9, 10 May 2015 * Sixth Sunday of the Resurrection



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Sundays of the Resurrection

"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.

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Luke 24: 36-48

While they were talking, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of grilled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you — that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be

proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

(This is from a previous year.)

We are still reading about the first followers of Jesus struggling with doubt and fear. He still wants them to proclaim to the whole world that He is the Messiah. That He was raised from the dead and through repentance and forgiveness of sins those who believe what they proclaim, will have eternal life.

The Scriptures that Jesus speaks of is the Old Testament, the New Testament is not yet written. Even though both Testaments now exist, that does not mean that any particular individual can read them and understand them correctly; if this were true, all the churches would reunite instead of continuing to divide. Again, Jesus shows that for there to be one church, apostolic authority has to be accepted.

In this opening of their minds to the understanding of Scriptures they can witness Christ's message to all nations because it completes, corrects, and fulfills what all other religions attempt to accomplish. This always implies that for the individual Christian, he or she continues to need correction, and a growing knowledge and understanding of the Scriptures. Others will not accept the Gospel, if we cannot witness a more loving and spiritually transforming life than what they already have.

When a person has a superficial and uninformed understanding of the Christian faith, what they witness more often than not, is that it is irrelevant and unnecessary to worship God through a Christ centered, biblically ordained manner.

Lacking enough knowledge of the true spirit of Christ, the starving spirit begins to embrace and fixate on in ever increasing amount of ambiguous conjectures of thoughts and spirits, ranging from the demonic to a ambiguous restlessness of spirits who try over and over through different life forms to find peace or freedom of a hazy nothingness.

We see daily an interest in the supernatural; check out the TV guide whether real or superstitious, filled with spells, werewolves, vampires, the paranormal, witchcraft, curses, magic, voodoo, and other countless distractions away from Jesus, who identified Himself as the truth, the way and the life.

Every generation needs to keep growing in their understanding of Christ with the Scriptures and prayer. Even for the Apostles, each day, each week, each year, was an unfolding of more truth, less fear, more faith, less doubt. One should assume that even the church, and individually, we are a work-in-process toward the fullness of the teachings. Each of us chooses to be a part of the vine that is bearing fruit or dying off because we no longer feed upon Him.

For a growing number, this work in process in grasping and accepting the fullness of faith is being rejected. Atheism is growing among the youth; if not atheism, than indifference toward religion. We will soon know what impact this will have on our culture.

Aboona

May Food Pantry

Family sized items- soups, ravioli, etc. Bisquick Juices in plastic Containers Cake mixes

Thank you for your thoughtfulness and help.

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

Deepest Sympathy

Our condolences and deepest sympathy go out to **Mary Nader**, of this parish on the loss of her sister, **Marilyn** who died last week.

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

Liturgy Helps:

Be sure your cell phone is off or silenced

2nd Collection: May 10 Fuel

<u>Liturgy: Sunday of the Resurrection</u> Entrance chant: Pg. 317, Creed: Pg. 748,

Anaphora of St. Peter Pg. 774

This weeks Songs: The Song number and page

are on the back of the bulletin.

Liturgy Intentions

Sat 9 4:00 p.m.

For the Mothers of the Parish

Living & Deceased

† Sam & Nimera Maroon By Paul & Stephen Maroon

Sun 10 10:00 a.m.

For the Mothers of the Parish

Living & Deceased

† Jacqueline Karter

By The Family

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

Tue 12 9:00 a.m.

† Bertha Jensen

By Dan & Pam Casavant

Wed 13 9:00 a.m.

† Don & Marcia Kendra

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Holy Day - The Ascension of Our Lord

Thu 14 9:00 a.m.

† Edward Atkins, Sr.

By Barbara Atkins

14 6:00 p.m.

† William Cook

By John Sleiman

Fri 15 9:00 a.m.

† Brent Williams

By Friend of the Family

Sat 16 4:00 p.m.

Selma (Joseph) Thompson

By Herb Joseph, Sr.

Sun 17 10:00 a.m.

For the First Communicants

† Tutla Hikel

By Rita Hikel

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

Deepest Sympathy

Our condolences and deepest sympathy go out to **Karen Poirier** and **Nancy Elias**, of this parish on the loss of their father **Richard Ayoob**, also of this parish

May the angels of paradise greet him and carry him to the place of eternal peace. May his family and friends find consolation in the resurrected Lord.

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Real Your servants, who are sick, O Lord, and send them help

And comfort from Your holy place.

Those who seek our prayers: Dianne Fjeldheim, Jerry Fortin, Herb Jabar, Albert Joseph, Betsy Joseph, John M. Joseph, Debbie Leary, Theresa Lee, Mary Morneau, Hope Murphy, Tala Poulin, Virginia Poulin, Kevin Scully.

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

Last Week's Collection

Regular Collection \$2,219.00 God bless you for your generosity.

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

The 2014 Financial Report is at the two entrances of the Church. Please help your self.

