

Our Lady of Lebanon

Maronite Catholic Church

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Prayer to Christ the King

O Jesus Christ,
 I acknowledge Thee as universal King.
 All that has been made,
 has been created for Thee.
 Exercise all Thy rights over me.
 I renew my baptismal vows,
 renouncing Satan, his pomps and his works;
 and I promise to live as a good Christian.
 In particular do I pledge myself to labor,
 to the best of my ability,
 for the triumph of the rights of God
 and Thy Church.
 Divine Heart of Jesus,
 to Thee do I proffer my poor services,
 laboring that all hearts may acknowledge
 Thy Sacred Kingship,
 and that thus the reign of Thy peace
 be established throughout the whole universe.

Feast of Christ the King

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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
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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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Feast of Christ the King

Pope Pius XI instituted The Feast of Christ the King in 1925 for the universal church in his encyclical *Quas Primas*. He connected the increasing denial of Christ as king to the rise of secularism. At the time of *Quas Primas*, many Christians (including Catholics) began to doubt Christ's authority and existence, as well as the Church's power to continue Christ's authority. Pius XI, and the rest of the Christian world, witnessed the rise of non-Christian dictatorships in Europe, and saw Catholics being taken in by these earthly leaders. These dictators often attempted to assert authority over the Church. Just as the Feast of Corpus Christi was instituted when devotion to the Eucharist was at a low point, the Feast of Christ the King was instituted during a time when respect for Christ and the Church was waning, when the feast was needed most.

Pius hoped the institution of the feast would have various effects. They were:

1. That nations would see that the Church has the right to freedom, and immunity from the state (*Quas Primas*, 32).
That leaders and nations would see that they are bound to give respect to Christ (*Quas Primas*, 31).
2. That the faithful would gain strength and courage from the celebration of the feast, as we are reminded that Christ must reign in our hearts, minds, wills, and bodies (*Quas Primas*, 33).

Today, the same distrust of authority exists, although the problem has gotten worse. Individualism has been embraced to such an extreme, that for many, the only authority is the individual self. The idea of Christ as ruler is rejected in such a strongly individualistic system. Also, many balk at the idea of kings and queens, believing them to be antiquated and possibly oppressive. Some even reject the titles of "lord" and "king" for Christ because they believe that such titles are borrowed from oppressive systems of government. However true these statements might be (some kings have been oppressive), these individuals miss the point: Christ's kingship is one of *humility and service*. Jesus said: You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to become great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many (Mark 10:42-45, NAB). Pilate said to Jesus, "Are you the King of the Jews?"... Jesus answered, "My kingdom does not belong to this world. If my kingdom did belong to this world, my attendants would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not here." So Pilate said to him, "Then you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth (John 18:33b, 36-37).

Thus, Jesus knew the oppressive nature of secular kings, and in contrast to them, he connected his role as king to humble service, and commanded his followers to be servants as well. In other passages of Scripture, his kingdom is tied to his suffering and death. While Christ is coming to judge the nations, his teachings spell out a kingdom of justice and judgment balanced with radical love, mercy, peace, and forgiveness. When we celebrate Christ as King, we are not celebrating an oppressive ruler, but one willing to die for humanity and whose "loving-kindness endures forever." Christ is the king that gives us true freedom, freedom in Him. *Thus we must never forget that Christ radically redefined and transformed the concept of kingship.* In the Roman Rite, Christ the King Sunday used to be celebrated on the last Sunday of October, but since the calendar reforms of 1969, the feast falls on the last Sunday of Ordinary Time, which is the Sunday before Advent. The Roman Rite feels that it is fitting that the feast celebrating Christ's kingship is observed right before Advent, when we liturgically wait for the promised Messiah (King).

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

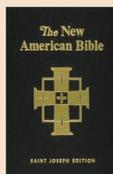
Saturday, 10/24: Angelina Contreras
Saturday, 10/25: +Juan Mata, +Eilas Mata
Tuesday 10/27: Sr. Maria Bernadette, Anna Marincel, Michael Marincel.
 Paula Black, Stephan Petras, Michael & Gina Gardenhire
Wednesday, 10/28: Teresa Marincel, Jon & Terri Baird, Joe & Sandy Ortiz,
 Sunny & Alphonsine Ugochukwu & Family
Thursday, 10/29: Michael Marincel, Jon & Terri Baird, Joe & Sandy Ortiz
Friday, 10/30: Jacob & Anita Steephen, Charles De Chateauxvieux
 +Repose of the Soul

