

Our Lady



of Lebanon

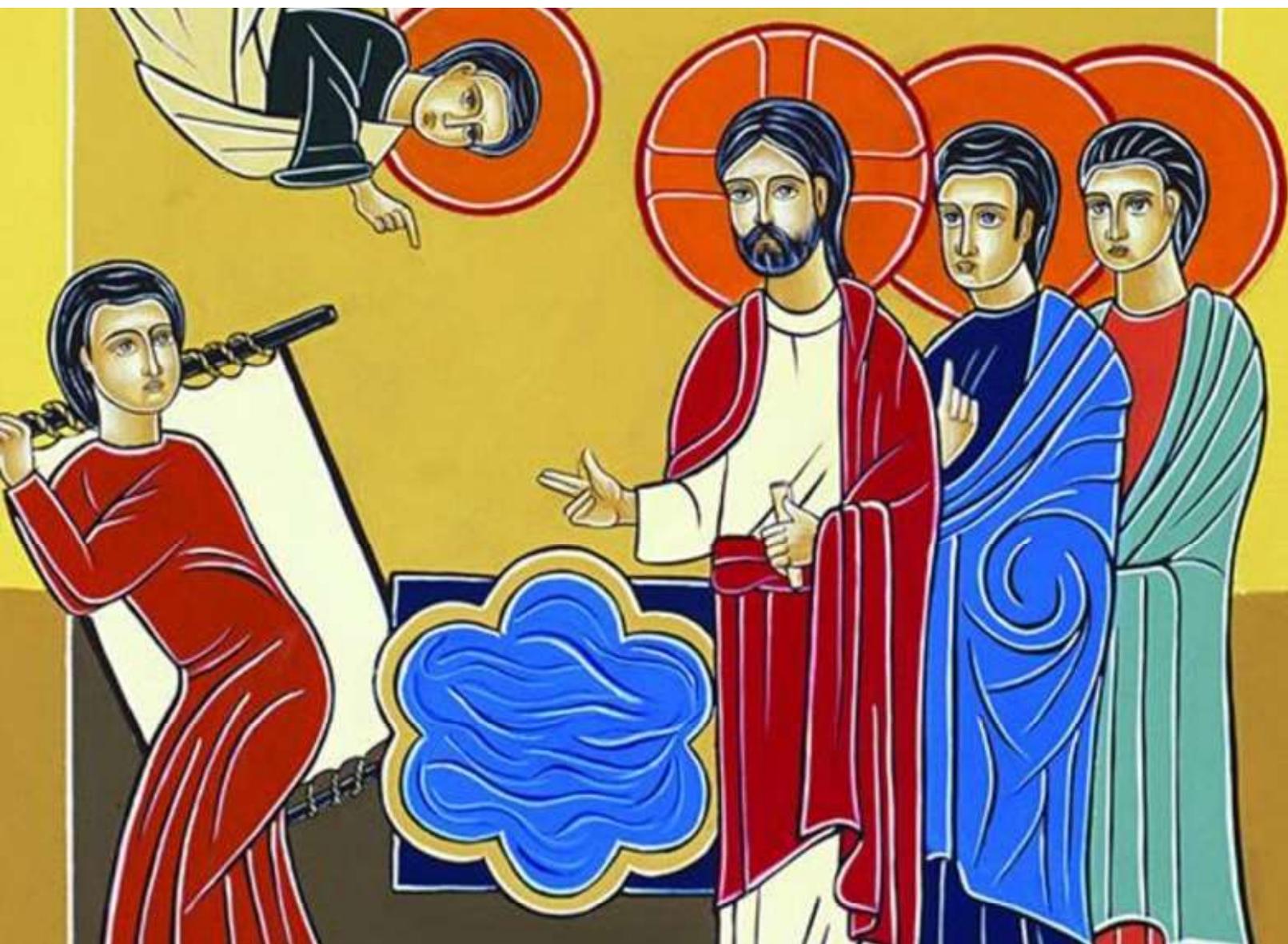
Maronite Catholic Church

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March 15, 2026

Sunday of the Paralytic





Mass Intentions
Sunday, March 15

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For Mass Requests

9:30 AM

Samuel Antoun Ibrahim (Madeleine Malek)
Lucille & Victor Wertz, Tammer & Mary Caleel,
Maria Louise Caleel (Caleel Family)

11:30 AM

40 Day Memorial Samuel Antoun Ibrahim
(Ibrahim Family)



Mass Intentions
Sunday, March 22

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For Mass Requests

9:30 AM

Samuel Antoun Ibrahim (Vera Antoon & Family)

11:30 AM

Samuel Antoun Ibrahim
& Antoine Gemayel
(By Dr & Mrs Raymond Daou)

Fr Dr William Nijm, Joseph Dacloush
& Nazmieh Joubran (Nijm Family)



In loving memory of

FR. PIERRE AL RAI
and all innocent victims of the war.

