

Our Lady of Lebanon



Maronite Catholic Church

950 N Grace Street Lombard, IL 60148

www.ollchicago.org

March 12, 2023

The Prodigal Son





Mass Intentions
Sunday, March 12

[Click Here](#)
For Mass Requests

9:30 AM

Fr Dr William Nijm, Joseph Dacloush
& Nazmieh Joubran (Ghada Nijm)

11:30 AM

Michel Noujeime (Noujeime Family)



Mass Intentions
Sunday, March 19

[Click Here](#)
For Mass Requests

9:30 AM

Lucille & Victor Wertz,
Tammer & Mary Caleel,
Maria Louise Caleel (Caleel Family)

11:30 AM

George & Awatif Ishac
(Jad & Carol Jelwan)

GOD IS TRYING TO TELL YOU SOMETHING



Virtual Bible Study

Wednesday at 7pm
via Zoom,
by Abouna Pierre.

Find the link on:
www.ollchicago.org



[Click Here](#)

Stations of the Cross

Fridays @ 7 pm



Potluck Dinner

after Stations of the Cross

Saint Joseph Fish Fry

Sunday March 19



\$25 Fried or Baked

\$10 Kids Menu (12 & under)

Please make your reservation and pay

Lenten Retreat



Saturday March 25
9:30am - 1pm



Our Lady of Lebanon

Food Drive

Non Perishable Food

Deadline March 26

BLOOD DRIVE



Our Lady of Lebanon Church Blood Drive

Saturday, Mar. 25
2:30 P.M. – 8:30 P.M.
950 N. Grace St.
Lombard, IL

To schedule your appointment please contact
Vitalant 877.258.4825 or on line at vitalant.org
and use sponsor code: 10053998.

Appointments Recommended.
Walk-ins welcome.
Prepare: Eat well, hydrate, and bring ID.

SCAN HERE
TO SCHEDULE



Presenting donors will
automatically be entered
into a drawing to win 1 of 2
\$10,000 prepaid gift cards
enough to buy groceries for
a year! Gift card is
redeemable by email.



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Eligibility questions? Call 877.258.4825

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Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Church
Annual Easter Bake Sale
 Palm Sunday April 2, 2023



ITEM	Description	PACKAGE SIZE	PRICE PER PACKAGE	QTY	TOTAL PRICE
Mana'eesh with Za'atar	Pizza w. oregano & sesame seeds	½ Dozen	\$ 12.00		
Mana'eesh with Cheese	Pizza w. cheese	½ Dozen	\$14.00		
Fatayer	Spinach Pies	1 Dozen	\$18.00		
Sfiha	Open face meat pie	1 Dozen	\$20.00		
Sambousek	Fried meat pie	1 <u>Dozen</u>	\$20.00		
Shishbarak	Meat ravioli	2 <u>Dozen</u>	\$25.00		
Kibbe 'Rass	Crushed wheat w. meat mixture in balls	1 <u>Dozen</u>	\$22.00		
Kibbe Sayniye	Crushed wheat w. meat mix in tray	½ Tray	\$40.00		
Veggie Kibbe 'Rass	Crushed wheat & pumpkin, w. spinach, onions, chickpeas, sumac in balls ('Rass')	1 <u>Dozen</u>	\$22.00		
Warak a-arish (veggie)	Veggie stuffed grape leaves	2 <u>Dozen</u>	\$25.00		
Sha'aybivet	Phyllo dough w. custard stuffing	1 <u>Dozen</u>	\$12.00		
Ma'amoul w/Walnuts	semolina+farina stuffed w. walnuts	1 <u>Dozen</u>	\$20.00		
Ma'amoul w/Pistachios	semolina+farina w. pistachios	1 <u>Dozen</u>	\$20.00		
Ma'amoul w/Dates	semolina+farina stuffed w. dates	1 Dozen	\$20.00		
Ka'ak bi Tamer	Cookies with dates	1 Dozen	\$20.00		
Ka'ak bhalib	Milk-based cookies	1 Dozen	\$15.00		
Ka'ak Yansoon	Yansoon (anise) based cookies	1 <u>Dozen</u>	\$15.00		
Sablet Cookies	Cookies with jam	1 Dozen	\$20.00		
Add your item, here:					
TOTAL					

