

Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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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 <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.

Second Sunday After Holy Cross **Parable of the Faithful Servant** October 08, 2017

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 October 15, 2017

<u>09:30 am</u> Lucille and Victor Wertz & Tammer and Mary Caleel – Maria Louise Caleel and Dr. George Caleel (By the Caleel Family)

<u>11:30 am</u>

1 year Anniversary: Maurice Lebbos (By the Lebbos Family)

Bible Verse for the Week

"Blessed is that servant whom his master on his arrival finds doing so."

Matchew 24.46

Psalm 40

I waited patiently for the Lord, and He inclined to me and heard my cry. He brought me up and set my feet upon a rock making my footsteps firm. He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; How blessed is the man who has made the Lord his trust, Many, O Lord my God, are the wonders which you have done. "Behold, I come; I delight to do your will, O my God; Your Law is within my heart." You, O Lord, will not withhold your compassion from me. Your lovingkindness and your truth will continually preserve me. Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; Let those who love your salvation say continually, "The Lord be magnified!" I am afflicted and needy, do not delay, O my God. You are my help and my deliverer. **Alleluia**!

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

Brothers and Sisters, Concerning times and seasons, brothers, you have no need for anything to be written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night. When people are saying, "Peace and security," then sudden disaster comes upon them, like labor pains upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. But you, brothers, are not in darkness, for that day to overtake you like a thief. For all of you are children of the light and children of the day. We are not of the night or of darkness. Therefore, let us not sleep as the rest do, but let us stay alert and sober. Those who sleep go to sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we are of the day, let us be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love and the helmet that is hope for salvation. For God did not destine us for wrath, but to gain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live together with him. Therefore, encourage one another and build one another up, as indeed you do. **Praise be to God Always**!

From the Gospel of our Lord according to Matthew 24:45-51

The Apostles Mathew Said: "Who, then, is the faithful and prudent servant, whom the master has put in charge of his household to distribute to them their food at the proper time? Blessed is that servant whom his master on his arrival finds doing so. Amen, I say to you, he will put him in charge of all his property. But if that wicked servant says to himself, 'My master is long delayed,' and begins to beat his fellow servants, and eat and drink with drunkards, the servant's master will come on an unexpected day and at an unknown hour and will punish him severely and assign him a place with the hypocrites, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. **This is the truth. Peace be with you.**

	Mass Celebration	
	Feast of the Holy Cross: Page 606 Anaphora of Saint Peter: P. 774	
	Sunday Readings	
HOLY BIBLE	Psalm 40 Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 Holy Gospel: Matthew 24:45-51	
	Mass Intentions	
T	<u>09:30 am</u> Fr. Dr. William Nijm (By the Shaker Family) <u>11:30 am</u> 1 year Anniversary John Desalvao (By Juliette Desalvo)	
Schedules	Sunday 9:30 am	Sunday 11:30 am
Altar Servers	Andres Ballines, Leila Nehra Anthony Jazarlian, Dany Chelala	Miriam Dandan, Cassandra Chahoud, Estifan Azzo, Yousif, Reem Hattar, Rayana Mounsef
Readers	Cheryl Blum	Simona Haddad (Arabic) MYA (English)
Ushers	Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend	Ed Kneip, Nakhoul Nehra Sami Tabet, John Albani

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome the National Maronite Young Adults to our Lady of Lebanon church for their 9th annual workshop.

* CHOIR PRACTICE: Tuesdays @ 7:30 pm

★ Heritage Party

Our Lady of Lebanon Church will host the Heritage Party on SATURDAY November 11 at 7 pm. Entertainment by Dorris Farhat and Band. Lebanese Meza and Dinner. Ticket: \$50 – Children (10 years and under) \$20. For more information Contacts Tony and Julie Kozaili.

★ Halloween Party:

MYO Annual Halloween Party for Children is on Saturday October 28 from 7 pm to 9pm.

* Fashion Show for St. Jude

23rd Annual dream a Little dream fashion show & luncheon benefiting St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19th, Donald E. Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont. The fund-raising arm of St. Jude is ALSAC (American Lebanese Syrian Associated Charities), founded by Chicago Maronites.

Early bird tix \$125 each; \$150 from 10/19 on. \$2,100 for Runway Table of 10. Go to <u>www.stjudefashionshow.com</u> or contact Cathy Breit at <u>cathy.breit@shaker.com</u>

Let us remember

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

Anthony Abraham - Joseph Dumit - Sophia Shaker - Isaac Shaker - Simon Shaker - Laurice Allen - Melanie Khoury - Paul Struven - Maurice Lebbos -Georgette Antar - Rita Assaf - Angeline Skonieczny - Glenn Ridgway - Nagi Hatter - Mary Ganem - Fadi Tabet - Mary Tabet - Cathryn Drury - Joseph Samuel - Victoria Dahir - Edward Albert

COLLECTION

Sunday October 01, 2017: \$ 3,126.00

"Lord, teach us to give and not count the cost." *St. Ignatius de Loyola*