We continue to pray for peace.



EPARCHY OF OUR LADY
OF LEBANON OF LOS ANGELES

Statement issued by His Beatitude and
Eminence Cardinal Bechara Peter Rai,
Maronite Patriarch of Antioch and all
the East

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."

(Matthew 5:9)

it is with great sorrow that we received the news of the martyrdom of our son, Father Pierre Al-Rahi, the pastor of our Maronite parish in Qlaiaa in the Maronite Archeparchy of Tyre, who fell as a victim of the senseless war raging on Lebanese soil amid the escalating conflict between Hezbollah and Israel.

The martyrdom of Father Pierre, a priest dedicated to serving God and his people, steadfast in his pastoral mission, especially in times of tribulation, is a deep wound in the heart of the Church. It once again reveals the terrible price that innocent people pay in times of war and violence. We have consistently warned against war and violence and have called upon all parties to keep our country neutral and to choose the path of negotiation, dialogue, and diplomacy.

We strongly condemn any attack targeting civilians, religious figures, places of worship, homes, institutions, and every inch of our country. This ongoing war is an assault on human dignity and the sanctity of life. We affirm that the continuation of the logic of war and weapons will bring nothing but further killing, destruction, and displacement to Lebanon and the region.

The town of Qlaiaa now mourns the loss of its shepherd. Father Pierre and the people of Qlaiaa had previously affirmed that their town is a peaceful community far removed from the turmoil of this war, expressing their desire simply to remain safe in their homes and on their land.

As we offer our prayers for the repose of the soul of the martyr Father Pierre Al-Rahi, who gave his life as a testament to love and fidelity to his priestly mission, we call upon all authorities in Lebanon, in the region, and in the international community to assume their historical responsibilities and to work immediately and seriously to stop this senseless war that threatens lives and the future of the nation.

The position of the Lebanese state has been clearly...

...expressed with the aim of keeping Lebanon neutral from the war carried out in support of Iran, yet Hezbollah has unilaterally decided to participate in it. We therefore await for those who have lost sight of the principles of state authority and the rule of law to abide by the decision of the government and the Lebanese army.

Therefore, we repeat our call to keep Lebanon neutral from regional conflicts and wars in order to preserve its role as a land of encounter, dialogue, and peace. Lebanon was not created to be a battleground for wars, but rather a land of coexistence and a beacon of freedom and human dignity.

In these painful times, we lift our prayers, filled with the hope of the Resurrection, asking God to grant comfort to the family of Father Pierre Al-Rahi, to His Excellency Archbishop Charbel Abdallah of the Maronite Archeparchy of Tyre, to his brother priests, his parishioners, and all who knew and served with him. We implore the Almighty to protect Lebanon and its people from the atrocities of war and to bestow upon our homeland the blessing of a just and lasting peace.

Bkerke, March 10, 2026

MYA Bible Study

**EVERY WEDNESDAY
@ 7PM**



Stations of the Cross

Fridays @ 7 pm



Join us for
Potluck on Fridays
after Stations of the Cross

LENT

Second Collection



The Lenten Appeal for the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon is currently underway. We encourage every family to take part in the Appeal.

A Second Collection will be taken at our Parish on **Sunday March 15, 2026.**

Thank you for living Lent and sharing your goods for the glory of God.

LENTEN RETREAT

Theme: Open my Eyes

SATURDAY MARCH 21

FROM 10AM TO 2PM

10:00 AM: Opening prayer

10:15 AM: Talk with Abouna Jad

10:40 AM: Group Discussions

12:00 PM: Lunch

1:00 PM: Confessions & Personal Prayer

Child Care Provided

*Yes, my soul, find rest in God;
my hope comes from him.*

Psalm 62:5

Saint Joseph Fish Fry

Sunday March 22



\$35 Fried or Baked
\$15 Kids Menu

Deadline for reservation March 15.



MYO GROUP

will be selling

Carnation on Good Friday

to honor the death of Jesus

Friday April 3 @ 7pm



A decorative banner at the top of the page features several colorful Easter eggs hanging from a string. The eggs have various patterns: a purple egg with a white grid, an orange egg with a white zigzag, a green egg with white hearts, a pink egg with white stripes, and a blue egg with white polka dots. There are also small colorful flowers (green, blue, purple, orange) hanging from the string. Two white clouds are positioned on either side of the hanging decorations.

