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Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church

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Cana Sunday Entrance into Lent

- ***Weekend Masses:** Saturdays: Mass at 4:00 p.m. and Sundays: Mass at 10:30 a.m.
- ***Weekday Masses:** Tuesdays and Thursdays Mass at 12:00 Noon
Mondays and Wednesdays and Fridays: No Mass. Pastor's office work.
- ***Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament:** Every 1st Saturday and Sunday of the month after 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, Susan (John) Burns, Mark McLaughlin, Liz Murad, Gary Weisner.
- ***Choir Members:** Lou Khourey, Robert Harris, Joe Simon, Shelly Hancher, Holly Stahl.
- ***Bulletin Coordinator:** Thomasina Geimer
- ***Altar Servers:** Joe Roxby and Christopher AlKhouri
- ***Cedar Club:** Linda Duffy, President
- ***Women's Society:** Jeannette Wakim, President



***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.

***Remember the Church in your Last Will & Testament:** Her prayers will accompany you to heaven.

Remember, You Are Dust and Will Return to Dust

Dust and ashes are signature symbols of Lent, the 40-day liturgical season of prayer, reflection and discipline intended to open us more fully to God's redeeming and healing presence.

On Ash Monday -the first day of Lent in the Maronite Catholic Church- blessed ashes are spread on our foreheads in the form of a cross -signifying the penitential nature of Lent. Those ashes, which come from the burning of palm branches used on the previous Passion Sunday, are spread by the priest as he says the somber words of Genesis 3:19, "Remember that you are dust and unto dust you shall return," or the clear admonition of Mark 1:15, "Turn from sin and be faithful to the Gospel."

Ashes denote traditional Lenten goals that we are encouraged to strive for in our relationship with God and with others -for repentance and sorrow for sin and spiritual sloth; for humility in the face of God's greatness; for awareness of our human weakness, fragility and mortality: for "good grief" and appropriate mourning for all the inevitable losses in our lives. To show that he was at the end of his rope and could do nothing else but throw himself on the mercy of God, Job sat on the ash heap and spread ashes over his head (Job 42:6; 30:19). The psalmist even declares, "I eat ashes like bread . . ." (Psalm 102:10). Jesus cited the need "to repent in sackcloth and ashes" (Mt. 11:21).

We may be tempted to shy away from the Lenten symbolism of dust and ashes because it seems too negative. Instead, we would be wise to open our minds and hearts to what the Church offers us each year as a healthy dose of realism about God and God's mercy, and about ourselves and human life.

Season of Great Lent

Lent, the third season of the Maronite calendar serves as a preparation for the Paschal Mystery and consists of fifty days. The period is composed of two distinct cycles: a proper liturgy of the Sundays of Lent numbering seven:

- 1- Cana Sunday
- 2- Sunday of the Leper
- 3- Sunday of the Hemorrhaging Woman
- 4- Sunday of the Prodigal Son
- 5- Sunday of the Paralytic
- 6- Sunday of the Blind
- 7- Palm Sunday

And an independent weekday cycle composed of six weeks divided into three stages initiating the pattern of Christ's public life. They include the Week of Lent, the Week of Miracles and Palm Sunday Week.

Lenten Observances

EPARCHY OF OUR LADY OF LEBANON OF LOS ANGELES REGULATION FOR GREAT LENT

Then to all Christ said, "Whoever wishes to be my follower must deny his very self, take up his cross each day, and follow in my steps" (Lk 9:23).

The Church has always helped us fulfill these words of Jesus by prescribing very definite penance for all Catholics. Accordingly, the Pope, the Patriarch, and the American bishops have outlined obligatory fasting and abstinence. Our Eparchial Regulations are:

- 1- Ash Monday (February 16) and Great Friday (Good) Friday (April 3) are days of abstinence for all Catholics over the age of 14. On these two days, fasting as well as abstinence is also obligatory for those from the ages of 18-59. Abstinence means abstinence from meat and meat products. Fasting means no food from midnight to noon, except for plain water. No Catholic will lightly excuse himself or herself from this obligation.
- 2- All other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat (and meat products) for everyone 14 years of age and older. Here again, Catholics will not hold themselves lightly excused.
- 3- If there is a serious health problem, the obligation of fasting and abstinence would not apply.
- 4- Fasting from midnight to noon daily is optional
- 5- We strive to make all days of Lent a time of prayer, penance, and charitable assistance toward the less fortunate and needy.

