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Bulletin #32

## ***Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church***

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### ***Transfiguration of our Lord***

- \***Weekend Masses:** Saturday evening at 4:00 p.m. [Rosary & Litany start 20 minutes before Mass]  
Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. [Rosary & Litany start 20 minutes before Mass]
- \***Weekday Masses:** Monday and Friday No Mass  
Tuesday to Thursday at 9:05 a.m. [Rosary & Litany start 20 minutes before Mass]
- \***Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament:** First Saturday of the month at 3:30 p.m.  
First Sunday of the month after 10:30 a.m. Mass
- \***Confession:** Saturday: 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. or any other time by appointment
- \***Baptism:** Please call the Pastor as soon as baby is born; at least one Godparent must be Catholic
- \***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 at 304-233-1688
- \***Parish Council:** Lou Khourey, Mike Linton, Rita Strawn, P.J. Lenz, Mary Stees
- \***Choir Members:** Earl Duffy, George Thomas, Lou Khourey, Robert Harris, Shelly Hancher, Ted Olinski, Natalie Horner
- \***Bulletin Coordinator:** Thomasina Geimer
- \***Sacristan:** Mike Linton
- \***Altar Boys:** Dalton Haas, Shaun Hancher & Luke Lenz
- \***Cedar Club:** Linda Duffy, President 304-242-6853
- \***Women's Society:** Sandra Dusick, President 304-232-7395



- \***Bulletin Announcements:** Submit all Bulletin Information to Msgr. Bakhos by Noon on Tuesday every week
- \***New Parishioners:** We welcome you with great joy & invite you to officially register as one of our parishioners
- \***Cedar Hall Rental Fees:** Call the Church Office at 304-233-1688 or 304-639-1372
- \***Parking:** Saturday & Sunday parishioners may park in both lots; Monday-Friday park **ONLY** in the 3 Alley spaces
- \***Remember the Church in your Last Will & Testament:** Her prayers will accompany you to heaven

## ***Transfiguration of our Lord***

Readings: 2Cor 3:7-17 and Mk 9:1-7

The Transfiguration of Christ is the culminating point of His public life, as His Baptism is its starting point, and His Ascension its end. Moreover, this glorious event has been related in detail by St. Matthew (17:1-6), St. Mark (9:1-8), and St. Luke (9:28-36).

About a week after His sojourn in Cæsarea Philippi, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them to a high mountain apart, where He was transfigured before their ravished eyes.

The Synoptic Gospels explain the true meaning of the word transfiguration saying "his face did shine as the sun: and his garments became white as snow," while the Greek text explains it "as light."

This dazzling brightness, which emanated from His whole Body, was produced by an interior shining of His Divinity. False Judaism had rejected the Messias, and now true Judaism, represented by Moses and Elias, the Law and the Prophets, recognized and adored Him, while for the second time God the Father proclaimed Him His only-begotten and well-loved Son. By this glorious manifestation the Divine Master, who had just foretold His Passion to the Apostles (Matthew 16:21), and who spoke with Moses and Elias of the trials which awaited Him at Jerusalem, strengthened the faith of his three friends and prepared them for the terrible struggle of which they were to be witnesses in Gethsemane, by giving them a foretaste of the glory and heavenly delights to which we attain by suffering.

### ***Pastoral Visit***

Dear Parishioners and friends, If you need me to visit your family, please call me at 304-233-1688

### ***Mass Schedule***

#### ***This Weekend, August 5-6: Transfiguration of the Lord***

##### **Saturday, August 5:**

**At 3:30 p.m.: Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament**

**at 4:00 p.m.:**

✠ Ray Palotay by Lou & Charlotte Khourey & Family

✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Will

✠ Special Intention

##### **Sunday, August 6 at 10:30 a.m.: Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass**

✠ Living & Deceased members of the Nicholas & Nimnoom Ghaphery Family & the David Abraham Ghaphery Family

##### **Weekday Masses**

**Monday, August 7: No Mass. Msgr. Bakhos day off**

**Tuesday, August 8 at 9:05 a.m.:**

✠ Gerard Joseph by Mark & Barb McLaughlin

✠ Al Weidman & Joe Elias & Lou & Mary Elias by Josephine Weidman & Debbie Kull

**Wednesday, August 9 at 9:05 a.m.:**

✠ Shirley Nickerson by Charlotte Ballard

✠ For the persecuted Christians in the Middle East by Pam Lantz

**Thursday, August 10, at 9:05 a.m.:**

✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Will

✠ Ed Dellget by Mike Linton

**Friday, August 11: No Mass. Msgr. Bakhos day off**

#### ***Next Weekend, August 12-13: 84<sup>th</sup> Lebanese Festival***

***Mass of the Assumption***

**Saturday, August 12 at 4:00 p.m.: Mass at the Church (No Mass at Oglebay Park)**

- ✠ Barb Hodulik by Bob Oser
- ✠ Sam Gaudio by Bob & Fran Saseen
- ✠ Special Intention

