

Our Lady of Lebanon

Maronite Catholic Church

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Feast of the Holy Cross

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Mass Schedule		Choir: 11:00 A.M. Roula Vasquez	972-832-8507	Respect Life: Sheri Josefsberg	940-566-0585
Sunday	8:30 A.M. English	RCIA: Sue Marincel	817-491-0763	Youth Ministry: Sue Marincel	817-491-0763
	11:00 A.M. Bilingual; English/Lebanese	Lectors: 8:30 AM Mark Caputo	469-230-1533	Religious Ed / SE: Sue Marincel	817-491-0763
Monday	No Mass	Lectors: 11 AM Trevor Rask	503-701-2236	Ushers Robert Kramer	214-488-5635
Tuesday - Friday	9:00 A.M. English	Parish Council Mouhib Helou	817-845-9953	Legion of Mary Rose Onoh	214-289-4300
Saturday	5:30 P.M. English				
Reconciliation	Saturday - 4:00 - 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.				

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Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Contemplating Jesus on the cross on Good Friday, we see self-sacrifice through atrocious suffering and forgiveness triumphing hatred.

On the night before, Jesus gave His Body and Blood to humanity as a prelude to His death on the cross for the salvation of the world. Then He washed the feet of His disciples and to clarify His mission and the reason for His incarnation, He declared, “the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve and to give His life as a ransom for many” (Mt 20:28). After having washed their feet, He said to His disciples, “If I, the, the Lord and Master, have washed your feet, you must wash each other’s feet” (Jn 13:14). That is Jesus’ true identity; He is the loving and humble servant, “who, being in the form of God...emptied Himself taking the form of a slave...accepting death, death on a cross...and for this God raised Him high” (Phil 2:6-8). He had to die like a wheat grain in order to rise and lift every-one to Himself.

Jesus sacrificed Himself on the cross that all may live, and that is His legacy to those who wish to follow Him: “If anyone would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me” (Mt 16:24). Following Jesus and serving Him is one of the main tenets of the Gospel, and so also is the relation between serving Jesus and serving the marginalized, the sick, the stranger, and any-one in need: “In truth I tell you, in so far as you did this to one of the least brothers of mine, you did it to me” (Mt 25:40). “And in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me” (Mt 25:45).

The cross can be understood only in the light of the resurrection, and life takes its full meaning only through the service of those in need.

Lebanon is going through very difficult times, but that will pass. However, the generosity of many of our people, young and old, and across the divide, is a real sign of hope. We saw them serving very devotedly those affected by the calamity that struck the capital, as earlier on many of them had been assisting those affected by the economic crisis. How we wish to see that spirit last, grow, and develop. Those are shining lights in the midst of darkness. Our conviction is all the stronger that Lebanon will overcome the ordeal and rise again more purified. The cross teaches us that the grain of wheat has to die in order to bear fruit, and that life takes its meaning only through unconditional love symbolized by the cross.

Written by: Archbishop Paul Sayah

THIS WEEK’S MASS INTENTIONS

- Saturday, 9/12: Angelina Contreras , +Lebanese Forces
Sunday, 9/13: Raul Sainz
Tuesday, 9/15: Sr. Maria Bernadette, Anna Marincel, Michael Marincel, James & Josephine Campbell, J. Dwight Carmichael, Hali Pham & Kevin Ching, Kyle Curtis
Wednesday, 9/16: Teresa Marincel, John Barba, Raul C. Rangel
Thursday, 9/17: Michael Marincel, Hali Pham & Kevin Ching, Jean Kirwin, Julie Sluder
Friday, 9/18: President Donald Trump, Tesia & David Nguyen, Chris Baird

+Repose of the Soul

Prayer For Light

O Holy Spirit of God, take me as your disciple. Guide me. Illuminate me. Sanctify me. Bind my hands, that they may do no evil. Cover my eyes, that they may see no more. Sanctify my heart, that evil may not dwell within me. Be my God, be my guide. Wheresoever you lead me, I will go. Whatsoever you command me, in your strength I will do. Lead me, then, unto the fullness of your truth. Amen.

Daily Scripture Readings Sept 13th thru Sept 19th

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| Sunday, 9/13: | Rom 8:18-27 | Lk 18:9-14 |
| Monday, 9/14: | 1Cor 1:18-25 | Jn 12:20-32 |
| Tuesday, 9/15: | 2Pet 1:1-11 | Jn 3:11-21 |
| Wednesday 9/16: | 2Pet 1:12-21 | Jn 8:21-30 |
| Thursday, 9/17: | 2Pet 3:1-9 | Jn 12:31-36 |
| Friday, 9/18: | 2Pet 3:10-18 | Mk 8:31-38 |
| Saturday, 9/19: | Jude 1-7 | Jn 18:33-38 |



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"I have a burning thirst to be honored by men in the Blessed Sacrament, and I find hardly anyone who strives, according to My desire, to allay this thirst by making Me some return of love." -Words of Jesus to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

ADORATION OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST IS AVAILABLE TO YOU EVERY DAY OF THE WEEK AT OUR LADY OF LEBANON CHURCH:

Monday thru Friday 9:00am—7:00pm
Saturday 9:00am—5:30pm
Sunday 1:00pm—7:00pm



HELP GET THE WORD OUT!

IT'S TIME TO VOTE FOR LIFE!

JOIN US ON THE SIDE-WALK OUTSIDE ST. PHILIP AT KIRKPATRICK & MAIN STREET

WEEKENDS FROM SEPT. 19—Nov. 1 9 AM—3 PM



"Come, and see the victories of the cross. Christ's wounds are thy healings, His agonies thy repose, His conflicts thy conquests, His groans thy songs, His pains thine ease, His shame thy glory, His death thy life, His sufferings thy salvation." - Matthew Henry

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Holy Cross Prayer

O God Almighty, who suffered death upon the cross, particularly for my sins, be with me.
Holy Cross of Jesus, have pity on me.
Holy Cross of Jesus, be my protector.
Holy Cross of Jesus, take away all bitter pains.
Holy Cross of Jesus, take away all evil.
Holy Cross of Jesus, let me walk in the way of salvation.
Preserve me from any temporal accidents, take away any danger of sudden death. I always adore the Holy Cross of Jesus Christ. Jesus of Nazareth crucified, have pity on me; make the spirit of evil leave me for all times.
O Mother of Perpetual Succor, I come before thy sacred picture and with a child-like conscience invoke thine aid. Show thyself a Mother to me now. Have pity on me dearest Mother of Perpetual Succor, for the love thou bearest to Jesus and in honor of His Sacred Wounds, help me in this my necessity...
(Mention your intentions here)
O Loving Mother, I leave all to Thee in the Name of the Father, I leave all to Thee in the Name of the Son. I leave all to Thee in the Name of the Holy Spirit.
Our Lady of Perpetual Succor, pray for us.
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