MRE & KIDS CLUB

EASTER PARTY

SATURDAY APRIL 4, 2026

11AM- 1PM

MYO Easter Egg Coloring

Saturday April 4, 2026 @ 1:30pm



*Easter
Lily
Dedications*



Remember your deceased

Honor & pray for your loved one(s)

Write your name and the names of those whom you like to honor or remember on the envelope. Make your donation and put the envelope in the offering plate or turn it in to Mrs. Edma Masud.

The list of names will be published in the church bulletin & it will be printed and placed on the Altar during Easter Masses. Please submit your information by Sunday, March 29.



Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Church
Annual Easter Bake Sale
 Palm Sunday March 29, 2026



| ITEM | Description | PACKAGE SIZE | PRICE PER PACKAGE | QTY | TOTAL PRICE |
|------------------------|---|--------------|-------------------|-----|-------------|
| Mana'eesh with Za'atar | Pizza w.oregano & sesame seeds | ½ Dozen | \$ 15.00 | | |
| Mana'eesh with Cheese | Pizza w.cheese | ½ Dozen | \$15.00 | | |
| Fatayer | Spinach Pies | 1 Dozen | \$25.00 | | |
| Sfiha | Open face meat pie | 1 Dozen | \$25.00 | | |
| Sambousek | Fried meat pie | 1 Dozen | \$25.00 | | |
| Shishbarak | Meat ravioli | 2 Dozen | \$25.00 | | |
| Kibbe 'Rass | Crushed wheat w.meat mixture in balls | 1 Dozen | \$30.00 | | |
| Kibbe Sayniye | Crushed wheat w.meat mix in tray | ½ Tray | \$50.00 | | |
| Veggie Kibbe 'Rass | Crushed wheat & pumpkin, w.spinach, onions, chickpeas, sumac in balls ('Rass) | 1 Dozen | \$30.00 | | |
| Veggie Kibbe Sayniye | | ½ Tray | \$50.00 | | |
| Sha'aybiyet | Phyllo dough w.custard stuffing | 1 Dozen | \$15.00 | | |
| Ma'amoul w/Walnuts | semolina+farina stuffed w.walnuts | 1 Dozen | \$25.00 | | |
| Ma'amoul w/Pistachios | semolina+farina w.pistachios | 1 Dozen | \$25.00 | | |
| Ma'amoul w/Dates | semolina+farina stuffed w.dates | 1 Dozen | \$25.00 | | |
| Ka'ak bi Tamer | Cookies with dates | 1 Dozen | \$25.00 | | |
| Ka'ak bhalib | Milk-based cookies | 1 Dozen | \$15.00 | | |
| Ka'ak Yansoon | Yansoon (anise) based cookies | 1 Dozen | \$20.00 | | |
| Arak Brun | | | \$35.00 | | |
| Wine Ksara | | | \$25.00 | | |
| Add your item, here: | | | | | |
| TOTAL | | | | | |

*Kindly pay and place your order no later than **March 20th, 2026.***

*All orders to be picked up at the church on Palm Sunday: **Sunday March 29, 2026 - 9:30am-1:00pm***

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Make checks payable to: Our Lady of Lebanon Church
 Online ordering: www.olchicago.org
 Call Madeleine with any questions: 847.533.5698



VOLUNTEER GRAPHIC DESIGNER NEEDED



Our parish is looking for a talented and creative **Volunteer Graphic Designer** to help support our church communications.

This is a wonderful opportunity to use your gifts to serve God and our parish community.

Please email us at: **olofficechicago@gmail.com**



Palm Sunday Candles are available.
Contact Madeleine Malek 847-533-5698

2025 Donation letter

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear Parishioners,

With heartfelt gratitude, we thank you for your generous donations and steadfast support throughout the year 2025. Your kindness and commitment continue to strengthen our parish community, and we are truly thankful for all you do.

If you would like to receive a letter acknowledging your donation for the year 2025 for your records or tax return purposes, please send your request to:

olofficechicago@gmail.com.



The Robert Atallah
Innovation Challenge

NAM PITCH DAY

startup

EVENT

ONE PITCH.
ONE WINNER.
\$20,000
GRAND PRIZE

NAM Pitch Day is your chance to showcase your business idea or startup to a panel of industry experts, investors, and community leaders — and compete for funding, visibility, and mentorship.



