

Our Lady of Lebanon

Maronite Catholic Church

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Church Clergy

Father Pierre ElKhoury, M.L.M., Pastor Deacon John Sfire Subdeacon Thomas Podraza

Mass Schedule

Sundays: 9:30 am (English) & 11:30 am (English & Arabic)

Confession

Contact the priest or the church office to arrange your confession during the week.

Baptism

Please call the Church office for arrangements <u>one month</u> prior to the celebration of the Sacrament.

Marriage

Please allow at least <u>Six months</u> of preparation time. Date arrangements are made after the initial meet with pastor before any other commitments are made.

Ministry of the Sick

If any Parishioner is seriously ill at home or in a hospital, please call the pastor or the Church office to arrange for Communion, Confession or Anointing of the Sick.

Maronite Catholic Education

Catechism Classes for children are on Sundays 10:20 am - 11:20 am.

Season of Pentecost The Parable of the Sower AUGUST 12, 2018



The parable of the Sower is the Lord answers to two questions: why do you welcome sinners? And why is it that so many in the crowd are not responding in faith and discipleship?

The Sower casts the Word of the Kingdom all over. The Word - "Seed" is the school that teaches and preaches about the Kingdom of God. Every person will be given opportunities to learn, to know, to change, to grow and to broadcast the Word of the Gospel. "Broadcast" is the name given to this type of sowing. We call TV shows, "broadcasts": it's all over. Jesus was not stingy with the Word of the Kingdom, of the promises fulfilled in Him who is the Word made flesh.

This is what the reign of the Lord is like: a seed. "It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness; it is raised in power." **1 Corinthians 15:43**

Pray For

Please call the parish office to inform us of an illness or hospitalization of a parishioner or family member. If you would like to add or remove your name or a relative's name from our prayer list, please contact us.

We Pray for those who are hospitalized or homebound, including: **Eva Sassine, Jackie Haddad, Bobby Sfire, Julia Parkinson.**

Mass Intentions for Next Sunday August 19, 2018

9:30 AM

Rev. fr. Wehbe - Rev. fr. Martin Scannel - Mgr. John Naffah
The founders of our Lady of Lebanon

11:30 AM

40 days for Nicholas Khalil Farah (By Imad and Mireille Estephan)



Amir Rafidia

On receiving the Sacrament of Baptism and Confirmation.

Psalm 119 (1-2 & 105-112)

Blessed those whose way is blameless, who walk by the law of the LORD. Blessed those who keep his testimonies, who seek him with all their heart Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

I have sworn an oath and confirmed it, to observe your righteous ordinances.

I am severely afflicted; give me life, O LORD, according to your word.

Accept my offerings of praise, O LORD, and teach me your ordinances.

I hold my life in my hand continually, but I do not forget your law.

The wicked have laid a snare for me, but I do not stray from your precepts.

Your decrees are my heritage forever; they are the joy of my heart.

I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever, to the end. Alleluia

From the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians 3:1-11

I could not talk to you as spiritual people, but as fleshly people, as infants in Christ. I fed you milk, not solid food, because you were unable to take it. Indeed, you are still not able, even now, for you are still of the flesh. While there is jealousy and rivalry among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving in an ordinary human way? Whenever someone says, "I belong to Paul," and another, "I belong to Apollos," are you not merely human? What is Apollos, after all, and what is Paul? Ministers through whom you became believers, just as the Lord assigned each one. I planted, Apollos watered, but God caused the growth. Therefore, neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who causes the growth. The one who plants and the one who waters are equal, and each will receive wages in proportion to his labor. For we are God's co-workers; you are God's field, God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a wise master builder I laid a foundation, and another is building upon it. But each one must be careful how he builds upon it, for no one can lay a foundation other than the one that is there, namely, Jesus Christ.