Gospel Reflection: Cana Sunday . Entrance into Lent

Readings: Is 55:1-13; Rom 14:14-23 and Jn 2:1-11

As you can imagine, parish priests witness a large number of marriages and are invited to many wedding receptions. It is not uncommon in the course of mingling with guests at these receptions to have someone remark, “Glad you are here, Father, now we won’t run out of wine!” The speaker has in mind, of course, the biblical account of the Wedding Feast of Cana. Only St. John records this episode.

The first thing we might note with regards to the miracle itself is the detail that there were six stone water jars at the wedding which were used for Jewish purification, each of which held about twenty gallons of water. Jesus instructed that these jars be filled with water and then He transformed the water into the finest wine. Consistent with a theme in this Gospel, St John has shown us that Jesus is the fulfillment of Old Testament expectations and that He is a New Gift upon the former gifts of the past covenants. The stone water jars represent ritual elements of the Mosaic Covenant and their number six suggests a certain imperfection (Jews regarded seven as the number of perfection). Jesus took the imperfect Mosaic water of purification and transformed it into a superabundance of choice wine, a symbol for the Jews of Messianic times.

The miraculous transformation of water into wine is the most memorable aspect of the Cana wedding for many Christians but there is much more to this story than a display of power. St. John never uses the Greek word for miracle in His Gospel and instead focuses upon the miraculous works of Jesus as signs. Signs are acts of the Lord that reveal, something profound about His divine origin and essence and can serve to lead the properly disposed individual to belief in the Lord. At Cana Jesus manifested Himself as the long awaited Messiah and gave His disciples a glimpse of His glory, after which they believed in Him.

Signs are a starting point for faith but the true disciple must go beyond faith that is based principally upon wondrous works. Later in the Gospel, Jesus is critical of faith that remains at the level of signs. But there is one figure in this Gospel who stands above the rest as the model of faith, who required no sign at all for belief in the Word. For prior to the actual sign at the wedding, it was the Mother of our Lord who told the servants, “Do whatever He tells you.” Many Christians struggle with the exchange of words between Jesus and His Mother. It was she who pointed out to her Son, “They have no wine” to which Jesus replied, “What is that to me and to you, Woman? My hour has not yet come.” This response strikes some as unimaginable for a loving Son to say to His own mother. But Jesus was not rebuffing His Mother; rather, He was leading her into a deeper awareness of the mystery of His Hour. This Hour was set by His heavenly Father and would be fully realized in the Glorification of Jesus on the Cross and in the Resurrection. Her words to the servants reveal her complete acceptance of the Hour determined by the Father. So too, the miracle which followed manifests the powerful intercessory role of the Mother with her Son.

But we still have the use of the word “Woman” by Jesus addressed to His own Mother, which is all the more striking in the face of three references to her as “the mother of Jesus” by the Evangelist. To properly interpret this detail, we must also consider the single other instance in which this same phenomenon appears in the Gospel -at the Cross. As the Mother stood beneath the Cross of her own Son, Jesus addressed her as “Woman” and entrusted to her the Beloved Disciple.

It is now that we realize that in line with Old Testament references to the Covenant People as a Woman, these references to the Mother of Jesus as “Woman” allow us to understand Mary as a symbol of the Church, faithfully present from Cana to the Cross. In fact, so rich is the symbolism of this Gospel that we can say of Mary that she is the perfect disciple, she is a symbol of the Church, she is the Mother of the Church, and she is the Mother of each beloved Christian even as she remains eternally the Mother of our Lord.

