Our Lady of Lebanon

Maronite Catholic Church

April 03, 2022

Bartimaeus, The Blind Man

2 Corinthians 10:1-7 - Mark 10:46-52

LENT

WALKING WITH CHRIST

Maronite Lenten Season begins with **Ash Monday** (Not ash Wednesday)**,**

and concludes on **Easter Sunday**

Fasting is an important tradition of the Church and has scriptural basis. On many occasions, prophets and apostles fasted. This sacred tradition has wonderful benefits for our souls and bodies. Through fasting, we learn to control and discipline our desires and concentrate on our spiritual relationship with the Lord.

All those who have reached their 14th birthday are to:

- Abstain from eating animal product (at least meat) on Ash Monday and Fridays of Lent.
- Fasting from all food and drink from midnight till noon.
- Receive the sacrament of Repentance (Confession).
- Attend Mass and receive the Eucharist.
- Do works of Charity (act of Mercy).

So in preparation for Lent you are encouraged to think about what it is that is blocking your way to Christ.

Prayer from Maronite liturgy for Lent:

Through fasting and prayer, souls are made pure, bodies are made chaste, spirits are raised, passions are restrained, mercy abounds, and the Holy Spirit dwells in the soul that was created to be the temple of God.

Mass Intentions
Sunday, April 3

Click Here
For Mass Requests

9:30 AM

16 Year Memorial: Joseph Shaker, Sr
Isaac Shaker, Abe Abraham (Shaker Family)

Mickey Haddad (OLL)

11:30 AM

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Mass Intentions
Sunday, April 10

Click Here
For Mass Requests

9:30 AM

Owen Petrzelka & Megan Shaker
(Shaker Family)

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

11:30 AM

Pierre Naffah (Naffah family)

HOLY WEEK APRIL 10-17

OUR LADY OF LEBANON CHURCH

PALM SUNDAY

9:30AM & 1130AM
MASS & PROCESSION

HOLY WEDNESDAY

7 P M
RITE OF THE LAMP

HOLY THURSDAY

7 PM
WASHING OF FEET

GREAT FRIDAY

7 PM
ADORATION OF THE CROSS

HOLY SATURDAY

10 AM
EASTER EGG HUNT

EASTER SUNDAY

12AM - 9:30AM - 11:30AM
HAPPY EASTER

We adore you O Christ and we praise you because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Join us for Potluck Dinner and gatherings on Fridays after the Stations of the Cross

Living the FAITH

One-Day RETREAT

WHERE: Our Lady of Lebanon

WHEN: Saturday, April 2nd
9:30am-2pm

Brother Thomas Johnson

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Easter Bake Sale

- April 10 -

Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Church

Annual Easter Bake Sale

Palm Sunday April 10, 2022

ITEM	Description	PACKAGE SIZE	PRICE PER PACKAGE	QTY	TOTAL PRICE
Mana'eesh with Za'atar	Pizza w.oregano & sesame seeds	½ Dozen	$ 10.00		
Mana'eesh with Cheese	Pizza w.cheese	½ Dozen	$12.00		
Fatayer	Spinach Pies	1 Dozen	$16.00		
Sfiha	Open face meat pie	1 Dozen	$18.00		
Sambousek	Fried meat pie	1 Dozen	$18.00		
Shishbarak	Meat ravioli	2 Dozen	$20.00		
Kibbe 'Rass	Crushed wheat w.meat mixture in balls	1 Dozen	$22.00		
Kibbe Saynive	Crushed wheat w.meat mix in tray	½ Tray	$35.00		
Veggie Kibbe 'Rass	Crushed wheat & pumpkin, w.spinach, onions, chickpeas, sumac in balls ('Rass)	1 Dozen	$22.00		
Warak a-arish (veggie)	Veggie stuffed grape leaves	2 Dozen	$20.00		
Sha'ayibiyet	Phyllo dough w.custard stuffing	1 Dozen	$12.00		
Ma'amoul w/Walnuts	semolina+farina stuffed w.walnuts	1 Dozen	$20.00		
Ma'amoul w/Pistachios	semolina+farina w.pistachios	1 Dozen	$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 Dozen	$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 April 3rd, 2022.***

