

20, 21 June 2015 * Fifth Sunday of Pentecost

Happy Fathers' Day!

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Holy Eucharist

"The Eastern Rites are the Treasure of the Catholic Church"

St. John XXIII, Pope of Rome

- 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, Lisa Grard, Lowell Hawes, Rosanna Joseph, Pearley Lachance, David Lee, & Aaron Rowden,	
Ex-officio:	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,

If a person only read this particular part of the Bible and never came in contact with the rest of the Bible, they could draw the conclusion that Jesus only came to save the House of Israel. As it turns out, Jesus asked His Apostles to teach all people and all nations about Him. What about Him? Billions of

people have heard about Him. Of those who have heard about Him, over a billion believe He is the Son of God, the Savior of the world. There are also over a Billion who believe He was a prophet, but was not the Son of God, nor died for us so that we would live. There are some who do not believe He ever existed, and like other legends, is used to control others.

Jesus is a member of the House of Israel, and is aware that some are lost. This should not be considered strange or an attack on them, since in any organization, or group or family a few members can be pointed out and labeled as lost, or cannot find themselves. Like any loving parent, He wants His children to find their way. When a loving parent feels that they can't help their children, it is not because they do not want to, but because they were closed out of their life; they are rejected.

He refers to the House of Israel as lost sheep. He wants them to find their way into the kingdom. It is understood that most people belong to the religion they were born into. The Apostles want their family and friends to believe what they believe, that Jesus is the Son of God. This is why the beginning

foundation is to go to the house of Israel; they are of the House of Israel. The Christian foundation is the foundation of the House of Israel. We cannot understand Christianity accurately without understanding the people of Jesus. The person who is anti-Semitic cannot be authentically Christian.

We need to be concerned about the foundation in which we are proclaiming the kingdom of heaven. After the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles it quickly became clear that Christianity is not just for the family and relatives or a particular national identity. The message unfolds much like a flower, and we see that people of the world are like lost sheep needing good news to have victory over the bad news in the world.

The story of the martyrdom of St. Steven the first Deacon, St. Steven prays for those that stone him, that they not be held accountable for their crime because they didn't know what they were doing. This is supernatural faith which in the midst of being stoned to death, Steven is able to wish salvation and forgiveness for his executioners. The prayer of the saint is for their transformation from evil to good.

Our instinct is to play the victim card to solve a problem, when what is necessary is to play the victory card. What I mean by this, is that, Jesus on the cross, and St. Steven, focused on what good can come from these deeds. Not saying that what they did was okay and acceptable, but that true Light can still dispel evil. The grace and mercy of God fixes humanity. Clinging to sins to justify our actions is like believing quick sand is the perfect surface to run on.

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: **Jerry Fortin, Herb Jabar, Albert Joseph, Betsy Joseph, John M. Joseph, Debbie Leary, Theresa Lee, Mary Morneau, Hope Murphy, Debbie Pomelow, Tala Poulin, Virginia Poulin, Kevin Scully.**

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

June Food Pantry

Condiments Toilet paper
Jiffy mixes Stews

Thank you for your thoughtfulness and help.

Liturgy Helps:

Be sure your cell phone is off or silenced

2nd Collections: June 21st for Catholic Communications

Liturgy: 5th Sunday of Pentecost

Entrance chant: Pg. 427(A), Creed: Pg. 748,
Anaphora of St. Sixtus Pg. 856

This week's Songs: The Song number and page are on the back of the bulletin.

Liturgy Intentions

Sat 20 4:00 p.m.

† **John "Jackie" Thomas**

By Michelle & Nicole

Sun 21 10:00 a.m.

† **Edward & Anna Veilleux**

By Jim & Rachel Kilbride

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

Tue 23 9:00 a.m.

† **Marilyn Corey Miler**

By Barbara Atkins

Wed 24 9:00 a.m.

† **Michael Abdalla**

By Fr. Larry Jensen

Thu 25 9:00 a.m.

† **Shirley Lessard**

By Dan & Pam Casavant

Fri 26 9:00 a.m.

† **Bertha Jensen**

By Larry & Paula Mitchell

Sat 27 4:00 p.m.

† **Joseph & Mary Smus**

By Paula, David, & Pat Smus

Sun 28 10:00 a.m.

† **Jibryne & Jeannette Karter**

By The Family

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

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

SUMMER COMFORT

Dress with modesty for a sacred and special place.

The most potent and acceptable prayer is the prayer that leaves the best effects – those that are followed up by actions.

~St. Teresa of Avila

Last Week's Collection

Regular Collection \$2,838.00

God bless you for your generosity.

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

Maronite Charity Appeal	\$ (4,000.00)
Collected last week	\$120
Collected before last week	\$3,639.00
Total yet to collect	\$(241.00)

Any amount over the \$4,000 we can use toward repairing our Church steps on Appleton Street

June Devotions

St. Joseph 14 day Sanctuary Candle

For Deeb and Dale Ferris

By the family

St. Jude 7 Day Sanctuary Candle

For Yvonne Nemer

By Lowell and Mary Hawes

Altar Bread

Available

Altar Wine:

For the Maroon Joseph Family

By Al & Ruth Joseph

Do you have anything stored in the Maronite Center (School)? Please contact Larry Mitchell if you want it back. 313-0153. The School's removal will be some time later this summer.

READERS SCHEDULE

Fifth Sunday of Pentecost

Philippians 3:7-14 Matthew 10:1-7

4 p.m. June 20 Lenore Boles

10 a.m. 21 Joe Rowden

Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul

2 Corinthians 11:21-30 Matthew 16:13-20

4 p.m. June 27 Lila Hallowell

10 a.m. 28 Joe Rowden

Vocation Icon – Prayers for Vocations

A family or an individual takes home with them a devotional of prayers and an Icon to pray for a week for vocations. It is returned at the end of the week and the next individual or family takes it home.

We have two Vocation Icons, so I am hoping that some people on **Saturday** will sign up to take it home also. You can take it home more than once.

June 21 Lowell & Mary Hawes

Silent Auction June 27 and dinner.

So far these are items that we have been pledged for the silent auction:

Hand Knit Scarves by Maureen Cullen

A Will and a Power of Attorney from Aaron

Rowden of Schneider and Brewer

Works of Art from Dot Guerette and Yvonne

Batson

Giftware from Denise Dorrian

Restaurant Gift Certificates from; Governors,

Cancun, Jewel of India, Green Bean Café

Ceramics Class from Exoptica Studio

Hand Made Jewelry from Pick of the Earth

Massage Therapy by Stacy

Gift Certificate from Sign of the Sun

\$150 Certificate Computer Service from J Karter

Yarn from Yardgoods

Movie Passes from Railroad Square Cinema

Gift Basket from Mary Kay

JBL Computer Speaker System from Lowell

Hawes

More are coming in daily!

EVENTS FOR JUNE

Sun 21 Fathers' Day

Sat 27 Fundraiser for Refugees in Lebanon

Mon 29 Maronite Priest Conference begins

EVENTS FOR JULY

Wed 1 NAM Convention starts in Cleveland

Mon 20 9th Anniversary for Fr. Larry being here

Coffee Schedule

June 21: Larry and Gareth for the rest of the Summer