Meditation for Lent: God’s Mercy Renews

“Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.” (Psalm 51:1)

Our temptation in Lent is to be impressed by our sins and failings and so overwhelmed by our lack of generosity that we get stuck in a paralyzing guilt, a guilt that leads to introspection instead of directing our eyes to God. It is guilt that becomes an idol and form of pride.

But Lent is precisely the time to break down this idol and to direct our attention to our loving Lord. The question is: "Are we like Judas, who was so overcome by his sin that he could not believe in God's mercy any longer and hanged himself? Or are we like Peter, who returned to his Lord with repentance and cried bitterly for his sins?"

"You are dust, and to dust you will return." This ancient formula will be heard by millions of Christians all over the world this Ash Monday as the sign of the cross is made in ashes on their forehead. This symbolic act is both a solemn reminder and an invitation to renewal. Lord God, this Lent help me to do my best to keep my mind fixed on You and Your Kingdom.

Mass Schedule, this Weekend: Sat.-Sunday, Feb.14-15

Saturday, February 14, Mass at 4:00 p.m.:

- ✠ Isabelle (Frey) Nolte (greatgrandmother) (Anniversary) by Janet Shutler
- ✠ Kenny Joseph by Carl Bowman and Siggie Little
- ✠ Noel Foreman by his wife Anne and Family

Sunday, February 15, Mass at 10:30 a.m.:

- ✠ Mary Zaid Stees, Elizabeth A. Magnone, Tom Ferris by Libby G. Magnone
- ✠ Constantino Cetrolli (Anniversary) by Larry & Lillian Siebieda and Family
- ✠ Dave Sengewalt by Mark Bohlman

Next Weekdays Mass Schedule

Monday, February 16, Ash Monday (fasting day)

12:00 Noon: Mass & Blessing with Ash

- ✠ Dave Sengewalt by Mary Rose Kukula
- ✠ Noel Foreman by his wife Anne and Family
- ✠ Adib & Sadie Chidiac (parents), Nadim (brother) and Mona (sister) by Msgr. Bakhos

5:30 p.m.: Mass & Blessing with Ash

- ✠ Dave Sengewalt by Philip & Tracey Salvatori
- ✠ Noel Foreman by his wife Anne and Family
- ✠ Deceased parishioners of our church

Tuesday, February 17, No Mass: There will be a funeral at the church

Wednesday, February 18, Ash Wednesday (fasting day)

12:00 Noon: Mass & Blessing with Ash

- ✠ Dave Sengewalt by Philip & Tracey Salvatori
- ✠ Noel Foreman by his wife Anne and Family
- ✠ Adib & Sadie Chidiac (parents), Nadim (brother) and Mona (sister) by Msgr. Bakhos

5:30 p.m.: Mass & Blessing with Ash

- ✠ Kenny Joseph by Msgr Bakhos and all parishioners
- ✠ Noel Foreman by his wife Anne and Family
- ✠ Deceased parishioners of our church

Thursday, February 19, Mass at noon:

- ✠ Tom & Mary K. Ferris by their daughter Denise Ferris
- ✠ Samuel Khoury by Richard Coury
- ✠ Noel Foreman by his wife Anne and Family

Friday, February 20, 5:30 p.m. Mass followed by Stations of the Cross.

- ✠ Intentions of all parishioners
- ✠ Noel Foreman by his wife Anne and Family

Mass Schedule, next Weekend: Sat.-Sunday, Feb.21-22

Saturday, February 21, Mass at 4:00 p.m.:

- ✠ Robert Rose and Dave Sengewalt by the Family
- ✠ Fred Hikel (Anniversary) by Mary Beth Weisner
- ✠ Noel Foreman by his wife Anne and Family

Sunday, February 22, Mass at 10:30 a.m.:

- ✠ Sally Simon-Wodusky (Anniversary) by her son Rob Wodusky
- ✠ Edward and Gerard Joseph and Mickey McLaughlin by Larry & Becky Ferrera