**Sunday, August 13 at 10:30 a.m.: Outdoor Mass at Oglebay Park (No Mass at the church)**

- ✠ Deceased of the Rohanna & Seabright Families by Mary Lish
- ✠ Ed Dellget by Lou & Charlotte Khourey & Family

**Calendar of Parish Events**

<b>Mahrajan Pastry Baking</b>	<i>Tuesday, August 8 at 9:00 a.m.: Zaatar &amp; Sesame bread</i> <i>Wednesday, August 9 at 9:00 a.m.: Mamoul</i>
<b>Mahrajan New for 2017 - 2 day event</b>	<i>Saturday, August 12, and Sunday, August 13</i>
<b>New: Parish Ladies Kibbee Sale</b>	<i>During Week of September 10<sup>th</sup> (see more info in future bulletins)</i>
<b>Christmas Party</b>	<i>Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> Entertainment by John Mensore</i>

**Mahrajan News** (Saturday and Sunday, August 12 and 13)**➤ Date and Time:**

This year we are preparing the 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival at Oglebay Park for two days:

Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, from 4:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. (4:00 p.m. Mass at the church)

Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, from noon until 7:00 p.m. (10:30 a.m. outdoor Mass at Oglebay Park)

**➤ Mahrajan Committee Planners:**

Festival Chairperson: Liz Murad; Entertainment: Carol Dougherty & Dalton Haas; Ad Book, Table Reservation and 50/50 Raffle: Msgr. Bakhos; Operation & Logistics: Lou Khourey; Security: Michelle Marinacci; Tent Schematic: Nick John; Finance: Liz Murad & Michelle Marinacci; Marketing: Susan John & Dalton Haas; Pastry: Maryann Carl; Food/Pitaland Coordinator: Msgr. Bakhos & ladies; Shish kabob: Nick John; Beer: Barry Carter; Games: Mark Thomas; Volunteers: Ryan Storm; Sledd coordinator: Chris George.

**➤ New Souvenir Booth Chairperson Needed:** If interested call Msgr. Bakhos at the church or Liz Murad 304-233- 7748.

**➤ 50/50 Raffle Tickets:**

Parishioners will receive by mail 50/50 raffle tickets. If all tickets are sold, the prize will be **\$7,500.00 cash**. Please share in the raffle and help defray the expenses of the festival. If you are able to buy or sell 10 tickets to your family members and friends, co-workers, etc. please ask Msgr. Bakhos for an envelope of 10 tickets. Cost is \$5.00 each ticket. Thank you and good luck.

**➤ Sponsors honored:**

All Mahrajan Sponsors will be listed in the bulletin and in the Ad Book at three levels: **Silver** (\$25 to \$49); **Gold** (\$50 to \$99); **Diamond** (\$100 and above). Please consider making a donation at one of these levels to support the Mahrajan, to help defray its expenses, and to insure its continuation for future generations.

**➤ Dance Groups:**

It is the dream of the Parish to have two dance troupes to perform at the Festival. Carol Dougherty is training the Youth Dance Group of children ages 6-12; and Dalton Haas is training the Young Adults Dance Group ages 13-20. We will provide Lebanese Folklore costumes and hats for everybody. If you have children or grandchildren willing to join the dance troupes please call Msgr. Bakhos at 304-233-1688. Thanks

Youth Dance Group schedule by Carol Dougherty:

Every Sunday after 10:30 a.m. Mass

Young Adult Dance Group schedule by Dalton Haas:

--In June: 25<sup>th</sup> (after Mass)

--In July: 3<sup>rd</sup> (6:30 p.m.); 6<sup>th</sup> (6:00 p.m.); 9<sup>th</sup> (after Mass); 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> (6:00 p.m.); 23<sup>rd</sup> (after Mass); 25<sup>th</sup> (6:15 p.m.)

--In August: 3<sup>rd</sup> (6:30 p.m.); 6<sup>th</sup> (after church); Friday 11<sup>th</sup> (at Oglebay)

--Performance: Sauturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>

➤ **Pony Rides:**

There will be Pony Rides in both days of the Festival

➤ **Entertainment:**

--David Hakim & his ensemble (live music & dance)

--Tifany Ahdia & her dance group "Bint il Nahar" (dance shows)

--Inflatables will be there for both Saturday & Sunday

➤ **Message from the Volunteers Chairperson:**

Our 2017 Mahrajan is fast approaching. This year's 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival will mark a significant change in that it will be held for two days this year - Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>. What has been critical to the success of prior Mahrajans is the support of its volunteers. We are once again asking the parishioners, family, and friends to donate their energy and time to help make the 2017 Mahrajan a successful, fun event. In the back of the Church are various sign-up time sheets in two-hour blocks for Friday (to help move several items to Oglebay) as well as Saturday & Sunday. We are asking for any and all volunteers to graciously donate their time. If you would like to sign up for more than 2 hours or volunteer at a different stand that would be terrific. Thank you! Ryan Storm, Volunteer Chairperson

