



## Our Lady of Lebanon

### Maronite Catholic Church

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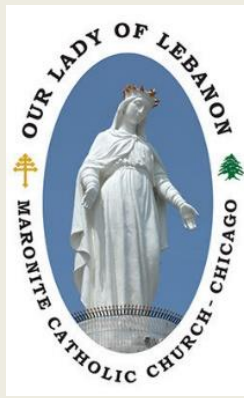
### REVELATION OF CHRIST'S MYSTERY TO JOHN

January 10, 2021



"Behold!  
The Lamb  
of God  
who takes  
away  
the sin  
of the  
world!"

John 1:29



## 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 [ollchicago.org](http://ollchicago.org)** 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 not 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,



Father Pierre El Khoury MLM  
Pastor

## Readings for Sunday January 10

الْمَزْمُورُ التَّاسِعُ وَالْعِشْرُونَ:

قَدِّمُوا لِلرَّبِّ مَجْدًا وَعِزًّا. اسْجُدُوا لِلرَّبِّ فِي بَهَاءِ قُدْسِهِ.

(الشعب): قَدِّمُوا لِلرَّبِّ مَجْدًا وَعِزًّا. اسْجُدُوا لِلرَّبِّ فِي بَهَاءِ قُدْسِهِ.

قَدِّمُوا لِلرَّبِّ يَا أَبْنَاءَ اللَّهِ، قَدِّمُوا لِلرَّبِّ مَجْدًا وَعِزًّا.

قَدِّمُوا لِلرَّبِّ مَجْدَ اسْمِهِ. اسْجُدُوا لِلرَّبِّ فِي بَهَاءِ قُدْسِهِ.

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صَوْتُ الرَّبِّ عَلَى الْمِيَاهِ. إِلَهُ الْمَجْدِ أَرَعَدَ.

صَوْتُ الرَّبِّ بِالْقُوَّةِ. صَوْتُ الرَّبِّ بِالْجَلَالِ وَالْبَهَاءِ.

صَوْتُ الرَّبِّ فَوْقَ الْأَرْضِ، صَوْتُ الرَّبِّ يَجْعَلُ لُبْنَانَ يَقْفِزُ.

صَوْتُ الرَّبِّ يُشْعِلُ شُهْبًا وَلَهيبَ نَارٍ.

(الشعب): قَدِّمُوا لِلرَّبِّ مَجْدًا وَعِزًّا. اسْجُدُوا لِلرَّبِّ فِي بَهَاءِ قُدْسِهِ.

صَوْتُ الرَّبِّ يُزَلْزِلُ الْأَرْضَ وَفِي هَيْكَلِهِ الْكُلُّ يَقُولُ: «لَهُ الْمَجْدُ».

جَلَسَ الرَّبُّ عَلَى الطُّوفَانِ. أَلْبُ جَالِسٌ مَلِكًا إِلَى الْأَبَدِ.

الرَّبُّ يُؤْتِي شَعْبَهُ الْعِزَّةَ. الرَّبُّ يُبَارِكُ شَعْبَهُ بِالسَّلَامِ.

(الشعب): قَدِّمُوا لِلرَّبِّ مَجْدًا وَعِزًّا. اسْجُدُوا لِلرَّبِّ فِي بَهَاءِ قُدْسِهِ. هَلِّلُوهَا!

### 2 Corinthians 10:1-11 Accusation of Weakness

Now I myself, Paul, appeal to you by the meekness and gentleness of Christ and I beg you not to force me to act boldly against those who live according to the flesh.

Indeed, we live as human beings, but we do not wage war according to human standards; for the weapons of our warfare are not merely human, but they have divine power to destroy strongholds.

We destroy arguments and every proud obstacle raised up against the knowledge of God, and we take every thought captive to obey Christ. We are ready to punish every disobedience when your obedience is complete.

## من إنجيل الرسول يوحنا

وفي الغد رأى يسوع آتياً نحوه فقال:

هُوَذَا حَمَلُ اللَّهِ الَّذِي يَرْفَعُ خَطِيئَةَ الْعَالَمِ. هَذَا الَّذِي قُلْتُ فِيهِ: يَأْتِي بَعْدِي رَجُلٌ قَدْ تَقَدَّمَني لِأَنَّهُ كَانَ مِنْ قَبْلِي. وَأَنَا لَمْ أَكُنْ أَعْرِفُهُ، وَلَكِنِّي مَا جِئْتُ أَعْمَدُ فِي الْمَاءِ إِلَّا لِكَيْ يَظْهَرَ أَمْرُهُ لِإِسْرَائِيلَ.

وَشَهِدَ يُوْحَنَّا وَقَالَ:

رَأَيْتُ الرُّوحَ يَنْزِلُ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ كَأَنَّهُ حَمَامَةٌ فَيَسْتَقِرُّ عَلَيْهِ. وَأَنَا لَمْ أَكُنْ أَعْرِفُهُ، وَلَكِنَّ الَّذِي أَرْسَلَنِي أَعْمَدُ فِي الْمَاءِ هُوَ قَالَ لِي: إِنَّ الَّذِي تَرَى الرُّوحَ يَنْزِلُ فَيَسْتَقِرُّ عَلَيْهِ، هُوَ ذَاكَ الَّذِي يُعْمَدُ فِي الرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ. وَأَنَا رَأَيْتُ وَشَهِدْتُ أَنَّهُ هُوَ ابْنُ اللَّهِ.

### John 1:29-34 (*John the Baptist Testimony to Jesus*)

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared:

“Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.”

And John testified saying:

“I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

**Mass Intentions for SUNDAY January 10, 2021**

**09:30 AM**

**6 Years Memorial For Betty Shaker  
And the Deceased of the Shaker family** *(The Shaker Family)*

**Owen Petrzelka** *(Jeanette Struven)*

**Mona Zahra Kfoury** *(Michael Abou Ezzi)*

**11:30 AM**

**2 Years Memorial For Afifeh Sayegh** *(Her Children: Peter, Susan and Hilda)*

**The Deceased Members of the Phoenician Club of Chicago and  
the wellbeing of present members and their families** *(Phoenician Club)*

**Especial Intention For Nathan Cho** *(Nathan Cho)*

**Mass Intentions for NEXT SUNDAY January 17, 2021**

**09:30 AM**

**6 Years Memorial For Helen Shaker  
And the Deceased of the Shaker Family** *(The Shaker Family)*

**The Deceased of the Crispin Family** *(Joe and Terry Shaker)*

**Owen Petrzelka** *(Nabil Zaharah)*

**Sara Guttas** *(Margaret Budz)*

**11:30 AM**

**40 Days Memorial for Farida Daniel** *(Mother of Sami Daniel)*

**1 Year Anniversary for Albert Shaba** *(Yola Nassif Shaba and Family)*



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

### Let us remember

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

Helen Shaker - Betty Shaker - Sophia Shaker - Sonny Abraham –  
Loretta Abraham- Fred Gilaty – George Paul Doucette – Lynley M. Garvin –  
Albert Hopsy – Michael Jabour – Louise Lucchesi – Sarah Malouf –  
Barbra Nahra – Joseph V. O’Neil – Isabel Damuny Shahwan

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## SUNDAY JANUARY 03, 2021

Collection: \$ 1,897

Mail: \$ 6,965

Online: \$ 850

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.