Coming Events in a glimpse

Ash Monday, February 16	Ash Monday. Beginning of Lent season Masses are 12:00 Noon: Mass & Blessing with Ash 5:30 p.m.: Mass & Blessing with Ash
Ash Wednesday, February 18	Ash Wednesday Masses are 12:00 Noon: Mass & Blessing with Ash 5:30 p.m.: Mass & Blessing with Ash
March 29	Palm Sunday
April 5	Easter Sunday
Sunday ?????	First Communion celebration. See below
May 11-16	Spring Bake Sale Monday, May 11: Onion Prep Tuesday, May 12: Prep meat, roll kibbee balls Wednesday, May 13: Bake kibbee Thursday, May 14: Bake meat pies Saturday, May 16: Pick up orders
Sunday, August 9	Mahrajan (Lebanese Festival)

Weekdays Mass in the Cedar Hall (starting Tuesday, Feb. 24)

Dear parishioners, we are fixing the crack in the ceiling of the choir loft. The company is working now and is making noise. The daily Masses will be celebrated inside the Cedar Hall starting Tuesday, February 24 until the work is done and the scaffolding removed. Weekend Masses and the Stations of the Cross will take place inside the church as usual. Thanks for your cooperation. –Msgr Bakhos

First Communion Celebration (Sunday ?????)

Dear Parishioners,

Msgr Bakhos and the parents of the three candidates for First Communion (Eloise Chapman, Miriam Sable and Blaze Smay) cordially invite you to the celebration of the First Communion. It will take place on a Sunday in April when the program is complete. You will be informed about the day and time later on. A brunch will be served to all parishioners after Mass. A special table decorated in white will be set in the middle of the Hall for the candidates. Please let the candidates feel “special” by bringing to everyone of them a small gift. They will appreciate you welcoming them to the community. –Msgr Bakhos



Easter Lillies Donated in Memory of:

Please donate \$25.00 to sponsor a lilly or a hyacinth toward decoration the Tomb of Christ and the altar of the church at Easter. The following generous parishioners donated Easter Flowers In Loving Memory of:

- ✠ Gladys Howard & Louise N. & Louis H. Khourey, Sr. by Lou & Charlotte Khourey & Family
- ✠ Tom & Mary K. Ferris by their daughter Denise Ferris
- ✠ Adib & Sadie (parents), Nadim (brother), Mona (sister) by Msgr. Bakhos Chidiac
- ✠ Pearl Shutler by her daughter Janet Shutler
- ✠ Opal Ritts by her husband John
- ✠ John T. and Cecilia John by Ron & Susan Burns

- ✦ Philip Geimer and all the Deceased Family members of Thomasina Geimer
- ✦ Rick Frazier by his wife Luane Frazier
- ✦ in honor of Dennis and Mary Lee Porter
- ✦ In honor of Chris and Jeannette Wakim and Family
- ✦ In honor of Anthony and Amanda Sable and Family
- ✦ In honor of Frank and Anna Marie Duymich
- ✦ In honor of Michael Duymich
- ✦ In honor of Larry and Lillian Siebieda
- ✦ In honor of Dr Nabel and Nisrine Alkhouri and Family
- ✦ In honor of Veronica Mushet
- ✦ In Honor of Janet Shutler

Rummage Sale Items Drop off (all Year Long)

Please bring with you to the church all the items you wish to donate toward the Rummage Sale. Items are accepted all year long. The Cedar Club and the Women Society raise funds to cover the Building Insurance of our church which exceeds \$22,000. Any donation is accepted and helpful. We will open the basement door for you anytime. Please call 304-233-1688

Birthdays Wishes in the Coming Month

- February 15: Nettie Seidler
- February 17: Rebecca DiFabrizio
- February 18: Larry Ferrera III
- February 21: Louie Khourey, Dennis Porter
- February 24: Mary Lee Porter
- February 27: MaryAnn Carl
- March 2: Ava Murad
- March 4: Jeff Sengewalt
- March 6: Kristen Graney
- March 15: Shelby Imer
- March 16: Mia Ferrera

