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**Bulletin # 44**

## ***Our Lady of Lebanon Church***

*(Maronite Catholic Rite)*

*Faith † Family † Friends*

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**Rev. Bakhos Chidiac (Pastor)**

Evelyn Ghaphery (Organist)

Charlotte Khourey & Thomasina Geimer (Secretaries)

## ***All Saints and All Souls***



## ***Schedule of Divine Liturgies***

- \*Weekend Masses: Saturday evening at 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. [Rosary & Litany start at 10:10 a.m.]
- \*Weekday Masses: **At Noon.** Please refer to the Mass schedule on page 3 of this bulletin for Mass times and changes due to special events. Thank you for your cooperation.
- \*Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament: Every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month at 3:30 p.m. & 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Communion
- \*Confession: Saturday: 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. or any other time by appointment
- \*Baptism: Kindly phone the Pastor as soon as the baby is born. Godparents must be Catholics.
- \*Weddings: Please make arrangements at least six months in advance before any other plans are made.
- \*Sick Calls & Anointing of the Sick: Please notify the pastor any time at 304-233-1688
- \*Parish Council: Lou Khourey 304-277-3230, Linda Duffy 304-242-6853, Tom George 304-336-7142, P.J. Lenz 304-242-5606 and Carol Dougherty 740-782-0146
- \*Choir Members: Rita Thomas Strawn, Shirley George, Allison Duffy, George Thomas, Ted Olinski, Earl Duffy, Lou Khourey, Robert Vawter, Jody & Abbie Seabright, Tracey Dierkes
- \*Altar Boys: Louie Khourey & Dalton Haas
- \*Cedar Club: Linda Duffy, President 304-242-6853
- \*Women's Society: Sandra Dusick, President 304-232-7395



- \*Remember the Church in your Last Will – Her prayers will accompany you to heaven
- \*Please support Our Lady of Lebanon Church by patronizing our Advertisers
- \*If you support the Church and need a Bulletin mailed to you, please call the Rectory
- \***Bulletin Announcements:** Submit all Bulletin Information to Fr. Bakhos. Deadline is: Every Tuesday by Noon
- \***New Parishioners:** We welcome you with great joy and invite you to be officially listed as one of our parishioners
- \***Parking:** Saturday & Sunday – both parking lots are for parishioners; Monday through Friday – park **ONLY** in the 3 ALLEY spaces

## ***Gospel Reflection: All Saints and all Souls***

*Readings: Heb 12: 18-24 and Mt 25: 31-46*

A young lady named Sally, relates an experience she had in a seminary class, given by her teacher, Dr. Smith. She says Dr. Smith was known for his elaborate object lessons. One particular day, Sally walked into the seminary and knew they were in for a fun day.

On the wall was a big target and on a nearby table were many darts. Dr. Smith told the students to draw a picture of someone that they disliked or someone who had made them angry, and he would allow them to throw darts at the person's picture.

Sally's girlfriend drew a picture of a girl who had stolen her boyfriend. Another friend drew a picture of his little brother. Sally drew a picture of a former friend, putting a great deal of detail into her drawing, even drawing pimples on the face. Sally was pleased with the overall effect she had achieved.

The class lined up and began throwing darts. Some of the students threw their darts with such force that their targets were ripping apart. Sally looked forward to her turn, and was filled with disappointment when Dr. Smith, because of time limits, asked the students to return to their seats. As Sally sat thinking about how angry she was because she didn't have a chance to throw any darts at her target.

Dr. Smith began removing the target from the wall. Underneath the target was a picture of Jesus. A hush fell over the room as each student viewed the mangled picture of Jesus; holes and jagged marks covered His face and His eyes were pierced.

Dr. Smith said only these words: ***"Inasmuch as you have done it unto the least of these my brethren, you have done it unto Me."*** (Mt 25:40)

No other words were necessary; the tear-filled eyes of the students focused only on the picture of Christ.

## ***Wisdom: Growing Older***

When the poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow was well along in years, his hair was white but he was still a vigorous man. Someone asked him why this was so.

The poet pointed to an apple tree in bloom and said, "That tree is very old, but I never saw prettier blossoms on it than it now bears. That tree grows new wood each year. Like that apple tree, I try to grow a little new wood each year."

## ***Reflection: Three Kinds of Love***

There are three kinds of love – unselfish, mutual, and selfish. The unselfish love is of the highest kind. The lover only minds the welfare of the beloved and does not care for his own sufferings. In mutual love the lover not only wants the happiness of his beloved but has an eye towards his own happiness also. It is middling. The selfish love is the lowest. It only looks towards its own happiness, no matter whether the beloved suffers weal or woe.

