

Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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Third Sunday of the Resurrection

Rev. Assaad ElBasha, M.L.M., Pastor Deacon George Elandary Mass Schedule	
Sunday	8:30 A.M. English 11:00 A.M. Bilingual; English/Lebanese
Monday	No Mass
Tuesday—Friday	9:00 A.M. English
Saturday	5:30 P.M. English
Reconciliation	Saturday: 3:30–5:00 P.M.
Eucharistic Adoration	Sunday: 2:00 P.M.–7:00 P.M. Monday—Friday: 9:00 A.M.–7:00 P.M. Saturday: 9:00 A.M.–5:30 P.M.

Altar Boys: Joseph Marincel	817.491.0763	Adoration: Sheila Hughes	817.430.3066
Choir: 8:30 A.M. Mary Marincel	817.491.0763	Library: Sharon Wood	214.497.0783
Choir: 11:00 A.M. Roula Vasquez	972.832.8507	Youth Ministry: Sue Marincel	817.491.0763
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From the First Apology in Defense of the Christians by St. Justin, Martyr

No one may share the Eucharist with us unless he believes that what we teach is true, unless he is washed in the regenerating waters of baptism for the remission of his sins, and unless he lives in accordance with the principles given us by Christ.

We do not consume the Eucharistic bread and wine as if it were ordinary food and drink, for we have been taught that as Jesus Christ our Savior became a man of flesh and blood by the power of the Word of God, so also the food that our flesh and blood assimilates for its nourishment becomes the flesh and blood of the incarnate Jesus by the power of his own words contained in the prayer of thanksgiving.

The apostles, in their recollections, which are called gospels, handed down to us what Jesus commanded them to do. They tell us that he took bread, gave thanks and said: *Do this in memory of me. This is my body.* In the same way he took the cup, he gave thanks and said: *This is my blood.* The Lord gave this command to them alone. Ever since then we have constantly reminded one another of these things. The rich among us help the poor and we are always united. For all that we receive we praise the Creator of the universe through his Son Jesus Christ and through the Holy Spirit.

On Sunday we have a common assembly of all our members, whether they live in the city or the outlying districts. The recollections of the apostles or the writings of the prophets are read, as long as there is time. When the reader has finished, the president of the assembly speaks to us; he urges everyone to imitate the examples of virtue we have heard in the readings. Then we all stand up together and pray.

On the conclusion of our prayer, bread and wine and water are brought forward. The president offers prayers and gives thanks to the best of his ability, and the people give assent by saying, "Amen." The Eucharist is distributed, everyone present communicates, and the deacons take it to those who are absent.

The wealthy, if they wish, may make a contribution, and they themselves decide the amount. The collection is placed in the custody of the president, who uses it to help the orphans and widows and all who for any reason are in distress, whether because they are sick, in prison, or away from home. In a word, he takes care of all who are in need.

We hold our common assembly on Sunday because it is the first day of the week, the day on which God put darkness and chaos to flight and created the world, and because on that same day our savior Jesus Christ rose from the dead. For he was crucified on Friday and on Sunday he appeared to his apostles and disciples and taught them the things that we have passed on for your consideration.

The Catechism on The Eucharist

1360 The Eucharist is a sacrifice of thanksgiving to the Father, a blessing by which the Church expresses her gratitude to God for all his benefits, for all that he has accomplished through creation, redemption, and sanctification. Eucharist means first of all "thanksgiving."

This Week's Mass Intentions

Tuesday, 4/20: For God's will upon CMS Hospital;
 Birthday Blessings for Marshal Love;
 †Jose Escobedo
 Wednesday, 4/21: For God's will upon CMS Hospital
 Thursday, 4/22: For God's will upon CMS Hospital
 Friday, 4/23: For God's will upon CMS Hospital
 Saturday, 4/24: For God's will upon CMS Hospital
 Sunday, 4/25: For God's will upon CMS Hospital;
 †Rafic Abillama

Daily Scripture Readings April 18th through April 24th

Sunday, 4/18:	2 Tim. 2:8-13	Lk. 24:13-35
Monday, 4/19:	1 Pet. 2:18-25	Lk. 24:44-49
Tuesday, 4/20:	1 Pet. 3:1-12	Jn. 6:28-33
Wednesday, 4/21:	1 Pet. 3:13-22	Jn. 6:34-40
Thursday, 4/22:	1 Pet. 4:1-11	Jn. 6:41-47
Friday, 4/23:	1 Pet. 4:12-19	Jn. 6:48-59
Saturday, 4/24:	1 Pet. 5:1-14	Jn. 6:60-71

