

Our Lady of Lebanon

Maronite Catholic Church

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Season of Glorious Epiphany

Feast of Saint Maroun

February 07, 2021



O Lord, accept the prayers we offer in memory of our father, Saint Maroun. Bless and protect the people who bear his name. And make us worthy of his holy legacy that we may carry the cross and the message of the Gospel throughout the world.



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:

- o 9:30 am and
- o 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** <u>ollchicago.org</u> 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 <u>not</u> 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

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Pastor

Readings for Sunday February 07

اَلْمَزْمُورُ الرَابِعُ والثَلاثُونَ

أُبَارِكُ الرَّبَّ فِي كُلِّ حِينِ. وتَسبحَتُهُ فِي فَمِي على الدَّوَامِ.

بِالرَّبِّ تَفْتَخِرُ نَفْسِي. لِيَسْمَع الْوُدَعَاءُ ويَفْرَحُوا.

عَظَّمُوا الرَّبَّ مَعِي. بَارِكُوهُ وَارْفَعُوا اسْمَهُ.

إلتمَسْتُ الرَّبَّ فَاسْتَجَابَ لِي وَمِنْ كُلِّ أَهْوالِي أَنْقَذَنِي.

إِنْظِرُوا إِلَيْهِ، تَأَمَّلُوا فيه، فَتُشرقْ جِباهُكُم وَتَسْتَنيرُ وُجُوهَكُمْ.

ذُوقُوا وَانْظُرُوا مَا أَطْيَبَ الرَّبِّ! طُوبَى لِلرَّجُلِ الْمُتَوَكِّلِ عَلَيْهِ.

عَيْنَا الرَّبِّ نَحْوَ الأَبْرارِ وَأُذُنَاهُ تَسْمَعُ صُرَاخَهم.

أُطْلُبُوا الرَّبَّ واسْعُوا إِلَيهِ. وَالرَّبُّ يَفْتَدي نُفُوسٍ عَبِيدِهِ. هللويا!

2 Timothy 3:10-17;

You know all about my teaching, my life, my faith, and my persecutions. In fact, all who want to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted.

But you, remain faithful to what you have learned and believed, Because you know from whom you learned it.

From Childhood you have known the sacred scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for rebuking, for correcting, and for training in Holiness.

So that the servant of God may be competent, and equipped for all good work.

إنجيل القديس يوحنا

قالَ الرَبُّ يَسُوع: لَقَدْ حَانَتِ السَّاعَةُ لِكَي يُمَجَّدَ آبْنُ الإِنْسَان. أَلحَقَّ ٱلحَقَّ ٱقُولُ لَكُم: إِنَّ حَبَّةَ ٱلحِنْطَة، إِنْ لَمْ تَقَعْ فِي الأَرضِ وتَمُتْ تَبْقَى وَاحِدَة. وإِنْ مَاتَتْ تَأْتِي بِثَمَرٍ كَثِير.

مَنْ يُحِبُّ نَفْسَهُ يَفْقِدُهَا، ومَنْ يُبْغِضُهَا في هذَا العَالَمِ يَحْفَظُهَا لِحَيَاةٍ أَبَدِيَّة. مَنْ يَخْدُمْنِي فَلْيَتْبَعْنِي. وَحَيْثُ أَكُونُ أَنَا، فَهُنَاكَ يَكُونُ أَيْضًا خَادِمِي. مَنْ يَخْدُمْنِي يُكَرِّمْهُ الآب.

نَفْسِي الآنَ مُضْطَرِبَة، فَمَاذَا أَقُول؟ يَا أَبَتِ، نَجِّنِي مِنْ هذِهِ السَّاعَة؟ ولكِنْ مِنْ أَجْلِ هذَا بَلَغْتُ إِلَى هذِهِ السَّاعَة! يَا أَبَتِ، مَجِّدِ ٱسْمَكَ». فَجَاءَ صَوْتٌ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ يَقُول: «قَدْ مَجَّدْتُ، وسَأُمَجِّد».

John 12:24-27 the coming of Jesus Hour

Jesus said: "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."

Mass Intentions for SUNDAY February 07, 2021

09:30 AM

Paul Bourjaily (The Shaker Family)

Owen Petrzelka and Jackie Haddad (Michael and Michelle Haddad)

Danny Thomas and the Deceased of the Shaker and Abraham families (The Shaker Family)

George J. Hanna (Lillian Hanna)

11:30 AM

Francis Ibrahim Hattar (The Hattar Family)
For the Maronite Church: Clergy and Laity

Mass Intentions for NEXT SUNDAY February 14, 2021

09:30 AM

Lucile and Victor Wertz - Tammer and Mary Caleel - Maria Louise Caleel (The Caleel Family)

11:30 AM

Leila Saade Sweillem (Chukri Sweillem and the Family) **Elie Rantisi** (The Estephan Family)

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

Let us remember

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

Danny Thomas - George Khoury - Eleanor Haddad - Antoine Khoury - Leila Sweilem - Anton Kattany - Edward Parkinson - George Albert - Elsie Be-Hannesey - David Gage - Libby Hajje - Sarah Thomas - Eva Wintergeast - Abraham Rayyan - Margaret Tamer - Jorge Ruiz - George Owen - Angelina Lombardo - Jacob P. Schuck - Monroe Bouzide - John S. Nemeh - Ralph J. Lutfy

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SUNDAY JANUARY 31, 2021

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Thank you for your continued financial support and generosity and prayers as our country and people get through this most difficult situation.

May God keep you safe and watch over you.