

OCTOBER 21 – OCTOBER 28, 2018

OUR LADY OF LEBANON MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH  
4133 Calkins Road, Flint, MI 48532



**“My yoke is easy, My Burden Light”**

What?!?! Easy?!?! Is Jesus kidding? In reading the sacred scriptures, it seems to me Jesus emphasizes the very opposite of “easy”. He stresses the difficulty of following Him.... don’t you think?

Matthew’s gospel has Him saying this: “Unless your righteousness exceeds that of the Scribes & Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.” Now, remember, these churchmen were the revered professional “pray-ers”, the keepers of the law. And Jesus says, “be better than they”. So, for us today, doesn’t He mean that you and I should be better than our priests?

Then Jesus considers the law itself. The Mosaic Law was an active, physical morality. Jesus’ ethics extended it. Not just committing adultery was wrong, but even lustful thoughts are punishable. “Thou shalt not kill” becomes “anyone who is angry with his brother shall be liable to judgement”. Merely insulting someone, according to Jesus, makes you “liable to hell fire”. (Matthew 5:22)

“Easy” huh? “A light burden” really?

Well.... finally let’s turn to that famous story of the rich young man who was trying to live a good life.... but not trying hard enough. You remember the story that led Jesus to conclude: “It’s harder for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven that it is for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle?”

The astonished disciples exclaimed: “Who then.... who can possibly be saved?”

And Jesus gave the answer that rings through time, right up to this present day. It’s the answer that gives hope to us all: Jesus looked at them and said “with men this is impossible, but with God, all things are possible.” (Matthew 19:26)

The yoke, the burden, is easy, light for Him. Life’s challenges can be that way for you and me too if we trust God and accept His plan for us.

“My yoke is easy, My burden light.” No kidding!!

**Office Hours**

Monday thru Friday  
10 AM—3 PM

**Clergy**

Pastor: Fr. Pierre Bassil  
Deacon: Martin Rachid  
Deacon: Joseph Pavlovich  
Subdeacon: Earl Matte

**Parish Leaders**

Parish Council  
Scott Shaheen

Music Director  
Dee Gardner

Organist  
Sam Goldman

Religious Education  
Joseph Pavlovich

Altar Society  
Cindy Shaheen

Morningstar Society  
Anthony Marshall

**Parish Staff**

Secretary: Dawn Davis  
Custodian:  
Caterer: Charity & Garett  
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**Mass Schedule**

Mon–Wed 9 AM  
Friday Noon  
Saturday 5 PM  
Sunday 10 AM

**Adoration and Rosary**

Friday 11 AM

**Confessions**

½ hour before Liturgy on  
Saturday and Sunday  
or by appointment.

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## Mass Intentions

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20: 5 PM LITURGY**

**(6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS)**

**Int:** In Thanksgiving for the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21: 10 AM LITURGY**

**Rep:** Bruce Lindhurst by Erik & Lisa Lindhurst

**Rep:** Helene Zerka by Francis Haddad

**Rep:** Bassama George & Frank Naaman by Leila Naaman  
Galatians 6:1-10 Matthew 25: 14-30 A) Bernadette Kouza (E) Erik Lindhurst

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 22: 9AM LITURGY**

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23: 9AM LITURGY**

**Int:** In Thanksgiving for the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24: 9AM LITURGY**

**Rep:** Bruce Lindhurst 5 yr. Anniversary by Erik & Lisa Lindhurst

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25: NO LITURGY**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26: 11-12 LITURGY- BENEDICTION**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27: 5 PM LITURGY**

**(7<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS)**

**Rep:** George Faris 40 day by Faris Family

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28: 10 AM LITURGY**

**Rep:** George Faris by George & Virginia Rizk

**Rep:** Helene Zerka by Barhoum & Colette Rizk

Rom 12: 9-21 Matthew 25: 31-46 (A) Elias Chammas (E) Diane Massad

### **ATTENTION**

**Stewardship and Parish Council meetings  
will be held on Tuesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>..**

Stewardship Committee will meet at 6 PM  
Parish Council will meet immediately following at 7PM

### **ALL SOULS' DAY**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2<sup>nd</sup>**

At the Entrance of the Church there are some All Souls Envelopes for people who wish to have the priest pray for their deceased loved ones during the month of November. Write their names and give them to the priest or simply drop it in the collection basket.

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

There will be a Vigil Mass on Wednesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at 6 PM. All Saints Day will be celebrated on Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at *Holy Day Mass Schedule* 9 AM and All Souls Day Friday November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12 PM.

We are remembering the dearly departed and commending them to the love and care of God. We remember them throughout November with gratitude to God for the gift of them in our lives and we pray that through our prayers, they are admitted to the eternal banquet feast of heaven. These two days are related because the destination of the saints and the dearly departed is Heaven and in the communion of saints, we certainly remember them.