**JULY 4, 2026 AT THE 2026
MARONITE CONVENTION**

**WINNER WILL BE
ANNOUNCED AT THE
GRAND BANQUET**



Build valuable
business relationships



Share ideas and
exchange insights



Discover opportunities
& collaborations

Applicants Must Register for the
NAM Convention

pitchday@namaronites.org

Winner Must be Present at
the Grand Banquet



**Proudly Announces
2026 Scholarship Program**

High School Senior Scholarships

MYO – John A. Solomon
Two for High School Seniors \$2000

Massabki Brothers
One for High School Seniors \$2000

Naomi & Paul Kassouf
Two for High School Seniors \$3000

Abouna Sharbel
Five for High School Seniors \$1000

Undergraduate Scholarships

Chagoury Family Undergraduate
One for College Student \$2000

Thomas and Jennie Ayoub
One for College Student \$2000

Graduate & Professional Scholarship

Chagoury Family Graduate
One for Graduate Student \$2000

Study Abroad in Lebanon Opportunities

Notre Dame University-Louaize
Up to 10 scholarships for Fall 2026 or Spring 2027

The Holy Spirit University of Kaslik
Up to 12 scholarships for Summer 2026 Semester

For more information and application visit www.namaronites.org, e-mail scholarship@namaronites.org or call NAM at 440-821-6303

APPLICATION DEADLINE MAY 31, 2026

Readers and Ushers

Mass 9:30 am

Readers

Pamela Nassif
Joe Kermend

Ushers

Nabil Zahra
Francis Kermend
Joe Kermend

Isaiah 35,1-6.8.9b-10
Timothy 5,24-25.6,1-5.
Saint Mark 2,1-12..



Mass 11:30 am

Readers

Ibrahim Family

Ushers

Ed Kneip
Elie Masud
John Albani

Let Us Remember our Beloved Ones who died during the **month of March**

Megan Shaker
Chris Crispin
Jim Abraham
Peter Dumit

Robert Basil
James Bomrad
Mickey Haddad
Dixie Lee Haddad

Louis Haddad
Fredia Saige
Nabiha Farris
Mary Bouzide

Maurice Zayek
Albert Joseph
Bertha Derzy
Roula Rezko
Lara Rezko

Weekly Collection

March 8, 2026

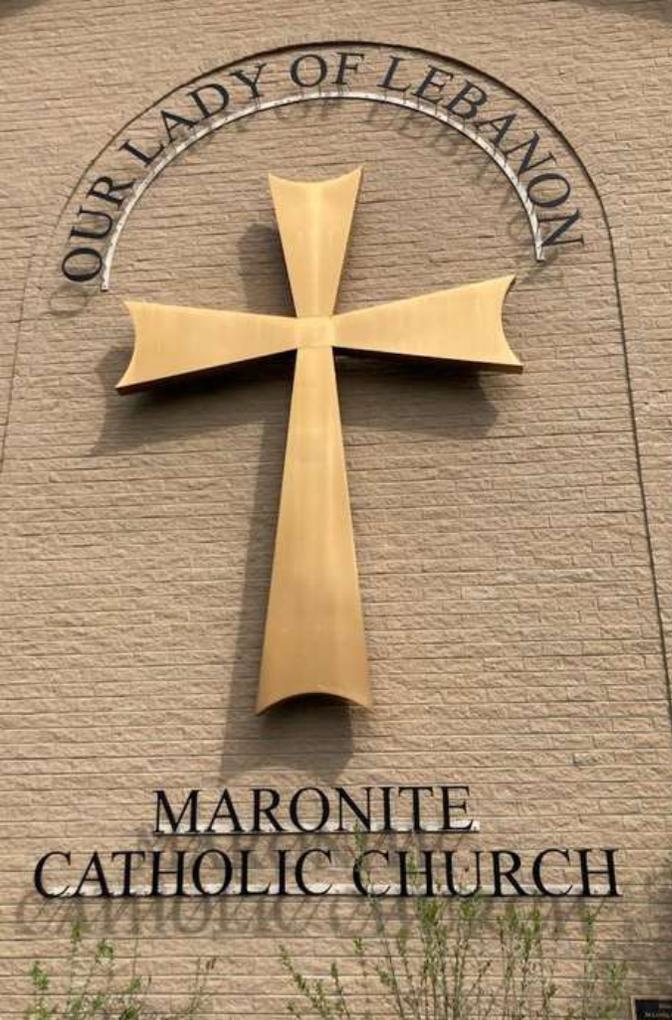
9:30 Mass: \$765
11:30 Mass: \$3,289
Online: \$836

Collection During the week: \$290
Candles: \$121
MYO Fundraiser : \$1,701
Total Collection: \$7,002

May GOD accept your generous donations and sacrifices

Donate online: www.ollchicago.org

Or mail your check to Our Lady of Lebanon



MYO

(Maronite Youth Organization)

Meetings on Sundays - MRE.

For more information please contact

Gisele Mulcahey or Rosy Sleiman

MYA

(Maronite Youth Adults)

Meetings on Thursdays.

For more information please contact:

Mary Mulcahey

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