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Daily Scripture Readings Oct 25th thru Oct 30th

Sunday, 10/25:	Gal 6:1-10	Mt 25:14-30
Monday, 10/26:	1Cor 6:1-11	Mt 13:1-9
Tuesday, 10/27:	1Cor 6:12-20	Mt 13:10-17
Wednesday 10/28:	1Cor 7:1-24	Mt 13:18-23
Thursday, 10/29:	1Cor 7:25-35	Mt 13:24-30
Friday, 10/30:	1Cor 9:13-18	Mt 13:31-35
Saturday, 10/31:	1Cor 9:19-27	Mt 13:36-43



Join us for our Community Rosaries:

Tuesday through Friday: 8:30AM in the Chapel
 Saturday: 5:00PM in the Sanctuary
 Sunday: 8:00AM & 10:30AM in the Sanctuary

Respect Life Rosaries:

are held on the Third Weekend of each Month prior to the Sunday 8:30 AM Mass.



October Prayer Intention: In Support Of Life

Remember, O Lord, all those whose lives have been taken unjustly: infants in the womb the elderly and infirm and the lives of those taken through violence. Strengthen our resolve to show by our words and actions that every human life is cherished and willed by God; Give us the wisdom and strength to build a culture of life by embracing our mission as messengers of God's love.

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 dresses, miniskirts, or T-shirts. Thank you for your consideration of this friendly reminder.



Just a friendly reminder to set your clocks back one hour on November 1st!



A beautiful way to honor and remember those you keep in your hearts. Support your loved ones in their times of need as well as their times of celebrations!

To book a Mass Intention, PLEASE contact Sara in the Parish Office: 972-436-7617. Thank You!!

SUPPORT YOUR CHURCH

Due to the cancellation of the Lebanese Food Festival and other events, the finances of our parish are much lower than before and your support is greatly appreciated. We offer our gratitude to all the generous people who have mailed in their offerings or donated in person. May our loving Lord reward you one hundred fold!

Weekly Collections

October 18th, 2020

Cash \$502

Loose Checks \$1,600

Envelope Checks \$1,155

Total \$3,257

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

30th Annual Knights of Columbus Scholarships

Application forms are available in the Parish Office for five \$800 scholarships; at least three of which will be given to graduating Catholic seniors from Lewisville High School, Marcus High School, or Flower Mound High-School who plan to attend a two-year or four-year college. Also eligible for the remaining two scholarships are Catholic seniors who attend any other high school if a member of St. Philip Youth Group OR who attend any Catholic high school or are home-schooled in the Catholic faith if their parent(s) are members of Our Lady of Lebanon or St. Phillip the Apostle parish and/or their father is a member of Council 9884.

The application involves listing school and church service and writing a short essay on the topic, "The Need to Serve." Deadline for the application is on or before January 10, 2020. For more information, please email macrivello@hotmail.com or call 972-754-0804.

Youth Group 2020-2021

Are your children 13 and up? Sign up for Youth Group, a ministry for teenagers. Classes start the first week in October at 9:30 AM. For more information, contact the Church Office at 972-436-7617.



Masses of Remembrance

Sunday, November 1st
All Saints Day

Saturday Vigil
5:30 PM

Sunday Mass
8:30 AM and 11:00 AM



ALL SAINTS DAY

May God Rest Their Souls

Share the giving spirit of the holiday with someone less fortunate. Your generous donation will help feed many families this holiday season. Our Lady of Lebanon Church is supporting CCA by holding our annual

THANKSGIVING DAY FOOD DRIVE!!

Saturday October 31st thru Sunday, November 15th.

CCA has requested only the following items:

Chicken Broth	Evaporated Milk (16 oz)
Flour (2lb)	Canned Fruit (16 oz)
Canned Pie Filling (21-30 oz)	Sugar (2lb)
Stuffing Mix (8oz)	Canned Yams (16oz)
Instant Potatoes	

Your donation makes a difference by helping those in need. We thank you in advance for your generosity!

The Congregation of the Maronite Lebanese Missionaries is a community working to announce the gospel anywhere, in the east or the west, without hesitation or delay. Our parish was formed and built through this Order over 25 years ago and remains in their care. Without them, our parish would not exist, and they continue to pray for us!

Our Seminarians NEED our Support

We will have a special second collection on Saturday, November 14th & Sunday, November 15th for

The Congregation of the Maronite Lebanese Missionaries (Father Assaad's own Order)

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