

27, 28 September, 2014 * Second Sunday after Holy Cross



St. Joseph Maronite Catholic Church

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Season of Pentecost

<http://www.sjmaronite.org>

“The Eastern Rites are the Treasure of the Catholic Church”

Pope John XXIII

- Liturgies:** Saturday 4:00 p.m., * Sunday 10:00 a.m. * Tuesday - Friday 9:00 a.m. in the St. Jude Chapel
The Miraculous Medal and the St Jude Novenas are on Tuesday following the 9 a.m. Liturgy
- Sick Calls:** To receive the Eucharist and/or the Anointing of the Sick, Please call Fr. Larry.
- Confessions:** A Half-hour before all scheduled Liturgies, emergencies, and by appointment.
- Baptisms:** Call the Office
- Marriage:** Call the Office **6 months** before you finalize a date for your wedding and book your reception.

*Suggested donation for the Sanctuary Candles, St. Jude Chapel \$20, St Joseph Church \$20, for the Altar Bread, \$25, and the Wine, \$25.
Suggested offering for Liturgies: \$10 for weekdays - \$15 for weekends.

Choir Director: Fefa Deeb	Sacristans: Theresa Nemer & Laurie Nale	Parish Secretary: Paula Mitchell
Teachers	DRE: 3-5 th Lenore Boles, K-1 st Rosanna Joseph, 2 nd Jane Lee	
Parish Council:	Sheila Bonenfant, David Elias, Lisa Grard, Frank Griffin, Lowell Hawes. Rosanna Joseph, Pearly Lachance, David Lee, Aaron Rowden, & Elizabeth Wilson	
Ex-officio:	Deacon Peter Joseph, Subdeacon Steve Crate, Lenore Boles DRE, Paula Mitchell, Rosary Sodality, Larry Mitchell, Knights of Columbus	

Matthew 24:1-14

As Jesus came out of the temple and was going away, his disciples came to point out to him the buildings of the temple. Then he asked them, “You see all these, do you not? Truly I tell you, not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.” When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?”

Jesus answered them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. For many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am the Messiah!’ and they will lead many astray.

And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars; see that you are not alarmed; for this must take place, but the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places: all this is but the beginning of the birth pangs. Then they will hand you over to be tortured and will put you to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of my name.”

“Then many will fall away, and they will betray one another and hate one another. And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray. And

because of the increase of lawlessness, the love of many will grow cold. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. And this good news of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the world, as a testimony to all the nations; and then the end will come.”

Dear Parishioners and Friends:

The Temple was destroyed as a place of worship for the Jews to make the yearly sacrifice. There is still a wall where prayers are offered. This area is a source of smoldering tension for Jews, Christians, and Muslims over who has ownership of these sites.

All through Christian history, there is the question of when will the world as we know it come to an end. There are always rumors of wars, kingdoms fighting, a religious sect claiming the signs are now, and be prepared for the end. Up until this very day, what is consistent is that all religious sects, or groups within the general larger body of Christians were wrong.

Trying to interpret Scripture independent of history and Tradition has fragmented Christianity into thousands of conflicting organizations. The Catholic and Orthodox Faith are the only Christian Communities that have an unbroken historical

tradition. This doesn't mean identical rituals and traditions, but the same faith within these rituals. Unfortunately, as in any book of directions; the directions might be correct in how to live, build together a church, it doesn't mean everyone follows them.

As Catholics we believe we have 100% of the teachings of Christ necessary to safely arrive in the Kingdom of God. An individual within the Catholic Church might only believe and live a small portion of these beliefs, but the teaching is there. It is easily observable that Christians of other gatherings, even without accepting all that the Catholic Faith teaches, can still believe more of what the Catholic Churches teach than what an individual member of the Catholic Church might believe.

This is why it is impossible and also wrong to try to figure out or declare who is saved and not saved. What is possible and right is to seek all that is available to know about Jesus Christ, and to live fully all that he calls us to live.

Jesus certainly is concerned about false teachings regarding Him. Our fears, our greed, our anger, our confusion and jealousies breed the spirit of blindness unable to see the deception and lies. As soon as we began to teach false things about one another, we began to head toward war, persecution, and fear. The words written and spoken become loveless and become a loathing self-righteousness.

