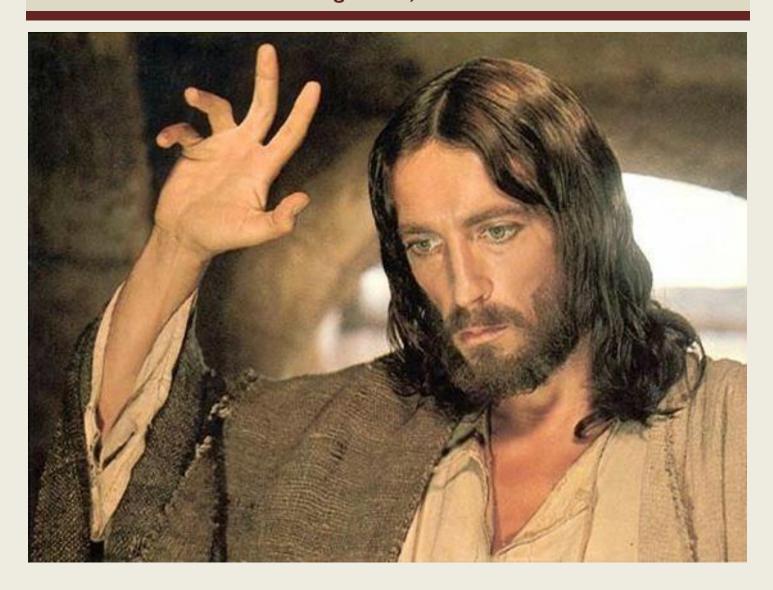


Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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Season of Pentecost Jesus and Beelzebul August 02, 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,

F Priere & Khom

Father Pierre El Khoury MLM Pastor

Liturgy Readings for Sunday August 02, 2020

اَلْمَزْمُورُ الثَالِثُ والثَلاثُونَ. طُوبى لِلأمَّةِ التَّي كَانَ لَها الرَّبُّ إِلَهًا - وللشَّعبِ الَّذي اْختارَهُ لَهُ مِيراثًا. الرَّبُّ وَحْدَهُ جَابِلُ القُلوبِ هَوَ عَالِمٌ بِجَميعِ أَفْكَارِنَا وَأَعمْالِنا. عَيْنُ الرَّبِّ على مَن يَتَّقُونَهُ - على مَن يَرْجُونَ رَحْمَتَهُ. لِيُنْقذَ مِنَ المَوتِ نُفُوسَهُمْ وفي الجوعِ يُحيِيهِمْ. تَنتظِرُ الرَّبَّ نُفُوسُنا فَهو نُصرَتُنَا ومَلجانَا. بِهِ تَفرحُ قُلوبُنَا وعلى اسْمهِ القُدُّوسِ تَوكَلَّنَا. يا ربُّ - لِتَكُنْ رَحمَتكَ عَلينَا بحسب رَجائِنا بِكَ. هَلِّلوَيا!

The book of Genesis

After the man, Adam, had eaten of the tree, the LORD God called, "Where are you?" He answered, "I heard you in the garden; but I hid myself, because I was naked." Then he asked, "Who told you that you were naked? You have eaten, then, from the tree of which I had forbidden you to eat!" The man replied, "The woman gave me from the tree, and so I ate it." The LORD God then asked the woman, "Why did you do such a thing?" The woman answered, "The serpent tricked me into it, so I ate it."

Then the LORD God said to the serpent: "Because you have done this, cursed are you among all the animals. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike at your head, while you strike at his heel."

إِنْجِيلِ القِدِّيسِ مَتى

قَدَّمُوا إِلَى يَسُوعَ مَمْسُوسًا أَعْمَى وأَخْرَس، فَشَفَاه، حَتَّى تَكَلَّمَ وأَبْصَر. فَدَهِشَ الجُمُوعُ كُلُّهُم وقَالُوا: «لَعَلَّ هذا هُوَ آبْنُ دَاوُد؟». وسَمِعَ الفَرِّيسِيُّونَ فَقَالُوا: «إِنَّ هذَا الرَّجُلَ لا يُخْرِجُ الشَّيَاطِيْنَ إِلاَّ بِبَعْلَ زَبُول، رِئِيسِ الشَّيَاطِين»

وعَلِمَ يَسُوعُ أَفْكَارَهُم فَقَالَ لَهُم: «كُلُّ مَمْلَكَةٍ تَنْقَسِمُ على نَفْسِها تَخْرَب، وكُلُّ مَدِينَةٍ أَو بَيْتٍ يَنْقَسِمُ على نَفْسِهِ لا يَثْبُت. فَإِنْ كانَ الشَّيْطَانُ يُخْرِجُ الشَّيْطَان، يَكُونُ قَدِ ٱنْقَسَمَ عَلى نَفْسِهِ، فَكَيْفَ تَتْبُتُ مَمْلَكَتُهُ؟ وإِنْ كُنْتُ أَنَا بِبَعْلَ زَبُولَ أُخْرِجُ الشَّيَاطين، فَأَبْنَاؤُكُم بِمَنْ يُخْرِجُونَهُم؟ إَمَّا إِنْ كُنْتُ أَنَا بِرُوحِ اللَّهِ أُخْرِجُ الشَّيَاطين، فَقَدْ وَافَاكُم مَلَكُوتُ الله.

Gospel of Saint Matthew 12:22-32

Then they brought to Jesus a demoniac who was blind and mute. He cured the mute person so that he could speak and see. All the crowd was astounded, and said, "Could this perhaps be the Son of David?" But when the Pharisees heard this, they said, "This man drives out demons only by the power of Beelzebul, the prince of demons."

But Jesus knew what they were thinking and said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself will be laid waste, and no town or house divided against itself will stand. And if Satan is divided against himself; how, then, will his kingdom stand? And if I drive out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your own people drive them out?

But if it is by the Spirit of God that I drive out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you.



Mass Intentions for SUNDAY August 02, 2020

<u>09:30 AM</u>

Sara Guttas (Bill & Cheryl Blum) Lucile and Victor Wertz – Tammer and Mary Caleel and Maria Louise Caleel (Caleel Family)

<u>11:30 AM</u>

Thomas Mulcahey (Father of Tim Mulcahey)

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

WEEKLY COLLECTION

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or

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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 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.