patriarch Elias Hoyek dedicated Lebanon to the Virgin Mary: "**Oh Mary, Queen of mountains and seas and Queen of our beloved Lebanon...**"*

## 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, Johnnie Harb, Julia Parkinson, Hank Yario.**

## Mass Intentions for Next Sunday June 04, 2017

09:30 a.m.

**Anne Crispin** *(By Joseph and Theresa Shaker)*

**Jean El Chaer** *(By Nabil and Catherine Zahra)*

11:30 a.m

**Tom & Nabiha Basile – Chuck Basile – Dr. Simon Basile** *(By Pierre & Ann Naffah)*

## Bible Verse for the Week

Elizabeth cried out in a loud voice and said:

“Most blessed are you among women,  
And blessed is the fruit of your womb.”

**Luke 1: 42**

## **From the Acts of the Apostles 1:12-14 & 2:42**

### **Brothers and Sisters,**

Then the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the mount of Olive, which is near Jerusalem. When they entered the city, they went to the upper room where they were staying.

The Apostles devoted themselves with one accord to prayer, together with Mary the mother of Jesus, and with some women, and his disciples.

All the believers devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers.

**Praise be to God always!**

## **The song of Mary – Luke 1:46 - 53**

And Mary said:

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior. For he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed:

The Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his Name. He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm, and has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty.

## **From the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke 1:39-45**

### **The Evangelist Luke Said:**

Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.

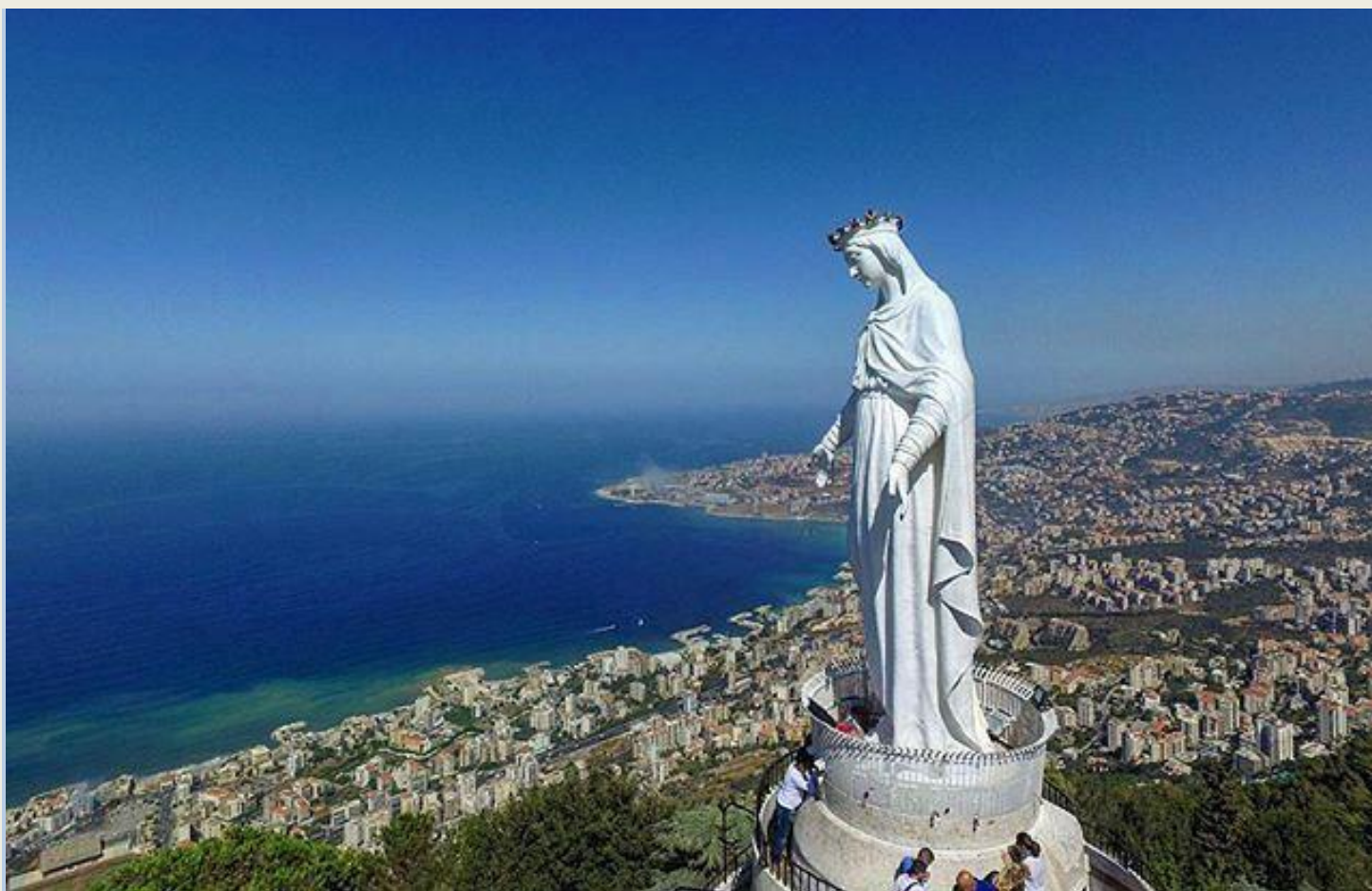
When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said,

"Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy.

Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled."

**This is the truth. Peace be with you.**





# FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LEBANON

SUNDAY, MAY 28

10:30 AM

Rosary & Adoration of  
the Blessed Sacrament

11:30 AM

Mass & Procession

12:30 PM

Luncheon Celebration

Our Lady of Lebanon Church  
950 N . Grace Street, Lombard



# Our Lady Of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church



**Join us for an evening  
of prayers and  
meditations**

**MONDAY  
MAY 29**



**Frere Emmanuel from Taize-France will be  
leading this musical prayer evening**

**Monday May 29, 2017 at 7 pm**

**After the prayers please join  
us for light refreshments at  
the Shaker hall**

**Our Lady Of Lebanon  
950 Grace Ave  
IL 60148**

**RSVP: [frpierre@gmail.com](mailto:frpierre@gmail.com)**







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Friday Middle Eastern Banquet



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Saturday Grand Banquet

PRESENTERS



**DR. WILLIAM E. RABIL, MD**  
The Shroud of Turin  
Thursday, 10:30–11:30am



**REV. VINCENT FARHAT & REV. GEORGE HAJJ**  
Catechesis: Practical Resources & Challenges  
Friday, 10:30–11:30am



**REV. DOMINIQUE HANNA**  
Going Deeper in the Spiritual Life  
Friday, 3:15–4:15pm



**MOTHER OLGA**  
*Featured Speaker*  
Contemplating the Heart of Jesus  
Through Mary in the School of Nazareth  
Saturday, 10:30am



**CHORBISHOP MICHAEL G. THOMAS**  
Marriage: A Vocation Blessed by God  
Thursday, 3:30–4:30pm



**SR. LINA KHAWAND & SR. CYNTHIA KASSIS**  
Workshop for Sacred Art  
Friday, 10:30–11:30am



**REV. AARON SANDBOTHE**  
Maronite Music for Choir Directors & Members  
Friday, 4:15–5:15pm



**CARL ANDERSON, SUPREME KNIGHT**  
*Featured Speaker*  
The Church's Call to Build a Civilization  
of Love in the Middle East  
Saturday, 3:30pm

EXCURSIONS



**THE BILTMORE & WINERY**  
Wednesday, 9:30am–7:00pm



**THE GORGE ZIP-LINING**  
Wednesday, 9:30am–5:15pm



**GREEN RIVER KAYAKING**  
Wednesday, 9:45am–5:15pm

YOUTH

**LAURALEE SAAD**  
Children's Program

**MICHELE HOUMIS**  
Maronite Youth

**BISHOP GREGORY MANSOUR, BISHOP ELIAS ZAIDAN, AND SISTER THERESE**  
Maronite Young Adults

**MARONITE YOUNG PROFESSIONALS**  
Social Mixers

RAFFLE TICKETS



- 1<sup>ST</sup> Free round trip tickets to Beirut
- 2<sup>ND</sup> One Week in a Condo in St. Maarten's in the Caribbean
- 3<sup>RD</sup> Cash winning of \$1,000
- 4<sup>TH</sup> Cash winning of \$500