From the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke 8:1-15

Afterward he journeyed from one town and village to another, preaching and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom of God. Accompanying him were the Twelve and some women who had been cured of evil spirits and infirmities, Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out, Joanna, the wife of Herod's steward Chuza, Susanna, and many others who provided for them out of their resources. When a large crowd gathered, with people from one town after another journeying to him, he spoke in a parable. "A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path and was trampled, and the birds of the sky ate it up. Some seed fell on rocky ground, and when it grew, it withered for lack of moisture. Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some seed fell on good soil, and when it grew, it produced fruit a hundredfold." After saying this, he called out, "Whoever has ears to hear ought to hear."



Feast of the Assumption of Virgin Mary into Heaven

The Assumption (August 15) refers to the Blessed Virgin Mary being assumed — body and soul — into heaven at the end of her earthly life. It is by the power of God Mary was assumed. Christians have believed for more than a millennium that the Blessed Virgin was assumed into heaven.

In 1950, Pope Pius XII issued <u>Munificentissimus Deus</u>, which officially defined the Dogma of the Assumption. This means that the Church officially recognizes this belief as a true and necessary part of our Catholic beliefs about Mary. Like all beliefs about Mary, they illuminate our most treasured beliefs about her Son. The Assumption illustrates to us the truth about Christ's promise of eternal life and the resurrection of the faithful.

The Assumption is a Holy Day of Obligation, which means Catholics are obligated to attend Mass this day.

OUR LADY OF LEBANON

Lebanese Festival

950 N. GRACE ST. LOMBARD, IL 60148

FRIDAY, AUGUST 31, 2018 SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2018 SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2018

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Sunday Readings



Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:1-11
Holy Gospel: Luke 8:1-15

Psalm 119

Mass Intentions



9:30 AM

Fr. Dr. William Nijm (By the Nijm Family)

11:30 AM

Lucille and Victor Wertz & Tammer and Mary Caleel – Maria Louise Caleel and Dr. George Caleel (By The Caleel Family)

Schedules	Sunday 9:30 am	Sunday 11:30 am
Altar Servers	Andres Ballines, Mauricio Saad Anthony and Isabella Jazarlian	Miriam Dandan, Michael Kokaly, Yousif, Reem & Fadi Hattar,
Readers	Andrea Chalouhi	Dr. Naddia Haddad (Arabic) Diala Chahoud (English)
Ushers	Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend	Ed Kneip, Nakhoul Nehra Naji Abiad, Stephen Georges

Announcements

* Feast of the Assumption

The feast of Assumption falls on Wednesday and we will have Rosary @ 7 pm and Mass @ 7:30 pm. Please bring bunch of Grapes to be blessed during the Mass. After Mass we will have a discussion about the feast of Assumption and the Virgin Mary.

* Sunday August 19, our Lady of Lebanon will celebrate the feast of the Assumption of Virgin Mary. 11:00 am Rosary – 11:30 am Holy Mass - 1:00 pm Luncheon.

* LEBANESE FESTIVAL

Save the Date! Lebanese Festival will take place on August 31st, and September 1st & 2nd 2018.

* Festival Volunteers Meeting

Thank you to all our amazing parishioners who volunteered to assist in our parish festival over Labor Day weekend. Please join us for a short meeting reviewing festival expectations this upcoming Sunday, August 12th, at Our Lady of Lebanon Shaker Hall by 10:30 a.m. All are welcome to attend. Note we still have open spots available for volunteers to sign up on Sunday.

Let us remember

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

Joseph Abraham - Mitchell Shaker - Haj Dandan - Nicholas Coury - Rose Joseph - Norma Gattas – Elie Gossan - Carmen Tano - Margaret Gilaty - Hannie Haddad - Helen Coury - Edward Georgies Khalaf - Tamino Kattan - Salma Haddad - May Jage - Edward Witterson - Catherine Najehton - John Paul Nemeh - Georgette Tarazi.

COLLECTION

Sunday August 05, 2018: \$ 2,477.00

"It's not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving."

Mother Theresa