Kindly pay and place your order no later than **Sunday March 26th, 2023.**

All orders to be picked up at the church on Palm Sunday: Sunday April 2nd, 2023 - 9:30am-1:30pm

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Make checks payable to: **Our Lady of Lebanon Church**

Online ordering: www.ollchicago.org

Call Madeleine with any questions: 847.533.5698

Please make your gift to the Lenten Appeal through your local parish. Place your gift in an envelope noted "Bishop's Appeal", or note "Bishop's Appeal" on your check. You may also make a gift online at www.eparchy.org.

Additional Ways to Help

Make a Bequest. A bequest is naming the Eparchy (or your parish) in your will. This can be for a specific amount of money, or a percentage of your estate. To do this, include this language in your will:

"I give and bequeath to the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles _____% of the residue of my estate [or: the sum of \$_____]."

Give from your IRA. Generally speaking, taxpayers who are age 70½ years old and older may give up to \$100,000 each year from their IRA to the Eparchy without paying the mandatory tax on IRA distributions. This is a significant benefit because taxes on an IRA are normally very high. The practical effect of this is that you can give more, tax free, from your IRA – and this makes it a very effective way to support the Church. Contact your broker or the Eparchy for more information about this.

Make the Eparchy a Beneficiary of Your Retirement Plan. Another way to help the Church is to name the Eparchy as the beneficiary of your retirement plan. This avoids estate taxes (which are often very high on retirement plans) – and can be tremendously helpful to the Church.

Make a Gift of Life Insurance. Naming the Eparchy as the beneficiary of a life insurance policy is a way to help the Church in the future while not impacting your income or lifestyle today. Ask your insurance agent or contact the Eparchy for more information about this.

"God loves a cheerful giver!" (2 Corinthians 9:7)



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EPARCHY OF OUR LADY OF LEBANON OF LOS ANGELES

2023 Lenten Appeal

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I deeply appreciate your support for the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles, especially over the past few years as we have faced challenges at home and abroad. You have been a blessing to the Eparchy.

The Lenten Season is an opportune time to practice fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. It is a time to deepen our faith, to count our blessings, and to think about the needs of others.

Each year at this time, I ask for your support for our most critical needs. These include the following:

- **Seminarian Education:** Our seminarians continue on their journey to the priesthood. We are blessed to have a large group of seminarians who are preparing to one day minister to our people.
- **Opening New Parishes and Missions:** Our goal is to build and strengthen our existing parishes and missions so that our people can celebrate their faith and heritage. We just opened two new missions and plan to open more missions in the coming years.
- **Expanding Services:** We need to reach out more to young people, families, and people at the most important times in their lives, especially in times of crisis.
- **Helping our brothers and sisters in Lebanon, Syria, and the Middle East:** Lebanon has been devastated by the pandemic, explosion and economic crisis. Syria has its share of troubles. Many people were displaced, and homes, hospitals, schools, and businesses suffered extreme damage.

Today, I would like to ask for your help with our Annual Appeal which addresses the Eparchy's most important and immediate needs. These needs are described in this short brochure. Please read this and prayerfully consider how you can help today, and please be generous. On behalf of all those who will be served by this Appeal, I thank you, and may God bless you!

