



Our Lady of Lebanon

Maronite Catholic Church

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Season of Glorious Birth Announcement To Zechariah November 15, 2020



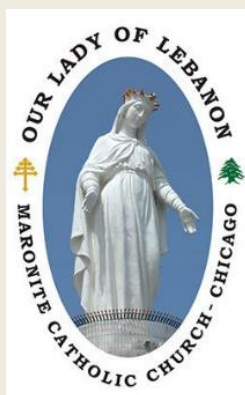
**The meaning of this Gospel story
is revealed in the name of the four characters**

***Zechariah* = God remembers**

***Elizabeth* = God promises**

***John* = God's Compassion**

***Angel Gabriel* = God's Power**



Subject: Reopening guidelines for Our Lady of Lebanon Church amid COVID-19

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

I pray that you and your loved ones are enjoying good health and continuing to join us in prayer via the Facebook Livestream. I look forward to being able to pray together again.

- Our Lady of Lebanon Church has developed a reopening plan under the guidance of the Diocese of Joliet and the State of Illinois.
- These guidelines have been created to keep everyone safe and healthy, while maintaining due respect and reverence for the sacraments and liturgical norms of our faith. These instructions will be under evaluation and are subject to change.
- Although public Masses are resuming, please note, as per our bishop, a dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass will continue until further notice.
- We will continue to livestream Mass and prayers on our Facebook page: **Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church.**

Mass will be celebrated at:

- **9:30 am and**
- **11:30 am.**
- Because of social distancing requirements, seating will be limited to every other pew with social distancing between those attending. We will have an **online reservation system at our website ollchicago.org** where you can reserve a seat at Mass. **Unreserved attendance will be turned away.**
- Please instruct those who do not have access to a computer to call the Parish Office at **630-932-9640**. The office is checking messages daily.

The following guidelines have been put in place for the safety of all attending:

- If you are sick or vulnerable to infection, or care for someone who is vulnerable, we ask that you please do not attend.
- **Plan to arrive no later than 15 minutes prior to the Mass you have signed up for.**


- All attendees must wear face masks inside the Church premises **AT ALL TIMES**.

- To ensure the safety and health of all our parish family and friends, we ask that you **do not congregate or meet up before or after Mass**.
- Please comply with the instructions of the ushers.
- **PLEASE NOTE** - you will be escorted to a pew.
- All attendees must use hand sanitizers, which is available at the entrance.
- All attendees will have their temperature taken before entering Church.
- Collection baskets will be placed at the main entrance of the Church. However, we encourage online donations at our website.
- The crying room and the Shaker Hall will be temporarily closed. Devotional candles will not be available. Please do not bring any strollers into the Church.
- To avoid cross contamination, Mass books will not be provided.
- You will notice that there are no Holy Water fonts. However, you should make the sign of the Cross when entering the Church.
- Instructions for receiving Holy Communion will be announced during each Mass. Please note that the consecrated Host will be distributed **IN THE HAND ONLY until further notice**.
- The Church will be sanitized and disinfected after each Mass.

We appreciate your patience and cooperation as we come together for Mass with measures in place to minimize risks during this time. It is good to note that we do this together as we learn from the Bible that we indeed are “our brother’s keeper” (**Genesis 4:9**). Our collective patience, willingness to help, and the care we take to reopen are demonstrations of our strong faith, unity and love for one another.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 713-972-2990. May God protect you and grant you His grace during this difficult time.

Yours in Christ,



Father Pierre El Khoury MLM
Pastor

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Readings for Sunday November 15

الْمَزْمُورُ الْمِئَةُ وَالوَاحِدُ وَالْأَرْبَعُونَ

لِتَكُنْ صَلَاتِي كَالْبُخُورِ أَمَامَكَ ، وَرَفَعُ يَدَيَّ كَتَقْدِمَةِ الْمَسَاءِ . (تُعاد بعد كل آية)

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إِلَيْكَ أَصْرُخُ ، يَا رَبِّي أَسْرِعْ إِلَيَّ ، أَصْبَحُ لِصَوْتِي حِينَ أَصْرُخُ إِلَيْكَ .

