

# 13, 14 June 2015 \* Fourth Sunday of Pentecost



## St. Joseph Maronite Catholic Church

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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.

<b>Choir Director:</b> Fefa Deeb	<b>Sacristans:</b> Theresa Nemer & Laurie Nale	<b>Parish Secretary:</b> Paula Mitchell
<b>Teachers</b>	<b>DRE: 3-5<sup>th</sup></b> Lenore Boles, <b>K-1<sup>st</sup></b> Rosanna Joseph, <b>2<sup>nd</sup></b> Jane Lee	
<b>Parish Council:</b>	Sheila Bonenfant, Lisa Grard, Lowell Hawes, Rosanna Joseph, Pearley Lachance, David Lee, & Aaron Rowden,	
<b>Ex-officio:</b>	Subdeacon Steve Crate, Lenore Boles DRE, Paula Mitchell, Rosary Sodality, Larry Mitchell, Knights of Columbus	

**“I thank you Father, Lord of heaven and earth. اَللّٰهُمَّ اِنَّا كَرِهْنَا اَحَدًا مِّنْكُمْ وَبِعَصَمَا هَوَانًا ۝”**

### Luke 10:21-24

At that same hour Jesus rejoiced in the Holy Spirit and said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows who the Son is except the Father, or who the Father is except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.” Then turning to the disciples, Jesus said to them privately, “Blessed are the eyes that see what you see! For I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, but did not see it, and to hear what you hear, but did not hear it.”

### Dear Parishioners and Friends,

This does not mean that only the stupid and ignorant can know God and the wise and intelligent cannot. The heavenly Father does not actually keep trying to hide the message from the wise and the intelligent. The type of person He is referring to is the type of person that is

wise and intelligent, but uses these gifts in a greedy, scheming and destructive way.

It is a temptation to use ones gifts to take advantage of those who may not be as clever. Everything Jesus taught was geared to deliver us from sin’s pain. Watch any news station or plot in a movie, and there is someone that thinks because of the their cleverness, fame, or looks they are exempt from living the life that Jesus is teaching us to live.

They are clever enough to take advantage of the other, and believe they are above the teachings of Jesus. It is not so much that God has hidden anything from them, but their conscious has become to darkened to see.

Sometimes religious knowledge is used cleverly to control and do harm. There are some evangelists who take advantage of glamour, feel good, get richer, immensely clever insights to appeal to the emotions of others. They promise to improve their personal happiness or to ease

the stress in their lives, but to often it is to feed their ego. In the end they create more sceptics than believers.

God's love is always everywhere, and it is right in front of us at all times. When Jesus speaks about it was Him who was naked, hungry, thirsty, or in prison, even some who used His name to cast out demons, to prophesy, or work miracles were not "known" by Jesus because He was hidden from them. No matter how wise or well educated, they could not see Him.

What is hidden? A better question is what do we keep hidden or ignored in our lives that keeps us from following more fully and completely all that He has revealed. Some of turned religion into hardly nothing more than attacking one group to make money off those who agree with the attacks and judgments.

Knowing, loving, and serving God is not in conflict with wisdom intellectual and common sense knowledge when it is accurate. In fact it is a powerful compliment to each other. Sometimes the most dangerous combination is what we are witnessing now. In the name of religion, a person of high intellectual abilities can create sophisticated brainwashing communications to think they are serving God through manipulating the hurting, fostering hate and glorifying death.

Sometimes a person can become nothing more than a highly educated person in their prejudices where God is used to galvanize their fears rather than a source to overcome fear and discover the true Jesus still hidden from their life. **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**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collections:** June 14 for Fuel, and June 21st for Catholic Communications

**Liturgy: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost**

Entrance chant: Pg. 493(B), Creed: Pg. 748,  
Anaphora of St. Mark Pg. 835

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

#### **Liturgy Intentions**

**Sat 13 4:00 p.m.**

† **Eugene Marshall, Sr.**  
By Jackie Marshall

**Sun 14 10:00 a.m.**

† **Joe Hikel**  
By Rita Hikel

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

Tue 16 9:00 a.m.

**SI Don & Marcia Kendra**  
By Don & Marcia Kendra

Wed 17 9:00 a.m.

† **Deacon Peter Joseph**  
By Larry & Paula Mitchell

Thu 18 9:00 a.m.

† **Bertha Jensen**  
By Mary Lou Abdella

Fri 19 9:00 a.m.

† **Richard Ayoob**  
By Dan & Pam Casavant

**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

**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 \$2,267.00

God bless you for your generosity.

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

<b>Maronite Charity Appeal</b>	\$ (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**

### **Fourth Sunday of Pentecost**

1 Corinthians 2:11-16 Luke 10:21:24

4 p.m. June 13 Lila Hallowell

10 a.m. 14 Joe Rowden

### **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

## **EVENTS FOR JUNE**

F&S 19&20 Recycled Shakespeare

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 9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for Fr. Larry being here

## **Coffee Schedule**

June 14: Mary Jo Hodgkin & Jody Veilleux

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

## **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 14 Larry & Paula Mitchell

June 21 Lowell & Mary Hawes

## **Support our Church and enjoy Live Theater!**

### **Recycled Shakespeare Company**

**Date:** Friday June 19<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Time:** Friday 7 p.m. and Saturday 1:30 & 7 p.m.

**Cost:** Admission is free; however, the front row seats may be reserved in advance for a **\$10 donation to St. Joseph Maronite Church.**

Twins separated in childhood are reunited in one crazy day at a Turkish marketplace!

**"The Comedy of Errors"**, which includes 12 members of our parish, is eager to amuse you with pranks and prattle in this Shakespearean comedy. Live belly dancing before the show. Themed concessions available. For further information or to reserve your seat, please call Emily at 314-8607.