All orders to be picked up at the church on Palm Sunday: ***Sunday April 10th, 2022*** **- 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

Join us for an

EASTER

EGG HUNT

OUR LADY OF LEBANON

Saturday April 16

10am-Noon

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

2022 Lenten Appeal

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Thank you for 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. Although we have trials, we can offer our sacrifices to God and He will always help us and grant us blessings.

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:

- **Opening New Parishes and Missions:** We need to open new parishes to serve Maronites in many areas where there is not yet a parish. Our goal is to build and strengthen our existing parishes and missions so that our people can celebrate their faith and heritage. We have the potential to open 3-5 new missions in the next two 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 and the Middle East:** We need to help and give hope to the faithful in Lebanon and the Middle East. Lebanon has been devastated by the pandemic, explosion and economic crisis. 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 nine 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, seven retired priests receive a modest pension from the Eparchy along with health ensurance. The total cost of supporting them in 2022 will be approximately $224,000. 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.**

2. Missions and Small Parishes

The Eparchy consists of thirty-four (34) parishes and eight (8) missions with over 46,800 Catholics across 34 states. Missions (new parishes) were opened in recent years in places like Milwaukee (WI), Riverside (CA) and Stockton (CA). Two new communities are just starting in Wichita (KS) and Nashville (TN). 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.**

2022 Lenten Appeal Allocation of Funds

Report on 2021 Lenten Appeal Use of Funds ($199,070)

**Due to the continued impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic, the Eparchy was not able to reach its goal for the Lenten Appeal again this year with a shortage of $21,430. The Eparchy continues to pay more to each objective than was raised in the Lenten Appeal.*

3. Ministries

The Eparchy maintains several ministries to serve Maronites, including Religious Education, Youth Ministry, Young Adult Ministry, Family Life Ministry, 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 50 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 base 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, especially to help the needy in Lebanon.**

NAM

National Apostolate of Maronites

2022 National MYO Conference

WHO AM I?

June 23-27, 2022

ALL registrations must be completed before April 4

COME HOLY SPIRIT! REVEAL JESUS TO US!

57th Annual Maronite Convention

MINNEAPOLIS, MN | Jul 13-17, 2022

Sponsored by the National Apostolate of Maronites

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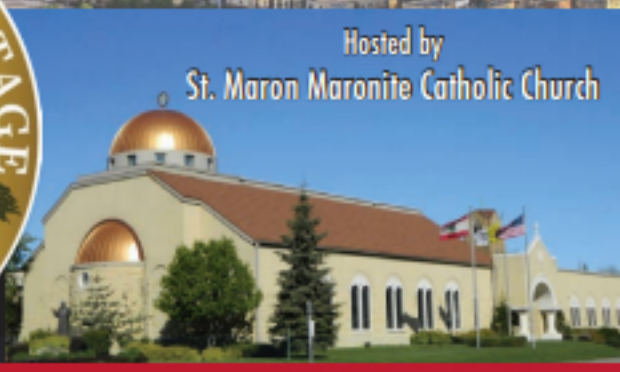
Saint Maron Church, Minneapolis

NAM 2022

Radisson Blu Mall of America (MOA) Hotel



Hosted by St. Maron Maronite Catholic Church

Hotel rate is $186 + tax per night single/double.
For reservations call 1-800-333-3333 and use Code: NAM Convention.
Rate valid till Wednesday, June 22, 2022.