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

(Note: Please call Msgr. Bakhos if you need your name added to our Prayer List. HIPPA regulation)

Rita Strawn, Mary Ryncarz, John Shiben, Harold Sleime, Don Fielding (FL), Bob and Sally Sengewalt, Mary Blum, Rose Vargo, Peggy Justice, Diane Palotay, Virginia & Dolores Joseph, Jim Dellget, Betty Shia, Jim Thomas (father of Diane Frenn), Carrie Jane (Powell) Parodi, Mike O'Kane (brother-in-law of Nikki Popovich),

### *Your Church Support Last Week*

\$1,114.00	Sunday Collection
157.00	Candles
64.00	Refunds
205.00	Mahrajan
120.00	Parking
525.00	utilities
30.00	Donation to Poor Box
\$2,215.00	<b>Total Deposits:</b> <i>May God reward you abundantly for supporting your spiritual home!</i> The Finance Committee: Lou & Charlotte Khourey, Linda Duffy & Mike Linton

## *What's New?*

### *Mahrajan Up-Date of 50/50 Cash Prize*

We are updating you about the cash prize for the Festival 50/50 Raffle. If you help selling tickets the maximum prize will reach \$8,750.00. **As of now the cash prize is \$2,520.00**

### *Wheeling Symphony Auxiliary (Student Volunteer Program Training Notice)*

The volunteer program is for students grades 9,10, 11 and 12.

To become a volunteer, students must attend the Mandatory Training Sessions.

Training will be held on Sunday, September 17, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. to approximately 8:00 p.m. at the Capitol Theatre. Reservations to attend the training are required and must be made to the following:

[wsostudentvolunteer@wheelingsymphony.com](mailto:wsostudentvolunteer@wheelingsymphony.com)

Students must include the following in their reservation:

Name (First and Last)

Grade

Email address

\*\*\*Please note students are required to have their own email address to participate in the volunteer program.

We cannot accept family or parental email addresses.

Deadline for registration is September 12<sup>th</sup>.

## *Wisdom*

My Polish grandmother was the most giving member of our family, even though she lived in one half of a tiny duplex that sold, after her death, for three thousand dollars. Yet her love was so large it filled her little rooms to capacity. We kids learned early that there was nothing we could not have if it was in her power to give it to us. When my sisters and I talk about generosity today, we all admit that Grandma's example remains the standard for our own lives. It even became the source of a few family jokes. You had to be careful, because if you admired something of Grandma's, she immediately gave it to you. Once she handed a visiting aunt an enormous lamp—just unplugged it and pushed it into the flustered woman's arms.

Recently one of my sisters came to my home and noticed a framed picture of the pope on the wall. It is not a formal photo you might find in a religious shop but a charming image I discovered in a magazine years ago.

"I want it," my sister declared. I smiled and said, "No way." I knew that if I handed over this picture, I would not find it again. After my sister left, I passed the frame on the wall and thought of Grandma. "You win," I said to her generous soul, nestled close to God, I know.

I then took the picture off the wall, wrapped it, and mailed it to my sister.

## *A Time to Laugh (258)*

### *Drinking with Mates Tonite?*

An Australian, a Kiwi and a South African are in a bar one night having beer. All of a sudden the South African drinks his beer, throws his glass in the air, pulls out a gun and shoots the glass to pieces.

He says, "In Seth Efrika our glasses are so cheap that we don't need to drink from the same one twice."

The Australian (obviously impressed by this) drinks his beer, throws his glass into the air, pulls out his gun and shoots the glass to pieces. He says, "Wull mate, in Oztralya we have so much sand to make the glasses that we don't need to drink out of the same glass twice either."

The Kiwi, cool as a koala, picks up his beer and drinks it, throws his glass into the air, pulls out his gun and shoots the South African and the Australian.

He says, "In New Zealand we have so many South Africans and Aussies that we don't need to drink with the same ones twice."

### *Two in One*

Five Englishmen in an Audi Quattro arrived at an Irish border checkpoint. Paddy the officer stops them and tells them: "It is illegal to put 5 people in a Quattro, Quattro means four"

"Quattro is just the name of the automobile," the Englishmen retorts disbelievingly. "Look at the papers: this car is designed to carry five persons." "You can not pull that one on me," replies Paddy "Quattro means four. You have five people in your car and you are therefore breaking the law."

The Englishmen replies angrily, "You idiot! Call your supervisor over - I want to speak to someone with more intelligence!" "Sorry," responds Paddy, "Murphy is busy with 2 guys in a Fiat Uno."