



## **Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church**

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**Season of Pentecost**

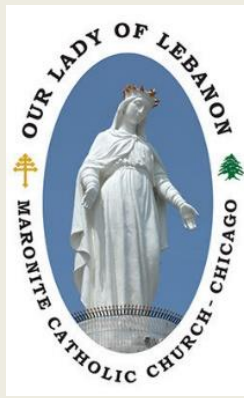
**5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY: Calling Of The APOSTLES**

**JUNE 28, 2020**



He called them, and immediately they left  
their boat and their father and followed him.

**Matthew 4:20-21**



## **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**.
- **Starting from Thursday, June 11, 2020, at 7 pm:** The Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, we will have a procession of the Blessed Sacrament from the parking lot to the Church to *celebrate the re-opening of our Church during this great feast*.

**Our first Sunday Mass, June 14, 2020, will be celebrated at:**

- **9:00 am (Not 9:30 am - To allow enough time for cleaning) 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](http://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

## Readings: Sunday June 28, 2020

### 5<sup>TH</sup> Sunday of Pentecost

#### مِنْ سِفْرِ أَعْمَالِ الرُّسُل 9

أَمَّا شاول ما زالَ صَدْرُهُ يَنْفُثُ تَهْدِيدًا وَتَقْتِيلًا لِتَلَامِيذِ الرَّبِّ. فَقَصَدَ عَظِيمَ الْكَهَنَةِ، وَطَلَبَ مِنْهُ رَسَائِلَ إِلَى مَجَامِعِ دِمَشْقَ، حَتَّى إِذَا وَجَدَ أَنَسَا عَلَى طَرِيقَةِ يَسُوعَ، سَاقَهُمْ مُوثِقِينَ إِلَى أُورُشَلِيمَ. وَبَيْنَمَا هُوَ سَائِرٌ، وَقَدْ اقْتَرَبَ مِنْ دِمَشْقَ، إِذَا نُورٌ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ قَدْ سَطَعَ حَوْلَهُ، فَسَقَطَ إِلَى الْأَرْضِ، وَسَمِعَ صَوْتًا يَقُولُ لَهُ: شَاوُلَ، شَاوُلَ، لِمَاذَا تَضْطَهِدُنِي؟ فَقَالَ: مَنْ أَنْتَ يَا رَبُّ؟ قَالَ: أَنَا يَسُوعُ الَّذِي أَنْتَ تَضْطَهِدُهُ. وَلَكِنْ قُمْ فَادْخُلِ الْمَدِينَةَ، فَيُقَالُ لَكَ مَا يَجِبُ عَلَيْكَ أَنْ تَفْعَلَ. فَتَهَضَّ شَاوُلُ عَنِ الْأَرْضِ وَهُوَ لَا يُبْصِرُ شَيْئًا. فَاقْتَادَوْهُ بِيَدِهِ وَدَخَلُوا بِهِ دِمَشْقَ. فَلَبِثَ ثَلَاثَةَ أَيَّامٍ مَكْفُوفَ الْبَصَرِ لَا يَأْكُلُ وَلَا يَشْرَبُ. وَكَانَ فِي دِمَشْقَ تَلْمِيذٌ اسْمُهُ حَنْنِيَا. فَقَالَ لَهُ الرَّبُّ فِي رُؤْيَا: قُمْ فَادْهَبْ، وَاسْأَلْ فِي بَيْتِ يَهُوذَا عَنْ شَاوُلَ. فَهَذَا الرَّجُلُ أَدَاةٌ اخْتَرْتُهَا لِي. فَمَضَى حَنْنِيَا، فَدَخَلَ الْبَيْتَ وَوَضَعَ يَدَيْهِ عَلَيْهِ وَقَالَ: يَا أَخِي شَاوُلَ، إِنَّ الرَّبَّ أَرْسَلَنِي، وَهُوَ يَسُوعُ الَّذِي تَرَاءَى لَكَ فِي الطَّرِيقِ، أَرْسَلَنِي لَتُبْصِرَ وَتَمْتَلِئَ مِنَ الرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ. فَتَسَاقَطَ عِنْدَئِذٍ مِنْ عَيْنَيْهِ مِثْلُ الْقُشُورِ. فَأَبْصَرَ وَقَامَ فَاعْتَمَدَ.

#### Letter to the Philippians 3:7-14

Whatever gains I had, these I have come to consider a loss because of Christ. More than that, I even consider everything as a loss because of the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.

For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in him and that I may know him and the power of his resurrection in the sharing of his sufferings.

It is not that I have already taken hold of it, but I continue my pursuit in hope that I may possess it, since I have indeed been taken possession of by Christ Jesus.

Just one thing, brethren: forget what lies behind but strain forward to what lies ahead; continue your pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus.

## Matthew 1:18-25

As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; they were fishermen. He said to them, “Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.” At once they left their nets and followed him. He walked along from there and saw two other brothers, James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They were in a boat, with their father Zebedee, mending their nets. He called them, and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed him.

He went around all of Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and curing every disease and illness among the people. And great crowds from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan followed him.



## Mass Intentions for SUNDAY June 28, 2020

09:30 AM

**Sara Guttas (The Shaker Family)**

**Bert Trapani (Father of Patricia Kermend)**

11:30 AM

**40 days: John Madi (Brother of Sabah Dakhoul)**

<b>Schedules</b>	<b>Sunday 9:30 am</b>	<b>Sunday 11:30 am</b>
<b>Readers</b>	Cheryl Blum	Subdeacon George Romanos
<b>Ushers</b>	Nabil Zahra Sami Tabet Eddy Moinnes Eddy Zakhem	Ed Kneip Henry Abboud William Harb Elie Masud Naji Abiad



## WEEKLY COLLECTION

You may mail your contribution to:

Our Lady of Lebanon Church  
950 N Grace street  
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or you may send your contribution  
online on the church website

<https://www.ollchicago.org>

**Collection Sunday June 21: \$2,414**

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.

### Let us remember

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

Anne Crispin - Josephine Stets - Alyce Bourjaily - Fred Guttas - Peter Guttas - Libby Guttas -  
Mansour Allen - Edward J. Jage - Genevieve Jage - George Thomas - Salameh Muhawwi -  
Bridget Toland - Alphonse Salame - Abe Kay - Sam Nasser - Edna C. Neely - Raymond Kelly