–Ramakrishna

## ***Spirituality: God Who Enables***

"It is God who enables you  
...to smile in spite of tears;  
...to carry on when you feel like giving in;  
...to pray when you're at a loss for words;  
... to love even though your heart has been broken time and time again;  
...to sit calmly when you feel like throwing up your hands in frustration;  
...to be understanding when nothing seems to make sense;  
...to listen when you'd really rather not hear;  
...to share your feelings with others, because sharing is necessary to ease the load.  
Anything is possible, because God makes it so."

## **Mass Intentions**

**This weekend and following weekdays (from Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup> until Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup>)**

### **Commemoration of All Souls**

*All Masses from Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, until Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009, will be offered for the repose of the souls of the following remembered beloved ones. Forgotten souls are those parents and grandparents whose un-caring children and grandchildren chose not to offer at least a yearly Mass for the repose of their souls. The church is reminding you to honor your father and mother living and deceased as God commanded. Living & Deceased members of the Nicholas & Nimnoom Ghaphery Family & the David Abraham Ghaphery*

*Family by the Ghaphery Family*

*Helen Fielding by her husband Don Fielding (FL)*

*Deceased of the Chidiac Family by Fr. Bakhos Chidiac, Pastor*

*Deceased of the Habib & Nabihah Khourey Family by Virginia Khourey Bryan*

*Deceased of the Khourey & Howard Families by Lou & Charlotte Khourey, Emmalena & Louie*

*Deceased members of the Jacobs & Dusick Families by Sandra Dusick*

*Siham Frenn & LaVerne Thomas (mothers of Adel & Diane Frenn) by Adel, Diane, Andreah & Justin Frenn*

*Deceased grandparents of the Frenn & Thomas Families by Adel, Diane, Andreah & Justin Frenn*

*Deceased family members of Thomasina Geimer*

*Deceased members of the Habdo & Dougherty Families by Carol & Bill Dougherty*

*Charles & Anna Przelenski & Daniel & Adelaide Schuler by Irene & Paul Schuler*

*Deceased of the Schlog & Saseen Families by Bob & Fran Saseen*

*John F. Kukula by his wife Mary Rose Kukula*

*Sarah & Earl Magruder by Denny & Barbara Magruder*

*Janet & Harry Voitle by Denny & Barbara Magruder*

*Joseph A. Saseen by Joe & Susie Saseen*

*Elmer & Virginia Blust by Joe & Susie Saseen*

*Deceased of the Huffman & Oser Families by Mark & Debbie Huffman*

*Suzanne Linton by her husband Mike Linton*

*Frances Linton by her son Mike Linton*

*Mary & Keith Linton by their grandson Mike Linton*

*Joanne & Tony Male by their son-in-law Mike Linton*

*Robert L. Rose by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt & Family*

*Cathy Sharp Howard by the Sengewalt Family*

*Simon & Fannie DiDomenico & Thomas Jalad by Anna Jalad*

*Joe & Nell Duffy & George & Rose Fadoul by Earl & Linda & Allison Duffy*

*Jim Garvey by Kay Garvey*

*Deceased of the Kay Garvey Family by Kay Garvey*

*Deceased Family Members of Albert & Anita Weisner by George & Jean Weisner & Family*

*Deceased Family Members of Nimon & Mariam Joseph by their children & grandchildren*

*George & Mary & Mike Elias by Joe Elias*

*Bessie & Ann & Lou Elias by Joe Elias*

*Abdo Habita & Mary Zaid Ferris by Tom & Denise Ferris*

*Teresa Joseph Shea (Austin, TX) by Frank & Mary Lish & Family*

*Our deceased dear ones of the Camille & MiMi Rohanna Families by Frank & Mary Lish & Family*

*Roland Tappe & members of the John Family by Julia Tappe*

*Living & Deceased Members of Joseph Linton Family by Joseph Linton*

*George & Mary Popovich by son Joe and Nikki Popovich*

*Helen Fielding and Augie Montelbano by daughter Nikki & Joe Popovich*

*Deceased of Don Fielding (FL) by Fr. Bakhos*

*Louis & Mary Elias by their Family*

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*Deceased Members of the Long & Condelli Families by Sylvia Long*

*Peggy Emmerth by sisters Mary & Helen*

*Judy Custer by mother Mary & husband Rick*

*Chas Custer by mother Mary, brother Rick & daughter Candi*

*Deceased of the Coury, Aowad & Gibbons Families by Lucille Gibbons*

*Barkett & Sadie Coury by their children*

*Andrew & Mary Demsko by daughter Rosemary Cornish*

*Deceased of the Demsko & Cornish Families by Rosemary Cornish*

*Catherine Arthur by daughter Carol Burkhart*

*Deceased members of the Shibben & McFarland Families by John & Dee Shibben*

*Mr. & Mrs. Ira Sengewalt by the Sengewalt Family*

*Lawrence & Pauline Shalvey by Peggy & Nancy Shalvey*

*James & Rose McCutcheon Sr., & James McCutcheon Jr., & Jack McCutcheon by Peggy Justice & Ann Bauduin*

