



Our Lady of Lebanon

Maronite Catholic Church

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Church Clergy

Father Pierre ElKhoury, M.L.M., Pastor

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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 one month prior to the celebration of the Sacrament.

Marriage

Please allow at least six months 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 from 10:20 am – 11:20 am.

Great Lent
Healing of the Leper
MARCH 01, 2019



The gospel stories always carry several levels of meaning: Leprosy deforms and damages the body. And because it was thought to be highly contagious, the leper was isolated from society—cut off from human contact, love and acceptance.

As such, leprosy is a perfect metaphor for sin. It starts as an invisible infection and then slowly dominates one's life. The person becomes deformed and ugly.

Furthermore, the body becomes numb. Sin makes us numb to the abundance of life and we become dull and unfeeling. Sin also isolates us from others and we end up alone with our addiction, alone with our sin, alone with our poor selves.

The healing that comes through forgiveness is not simply being let off for the bad things we've done, but forgiveness is always associated with healing because it is a dynamic force for restoration and reconciliation in our lives.

We pray for all the sick in our Parish

“Heal me, O Lord, and I will be healed;
save me and I will be saved,
for you are the one I praise”

Jeremiah 17:14

Mass Intentions for **NEXT SUNDAY MARCH 08, 2019**

09:30 AM

Bishop Francis Mansour Zayek

11:30 AM

Youssif El Kartabani (*El Kartabani Family*)

Jamileh Shahine (*Sam And Siham Ibrahim*)

Bible Verse

*Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand,
touched him, and said: I do will it. Be clean.*

Mark 1:41

Psalm 25

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

O my God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame;

Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation;

For you I wait all day long. Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD,

And of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions;

According to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness' sake, O LORD!

Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way.

All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness,

for those who keep his covenant and his decrees! **Alleluia**

From the Letter of Saint Paul to Romans 6:12-23

Therefore, sin must not reign over your mortal bodies so that you obey their desires. And do not present the parts of your bodies to sin as weapons for wickedness, but present yourselves to God as raised from the dead to life and the parts of your bodies to God as weapons for righteousness. For sin is not to have any power over you, since you are not under the law but under grace.

For just as you presented the parts of your bodies as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness for lawlessness, so now present them as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. For when you were slaves of sin, you were free from righteousness. But what profit did you get then from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death.

But now that you have been freed from sin and have become slaves of God, the benefit that you have leads to sanctification, and its end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

From the Gospel of our Lord according to Mark 1:35-45

A leper came to him (and kneeling down) begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean.

Then, warning him sternly, he dismissed him at once. But go, show yourself to the priest and offer the sacrifices that Moses commanded for your cleansing, as a testimony to them." Instead he went out and began to talk freely, spreading the news. As a result, Jesus could no longer enter a town openly but stayed outside in lonely places. Yet the people still came to him from everywhere.

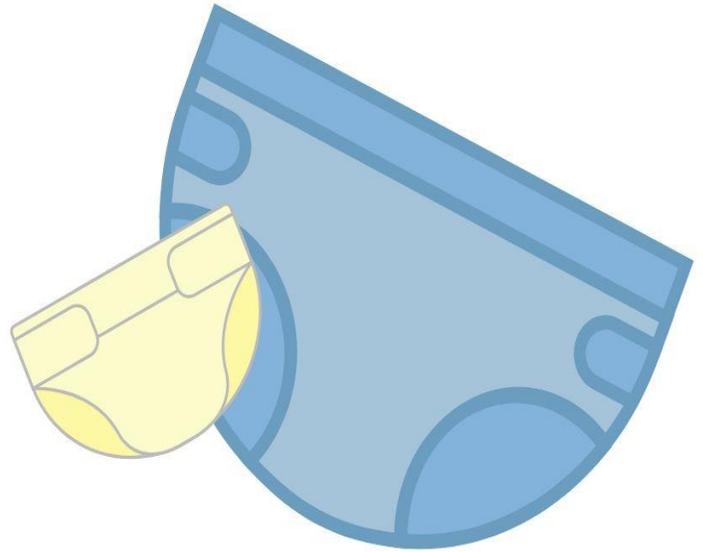


Life in the Spirit Testimony

*Fridays Of Lent
(After Stations Of the Cross)
(Potluck Lenten Dinner)*

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Diaper Drive!



We are collecting diapers for
The Outreach House,
which distributes 10,000 diapers\month.

They really need sizes 4, 5, and 6.

Wipes & washes are also welcome.



MARCH 1 - MARCH 29

Outreach House

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SAVE THE DATE



MUSICAL RECITAL

FEATURING

MIRNA HANNA

As seen on "The Voice"!



SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 2020 | 7:00 PM
HOSTED AT: MART MARIAM CHALDEAN CHURCH
2700 WILLOW RD. | NORTHBROOK, IL 60062

FOR TICKETS CONTACT:
DR. NICOLAS YANAKI - 847.322.4420
TICKETS \$50 PER PERSON

Hors d'oeuvres will be served in the Church Hall following the recital

	Mass Celebration	
	Healing of the Leper : Page 196 Anaphora of Saint Peter: P. 774	
	Sunday Readings	
	Revelation 25 Reading: Romans 6:12-23 Holy Gospel: Mark 1:35-45	
	Mass Intentions for THIS SUNDAY	
	<u>09:30 AM</u> Fares Elias Zahra (Zahra Family) <u>11:30 AM</u> Jamileh Chahine (Sam And Siham Ibrahim) Fouad and Adele Boutros (Mariam Bourtos and Family)	
Schedules	Sunday 9:30 am	Sunday 11:30 am
Readers	Cheryl Blum	Andrew Bassil (<i>Arabic</i>) Dr Zeina Abboud (<i>English</i>)
Ushers	Nabil Zahra Frank Kermend	Ed Kneip, Nakhoul Nehara Naji Abiad, John Albani

Announcements

- ✳ **Sunday March 8, 2020 Daylight Saving:** Clocks are turned forward 1 hour.
- ✳ **Stations of the Cross:** Every Friday during the season of Lent, Stations of the Cross at 7 pm followed by a potluck dinner in the Shaker Hall
- ✳ **Life in Spirit Testimony:** In preparation for Easter, we invite you for a testimony of faith that will take places on the Fridays of Lent after the Stations of the Cross, then followed by potluck dinner.
- ✳ **Easter Bake Sale:** Easter Bake Sale is on April 05, 2019. Please place your pre-orders ASAP. For more info contact Ferial Masud. You can make your order and pay online at ollchicago.org
- ✳ **Diaper Drive:** During Lent, We are collecting diapers for The Outreach House which distributes 10,000 diapers a month to families in need. They really need sizes 4, 5, and 6. Wipes and washes are also welcome."
- ✳ **Tele Lumiere and Noursat Fundraiser:** Recital by Mirna Hanna. Saturday, March 21 at 7 pm. Location: Mart Mariam Chaldean Church – Northbrook. Tickets \$50. For more info contacts Dr. Nadia Haddad.

Let us remember

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

Megan Shaker – James Abraham - Cris Crispin - Bertha Derzy - Stasia Abraham - Albert Joseph - Dixie Haddad - Peter Dumit - Robert Basil - James Bomrad - Louis Haddad - Fredia Saige - Nabiha Farris - Mary Bouzide - Maurice Zayek

COLLECTION

FEBRUARY 23, 2019: \$3,762

"Each one must give from his heart, for God loves a cheerful giver."

2 Corinthians 9:7