

November 13, 2020

Dear Parishioners of Our Lady of Purgatory:

We hope that you are all healthy and well during these trying times with COVID-19 and look forward to the future when we can all gather together as a family once again. We are writing to you today to let you know of a situation that has arisen at our Lebanese Center.

As you may be aware, PACE has leased the center and they are up and running with their program. They have made some positive changes inside the center and the building is meeting their needs.

Unfortunately, we have a leaky roof! As part of the lease agreement we are responsible for roof repairs and it has been determined that we need to replace the roof as most of the shingles are cracked. This is the cause of the leaking.

We have received three quotes and they range from \$15,000 to \$17,500. We sent these quotes to the Eparchy for review and approval in which the Eparchy approved the quote for \$15,000.00. The work has been completed and the roof, gutters, and flooding in the basement have been addressed and fixed completely.

As you know, this is a large cost for our community, and we are asking for your help to defray this cost as much as possible. As is always the case with our parishioners, you have been very generous during these difficult times and we are reluctant to ask for more. However, without your help we will move into 2021 in a weaker financial position than we would like. Since we're unsure what 2021 will bring, we feel we need to ask once again for your support so that we may continue in an acceptable financial position that will allow us to meet the demands 2021 presents. The new roof will help with any appraisals of the building if we decide to sell it in the future.

We have set up a Roof Fund in our on-line donation system for those of you inclined to use it. Here is the link to that system: Vanco Online Donation Web Based System (For more information regarding the on-line system you can visit our website at ourladyofpurgatory.org and click on the "OLOP Online Donation Page" link.) As always, you can give directly to Abouna or mail in your donation. With your help we will weather this storm and continue to be strong for the future.

In Christ,

Rev. Vincent W. Farhat/Finance Council of OLOP

Pastor