*Ed Shia by his wife Betty Shia*

*Helen Mattes by her daughter Betty Shia*

*Michael Sobota Sr., by his wife Barb Sobota*

*Living & Deceased members of the Bentz Family by Millet & Susie Fadoul*

*Elaine & Jay Cybulski, Annette Aprea, Rose & George Fadoul by Millet & Susie Fadoul*

*In Memory of Emma & James Dellget from her Family*

*Virginia & Harold Strawn from Rita & Rex Strawn*

*Cecilia & John Thomas from Rita & Rex Strawn*

*Joseph A. Benline by his wife Helen*

*Francis & Anna Emmerth by daughters Helen & Mary*

*Deceased members of the Bott & Brubach Families by Sue & Jim Brubach*

*John & Donald Dusick, Harold Moses, Yvonne Rohanna Truelove & Helen Elias McGannon by Jean Weisner*

*Deceased members of Constantine Shia & Vince Family*

## **NEXT WEEKEND, November 7-8: Renewal of the Church**

### **Saturday, November 7:**

**At 3:30 Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament**

**At 4:00 p.m.:**

Joseph, Victoria and Minnie John by Marge & Lou John

Good health of Richard Shibben by his brother John & Family

Special Intention

### **Sunday, November 8 at 10:30 a.m.:**

Special Intention of Marge & Lou John

Helen Fielding by her husband Don Fielding (FL) & his special intentions

Good health of Richard Shibben by his brother John & Family

## **Donate to the Church Maintenance Fund**

### **Help with the Endowment Fund to Keep Our Church Open and Active (Total Raised: \$1,804.00)**

Please donate toward the Endowment Fund CD account that is meant exclusively for our church maintenance for the years to come. Only the yearly interest will be withdrawn and spent to pay for church utilities and general maintenance. All benefactors will be enrolled in the daily Mass offering. Please put into writing in your will the following wording:

***(I, ..... , hereby give, devise and bequeath the sum of \$..... (or specify described real or personal property) to the Church of Our Lady of Lebanon, a non-profit organization located at 2216 Eoff Street, Wheeling, WV 26003, Phone (304) 233-1688. Deposit my donation in the Endowment Fund account designated to maintain and support the church. Also, I wish to be enrolled in the daily Mass intentions as a benefactor.)***

We thank each of the following individuals for their generous contribution to this Endowment Fund. They will be remembered in every Mass: *Bill & Mary Stees (\$200), Tom Ferris (\$325), Sylvia Long (\$100), Catherine Arthur (Memorial) (\$100), Women's Society Fundraising total (\$964), Donation (\$67), Mary Custer (48),*

## ***Donate to Our Parish Families Assistance Fund***

A special account called "**Parish Families Assistance Fund**" had been opened to help exclusively the families of our parish who are in dire need. You can make a donation to the church earmarked toward the "Poor of the Parish" or drop your donation in the Poor Box located at the back of the church. The Poor Box money located at the back of the church will be divided between the poor of our parish and the "Poor of Wheeling" through cooperative effort with the 18<sup>th</sup> Street Catholic Neighborhood Charity Center. All donations are tax deductible. May God reward those who share their blessings with the brothers and sisters of the Lord.

### ***Our Lady of Lebanon Community Calendar***

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
Sat., Oct. 31,-Fri., Nov. 6	<b>Week of All Souls Masses</b>
Sunday, November 1	<b>Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
Wednesday, November 4	<b>No Mass. Fr. Bakhos day of Vacation</b>
Thursday, November 5	<b>Bible Study – from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.</b> <b>Lebanese Language – from 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.</b>
Saturday, November 7	<b>Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
Saturday, November 14	<b>Movie Night: "Mama Mia" – at 5:45 p.m. – following Saturday Mass</b>
Sunday, November 22	<b>Women's Society Meeting</b>
Saturday, November 28	<b>Decorate Hall for Christmas Party – beginning at 10:00 a.m.</b>
Sunday, November 29	<b>50/50 Monthly Raffle – Please Note Change: Drawing will be at Christmas Party</b>
Sunday, November 29	<b>Parish Christmas Party – 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. – <u>Deadline: Monday, November 23</u></b>
Sat. & Sun., Dec. 12-13	<b>Christmas Cookie, Candy, etc., Exchange &amp; Sale</b>
Sunday, December 13	<b>Parish Children's Christmas Party – following Sunday Mass</b>
Sunday, December 13	<b>Christmas Poinsettia – <u>Deadline</u></b>
Sunday, December 13	<b>Donation of Non-Perishable Food – <u>Deadline</u></b>
Sunday, December 20	<b>Fr. Bakhos' Anniversary to the Priesthood Luncheon – following Sunday Mass</b>



