Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church 7142 Alaska Avenue, NW

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Sunday, October 23, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock Antoine Toufic Touma Elaine and Saad El Haddad

Sunday, October 30, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock Christopher and Trina Beasley and Bettie Yazbeck

Sunday, November 6, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock General Louis Kassis (40 Day Anniversary)

Sunday, November 13, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock Nawal Chidid Fadlallah (40 Day Anniversary) Joud Fadlallah and Bakhos Fadlallah

Sunday, November 20, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock George and Teresia Abou Chabke and Moussa El Jor

Tuesday, November 22, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. Liturgy in honor of Saint Sharbel

Sunday, November 27, 2022 at 11:00 o'clock Antoine Francis Rahme

Reconciliation (Confession) is available every Sunday between 10:15 and 10:45 a.m. before the Divine Liturgy.

Let us Pray the Rosary

Please join fellow parishioners as we pray the Holy Rosary every **Sunday at 10:15 a.m.** in preparation for the Divine Liturgy and in honor of our Blessed Mother, Mary.

Ushers for Sunday, October 30, 2022

Halim Younes, Anthony Beasley, John Nadder and Fawzi Abouchabke

Ushers for Sunday, November 6, 2022 Roger Abou Jaoude, Elie Malkoun, Kevin Pitzer and George Choueiry

Altar Servers for Sunday, November 6, 2022 George Beasley and Mateo AbouJaoude

Thank you for your generosity

Summary of the Collection for Sunday, October 16, 2022Regular Collection\$1491Thank you for your generosity and may God bless you all.

You Are Cordially Invited

Please join us on **Sunday, October 23, 2022**, following the Divine Liturgy for a reception in the Social Hall as we say **Thank You** for all the volunteers and behind the scene personnel in the parish and welcome the many new comers into our community.

Liturgical Schedule

On Sunday, October 23, His Excellency Bishop Gregory Mansour will visit our parish with the deacons and subdeacons of the Eparchy and he will be the main celebrant of the Divine Liturgy.

Second Collections

Sunday, October 23, 2022, a second collection will be taken to benefit **World Mission Sunday**. As established by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), 91% of this collection goes to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, and 9% to the Catholic Near East Welfare Association [CNEWA]). All funds collected will be sent to our Chancery office for proper transfer. Thank you for your generosity and cooperation.

On Sunday, November 13, 2022, a second collection will be taken

Scripture Readings Sunday, October 30, 2022, Christ the King Rom 12:9021; Mt 25: 31-46 Sunday, November 6, 2022, Sunday of the Consecration of the

Church Heb 9:1-12; Mt 16: 13-20 **Sunday, November 13, 2022, Announcement to Zachariah** Rom 4:13-25; Lk 1:1-25

for **Maronite Patriarchal Charities.** This collection, taken at the request of Bishop Gregory Mansour, allows us, as an Eparchy, to strengthen our Patriarch's charitable giving. It is like the "*Peter's Pence*" collection for our Patriarch. All funds collected will be sent to our Chancery office for proper transfer. Thank you for your generosity and cooperation.

Holy Day of Obligation

Tuesday, November 1, 2022, Feast of All Saints, is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated **at 7:30 p.m.** A Holy Day of Obligation means that a Catholic person is obligated to attend Mass on that day.

EWTN "WOMEN OF GRACE" AIRING

The Eastern Churches, and in particular, our Maronite Church will be featured in four shows on the Catholic cable channel EWTN on **Women of Grace**, hosted by Johnnette Williams. Chorbishop Michael Thomas is her guest for those four-half hour shows which will air Monday October 24 – Thursday October 27 at 1:00 pm.

FYI

Why must human life be respected?

Human life must be respected because it is sacred. From its beginning, human life involves the creative action of God and it remains forever in a special relationship with the Creator, who is its sole end. It is not lawful for anyone directly to destroy an innocent human being. This is gravely contrary to the dignity of the person and the holiness of the Creator. "Do not slay the innocent and the righteous" (Exodus 23:7). (For further reading: Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) 2258-2262, 2318-2320).

COMMUNION

The policy of Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Church and the Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn is to follow the universal law of the Catholic Church. Therefore the following will be followed:

For Catholics of All Rites

As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are to receive Holy Communion reverently and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, one should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour prior to receiving. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of Christ without having received sacramental absolution in Confession, except for a serious reason when there is really no opportunity for going to Confession. In such a case, the person has the obligation to make an Act of Perfect Contrition and intend to go to sacramental Confession as soon as possible (CCEO Canon 711, CIC Canon 916). Frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance (Confession) is encouraged for everyone.

For Other Christians

We welcome our fellow Christians to the celebration of the Divine Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common Baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in this Eucharist will draw us closer together and begin to dispel the sad divisions which separate us. We pray that these will finally disappear, in keeping with Christ's prayer for us "that they may all be one" (John 17:21). Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life and worship, members of those Churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires permission according to the directives of the Eparchial Bishop and the provisions of Canon Law (CCEO Canon 671 and CIC Canon 844). Members of the Eastern Orthodox Churches, the Assyrian Church of the East and the Polish National Catholic Church are encouraged to observe the discipline of their own Churches; Catholic Church Law allows the Divine Eucharist to be given to Christians who are members of these Churches who ask for it on their own and are otherwise properly disposed (CCEO Canon 671, § 3 and CIC Canon 844, § 3).

For Christians not Receiving Communion

All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus Christ and with one another.

For Catholics Married Outside the Church

A Catholic who has attempted marriage without the blessing of the Catholic Church may not be given the Holy Eucharist until the marriage is blessed by the Church.