Gratefully yours in Christ,

A. E. Zaidan

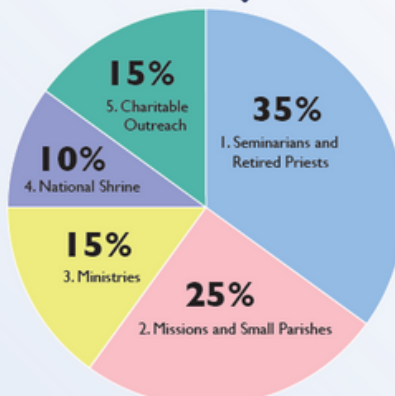
+A. Elias Zaidan
Bishop of the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles



1. Seminarians and Retired Priests

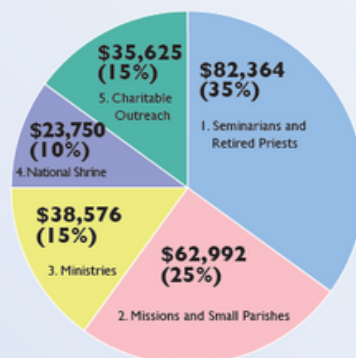
The Eparchy educates and prepares men (called "seminarians") for the priesthood, so that there will be enough priests to serve in our parishes. The Eparchy currently has six celibate seminarians and eight married men in formation. The cost of educating, housing and caring for these fine men is costly: we anticipate at least \$600,000 in these expenses this year. On the other end of the spectrum, eight retired priests receive a modest pension from the Eparchy along with health insurance. The total cost of supporting them in 2023 will be approximately \$228,000. One seminarian mentioned: "Through your support, I do not have to worry about paying student loans in the future." **35% of this year's Annual Appeal proceeds will support Seminarians and Retired priests.**

2023 Lenten Appeal Allocation of Funds



Report on 2022 Lenten Appeal Use of Funds (\$243,307)

"In 2022, we were able to meet the Lenten Appeal and even received \$5,807 over our goal. We are sincerely thankful to all those who generously gave to help our Eparchy continue its efforts."



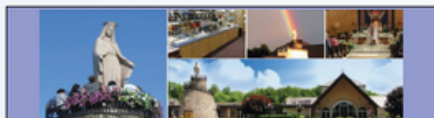
2. Missions and Small Parishes

The Eparchy consists of thirty-four (34) parishes and nine (9) missions with over 46,800 Catholics across 34 states. Missions (new parishes) were opened in recent years in places like Milwaukee (WI), Seattle (WA), and Fort Bend (IN). The mission in Columbus (OH) now has its own priest. Three new communities are just starting in Wichita (KS), Nashville (TN), and Indianapolis (IN). Some missions and parishes are very small and need financial support with critical expenses such as insurance and utilities. It is necessary to strengthen our parishes and missions so that they may serve the Maronite faithful in these areas that have great potential for growth. **25% of this year's Annual Appeal proceeds will support Missions and Small Parishes.**



3. Ministries

The Eparchy maintains several ministries to serve Maronites, including Religious Education, Youth Ministry, Young Adult Ministry, Family Life Ministry, Ordained Ministers Subdeacons and Deacons, and Communication. The Eparchy's ministries need to increase in scope and number. **15% of this year's Annual Appeal proceeds will assist the Eparchy's Ministries.**



4. National Maronite Shrine

Our Lady of Lebanon National Shrine, located in Ohio, was founded over 55 years ago to invoke Our Lady of Lebanon's protection over all Maronites in the United States. The Shrine welcomes pilgrims throughout the year. Due to the pandemic, the Shrine needs support now more than ever. **10% of this year's Annual Appeal proceeds will assist the National Maronite Shrine.**



5. Charitable Outreach

As the Eparchy asks the faithful to be generous to it, the Eparchy strives to be generous to those in need. With your support, the Eparchy helps the less fortunate in the United States and abroad in Lebanon and the Middle East. With your giving, we are able to lend a helping hand to those suffering. Many of those church institutions depend on our support in order to meet their basic obligations and to sustain their ministry. Father Michel Abboud, the head of Caritas Lebanon told us: "With your help, we will keep some people alive." **15% of this year's Annual Appeal proceeds will go to charity.**

SAVE THE DATE

MYA MIDWEST MEETUP

MAY 5-7



St Anthony of Padua
2530 Victory Pkwy
Cincinnati, OH 45206

Register here:

<https://www.ololmya.org/event-details/mid-west-regional-2023>

The churches in Mid America Regions are (Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Missouri, West Virginia, and Tennessee).