### ***Community Events***

## ***Lebanese Folklore Dance Troupe "Dabke" Classes Forming***

Our Lady of Lebanon Church is willing to establish a Lebanese Folkloric Dance Troupe under the guidance of trainer, Natalie Committee. The troupe will be able to perform at our 2010 Mahrajan and at local events in the greater Wheeling area. Fr. Bakhos is willing to order a traditional folkloric costume from Lebanon for each age. Please register first by calling Fr. Bakhos at 304-233-1688. Training day (either Saturday or Sunday) and time will be decided when 6 or more candidates have expressed interest. **Please encourage your children or grandchildren, nieces and nephews to participate.** Call Fr. Bakhos today and sign up so we can begin.

Dance Troupe students: *Emmalena & Louie Khourey, ??*

***Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament*** (Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, after Mass)

***One Day Vacation for Fr. Bakhos*** (Wednesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, No Mass)

## ***Bible Study & Lebanese Language Classes*** (Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup>)

**Bible Study** – from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Lebanese Language** – from 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

## ***Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament*** (Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, at 3:30 p.m.)

### ***Movie Night*** (Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, at 5:45 p.m.)

Movie Night scheduled for Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, will feature “Mama Mia” on the big screen in our Cedar Hall at 5:45 p.m. (after the Saturday Mass). The Cedar Club is sponsoring the movie and will provide soft drinks and popcorn. If you wish, bring an appetizer to share before the movie

### ***Parish Christmas Party*** (Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, from 5:30 until 9:30 p.m.)

Singer George Suhon is booked to provide the entertainment for our parishioners at our Parish Christmas Party sponsored by our Women’s Society members on Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, from 5:30 until 9:30 p.m. Come celebrate this year of blessings in our Cedar Hall. All parishioners and their guests are welcome to attend and join together for a great time! The menu will be: *Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans Almandine, Mixed Greens Salad, Rolls & Butter, a choice of Pies for Dessert and Coffee, Iced Tea or Lemonade*. Pop, beer and wine will be available a la carte. Everyone who attends is eligible for Door Prizes. (Women’s Society members may bring door prizes anytime – they can be stored in the church office).

**Reservations are required and must be made by Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>**, to guarantee that enough food may be ordered. (No tickets will be available to be sold after November 23<sup>rd</sup>; none available at the door.) To be included in the fun and festivities, call the church office at 304-233-1688. Remember to bring your ticket with the attached, completed Door Prize Stub to the Dinner so that you can be entered for the Door Prizes (or to avoid forgetting them and let us hold your ticket(s) at the door). **Advance Payment is requested. Tickets are \$10.00 each.** Write checks to: Our Lady of Lebanon Church & mark the Memo line: “Christmas Party.”

### ***Women’s Society Monthly 50/50 Raffle*** (Drawing: Sunday, November 29<sup>th</sup>)

The Women’s Society continues to sponsor the Monthly 50/50 Raffle. Tickets cost \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Proceeds now will benefit the maintenance of our church through the “Endowment Fund.”

**November 50/50 Raffle Tickets** can be found at the church entrance and in the Weekly Church Bulletins. Please Note: The drawing from entries received will take place in the Cedar Hall at the Parish Christmas Party on **Sunday, November 29**.

**Please check the ticket sheets carefully to be sure you are completing the correct ticket stubs. All raffle tickets are now printed on white paper only.** Buy or sell the tickets, and return the completed stubs as soon as possible in the collection or mail to: Our Lady of Lebanon Church, 2216 Eoff Street, Wheeling, WV 26003. Please write as “Memo: 50/50 Raffle.”

For more information or additional tickets, contact the church office at (304) 233-1688. May the Blessed Mother reward you manifold and we ask for your continued support. Congratulations to Mary Custer who won the November prize of \$48. She donated her prize toward the Church Endowment Fund. Many Thanks to you Mary.

### ***2010 Ad in Bulletin Now Due*** (Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup>)

If you wish to purchase an ad on the back of our popular weekly bulletin, please contact the church office at 304-233-1688 to see if any space is still available. Your payment should be received by Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup>.

