

Maronite Catholic Church

May 9, 2021

# Our Lady of Lebanon Mother's Day



# Jesus' Family Mark 3:31-35

31 Then Jesus' mother and brothers arrived. Standing outside, they sent someone in to call him. 32 A crowd was sitting around him, and they told him, "Your mother and brothers are outside looking for you."

33 "Who are my mother and my brothers?" he asked.
34 Then he looked at those seated in a circle around him and said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! 35 Whoever does God's will is my brother and sister and mother."







The Maronite Church calls us, during the month of May, to give honor in a special way to Mary. Her presence in our lives is a motherly presence. For Maronites, May is a month traditionally dedicated to honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary. In our churches and homes, we celebrate May as a "Marian month". We decorate shrines and altars for Blessed Mother Mary and we pray the rosary and other devotions.

We emphasize Our Blessed Mother's participation in the life of her Son and her presence with the Church after her son's Ascension into heaven; she prayed with the disciples in the upper room as they awaited the descent of the Holy Spirit. She is designated to be Our Blessed Mother.

As well it is very fitting that we celebrate Mother's Day during the Marian month. As we honor the Mother of God, our spiritual mother, we also honor our earthly mothers. On Mother's Day, we remember with gratitude and affection our mothers, not only through material gifts, flowers, or cards, but also, and more importantly, by our prayers for them.

We thank God for the gift of our mothers who conceived and gave birth to us, who played a vital role in our lives, who cared for us, protected us, taught us, loved us and passed on the gift of faith to us. We remember all our mothers, living and deceased. We thank them for their generosity and self-giving love.

Fr. Pierre El Khoury, MLM

# Newborns in our Community



Baby: Leia Alain Chucri Parents: Alain & Laura Chucri Born: 2/24/2021



Baby: Christian Charbel Yasmine Parents: Christian & Kimberly Yasmine Born: 3/10/2021







Parents: Maroun & Nancy Samia Born: 3/24/2021





# Mass Intentions for Sunday, May 9

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For Mass Requests

9:30 AM

We pray for all Mothers

Fr. Dr. William Nijm Joseph Dacloush Nazmieh Joubran (Ghada Nijm)

Happy Mother's Day!

11:30 AM

We pray for all Mothers
For Azadouhy, Adele, & Mariam

Happy Mother's Day!

9:30 AM

1 year anniversary for Ramon Antequino (Corazon Antequino)

11:30 AM

Reine Chartouni

(Elie Chartouni)

# Mass Intentions for Sunday, May 16



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# Lebanese Families to be sponsored for 1 year, through Caritas Lebanon & The Eparchy of Our Lady Of Lebanon, L.A.

Yerwant K.: \$100

Father is 54 years old, his wife and 2 children (boy and girl). Both are married and live with parents (son + wife have a 5 year old daughter).

The father suffers from chronic heart disease + diabetes. Medical needs: 400,000 LBP/Month.

A year ago, the father stopped working (bus driver). He lives in the care of his 2 married children, but they manage to help him as much as possible but that is not enough.



Family Members: 7 #162, Bekaa Center, CLF032

Father is 59 years old, his wife suffers from back problems and 4 children: 2 in university & 2 in school.

Father-in-law is 79 years old, they live in Anjar in their own modest house. Before the economic crisis, the father worked at the school as a driver but now he is at home.

The father in law is elderly, disabled and needs medication + diapers.

Nawak S.: \$50

#163, Bekaa Center, CLF130

A widowed 48 year old woman works as a cleaner in a school for a half salary of 300,000 LBP/Month and her 18-year old son stopped his secondary education in order to look for work.

This low income family lives in Qabb Elias, and they are in debt. Rental needs: 400,000 LBP/month.



Mikael K.: \$100

#164, Bekaa Center, CLF014

Father is a 56 years old taxi driver, mother is a housekeeper with a 12-year old daughter. They live with the father's single brother + sister in their parents' home.

The father suffers from diabetes, blood pressure and heart problems, & had several back surgeries. Requires permanent medication for his health problems.

Father's health issues prevented him from working. His sister was let go from work, 6 months ago. Their financial condition is bad.

e K.: \$50

Widowed 41-year old woman has health problems with her eyes and feet and has a 13-year old daughter. They live with her parents (5 members in a house of 3 rooms), where they own the home. The daughter studies at Deir Taanayel, and the school helps with the tuition. She works for a half 400,000 LBP/Month.

Therese K.: \$50

Family Members: 2

#165, Bekaa Center, CLF039

Her parents' financials and health are bad: the father works in a factory and receives a half salary of 500,000 LBP/Month and the mother is a housewife but has chronic health problems.



#### Georges A.: \$100

#### Family Members: 5

Father earns a half salary and the mother is a housewife. The kids are small and they also have a baby that needs milk + diapers which they can't secure.

They also have a lot of debt to pay to their relatives. The family is vulnerable, and needs financial assistance to provide for their basic needs.

#166, Littoral Metn, CLF059

#### Miled Abou M: \$50

#### Family Members:

An unaccompanied widow needs someone to take care of her. She has epilepsy and cannot secure her medicines because of their expensive prices.