Prayer to St. Justin the Martyr

O God who revealed to Saint Justin in the sufferings of the Cross, the great wisdom of Jesus Christ, grant that through the pleadings of Your Martyr and our Patron we may overcome the many errors that surround us and that our faith may grow ever stronger. In deep humility we pray O Lord for the strength to imitate Saint Justin in his constant efforts to make known the riches of the Faith to his fellowmen. Grant us the grace to be ever mindful of the many blessings we have received from You. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

40 Day Memorial Mass

This Sunday, April 25th, we will hold a 40 Day Memorial Mass for the repose of the soul of Rafic Abillama. Rafic was the father of Rabih Abillama, one of our parishioners. His Rabih's wife is Jihane and his daughter is Naya. Please keep this family in your prayers, and pray for eternal rest for Rafic Abillama.

Assistance with Taxes

Taxes are due in May this year. Mike Powell, our parish's accountant, is available to assist anyone who needs Certified Public Accountant (CPA) assistance. You can call him at 469.235.7863.

Weekly Emails

Our parish publishes weekly emails on Friday. If you are not receiving these emails, we may not be using your correct email. If you would like to receive these emails or are not receiving them when you should be, please email the church office at LadyofL719@gmail.com.

Modesty Reveals Holiness



Modesty in dress reveals a modesty and godliness of the heart, attitudes that should be the desire of all men and women who live to please and honor God. We ask all members of Our Lady of Lebanon to dress modestly when they step into God's house. Please no shorts, sleeveless shirts, short dresses, miniskirts, or t-shirts. Thank you for your consideration of this reminder.

St. Joseph Image

This week the St. Joseph image is going to the Wegendt family.

The Holy Father's Intentions for April

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes, and even in democracies in crisis.

Weekly Collections

April 11th, 2021

Cash	\$780
Loose Checks	\$985
Envelope Checks	\$1765

Total **\$3530**

Thank you for your support of the House of the Lord!

Confessions

You are encouraged to approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Catholics must go to Confession at least once a year and as often as they need it in order to cleanse themselves of sins and be in a state of grace. Fr. Assaad holds confessions every Saturday from 3:30pm—5:00pm in the sacristy. The line is formed on the benches in the hallway.

Requesting a Mass Intention

Masses are offered for the living or departed as a means of mercy to their souls. Masses are either scheduled on the date you request or on the nearest date that is open. Please schedule your Mass intentions by contacting Michael in the Church Office at 972.436.7617 or LadyofL719@gmail.com.

"Patience is power. Patience is not an absence of action; rather it is "timing." It waits on the right time to act, for the right principles, and in the right way."

—Ven. Fulton Sheen

Saint Anselm, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Indifferent toward religion as a young man, Anselm became one of the Church's greatest theologians and leaders. He received the title "Father of Scholasticism" for his attempt to analyze and illumine the truths of faith through the aid of reason.

At 15, Anselm wanted to enter a monastery, but was refused acceptance because of his father's opposition. Twelve years later, after careless disinterest in religion and years of worldly living, he finally fulfilled his desire to be a monk. He entered the monastery of Bec in Normandy, was elected prior three years later, and 15 years later, was unanimously chosen abbot.

During these years, at the community's request, Anselm began publishing his theological works, comparable to those of Saint Augustine. His best-known work is the book *Cur Deus Homo*.

Against his will, Anselm was appointed archbishop of Canterbury in 1093, at age 60. His appointment was opposed at first by England's King William Rufus and later accepted. Rufus persistently refused to cooperate with efforts to reform the Church. Anselm finally went into voluntary exile until Rufus died in 1100. He was then recalled to England by Rufus' brother and successor, Henry I. Disagreeing fearlessly with Henry over the king's insistence on investing England's bishops, Anselm spent another three years in exile in Rome.

His care and concern extended to the very poorest people. Opposing the slave trade, Anselm obtained from the national council at Westminster the passage of a resolution prohibiting the sale of human beings.

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