

5, 6 July, 2014 * Fifth Sunday of Pentecost



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“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
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 10:1-7

Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’”

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Not long ago there was a picture on the Internet of Pope Francis praying over someone. There were some experts on Exorcism that claimed he had performed an exorcism on this man. Others commented that he was only saying a prayer over him. There is no need for one group to be right and the other wrong. One does not exclude the other. What is more important is that after all these years

beyond Apostolic times unclean spirits are still cast out and diseases and sicknesses are being healed. There are still people being called to spread this message of salvation. The Pope stepped forward and prayed as Peter himself did.

We are all asked to step out in faith throughout our lives. Sometimes they are the small things where we remain faithful to our prayers and give a good example of the virtues found in living a life based on the teachings of Jesus. Sometimes we have to use courage to challenge attitudes and behaviors that increase the hate and judgments in the world.

As Maronite Catholics we are of the Apostolic Tradition. Peter and Paul established our Church, and this is a major feast day in the Eastern Church. We are of the Syriac Tradition, the oldest of the Catholic Churches. Our roots are the Jews who believed that Jesus, a fellow Jew, was the promised One of God, the Messiah, and the Son of God.

In the first years the preaching took place in the Synagogue, but after a certain time of proclaiming the good news among “themselves”; Peter received a revelation that the message was to be preached to all nations. All people, all nations, even Christians are in need of being re-evangelized, to return to the

basics of the faith, and not allowing it to become superficial and focused on the "gnat" instead of the substance of the faith.

The first instruction was not go to the gentiles but go to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. This may seem strange to us, since the vast majority of those who now believe in Jesus never were of the tribe of Israel. This does present a reality that wherever the Gospel will be preached, the proclaimers must have a deep awareness of the religion that it encounters as they began to teach all that Jesus commanded them to preach. Christianity is a religion that can build on what is true within other religions and perfect and complete it with what Jesus taught and revealed to all.

Jesus certainly was reforming and pulling His ancestral religion to another level. As Christianity began to spread, the nature of its Spirit touched the hearts and minds of all people. For them to first focus on the House of Israel, it ensured that they did not lose the revealed word of the Hebrew Bible, and they could see the foundation laid down through centuries of God forming His people of faith.

This is a reminder for us that we not lose this foundation. If we do; then the way in which we worship and believe as Catholics will not make sense nor express accurately the manner in which faith in God transcends and develops through the centuries. **Aboona**

Happy people plan actions,
they don't plan results.

~Dennis Wholey

Last Week's Collection

Regular Collection \$1,558.00

God bless you for your generosity.

Please don't forget to send in your contributions while gone during the summer, our monthly bills still continue to arrive during the summer.

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

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.

There was a very gracious lady who was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country. "Is there anything breakable in here?" asked the postal clerk. "Only the Ten Commandments." answered the lady.

Liturgy Helps:

Be sure your cell phone is off or silenced

2nd Collection:

Liturgy: Fifth Sunday of Pentecost

Entrance chant: Pg. (A) 425, Creed: Pg. 748,

Anaphora of the Twelve Apostle Pg. 754

Liturgy Intentions

Sat 5 4:00 p.m.

† **Gerard Nadeau**

By Doris Quirion

Sun 6 10:00 a.m.

† **Caroll Plourde**

By Peter Maroon

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

NO WEKDAY LITURGIES

Sat 12 4:00 p.m.

† **Madame Jeannette Marie Sleiman**

By John T. Sleiman

Sun 13 10:00 a.m.

† **Vincent Corey – 40 Day Liturgy**

By Larry & Paula Mitchell

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, Brent Maroon, Mitch Michaud, 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

There is the story of a pastor who got up one Sunday and announced to his congregation: "I have good news and bad news. The good news is, we have enough money to pay for our new building program. The bad news is, it's still out there in your pockets."

Every time you smile at someone, it is an action of love, a gift to that person, a beautiful thing.

~Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta

July Devotions - Sanctuary Candles

St. Joseph 14 day Sanctuary Candle

For Available

St. Jude 7 Day Sanctuary Candle

For Available

Altar Bread:

For Available

Altar Wine:

For Available

July Food Pantry

Jiffy Mixes Variety of Soups
Juice in Plastic Containers
Personal Care Items

Thank you for your thoughtfulness and help.

*If your actions inspire others to dream
more, learn more, do more and become
more, you are a leader.*

~John Quincy Adams

Congratulations!

May God's blessings be upon **Thomas Cooper** and **Jaime Hodgkin** who became one in the Lord last week. Our prayers are with them as they journey together. May they ever grow closer and deeper in their love for each other.

***“The Catholic Church, East and West,
breaths as two lungs in the same body”***

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

O God, in truth and justice, You are glorified though You have no need of our glory, for You are complete and wanting in nothing. We acknowledge and glorify Your goodness, for by Your grace we have been made worthy.

From the Anaphora of Pope Celestine

READERS SCHEDULE

5th Sunday of Pentecost

Philippians 3:7-14		Mathew 10:1-7
4 p.m. July	5	Lila Hallowell
10 a.m.	6	Joe Rowden

6th Sunday of Pentecost

1 Corinthians 12;12-13, 27-30		Mathew 10:16-25
4 p.m. July	12	Lenore Boles
10 a.m.	13	Joe Rowden

EVENTS FOR JULY

Fri 25 Return from vacation.

Coffee Schedule

For the summer: Larry Mitchell (Muffins)

Deepest Sympathy

Our condolences and deepest sympathy go out to **Pam Casavant**, and **John Thomas**, of this parish on the loss of their Father **John (Jackie) Thomas** who died last week.

We pray that the Lord God may grant him rest in His kingdom and consolation to his family and loved ones.

Join the St. John Regional Catholic Preschool through Grade Six Family!

St. John Regional Catholic School provides an alternative educational system for families of a variety of socio-economic backgrounds and diverse cultures with a rich history that goes back over 85 years. Our mission involves instilling core values of strong moral character; ongoing development of faith; and an ingrained sense of responsibility. St. John School is educating students to succeed in a changing global environment preparing each child to meet the challenges of life. For more information contact the school at 872-7115.

Remember St. Joseph in your will

Consider including your parish in your will. Maybe at this time you are unable to give as much as you would like. A bequest may be a solution to being able to give later.

The following is a suggested formula;
I hereby give devise, and bequeath the sum of _____ for (or specify real or personal property,) to the Church of St. Joseph Maronite Church of Waterville, a non-profit organization located at 3 Appleton Street, Waterville, ME 04901, for general use of the parish or a specified purpose defined by you.