Stations of the Cross (Starting Friday, February 20th)

Every Friday during Lent, we celebrate the Mass at 5:30 p.m. It will be followed by the Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Cross. The "Stations of the Cross" is a devotion which consists of following the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ by recalling the fourteen prominent events that took place from the time of the trial under Pontius Pilate until His death and burial on Mount Calvary. Many Thanks to these generous families who sponsored light Lenten meal dinners for social hour after the Stations of the Cross. If any other family wants to participate in the meal for social hour, please ask and join the families listed below.

Date:	Volunteers Who are sponsoring the Light Meals on Fridays during Lent:
1 st Friday, February 20	Meal sponsors: Chris & Jeannette Wakim ✓
2 nd Friday, February 27	Meal Sponsors: Liz & Jay Murad ✓
3 rd Friday, March 6	Meal Sponsors: George & Susan Saseen & the Frenn Family ✓
4 th Friday, March 13	Meal Sponsors: Susan & Ron Burns and Pat Stees & Libby Magnone ✓
5 th Friday, March 20	Meal Sponsors: Ron & Kim Gibbons and Msgr Bakhos ✓
6 th Friday, March 27	Meal Sponsors: Dr. Nabel & Nisrine Alkhouri ✓
Good Friday, April 3	Meal Sponsors: The Cedar Club & Parishioners
Easter Sunday, April 5	Happy Easter

Please Pray for Those on Our Prayer List

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

Lisa Kennedy (daughter of Carol Dougherty, OK), Fran Saseen, Joe Popovich, Earl & Linda Duffy, Nini Miller, Julia Schiess (daughter of Leo Bleifus), Mary Ragase, Mary Zigler (sister of Lillian Siebieda), Dolores Oser, Anthony Wakim, Sandra DeMuth, Justin Frenn, Elia Frenn, Patty Fahey, Fred Schweizer (brother of our organist Mary Lee Porter), Denny Albaugh, Rita Rae Sage, John Frazier. (son of Luane Frazier),

Your Church Support Last Week

\$2,066.00	Sunday Collection
286.00	2 nd collection
51.00	Candles
50.00	Donation to the church
172.00	Easter Lillies
50.00	Utilities
\$2,675.00	Total Deposits: May God reward you abundantly for supporting your spiritual home! Finance Committee: Lou Khourey, Susan Burns, Liz Murad, Mark McLaughlin

What's New?

Parish Condolences: Fran Saseen

The pastor and the parishioners of Our Lady of Lebanon Church, offer their heartfelt sympathy to the Saseen Family on the loss of their beloved Fran who passed away in Wheeling. Msgr. Bakhos celebrated the funeral Mass at our church on Saturday, February 14 at 10:00 a.m. The choir served the funeral Mass and the Women Society served the Mercy Meal. May the Blessed Mother intercede for her and lead her to the light of Christ. We extend the parish's condolences to her Family in their time of sorrow.

Question & Answer (#55)

Question #55: "How come the Catholic Church is negatively portrayed so much in movies and the news?"

Answer: The main reason is because the Catholic Church is the moral leader of the world. It is the voice of reason in an unreasonable age. It stands for truth — and the truth is difficult for many to hear.

Like Jesus, its founder, the Church calls the world to holiness. Most of the world doesn't want to hear this because the Church challenges it to a higher standard of moral living. It tells people that they can't steal, lie, cheat, fornicate, kill and hurt others. And like Jesus, it is persecuted because of its faithfulness to the Gospel.

In fact, I would probably be nervous if the world stopped persecuting the Church. The Church would then be "too worldly." Remember, Jesus said that whoever follows Him faithfully will be persecuted and even hated (Matt. 10:22, Lk. 21:17).

Spirituality: Do you love Him?