Our deepest sympathy goes to the family of Mary Ann Sheehan, who passed away Wednesday October 10<sup>th</sup> at the age of 80. May the Lord comfort you all and we will keep you and Mary Ann in our prayers.

### **MORE FUN TO COME!**

**BROUGHT TO YOU ONCE AGAIN BY  
THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DEPT**



**AT 1 P.M.**

**OCT 27<sup>TH</sup>**

**ALL PARENTS AND KIDS  
OF THE PARISH ARE WELCOME**

**GAMES—TREATS—CRAFTS**

**Please join us...if you dare**

**Youth Social: Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> after 5 pm**

**Mass.** Join us for an evening of spending time together and getting to know your spiritual family as we start the new Religious Education year. Sign-up sheet on bulletin board. Hope to see you all for this fun time!



**STARTING TUESDAY, NOV. 13<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00 – 8:00 PM**

*If you cannot commit to every class, come whenever you can*

**WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO COME AND BRING A FRIEND, ALL ARE WELCOME!**

*And I pray this that your love may again increase and abound in knowledge and in all spiritual understanding, Philippians 1:9*



**ATTENTION:** The students of the religious education program are planning a Thanksgiving Fundraiser Luncheon on Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> immediately following the Liturgy. The price is Adults \$6.00 and Kids \$4.00 per person or \$ 25.00 for immediate family.

All proceeds will go to the Religious Education Program.

**PLEASE NOTE:** No Religious Education class this day.

**SPREAD THE WORD:**

Please tell your family & friends about the church. Invite them to fellowship with us. Let us make the scripture come alive. "Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes, ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved." Acts 2: 46-47

**KEEP PRAYING:**

Prayer is...directing our affections towards God; it is a devout and friendly talk with Him. Prayer is also a plea for the temporal goods that are necessary for earthy life. Only our Heavenly Father knows what one really needs and He provides. Finally, prayer is thanksgiving that is, an acknowledgement of blessings received, and an offering of all our works to God. When you read this, take a moment to pray to our loving God; re-connect with Him. Let us know if we can pray for you and with you.

***You Belong Here ~ Join Our Parish Family!***

Are you officially registered? Please make sure you are registered in the Parish so that we can minister to your needs. We can only reach out to you about upcoming events and opportunities if you are registered and we have your updated contact information. Registration Forms are in the Church Narthex.

**Giving:** The Catholic Charities food drive is an ongoing opportunity for households to share monthly with those less fortunate. There is a collection box near the church entrance.

**Do you like this bulletin?** Have news or ideas to share? Or to advertise? Can you make this bigger and better? Let me know. E-mail: [ptbassil@yahoo.com](mailto:ptbassil@yahoo.com)  
Thanks & God Bless.

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**CHURCH CLEANING**

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**Stewardship**

***Weekend of October 14th Weekly Envelopes***

Distributed	150
Received	50
Collection	\$2256.00
Total Sunday Collection	\$2521.00
Fuel \$100.00	World Mission Collection \$165.00
Candles:	\$21.00
Budget for October	\$16,000.00
Amount needed for October	\$11,936.00

**Attention:** Our Lady of Lebanon Church is here for God's purpose! "It is in Christ that we find out who we are and what we are living for. Long before we first heard of Christ, He had His eye on us, had designs on us for glorious living, part of the overall purpose he is working out in everything and everyone." Ephesians: 1:11 are you searching for a purpose for your life? Do you want a closer, deeper relationship with Christ? Get involved with our church and let God use your time, talents, and treasures to build His Kingdom on earth. This is God's gift to us!

**Kroger Community Rewards Program:** We would like to encourage more to use this program, it helps out the community. Also, to those that have been using it, the number has changed. The form with the number and instructions is on the table in the lobby. Thank you and God Bless!

**ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE:**

Cleaning out your house or garage? Any gently used & unwanted items, please consider donating for our rummage sale. Women's and baby clothing (up to 5 years of age in size). If you have any questions, please contact the office. Thank you for your support!

**Daycare During Mass:**

We will offer daycare for your children on Sunday's during the mass for anyone interested in enjoying the spiritual enrichment of the mass without having to worry about your children having to leave during the service. Just bring them to the classrooms before mass and they will have activities to keep them busy.

**IMPORTANT REMINDER:**

**DON'T FORGET TO SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup> BEFORE YOU GO TO BED.**



**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME STARTS ON SUNDAY, NOV. 4<sup>th</sup>**

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

- October 27: Religious Education Halloween Party
- November 3: Youth Social after 5 pm Mass
- November 1&2: All Saints and Souls
- November 4: Altar Society Meeting
- November 13: Bible Study Begins
- November 16: Adoration