Jesus struggled with His own Apostles over this, needing to correct them, for instance when they wanted the buildings to fall on their enemies. To choose evil or mislead through false claims to fight evil makes the world only more evil. **Aboona**

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

*Heal Your servants, who are sick,
O Lord, and send them help
And comfort from Your holy place.*

Those who seek our prayers: **Dianne Fjeldheim, Herb Jabar, Albert Joseph, Betsy Joseph, Deacon Peter Joseph, Theresa Lee, Hope Murphy, Anita Perreault, Tala Poulin, Virginia Poulin, Brent Williams.**

Be sure to let Aboona know if you would like a name added or removed

September Food Pantry

Ravioli Condiments
Stews Toilet Paper

Thank you for your thoughtfulness and help.

Liturgy Helps:

Be sure your cell phone is off or silenced

2nd Collection: Oct. 12 School Subsidy

Liturgy: Second Sunday after Holy Cross

Entrance chant: Pg. 608, Creed: Pg. 748,
Anaphora of the Twelve Apostles Pg. 754

Liturgy Intentions

Sat 27 4:00 p.m.

† **Bernie Thomas**
By The Family

Sun 28 10:00 a.m.

† **Deceased Members of the Lebanon Youth Society**
By Lebanon Youth Society

When the servers go to the side altar, those who will be carrying the gifts may go at this time.

Mon 29 Father's day off for for rest, prayer, reflection, and relaxation

Tue 30 **9:00 a.m.**

† **Louise & John Hooglund**
By Janet George

Wed 1 **9:00 a.m.**

† **David T. Stauble**
By Alice, Ron & Josie Stauble

Thu 2 **9:00 a.m.**

† **Yvonne Nemer**
By Barbara Atkins

Fri 3 **9:00 a.m.**

† **Caroline Nale**
By Mark & Laurie Nale

Sat 4 **4:00 p.m.**

† **Joseph & Mary Smus**
By Paul, David, & Patricia Smus

Sun 5 **10:00 a.m.**

† **Marion Maroon**
By Peter Maroon

Liturgy Codes: †= Faithful Departed, SI=Special Intention, BD=Birthday, Anv.=Anniversary, H=Health.

Maronite Cathedral in Brooklyn is filmed with a history of the Maronites in New York
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Zldb8aLchA>

See someone new? Make them feel at home, and hopefully they will call it their home. There is no such thing as outsiders.

September Devotions - Sanctuary Candles

St. Joseph 14 day Sanctuary Candle

For Fred & Evelyn Blaschke
By Joe & Lyn Rowden

St. Jude 7 Day Sanctuary Candle

For Fred & Evelyn Blaschke
By Joe & Lyn Rowden

Altar Bread:

For Bernie Thomas
By The Family

Altar Wine:

For Bernie Thomas
By The Family

Last Week's Collection

Regular Collection \$1,094.00

God bless you for your generosity.

Please don't forget to send in your contributions when you are unable to attend, our monthly bills still continue to arrive every month.

If you are not receiving envelopes and would like to start, please let the office know.

November 8th Bazaar - White Elephant Sale

Any items should be left at the school. Let Larry Mitchell or Aboona know that you are bringing them, and they can be left on the landing if we are not available to unlock the Maronite Center for you.

READERS SCHEDULE

2nd Sunday After Holy Cross

1 Corinthians 15:19-34	Matthew 24:1-14
4 p.m. 27 Lenore Boles	
10 a.m. 28 Joe Rowden	

3rd Sunday After Holy Cross

Philemon 3:17-4:1	Matthew 24:23-31
4 p.m. 4 Lila Hallowell	
10 a.m. 5 Joe Rowden	

EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER

S&S 27-28 Registration for Religious Education

EVENTS FOR OCTOBER

Wed 1	Parish Council Meeting
Sat 4	Bean Supper 4:30 – 6:00
Sun 5	Religious Education
Sun 12	Rosary Sodality Meeting

Coffee Schedule

We will continue to serve muffins at the coffee hour thanks to Larry Mitchell and Gareth Belton

Sept 28	Jodi Veilleux & Mary Jo Hodgkin
Oct 5	Elizabeth Wilson & April Mitchell
Oct 12	Larry Mitchell & Gareth Belton

E-Mail Bulletins

The **Monthly** and **Weekly Bulletin** is sent out by E-mail. If you have Internet service and would like to have the bulletin sent to you this way, send an E-Mail to the church. The email address is on the front of the bulletin.

Religious Education Dates for 2014-2015

Registration:	September 27 & 28, 2014
Class:	October 5, 2014
Class:	November 2, 2014
Christmas Event:	December 14, 2014
Class:	January 4, 2015
Class:	February 1, 2015
Class:	March 1, 2015
Class:	April (to be determined)
Class:	May 3, 2015

(this is also May Crowning)

Remember St. Joseph in your will

Consider including your parish in your will.