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2023

NATIONAL MYO
CONFERENCE

JUNE 27 - JULY 1

WALSH  UNIVERSITY
NORTH CANTON, OHIO

REGISTRATION

\$385 BY APRIL 1

\$400 AFTER APRIL 1

12-18 y/o

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN

WWW.MARONITEYOUTH.ORG



WORLD YOUTH DAY

LISBON 2023

AUGUST 01-06



lisboa2023.org



Readers and Ushers

Mass 9:30 am

Readers

Nabil Zahra

Ushers

Nabil Zahra
Francis Kermend
Joe Kermend



Mass 11:30 am

Readers

Sub. George Romanos

Ushers

Ed Kneip, Henry Abboud,
Elie Masud, Naji Abiad,
John Albani

Let Us Remember our Beloved Ones who died during the **month of March**

Megan Shaker
Chris Crispin
Jim Abraham
Fredia Saige
Maurice Zayek

Peter Dumit
Robert Basil
James C. Bomrad
Albert Joseph
Mary Bouzide

Dixie Lee Haddad
Louis Haddad
Bertha Derzy
Nabiha Farris

Weekly Collection

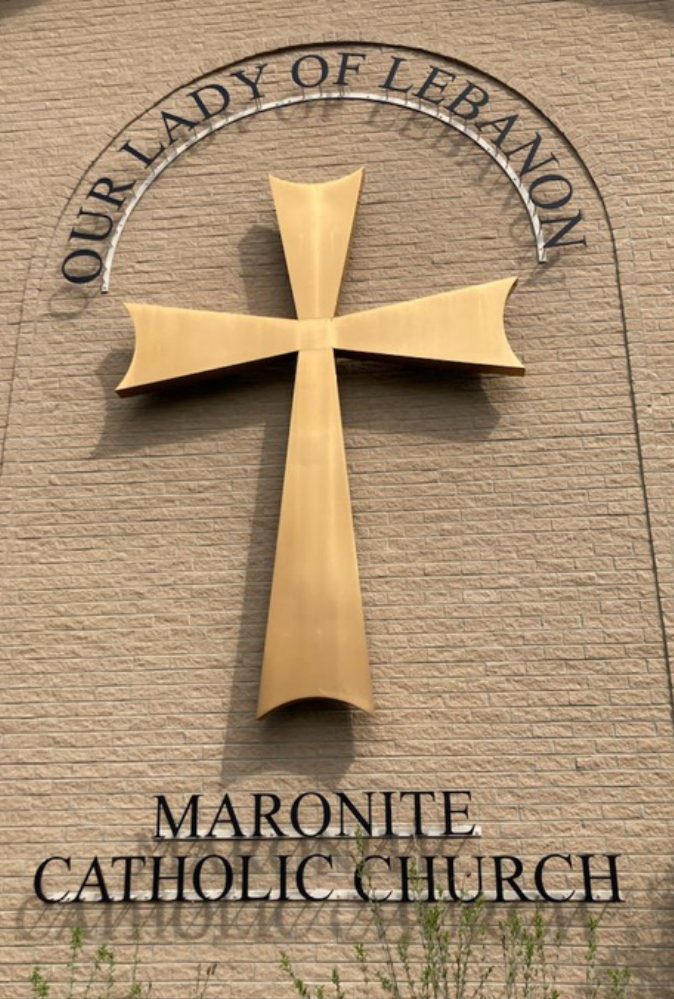
March 5, 2023

Sunday Collection: \$2,975

Online Donations: \$821

May GOD accept your generous donations and sacrifices

Donate online: www.ollchicago.org Or mail your check to Our Lady of Lebanon



MYO

(Maronite Youth Organization)

Meetings on Sundays - MRE.

For more information please contact **Gisele**

MYA

(Maronite Youth Adults)

Meetings on Thursdays, via Zoom.

For more information please contact:

Karen, Lindsay, Or Danny

Church Forms