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HOTEL INFORMATION



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	<b>Mass Celebration</b>	
	<b>Commemoration of Virgin Mary: Page 454</b> <b>Anaphora of Saint Peter: P. 774</b>	
	<b>Sunday Readings</b>	
	<b>Reading: Acts 1:12-14 &amp; 2:42</b> <b>Holy Gospel: Luke 1:39-53</b>	
	<b>Mass Intentions</b>	
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>09:30 a.m</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Betty Anne Shaker</b> <i>(By the Shaker Family)</i>  <b>Fred Guttas</b> <i>(By Bill and Cheryl Blum)</i>  <b>The deceased member of the Shaker Family</b> <i>(By Ed and Ghada Lebbos)</i>  <b>The deceased member of the Haddad Family</b> <i>(By Ed and Ghada Lebbos)</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>11:30 a.m</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Baresta, Elia, Rizkalla and Maurice Lebbos</b> <i>(By Ed and Ghada Lebbos)</i>  <b>The deceased member of the Ibrahim Family</b> <i>(By Ed and Ghada Lebbos)</i>  <b>Chukri Daniel</b> <i>(By Ed and Ghada Lebbos)</i></p>	
<b>Schedules</b>	<b>Sunday 9:30 am</b>	<b>Sunday 11:30 am</b>
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Andres Ballines, Leila Nehra Anthony Jazarlian	Miriam Dandan, Cassandra Chahoud, Estifan Azzo, Yousif, Reem Hattar, Rayana Mounsef
<b>Readers</b>	Cheryl Blum	Maya Abboud (1 <sup>st</sup> Reading) Cynthia Daou (2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading)
<b>Ushers</b>	Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend	Ed Kneip, Elie Massoud, Henry Abboud, Albert Dakhoul



## Announcements

### ✳ **Feast of Our Lady of Lebanon**

**10:30 a.m.:** Rosary and Adoration of the Blessed Sacraments

**11:30 a.m.:** The Feast of our Lady of Lebanon - Mass and procession

**12:30 p.m.:** Luncheon

### ✳ **Taizé Prayer**

Join us for an evening of music, Prayers and Meditations on Monday May 29<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. Frere (Brother) Emmanuel from the Community of Taizé – France will be leading this evening of music, prayers and Meditations. After the prayers, please join us for light refreshments at the Shaker hall.

**Taizé** is a monastic community located in Taizé, France, founded in the 1940s by a Swiss called Brother Roger. The “brothers” of Taizé have taken a vow of celibacy (about 100 brothers) and are committed to a lifetime of simplicity, service, reconciliation and community.

### ✳ **Dabke Group**

This year, we will have two Dabke groups: Children age 8 to 11 years old and the youth Dabke group age 12 to 18 years old. If your Child or teen are interested in joining the dabke group, please contact Julie Akouri.

### ✳ **NAM Convention**

NAM, the national Apostolate of Maronite Churches will take place in Saint Rafqa - Greenville, South Caroline from June 28 to July 2<sup>nd</sup>. For more information, see attached flyer.

### ✳ **NAM: Vice president of Mid America**

Congratulations to Mrs. Tonia Khouri who has recently been appointed to two Board of Directors that help Maronites: IDC (In Defense of Christians) and NAM. As Regional Vice President of Mid America for NAM, she will be responsible for six states: Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, Missouri, and Kansas.

Tonia will begin her responsibilities with her home parish, Our Lady of Lebanon. So please join us after Mass in the Shaker Hall 2 weeks from today (June 11) where Tonia will be discussing the importance of preserving our Maronite faith and heritage through NAM.

## Let us remember

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

† Frances Zamito	† John Jage	† Colette Woods
† Agnes Dumit	† Eli Joe Jage	† Fouad Amawis
† Naseem Fahel	† Sophie Nahra	† Fred A. Malouf
† Reine Chartouni	† Alexander Rash	† J. Herbert Flagh, Sr.
† Fred Guttas	† John Bomrad	† Rocco D. Pietrandoomo
† Baresta Lebbos	† Amelia Lutfy	

### COLLECTION

**Sunday May 21, 2017: \$ 2,993.00**

“Love grows by giving. The love we give away is the only love we keep.”

***Elbert Hubbard***