

Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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Season of the Holy Cross **Parable of the Ten Virgins** October 18, 2020





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:

- **9:30 am 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 <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,

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Father Pierre El Khoury MLM Pastor



OUR LADY OF LEBANON

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Readings for Sunday October 18

ٱلْمَزْمُورُ ٱلثَّامِنُ وَٱلسَّبْعُونَ أَصِغِ يا شَعْبِي إلى شَرِيعَتِي. أَمِلْ أُذَنيكَ إلى أَقُوالِ فَمي. ما سَمِعْناه وما عَرَفْناه وما أَخبَرَنا به آباؤنا، لا نَكتُمُهُ عن الأَبْنَاءِ بل نُخبِرُ بِه الجيلَ الآتي: تسابيحَ الرَّبِّ وعِزَّتَه وَقُوَّتَه وعَجائِبَه الَّتِ صنَعَها. لِأَنَّه أَقامَ شَهادتَهُ في وَسَطِنا ووَضعَ شَرِيعتَهُ في قُلوبِنا وأَوصَى الآباءَ بِأَن يُعَلِّمُوها للأَبْنَاءِ حتَّ يَضَعوا ثِقَتَهم في الله. ولا يَنسَوْا أَعمالَ الرَّبَ بل يَحفَظوا وَصاياه. **هَلِّلوَيِا!**

Philippians 2:12-18

Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence, work out your salvation with fear and trembling. For it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose.

Do everything without grumbling or arguing, so that you may be blameless and pure, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and wicked generation, among whom you will shine like lights in the world, as you hold firmly to the word of life.

Even if I am poured out as an offering upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I rejoice and share my joy with all of you. In the same way you also should rejoice and share your joy with me.

إِنْجِيل متى الرَسول

قالَ الربُّ يَسوع: يُشْبِهُ مَلَكُوتُ السَّمَاوَاتِ عَشْرَ عَذَارَى أَخَذْنَ مَصَابِيحَهُنَّ وَخَرَجْنَ لِلِقَاءِ الْعَرِيسِ. خَمْسٌ حَكِيمَاتٍ وَخَمْسٌ جَاهِلاَتٍ. فَالْجَاهِلاَتُ أَخَذْنَ مَصَابِيحَهُنَّ وَلَمْ يَأْخُذْنَ مَعَهُنَّ زَيْتاً. أَمَّا الْحَكِيمَاتُ فَأَخَذْنَ زَيْتاً في آنِيَةٍ مَعَ مَصَابِيحِهِنَ. وَأَبْطَأَ الْعَرِيسُ فنَعَسْنَ جَمِيعُهُنَّ وَنِمْنَ. فَفِي نِصْفِ اللَّيْلِ صَارَ صُرَاخٌ: هُوَذَا الْعَرِيسُ مُقْبِلُ فَاخْرُجْنَ لِلِقَائِهِ! فَقَامَت الْعَذَارَى ليُزَيتنَ مَصَابِيحَهُنَّ. فَقَالَتِ الْجَاهِلاَتُ لِلْحَكِيمَاتِ: أَعْطِينَا مِنْ زَيْتِكُنَّ فَإِنَّ مَصَابِيحَهِنَ. وَأَبْطَأَ الْعرِيسُ فَقَالَتِ الْجَاهِلاَتُ لِلْحَكِيمَاتِ: أَعْطِينَا مِنْ زَيْتِكُنَّ فَإِنَّ مَصَابِيحَنَا تَنْطَغُ. فَأَجَابَتِ الْحَكِيمَاتُ. لَعَلَّهُ للنَّذُل مَارَ صُرَاخٌ: هُوَذَا الْعَرِيسُ مُقْبِلُ فَاخْرُجْنَ لِلِقَائِهِ! فَقَامَت الْعَذَارَى ليُزَيتنَ مَصَابِيحَهُنَ وَقَالَتِ الْجَاهِلاَتُ لِلْحَكِيمَاتِ: أَعْطِينَا مِنْ زَيْتِكُنَّ فَإِنَّ مَصَابِيحَنَا تَنْطَغُ. فَأَجَابَتِ الْحَكِيمَاتُ: لَعَلَّهُ وَقَالَتِ الْجَاهِلاَتُ لِلْحَكِيمَاتِ: أَعْطِينَا مِنْ زَيْتِكُنَّ فَإِنَّ مَصَابِيحَنَا تَنْطَغُ. فَلَ حَكِيمَاتُ لَحَكِيمَاتُ لِكَتِ الْعَرِيسُ وَالْمُسْتَعِدَاتُ الْجَاهِ لَنَا وَلَكُنَّ بَلِ اذْهَبْنَ إِلَى الْبَاعَةِ وَابْتَعْنَ لَكُنَّ. وَفِيمَا هُنَّ ذَاهِبَاتُ لِيَبْتَعْنَ جَاءَ الْعَرِيسُ وَالْمُسْتَعِدَاتُ مَعَاتِ أَنَ وَلَكُنَّ بَلِ اذْهَبْنَ إِلَى الْبَابُ. أَخِيرَ وَفِيمَا هُنَ ذَاهِبَعْنَ اللَ

فَاسْهَرُوا إِذاً لأَنَّكُمْ لاَ تَعْرِفُونَ الْيَوْمَ وَلاَ السَّاعَةَ الَّتِي يَأْتِي فِيهَا ابْنُ الإِنْسَانِ.

Gospel of Matthew 25:1-13

"Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones, when taking their lamps, brought no oil with them, but the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps. Since the bridegroom was long delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep. At midnight, there was a cry, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!' Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise ones replied, 'No, for there may not be enough for us and you. Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves.' While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.' Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

Mass Intentions for SUNDAY October 18, 2020
<u>09:30 AM</u>
George Paul Antoon (Phoenician Club)
Anthony Abraham (The Shaker Family)
Recovery of Dave Joseph (Brian and Eileen Couri)
<u>11:30 AM</u>
Antoun and Nadia Dakhoul (Albert and Sabah Dakhoul)
Recovery of Dave Joseph (Brian and Eileen Couri)
Recovery of Farida Daniel (Mother of Sami Daniel)
Recovery of Lily Rantisi Sobieski (Sister of Antoinette Estephan)

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 John Albani

WEEKLY COLLECTION

You may mail your contribution to: Our Lady of Lebanon Church 950 N Grace street Lombard, IL, 60148

or

You may donate online:

www.ollchicago.org

Collection Sunday October 11: \$3,478 Online Donation: \$400

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 OCTOBER

Owen Petrzelka - Anthony Abraham - Jackie Haddad - Isaac Shaker - Sophia Shaker - Simon Shaker – Younaki Hanna - Mary Simon Ganem - Mary Tabet - Cathryn Drury - Joseph Samuel – Victoria Dahir - Edward Albert - Joseph P. Dumit - Laurice Allen - Glenn Ridgway – Angeline K. Skonieczny - Nagi A. Hatter - Paul Struven - Fadi Tabet - Georgette Antar – Melanie Sahyoun Khoury - Rita Assaf - Maurice Lebbos.