### ***2010 Bulletin Mail Subscription Now Due*** (Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup>)

If you are unable to attend the church and wish to receive the Weekly Bulletin by mail, please send your subscription payment of \$50 to cover the cost of mailing it to your home throughout the year 2010.

## **Christmas Cookie, Candy, etc., Sale & Exchange** (Sat.-Sun., Dec. 12-13)

Our parish's third Christmas Cookie, Candy, etc., Sale & Exchange has been scheduled for Saturday & Sunday, December 12 & 13. Here's how it works:

--Make and bring extras of your favorite Christmas treats so that plenty will be available for sale.

--You may then buy goodies that another person brings **OR**

--You may choose to "exchange" half your treats for an equal amount that another person brings. (If you wish to take home 2 dozen treats, please bring 4 dozen – **half for you to exchange and half for others to buy**; if you want to take home 3 dozen, bring 6 dozen, etc.)

*Donated cookies or other treats may be dropped off beginning at 9 a.m. on Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup>; however, those who wish to "exchange" half their cookies donated should plan to come between 10 and 11 a.m.*

Goodies remaining after the "exchange" are available for sale by the half dozen. Anyone can buy our treats (you do not have to bring anything to exchange). Just remember to come during the sale hours:

**Saturday, December 12, from 3:00-4:00 p.m. and immediately following the 4 p.m. Mass; and Sunday, December 13, following 10:30 Mass.**

Please make some goodies – any holiday treat will be welcomed: Lebanese specialty (Baklava, Mamouls, Sesame Twist Cookies, Namoura, Makaroons, Ghroubeh), Biscotti, Pizzelles, Nut Horns, Pecan Sandies, Thumbprint Cookies, Chocolate Chip Cookies, Peanut Butter Blossoms, Oatmeal Cookies, Raisin Cookies, Chocolate Peanut Butter Cookies, Shortbread Cookies, Russian Tea Cookies, Snicker Doodle Cookies, 7 Layer Bar Cookies, Anise Cookies, Feniki Cookies, Coconut Bon Bons, Truffles, Hard Tack Candy, Buckeyes, Fudge (chocolate, peanut butter, maple, vanilla, brown sugar, etc.), Nut Rolls, regular or mini-size quick breads with or without nuts (pumpkin, zucchini, banana, blueberry, cranberry, lemon, poppy seed), etc.

If you plan to participate by preparing your favorite goodies for this fundraiser, please let us know what you might make so we can tempt people by printing a list of items. *So far, donations this year will include: Buckeyes, Pecan Tassies, Call the Church office at 304-233-1688 or Charlotte at 304-277-2320.*

## **Children's Christmas Party** (following Mass on Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup>)

The Women's Society invites all who attend Our Lady of Lebanon Church to bring their children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews to the Children's Christmas Party planned for Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup>, following 10:30 a.m. Mass. Santa will come to the party to visit with each child.

## **Christmas Poinsettias** (Deadline: Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup>)

Every Christmas our church looks beautiful when decorated with poinsettias grown by Nikki's Garden Center, \$25.00 each. Your generosity contributes to the beauty of the church.

### **2009 Christmas Poinsettias are offered in Memory of:**

\$25 Louise N. & Louis H. Khourey Sr. & Gladys Howard by Lou, Charlotte Khourey & family

\$25 Fred Oser by Dolores Oser

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\$25 Ron Canestraro by the Oser family

\$25 The deceased members of the Oser & Gongola families

\$25 In honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary by Dolores Oser

\$30 For a Special Intention by "a Friend"

\$25 John F. Kukula by his wife Mary Rose Kukula

## **Christmas Barrel of Non-perishable Food** (Deadline: December 20<sup>th</sup>)

A barrel has been placed in the back of the Church for non-perishable food items to be given to those who are in need this Christmas Season. Our church will give a monetary gift from the "poor box" donations along with the food items to families with children. Please be generous if you can share your blessings.

## **Lunch to Honor Fr. Bakhos' 18<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to Priesthood**

Plan to join the members of the Women's Society at a luncheon to honor Fr. Bakhos' 18<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to the Priesthood on Sunday, December 20, after Mass. (He was ordained on December 21, 1991.) May we

continue to be blessed with many more years of his leadership as our pastor. Look for more information in upcoming bulletins.

## **Women's Society Gift Basket Raffle** (*Drawing, Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup>*)

The Women's Society's next Gift Basket Raffle drawing will be held on Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, at the luncheon to honor Fr. Bakhos' anniversary to the priesthood. The "Wine & More for the Holidays" Gift Basket includes one bottle of the following wines: Bolla Chianti and Valpolicello; Oak Leaf Shiraz and Merlot; Lindemans Cabernet Sauvignon; Sutter Home White Zinfandel; one four-bottle wine rack; two Italian-made wine goblets; and a cheese cutting board, with a cleaver, knife, and cheese plane – all to help make your Christmas and New Year's holidays merrier.