Maronite Charity Appeal\$(4,000.00)Collected last week\$3,054.00Collected before last week\$-Total yet to collect\$(946.00)

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

May Devotions

St. Joseph 14 day Sanctuary Candle For Bertha Jensen

By Fr. Larry

St. Jude 7 Day Sanctuary Candle For Special Intention

By Doris Labranche

Altar Bread and Altar Wine:

For All our Soldiers

By Doris Labranche

SUMMER COMFORT

I am the Lord,
You must not treat me
as common and ordinary,
Revere me and hallow me,
for I, the Lord,
made you holy to myself.

Leviticus 22:31-32 TLB Translation

Please wear clothing reflecting the holiness of the Lord you have come to worship, be a witness of Christian modesty. **Aboona**

Sixth Sunday of the Resurrection

Romans 10:1-13 Luke 24:36-48

May 9 Lenore Boles

10 Mary Jo Hodgkin

Seventh Sunday of the Resurrection

Ephesians 1:15-23 John 13:31-35

May 16 Lila Hallowell 17 Joe Rowden

EVENTS FOR MAY

Sun 10 Mothers' Day

Sun 17 First Holy Communion

Coffee Schedule

May 10Larry Mitchell & Gareth Belton May 17April Mitchell & Paula Mitchell May 24Shana Page & Marie McMahon May 31Jeanne Thomas & Susan Webber

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 **Saturda**y will sign up to take it home also. You can take it home more than once.

May 10 The Hodgkin Family

May 17 Greg & Marianne Gilleslpie

May 24 Pearley & Alice Lachance

May 31 Larry & Lisa Grard

June 7 Nancy Fairfield

June 14 Larry & Paula Mitchell

June 21 Lowell & Mary Hawes

Bírthdays in May

4	Bridget Jabar	16	Tabatha Plourde
4	John Trinward Jr.	17	David Lee
7	Gabriel Ferris	17	Dom Rinaldi

7 Daniel Casavant 19 Keith Derosby

8 Beth Jabar 23 Tracy Nale

8 Rachel Kilbride 24 Dale Sturtevant

9 Randy Maroon9 Christopher Lee24 Charles Maroon26 Jennifer Derosby

10 Ava Lebby 26 Anna Bearce

4 Kelly Elias 27 Virginia Poulin

14 Richard Ayoob 27 Sandra Paulette

14 Michael Mitchell 29 Craig Derosby

15 David Veilleux 30 Isabel Derosby

15 Pearley Lachance

Anniversaries for May

- 17 Lila & Dana Hallowell
- 21 Lowell & Mary Hawes
- 21 David & Kelly Elias

Song Books are located in the pews.

LB=Liturgical Book SB=Song Book

Third Sunday of the Reurrection

Entrance Hymn: SB – Pg 27 # 149

O Queen of the Holy Rosary Entrance Chant: LB - Pg. 317

Glory: SB - Pg.01 # 02 Glory in English
Hymn: SB - Pg. 01 O Mary, We Pray to You

<u>Liturgy of the Eucharist</u> – After the (748) Creed

Transfer of Gifts:

SB - Pg. 25 O Body of My Savior Incense Hymn: SB - Pg. 3 #08

Peace Hymn:

SB Pg. 40 # 176 - Tooba

Anaphora Acclamations after Consecration:

when Sung: SB - Pg. 4 # 10 Communion: O Holy Mary (Choir)

After Communion:

Closing Song: SB Pg. 20 # 133

Immaculate Mary

Questions regarding the Maronite Traditions"THE SIGN OF THE CROSS

By Kenneth J. Povish

MANY CATHOLIC viewers of the "Peter the Great" miniseries were distracted by the way the sign of the cross was made by actors portraying Russian Orthodox priests and people. Several persons asked me why the sign was made "backwards," and many priests around the dioceses reported that they had similar inquires.

According to the Catholic Encyclopedia, we Roman Catholics seem to be the ones making the sign of the cross "backwards." The sign dates way back to the second century and was originally traced with the thumb, the way we make it before the Gospel in the liturgy.

THE LARGE sign of the cross made on the forehead, breast and shoulders began in the 5th century. In the only document we have on the subject, Pope Innocent III (elected in 1198) noted that the sign was to be made with three fingers from forehead to breast and from the right to the left shoulder. This is exactly the way the Byzantine Eastern Christians, Orthodox and some Eastern Catholics, still make it today. Later the whole hand with fingers extended was used, and the direction changed from left shoulder to right shoulder.

Neither the encyclopedia nor any other work I was able to consult cites a reason for the change in the Middle Ages in the Latin Western Church."



Christians in Lebanon are suffering.

Please pray for Lebanon! If you are able to relieve some of the suffering,

please visit: www.caritas.org.lb.

Maronite Charity Appeal

You have received information regarding the Maronite Charity Appeal. This year we are asked to raise \$4,000 for the needs of the Maronite Church. This money goes for the education of Seminarians, support of the retired priests, and other charities of the Maronite Church. Ordinarily this is done during Lent, but due to the collection for fuel, we delayed this Appeal.

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