I knelt to pray but not for long, I had too much to do.
I had to hurry and get to work, for bills would soon be due.
So, I knelt and said a hurried prayer, and humped up off my knees.
My Christian duty was now done, my soul could rest at ease.
All day long I had no time, to spread a word of cheer.
No time to speak of Christ to friends, they'd laugh at me I'd fear.
No time, no time, too much to do, that was my constant cry.
No time to give to souls in need, but at last the time to die.
I went before the Lord, I came, I stood with downcast eyes.
For in His Hands God held a book, it was the book of life.

God looked into His book and said, *"Your name I cannot find. I once was going to write it down..., but never found the time."*

Wisdom: Anger

"Holding on to anger is like grasping a hot coal with the intent of throwing it at someone else... You are the one who gets burned." (Buddha)

Story

After a few of the usual Sunday evening hymns, the church's pastor slowly stood up, walked over to the pulpit and, before he gave his sermon for the evening, briefly introduced a guest minister who was in the service that evening. In the introduction, the pastor told the congregation that the guest minister was one of his dearest childhood friends and that he wanted him to have a few moments to greet the church and share whatever he felt would be appropriate for the service.

With that, an elderly man stepped up to the pulpit and began to speak, *"A father, his son, and a friend of his son were sailing off the Pacific Coast,"* he began, *"when a fast approaching storm blocked any attempt to get back to shore. The waves were so high, that even though the father was an experienced sailor, he could not keep the boat upright and the three were swept into the ocean as the boat capsized."*

The old man hesitated for a moment, making eye contact with two teenagers who were, for the first time since the service began, looking somewhat interested in his story. The aged minister continued with his story, *"grabbing a rescue line, the father had to make the most excruciating decision of his life: to which boy he would throw the other end of the life line. He only had seconds to make the decision. The father knew that his son was a Christian and he also knew that his son's friend was not. The agony of his decision could not be matched by the torrent of waves."*

"As the father yelled out, 'I love you, son!' he threw out the life line to his son's friend. By the time the father had pulled the friend capsized boat, his son had disappeared beneath the raging swells into the black of night. His body was never recovered."

By this time, the two teenagers were sitting up straight in the pew, anxiously waiting for the next words to come out of the old minister's mouth. *"The father,"* he continued, *"knew his son would step into eternity with Jesus and he could not bear the thought of his son's friend stepping into an eternity without Jesus. Therefore, he sacrificed his son to save the son's friend. How great is the love of God that He should do the same for us. Our heavenly Father sacrificed His only begotten Son that we could be saved. I urge you to accept His offer to rescue you and take a hold of the life line. He is throwing out to you in this service."* With that, the old man turned and sat back down in his chair as silence filled the room.

The pastor again walked slowly to the pulpit and delivered a brief sermon with an invitation at the end. However, no one responded to the appeal. Within minutes after the service ended, the two teenagers were at the old man's side. *"That was a nice story,"* politely started one of the boys, *"but I don't think it was very realistic for a father to give up his only son's life in hopes that the other boy would become a Christian."*

"Well, you've got a point there," the old man replied, glancing down at his worn Bible. A big smile broadened his narrow face, he once again looked up at the boys and said, *"It sure isn't very realistic, is it? But I'm standing here today to tell you that story gives me a glimpse of what it must have been like for God to give up His Son for me."*

"You see... I was that father and your pastor is my son's friend."

Jokes (207)

You think you know everything

The microwave was invented after a researcher walked by a radar tube and a chocolate bar melted in his pocket.

The sentence: "The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog" uses every letter of the alphabet.

The winter of 1932 was so cold that Niagara Falls froze completely solid.

The words 'racecar,' 'kayak,' 'noon' and 'level' are the same whether they are read left to right or right to left

(palindromes).

There are 293 ways to make change for a dollar.

There are more chickens than people in the world.

There are only four words in the English language which end in "dous": tremendous, horrendous, stupendous, and hazardous

There are two words in the English language that have all five vowels in order: "abstemious" and "facetious."