The Gift Basket Raffle proceeds benefit the maintenance of our church through the "Endowment Fund." **Won't you take a chance ... or two ... or eighteen!** Tickets cost \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00 **or 18 ticket stubs (3 sheets of tickets) at one time for only \$10.00.** All Gift Basket and 50/50 Raffle Tickets are now printed on white paper in the bulletins so please check the ticket sheets carefully to be sure you are completing the correct ticket stubs. Tickets are available in our weekly bulletin and at the entrance to the church at that time also.

Buy or sell the tickets, and return the completed stubs as soon as possible in the weekly collection (with Gift Basket Raffle noted on the "Memo" line of your check and on the front of the envelope) or mail it to: Our Lady of Lebanon Church, 2216 Eoff Street, Wheeling, WV 26003. Congratulations to Richard Ryncartz who won the October Gift Basket.

### *Please Pray for Those on Our Prayer List*

#### **Please Remember Those Hospitalized Recently In Your Prayers:**

Justin Frenn, Gary West, Louis John, Philip Ruggiero, Dick Shibben (brother of John Shibben), Bob Dougherty (brother of Bill), Bart Ciofani, Alice Holmes (sister of Eva Powell), Tammy, Richard Ryncarz, Edith Fahey, Frank Lish

#### **Also please pray for those who asked us to pray for them:**

Rosella Saseen, Barb Sobota, Laura Wellman, Virginia Khourey Bryan (aunt of Lou Khourey in Toledo, OH), Manell Brice (Arlington, VA), Rose Mary Bris-Roybal (Albuquerque, NM), Pat & John Vawter (mother & brother of Dr. Rob Vawter)

### *Happy Birthday*

November 4: Kenneth Joseph, Libby G. Magnone, Dalton Haas  
November 6: William Sterling  
November 8: Staci Duffy, Mark Wilson  
November 9: Elizabeth A. Magnone  
November 13: Rosella Saseen  
November 15: Rena Bratton  
November 18: Emily Vince, Rose Vargo

### *Your Church Support Last Week*

\$1,057	Collection
80	Candles
283	Utilities
60	Parking
30	Christmas Flowers
775	Donations to Church
8	Spaghetti Dinner
70	Christmas Dinner Party
48	Endowment Fund
\$2,411	Total. <i>May God reward you many fold</i>

## *What's New?*

### ***Many Thanks***

The baby changing station that was mounted between the men's and women's restrooms has been sponsored by Joshua and Ingrid Hendrickson in honor of their baby girl Marie Gabriella who was baptized at our church this past August. Cost was \$225. It is very much appreciated. May God bless you and your family with many gifts.

### ***Please Pray for Our Benefactor Gary West***

Please keep Gary West, one of our dear benefactors who had emergency aortic aneurism surgery recently, in your daily prayers. He has been so good to our parish and is in need of your prayers for healing.

### ***Lamb Shish Kebab and Other Mahrajan Food for Sale***

If you would like to purchase some frozen food items, and at the same time help our church recover the expense for these items, please ask Fr. after Mass or call the church office at 304-233-1688. Items available for sale include: **Shish Kebab**: \$17 pkg. of 5 skewers; **Zattar Bread**: \$1.50 pkg. of 2; **Wheat** (#1 fine and #2 medium): \$3.50 pkg. of 2 lb. and once again we now have more **Pita Bread**: \$3.00 pkg. of 10 large.

## ***Around Us***

### ***St. Joseph Maronite Church Festival*** (Phoenix Arizona, November 6-8, Noon-6 p.m.)

What: Raffle Tickets Available at \$5.00 each for the following prizes: **1<sup>st</sup>** - \$500 Cash; **2<sup>nd</sup>** - \$500 Gift Basket; **3<sup>rd</sup>** Swiss Watch; **4<sup>th</sup>** - Glass Vase; **5<sup>th</sup>** - 2 Weekends at a Marriot Hotel; **6<sup>th</sup>** - One Day Spa; plus more!

Contact: Fr. Bakhos at 304-233-1688. **Only 10 tickets available!**

For: Lebanese Festival with food, folk dancing, belly dancing, raffle, arts & crafts, games, live music

Where: St. Joseph Maronite Church, Phoenix, AZ - *Fr. Ghattas Khoury is now this church's pastor*

### ***Wheeling Symphony Auxiliary Steak Fry*** (Sat., November 14, 6:30-10:30 p.m.)

What: Steak Fry - delicious homemade desserts, beer & pop are included; bring place setting & utensils

When: Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30-10:30 p.m.