REGISTER TODAY
www.namnews.org
914-964-3070

ENTERTAINMENT

Wednesday Night
Opening Celebration

JOHN KHOURY

Thursday Night
Evangelical Concert

DORIS FARHAT

Friday Night
North Star Hafli

RAMI BADR & DORIS FARHAT

Saturday Night
Grand Banquet

FIDEL FAYAD

Wednesday through Saturday

DJ DUO
DJ UB
DJ ROUKOS

WORKSHOPS

Thursday, July 14
Family Faith Formation

Fr. Anthony Salim, a retired Maronite priest who has been serving our Eparchies for close to five decades and author of Captivated by Your Teachings.

Friday, July 15
On the Footsteps of Jesus in Lebanon

Jeff Cavins is a nationally known television host, famous author, Holy Land pilgrimage leader and a dynamic Bible teacher.

Saturday, July 16
National Eucharist Revival
"My Flesh for the Life of the World"

Bishop Andrew Cozzens, Bishop of Crookston, MN and USCCB Chairman on Evangelization and Catechesis.

Saturday, July 16
Commission on Lebanon

Open discussion on the great challenges Lebanon faces and the efforts that have been made in the US to support a free, sovereign, and democratic Lebanon.

Please join us!
24-Hour Eucharistic Adoration
Thursday 12:30 pm through Friday 11:30 am

Readers and Ushers

Mass 9:30 am

Readers

Cheryl Blum

Ushers

Nabil Zahra
Francis 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 APRIL

Joseph Shaker, Sr.
Joseph Allen
George Abraham
Dorothy Gilaty
Joseph Basil
Julia A. Saad

Atena Hanna
Pierre Naffah
Jack Markwell
John Deeham
Gurken Israelian
Mary Ann Sirbeck

Charles Jage
Minnie Bohakel
Anice Shababy
Dr. Issam Kaddourah
Mickey Haddad

Weekly Collection

March 27, 2022

Collection:	$ 3,528
Mail In:	$ 1,200
Online:	$ 1,220

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LOVE, GENEROSITY AND SUPPORT FOR OUR PARISH.
MAY GOD ACCEPT YOUR SACRIFICIES.

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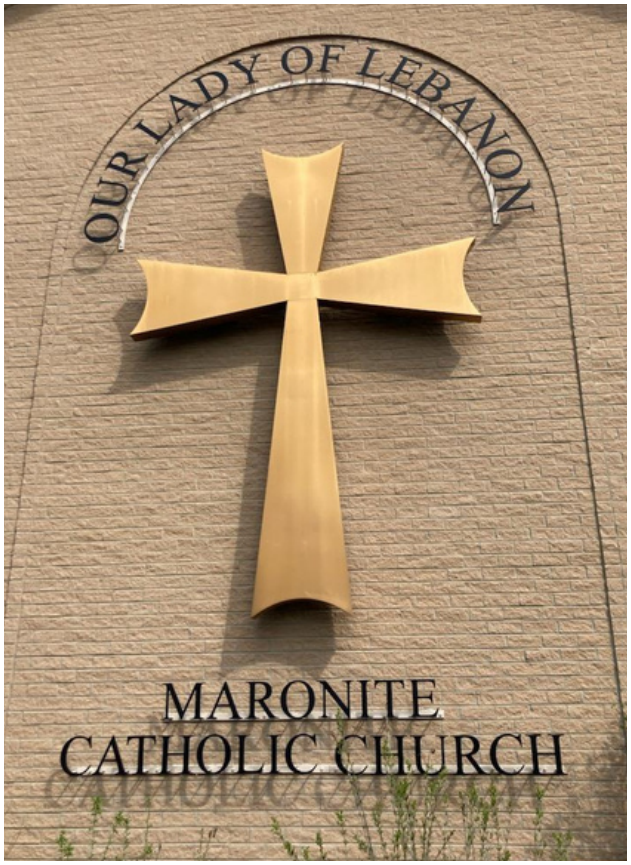

MYO
(Maronite Youth Organization)

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 Or Danny

Church Forms

Mass Request — Click here

Change Of Address — Click here

Baptismal Form — Click here

MRE Form — Click here

Update Email To Receive Bulletin — Click here

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