إِلَيْكَ عَيْنَايَ ، أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ السَّيِّدُ ، بِكَ اغْتَصَمْتُ فَلَا تَتْرُكْ نَفْسِي .

يُحِيطُ بِي إِكْلِيلٌ مِنَ الصِّدِّيقِينَ ، عِنْدَمَا تُكَافِئُنِي .

Romans 4:13-25

The promise to Abraham that he would inherit the world did not come to him or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith.

Hoping against hope, Abraham believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.”

He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, for he was about a hundred years old, or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb.

No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised.

كَانَ فِي أَيَّامِ هِيرُودُسَ، مَلِكِ الْيَهُودِيَّةِ، كَاهِنٌ اسْمُهُ زَكَرْيَا، لَهُ امْرَأَةٌ مِنْ بَنَاتِ هَارُونَ اسْمُهَا إِيصَابَات. وَكَانَا كِلَاهُمَا بَارَيْنِ أَمَامَ اللَّهِ، سَالِكَيْنِ فِي جَمِيعِ وَصَايَا الرَّبِّ وَأَحْكَامِهِ بِلا لَوْم. وَمَا كَانَ لَهُمَا وَلَدٌ، لِأَنَّ إِيصَابَاتَ كَانَتْ عَاقِرًا، وَكَانَا كِلَاهُمَا قَدْ طَعَنَّا فِي أَيَّامِهِمَا.

وَفِيمَا كَانَ زَكَرْيَا يَقُومُ بِالْخِدْمَةِ الْكَهْنُوتِيَّةِ أَمَامَ اللَّهِ، فِي أَثْنَاءِ نَوْبَةِ فِرْقَتِهِ، أَصَابَتْهُ الْقُرْعَةُ، بِحَسَبِ عَادَةِ الْكَهْنُوتِ، لِيَدْخُلَ مَقْدِسَ هَيْكَلِ الرَّبِّ وَيُحْرِقَ الْبَخُورَ. وَكَانَ كُلُّ جُمْهُورِ الشَّعْبِ يُصَلِّي فِي الْخَارِجِ، فِي أَثْنَاءِ إِحْرَاقِ الْبَخُورِ.

وَتَرَاءَى مَلَاكُ الرَّبِّ لِرَكَرْيَا وَاقِفًا مِنْ عَن يَمِينِ مَذْبَحِ الْبَخُورِ، فَاضْطَرَبَ زَكَرْيَا حِينَ رَأَاهُ، وَاسْتَوَلَى عَلَيْهِ الْخَوْفُ. فَقَالَ لَهُ الْمَلَاكُ: «لَا تَخَفْ، يَا زَكَرْيَا، فَقَدْ اسْتُجِيبَتْ طِلْبَتُكَ، وَأَمْرَاتُكَ إِيصَابَاتُ سَتَلِدُ لَكَ ابْنًا، فَاسْمُهُ يُوحَنَّا. لِأَنَّهُ سَيَكُونُ عَظِيمًا فِي نَظَرِ الرَّبِّ، وَيَمْتَلِئُ مِنَ الرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ وَهُوَ بَعْدُ فِي حَشَا أُمِّهِ. وَيَرُدُّ كَثِيرِينَ مِنْ بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ إِلَى الرَّبِّ إِلَهُهِمْ فَيُهيئُ لِلرَّبِّ شَعْبًا مُعَدًّا خَيْرَ إِعْدَادٍ».

فَقَالَ زَكَرْيَا لِلْمَلَاكُ: «بِمَاذَا أَعْرِفُ هَذَا؟ فَإِنِّي أَنَا شَيْخٌ، وَأَمْرَاتِي قَدْ طَعَنْتُ فِي أَيَّامِهَا!». فَأَجَابَ الْمَلَاكُ وَقَالَ لَهُ: «أَنَا هُوَ جِبْرَائِيلُ الْوَاقِفُ فِي حَضْرَةِ اللَّهِ، وَقَدْ أُرْسِلْتُ لِأُكَلِّمَكَ وَأُبَشِّرَكَ بِهَذَا. وَهَذَا أَنْتَ تَكُونُ صَامِتًا، لَا تَقْدِرُ أَنْ تَتَكَلَّمَ، حَتَّى الْيَوْمِ الَّذِي يَحْدُثُ فِيهِ ذَلِكَ، لِأَنَّكَ لَمْ تُؤْمِنْ بِكَلَامِي الَّذِي سَيَتِمُّ فِي أَوَانِهِ».