Includes: DJ - Joey Allen; Gift Baskets, a Chinese Auction, Texas Poker, a 50/50 Raffle & Door Prizes

Call: Reservations 304-242-7015 or contact Charlotte at 304-277-3230

Pay to: Anita Carenbauer, 3 Evergreen Drive, Wheeling, WV 26003

### ***St. John Parish Annual Wine Tasting*** (Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, (7:00-10:00 p.m.))

Where: St. John Church Hall, 1300 Charles Street. Wellsburg, W.Va.

Cost & Info: Tickets \$10 each - In advance or at the door; Chris Cipriani at 304-737-0867

### ***Boatsie's Stockings for Soldiers*** (Due by Monday, November 16<sup>th</sup>)

What: Make a donation or make or buy a Christmas Stocking; list items and value; fill stocking and slip stitch top or secure it to prevent items from "spilling out." (Suggestions: variety of candy, gum, hot chocolate, DVD's, cards, travel toiletries, athletic socks, phone cards, black watch caps, etc. (Suggested value of stocking contents is \$20-25; checks or money is gratefully accepted).

When: Stockings or donations are due by Monday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. (See flyer at church entrance)

Contact: Janell 'Zoomie' Loh, Special Project Coordinator for Boatsie's Boxes at (304) 243-0675

### ***Wheeling Park Presents Play*** (Sunday-Tuesday, November 22-24, at 7 p.m.)

What: Park Players present - *The Butler Did It* Sunday-Tuesday, November 22, 23 & 24, at 7 p.m.

Tickets: \$7.00 in advance; \$8.00 at the door; \$6.00 for groups of 10 or more if attending on same night

Information: 304-243-0417 between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. weekdays or wphsparkplayers@yahoo.com

### ***St. John the Divine Church Bake Sale*** (Order Deadline: Sunday, November 15)

What & When: Holiday Bake Sale; Order & Payment Deadline Sun., November 15; Pick-up Day Wed., December 9, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Items Available: "Yia Yia Cooks" cookbook; holiday sweet bread, Koulourakia, Kourambethes, Finikia, Baklava, Spanakopita, etc.

Info & Costs: Elizabeth 304-233-5674 or Goldie 304-394-5861

## ***Maronites = Catholics of the East***

### ***Lebanon in the Holy Scriptures (6)***

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#### **III. Lebanon in the Old Testament**

The most important passages in the Old Testament that praise Lebanon's rich and abundant nature are listed in the following section in their order of appearance.

Judges 9:15 But the bramble replied to the trees, "If you wish to anoint me king over you in good faith, come and take refuge in my shade. Otherwise, let fire come out of the bramble and devour the cedars of Lebanon."

1 Kings 5:13 [Solomon] discussed plants, from the cedar on Lebanon to the hyssop growing out of the wall, and he spoke about beasts, birds, reptiles, and fishes.

2 Kings 14:9 and 2 Chronicles 25:18 King Jehoash of Israel sent this reply to King Amaziah of Judah: "The thistle of Lebanon sent word to the cedar of Lebanon, 'Give your daughter to my son in marriage,' but an animal of Lebanon passed by and trampled the thistle underfoot."

2 Kings 19:23 "Through your servants you have insulted the Lord. You said: With my many chariots I climbed the mountain heights, the recesses of Lebanon; I cut down its lofty cedars, its choice cypresses; I reached the remotest heights, its forest park."

Psalms 104:16-18 "Well watered are the trees of the Lord, the cedars of Lebanon, which he planted; in them the birds build their nests; fir trees are the home of the stork. The high mountains are for wild goats; the cliffs are a refuge for rock-badgers."

Isaiah 14:8 The very cypresses rejoice over you, and the cedars of Lebanon: "Now that you are laid to rest, there will be none to cut us down."

Isaiah 29:17 "Is it not yet a very little while until Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the fruitful field shall be regarded as a forest?"

Isaiah 37:24 Through your servants you have insulted the Lord: You said, "With my many chariots I climbed the mountain heights, the recesses of Lebanon; I cut down its lofty cedars, its choice cypresses; I reached the remotest height, its forest park."

Isaiah 60:13 "The glory of Lebanon shall come to you: the cypress, the plane, and the pine, to bring beauty to my sanctuary, and glory to the place where I set my feet."

Jeremiah 18:14 "Does the snow of Lebanon desert the rocky heights? Do the gushing waters dry up that flow fresh down the mountains?"

--(To be continued)

### ***Story: The Little Guy with a Big Dream***

Mike Iuzzolino, better known as Izz, is a young man who lives to play basketball. At just 13 years old he made the decision to quit playing other sports and to concentrate all his energies on playing basketball.