She works as a cleaner for a very small salary.
#169, Littoral Metn, CLF144



#### Family Members:

Elderly woman lives alone in a rented apartment, with no relatives by her side. Sometimes she cleans buildings in order to provide for her basic needs; no fixed income.

She also has medical needs for doctor's visits, and medicines; she is a diabetic.

#167, Littoral Metn, CLF139

#### Elias K.: \$75

#### Family Members: 4

Father works for a very low salary and the wife is at home with the kids. The family has to pay rent expenses and milk and diapers for their kids.

They need financial support in order to provide for their daily and basic needs in addition to rent expenses.

#168, Littoral Metn, CLF139



#### Family Members: 5

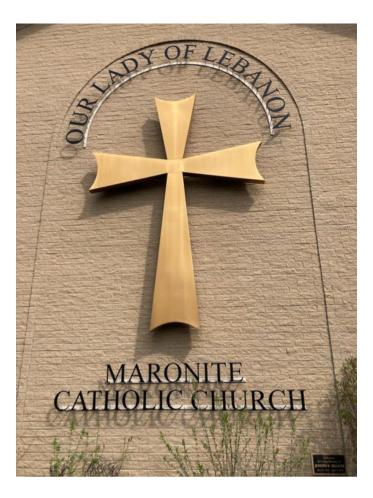
Father is unemployed as he recently lost his job and the mother is a house wife. The kids are small and they have a baby and are unable to purchase milk and diapers.

They also have a lot of debt to repay to their relatives. The family is vulnerable and needs financial assistance.

#170, Littoral Metn, CLF148







# MYO

# (Maronite Youth Organization)

Meetings on Saturdays @ 1pm, via Zoom.

For more information please contact:

Gisele: (630) 229-4216 or

# **MYA**

## (Maronite Youth Adults)

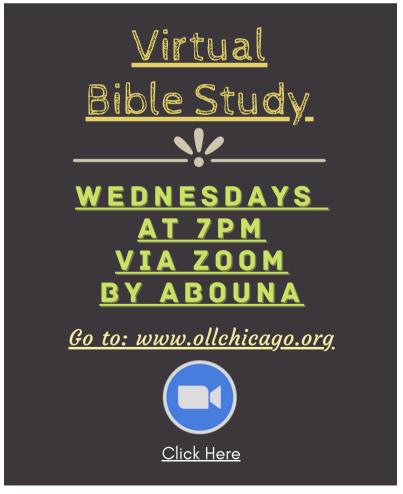
Meetings on Sundays @ 7pm, via Zoom.

For more information please contact:

Karen: (630) 597-8501 or

Danny: (847) 924-7806





# **First Communion Meeting via Zoom**

# **Mandatory Meeting**

Thursday, May 6th at 6:30 pm

**Zoom Link:** https://us05web.zoom.us/j/5883616388? pwd=QUxNamJWeldqcitRNi9IOERGK00zQT09

#### **Click Here**

for First Communion

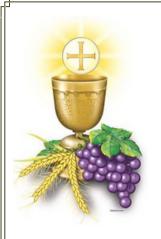
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## **Beautiful Prayer For Mary**

Remember, O Most Gracious Virgin
Mary. That never was it known, that
anyone who fled to your protection,
implored your help, or sought your
intercession was left unaided. Inspired
by this confidence I fly to you, O Virgin
of Virgins, my mother. To you I come, and
before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful.
O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise
not my petitions, but in your mercy,
hear and answer me.



# **First Holy Communion**

at Our Lady of Lebanon
Will be held on Saturday, May 22nd
Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 am

# **Upcoming Schedule:**

Sunday, May 9th: Robe fitting (10:30-11:30 am)

Saturday, May 15th: Practice Day & Confession (10 am - 12 pm)

# Month of May

**Sunday, May 9:** Our Lady of Lebanon and Mother's Day

**Praying the Rosary:** Oumouna Mariam Group is praying the rosary every day (Monday-Friday, except Wednesday) at 7 pm

**Wednesdays**: Bible Study About Mary via Zoom, at 7pm (link at www.ollchicago.org)



# Readers and Ushers

### Mass 9:30 am

#### Readers

Danny Tabet

#### **Ushers**

Nabil Zahra Sami Tabet Eddy Moinnes



# Mass 11:30 am

#### Readers

Sub. George Romanos

#### **Ushers**

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



# Let Us Remember our Beloved Ones who died during the month of May

Frances Zamito
Shirley Zamito
Sarah Guttas
Fred Guttas
William M. Elkhoury
Colette Woods
Rocco D. Pietrandoomo

J. Herbert Flagh, Sr. Fred A. Malouf Agnes Dumit Barcha E. Lebbos Reine Chartouni Eli Joe Jage John Jage

Sophie Nahra John Bomrad Amelia Lutfy Naseem Fahel Alexander Rash Fouad Amawis

# Weekly Collection

Sunday, May 2, 2021

Collection

\$ 2,657

A second collection on Sunday May 16,

Mail In:

\$ 780

will be held for Catholic Communications.

Ask the ushers to give you the designated envelope for second collection.

Online:

\$ 300

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