There's no Betty Rubble in the Flintstones Chewables Vitamins.

Tigers have striped skin, not just striped fur.

TYPEWRITER is the longest word that can be made using the letters only on one row of the keyboard.

Winston Churchill was born in a ladies' room during a dance.

Women blink nearly twice as much as men.

Your stomach has to produce a new layer of mucus every two weeks; otherwise it will digest itself.

Grace

A group of expectant fathers sat nervously in the hall. A nurse beckoned to one of them and said: "Congratulations, you have a son!"

Another man dropped his magazine, jumped up and cried: "Hey, what's the idea? I got here two hours before he did!!!"

Love

Once some of the elders were in Skeet and Abbot John the Dwarf was with them. While they were dining, a priest – a very old man, got up and attempted to serve them. But no one would take so much as a cup of water from him except John the Dwarf.

The others were somewhat shocked about this and later said to him:

"How is it that you considered yourself worthy to accept the service of that holy man?"

He replied: "Well, when I offer people a drink of water I'm happy if they take it. Did you expect me to sadden the old man by depriving him of the joy of giving me something?"

Famous Quotes (4)

Adversity:

--I am escaped with the skin of my teeth. (Job 19:20)

--I never knew any man in my life who could not bear another's misfortunes perfectly like a Christian. (Alexander Pope)

--Every difficulty slurred over will be a ghost to disturb your repose later on. (Frederic Chopin)

--Adversity introduces a man to himself. (Anonymous)

--The diamond cannot be polished without friction, nor the man perfected without trials. (Chinese proverb)

--There is no education like adversity. (Benjamin Disraeli)

--When it is dark enough, men see the stars. (Ralph Waldo Emerson)

--Into each life some rain must fall. (Henry W Longfellow)

--Bloody noses are great teachers. (Joseph McKinney)

--Our strength often increases in proportion to the obstacles which are imposed upon it. (Rene Rapin)

--Advise and counsel him; if he does not listen, let adversity teach him. (Japanese proverb)

--Adversity is the first path to truth. (Lord Byron)

--Gold is tried by fire, brave men by adversity. (Seneca)

--The bravest sight in the world is to see a great man struggling against adversity. (Seneca)

--Adversity makes men, and prosperity makes monsters. (Victor Hugo)

Advertising:

--Advertising helps raise the standard of living by raising the standard of longing.

--Advertising encourages people to live beyond their means, but then, so does marriage.

--Advertising can be very expensive—especially if your wife can read.

--Advertising is the rattling of a stick inside a swill bucket. (George Orwell)

--What kills a skunk is the publicity it gives itself. (Abraham Lincoln)

--Half the money I spend on advertising is wasted, and the trouble is, I don't know which half. (John Wanamaker)

--Give them quality. That's the best kind of advertising. (Milton Hershey)

Advice:

--Anybody can give advice—the trouble comes in finding someone interested in using it.

--When we ask for an advice, we are usually looking for an accomplice.

--When a man asks you for advice you can figure he isn't married.

--Both medicine and advice are easy to prescribe but hard to take.

--The best time to give advice to your children is while they're still young enough to believe you know what you're talking about.

--Never give advice in a crowd. (Arab Proverb)

--Never trust the advice of a man in difficulties. (Aesop)

--Be frank and explicit. That is the right line to take when you wish to conceal your own mind and to confuse the minds of others. (Benjamin Disraeli)

--Advice is like snow; the softer it falls, the longer it dwells upon, and the deeper it sinks into the mind. (Samuel Taylor Coleridge)

--The true secret of giving advice is, after you have honestly given it, to be perfectly indifferent whether it is taken or not and never persist in trying to set people right. (Hannah Whitall Smith)

--Don't fight forces; use them. (Buckminster Fuller)

--People ask you for criticism, but they only want praise. (Somerset Maugham)

--He who builds to every man's advice will have a crooked house. (Danish proverb)

--Whatever advice you give, be brief. (Horace)