وَكَانَ الشَّعْبُ يَنْتَظِرُ زَكَرْيَا، وَيَتَعَجَّبُ مِنْ إِبْطَائِهِ فِي مَقْدِسِ الْهَيْكَلِ. وَلَمَّا خَرَجَ زَكَرْيَا، لَمْ يَكُنْ قَادِرًا أَنْ يُكَلِّمَهُمْ، وَبَقِيَ أَبْكَمًا. وَلَمَّا تَمَّتْ أَيَّامُ خِدْمَتِهِ، مَضَى إِلَى بَيْتِهِ.

بَعْدَ تِلْكَ الْأَيَّامِ، حَمَلَتْ امْرَأَتُهُ إِيصَابَاتُ، وَكَتَمَتْ أَمْرَهَا خَمْسَةَ أَشْهُرٍ، وَهِيَ تَقُولُ: «هَكَذَا صَنَعَ الرَّبُّ إِلَيَّ، لِيُزِيلَ الْعَارَ عَنِّي مِنْ بَيْنِ النَّاسِ!».

Luke 1:1-25

In the days of King Herod of Judea, there was a priest named Zechariah. His wife was Elizabeth. Both of them were righteous before God. But they had no children, because Elizabeth was barren, and both were getting on in years.

Once when he was on duty, serving as priest before God, he was chosen by lot according to their custom, to enter the sanctuary of the Lord and offer incense. Then there appeared to him an angel of the Lord, standing at the right side of the altar of incense. When Zechariah saw him, he was terrified; and fear overwhelmed him.

But the angel said to him, “Do not be afraid, Zechariah, for your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you will name him John. He will be great in the sight of the Lord. Even before his birth he will be filled with the Holy Spirit. He will turn the people of Israel to the Lord their God. He will make ready a people prepared for the Lord.”

Zechariah said to the angel, “How will I know that this is so? For I am an old man, and my wife is getting on in years.”

The angel replied, “I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I have been sent to speak to you and to bring you this good news. But now, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their time, you will become mute, unable to speak, until the day these things occur.”

When he did come out, he could not speak to the people. After those days his wife Elizabeth conceived. She said, “This is what the Lord has done for me. He took away my disgrace.”

Mass Intentions for SUNDAY NOVEMBER 15, 2020

09:30 AM

40 days memorial for Owen Petrzelka *(The Shaker Family)*

11:30 AM

Owen Petrzelka

Michael and Loucine Kassis *(Peter and Lorene Kassis)*

Schedules	Sunday 9:30 am	Sunday 11:30 am
Readers	Margaret Budz	Subdeacon George Romanos
Ushers	Nabil Zahra Sami Tabet Eddy Moinnes	Ed Kneip, William Harb Henry Abboud, Elie Masud Naji Abiad, John Albani

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Sunday November 08

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**Thank you for your continued financial support
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people get through this most difficult situation.**

May God keep you safe and watch over you.

Let Us Remember

our Beloved Ones who passed into Heaven during the **Month of NOVEMBER**

Bernice Simon - Bernice Karsa - Jackie Shaker - Micki Besser - Virginia Nimer - Anton Ibrahim - George Gage - George Hanna - John De Salvo - Richard Gorra - Samir Rizkallah - Robert Kooiker - Herbert Jage - Thomas Neely - Joanne Ibrahim - William Halowi - Joseph Basil - Farida Khattar - Selma Jage Vokal - Theodore W. Jage - Joseph Windsor - Helen Dandan - Linda T. Fischer - Regina Gage - Nasafe Kassis - Saleme Gossan - Sarah Bolis.