At an early age Mike developed the discipline to practice, practice, practice. It was not uncommon to see him dribbling a basketball while carrying his books. This self-discipline eventually evolved into a daily workout ritual. Every morning before school he lifted weights and shot 100 free throws. Every afternoon before practice he tossed 100 jump shots. During the summer, he often played long into the evening on a court in the alley next to his house, using the streetlight to see the hoop.

He became a standout point guard at Altoona High School in Pennsylvania, and won all-state honors his senior year. Despite his outstanding shooting ability, Mike didn't attract the attention of very many major college basketball programs. You see, Izz was only five-feet, ten-inches tall, trying to make it in a "big" man's game. Penn State did offer him a scholarship, however, and Mike grabbed at the chance to continue playing ball at the college level.

During his freshman and sophomore years at Penn State, Mike spent most of his time on the bench, and averaged only 2.8 points a game. He was frustrated, but not discouraged. He continued his personal practice rituals. When he wasn't practicing, he was studying. He became an honor student.

At the end of his sophomore year, Mike decided to leave Penn State. He wanted to play the game he loved; however, it looked like he wouldn't be getting much "PT" (play time) at Penn State.

He transferred to Saint Francis College, a small liberal arts college in Loretto, PA, only 30 minutes from his home. He could not play basketball his first year at Saint Francis because of NCAA transfer regulations, but he did continue his personal daily practice. Once again Mike Iuzzolino was on the bench watching others play the game he loved.

When his chance did come the next year, Mike made the most of it. He averaged 21 points per game his junior season and 24 his senior year. Izz finished among the nation's leaders in three major scoring categories, making him the best all-around shooter in the country. Mike was named "Player of the Year" in the Northeast Conference and "Most Valuable Player" of the conference tournament.

Mike won in the classroom as well. He was twice named a first team Academic All-American. Mike also was recognized as the Mercedes-Benz Scholar-Athlete of the Year and "Champions" Scholar-Athlete, earning him scholarships for graduate school.

Mike's lifelong dream of making it to the NCAA tournament became a reality on a March evening in Loretto, when Saint Francis' Red Flash team defeated a heavily favored Fordham squad to win the first ever NCAA play-in game and gain a berth as one of 64 teams in the annual "March Madness" tournament.

For most people, what Mike Iuzzolino had overcome – lack of height, lack of playing time, lack of national media attention – was a lifetime's worth of adversity. Now Izz could enjoy what he had persevered so hard to accomplish.

However, Mike had one more dream – the most fantastic one of all. He wanted to play in the National Basketball Association. Never mind that only two percent of all college players ever make it to the NBA. Never mind that, as one sportscaster put it, "Five-foot, ten-inch guys aren't supposed to be drafted by the NBA."

Don't tell that to Mike. Taking advantage of the opportunity to demonstrate his deadly three-point shooting accuracy during pre-draft camps, Izz won over all doubters and showed that he could play with the big guys. On June 26, 1991, in the NBA draft, Mike Iuzzolino was the 35<sup>th</sup> pick, a second round choice of the Dallas Mavericks.

The axiom still holds ... most little guys don't stand a chance of making it to the NBA. But little guys with big dreams who possess courage and determination do make it.

## *Joke (565)*

### *Haircut*

A guy stuck his head into a barbershop and asked, 'How long before I can get a haircut? The barber looked around the shop full of customers and said, "About 2 hours." The guy left. A few days later, the same guy stuck his head in the door and asked, "How long before I can get a haircut?" The barber looked around at the shop and said, "About 3 hours." The guy left. A week later, the same guy stuck his head in the shop and asked, "How long before I can get a haircut?" The barber looked around the shop and said, "About an hour and a half." The guy left. The barber turned to his friend and said, "Hey, Bob, do me a favor. Follow that guy and see where he goes. He keeps asking how long he has to wait for a haircut, but then he doesn't ever come back." A little while later, Bob returned to the shop, laughing hysterically. The barber asked, "So, where does that guy go when he leaves?" Bob looked up, wiped the tears from his eyes and said, "Your house!"

### *Dr. Marc Faber Tells It How It Is*

"The federal government is sending each of us a \$600 rebate. If we spend that money at Wal-Mart, the money goes to China. If we spend it on gasoline it goes to the Arabs. If we buy a computer, it will go to India. If we purchase fruits and vegetables it will go to Mexico, Honduras and Guatemala. If we purchase a good car, it will go to Germany. If we purchase useless items, it will go to Taiwan and none of it will help the American economy. The only way to keep that money here at home is to spend it on beer, since the only product still produced in the US. "Have you been doing your part?"