

# 3, 4 September 2016 \* Seventeenth Sunday of Pentecost



## St. Joseph Maronite Catholic Church

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### Season of Pentecost

The Weekly Video of Our Sunday Liturgy can be found on our Web Site <http://www.sjmaronite.org>

**“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>Sacristan:</b> Laurie Nale	<b>Parish Secretary:</b> Paula Mitchell
<b>Teachers DRE:</b> Lenore Boles, K-1 <sup>st</sup> Lenore Boles, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jane Lee 3-5 <sup>th</sup> Shana Page,		
<b>Parish Council:</b> Sheila Bonenfant, Lisa Grard, Lowell Hawes, Pearley Lachance, David Lee, Aaron Rowden, Elizabeth Wilson	<b>Ex-officio:</b> Subdeacon Steve Crate, Lenore Boles DRE, Paula Mitchell, Rosary Sodality, Larry Mitchell, Knights of Columbus.	

### Luke 10:25-37

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” He said to him, **“What is written in the law? What do you read there?”** He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.” And He said to him, **“You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.”** But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

Jesus replied, **“A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on**

**his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, ‘Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.’ Which of these three, do you think,**

**was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?”** He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” Jesus said to him, **“Go and do likewise.”**

### Dear Parishioner and Friends:

We all, at some time, have been asked if we are saved. Most of the time the person asking this question is looking for whether or not we have accepted Jesus as our personal Lord and Savior. For some they believe that if you had an emotional experience that led you to feel the sorrow of your sins and you make a profession of faith in Jesus Christ. Some believe that once you do this you cannot lose our salvation. Jesus never asks anyone to repeat a certain formula, or uses the word personal and have an emotional experience and you will permanently be saved regardless of what you do later.

Certainly a person should have a personal relationship with Jesus and be sorry for sin and repent from wrong doing.

You are being saved if you are filled with compassion to help someone with your time, talent, and finances, or you could say yes if you are the type of person Jesus was describing in this Gospel. What do you do with your strength? What do you spend your time dreaming and thinking about? What is in your heart? All these things are a part of who we are and they reveal a saving plan. Are you saved from thinking only of yourself, not caring about the other?

We all need some saving throughout our life. We need to be saved from the fears and prejudices that keep us from being able to care for those who need our care. There is no doubt the wounds of the flesh need to be treated, and the wounds that keep us from loving need to be treated by mercy and forgiveness. 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: **Fr. Bill Clark, Jerry Fortin, Dorothy Furgus, Herb Jabar, Albert Joseph, Betsy Joseph, Debbie Leary, Theresa Lee, Mary Morneau, Debbie Pomelow, Tala Poulin, Virginia Poulin. Gordon Webber.**

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

**Last Week's Collection**

Regular Collection \$1,752.00

God bless you for your generosity.

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

**Join us for a EUCHARISTIC RETREAT**

**Sunday, September 18, 1pm – 5:30 pm**

Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Silver Street, Waterville  
Sponsored by the

**Lay Adorers of the Blessed Sacrament**

Fr. Anthony Scheuller, SSS, Provincial Superior of the Blessed Sacrament Fathers, Cleveland, Ohio, will lead us in an afternoon of reflection and discussion that will strengthen our prayer lives and help us more faithfully to follow Jesus' call in our hearts. Please sign up in advance on sheets in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, or RSVP Nancy Epifano 861-9020.

**Liturgy Helps:**

**Be sure your cell phone is off or silenced**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collections:** Sept. 10, 11 Fuel Collection

**Liturgy: Seventeenth Sunday of Pentecost(A)  
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Page numbers for the Prayers and Songs are on the back cover of the Bulletin.

**Liturgy Intentions**

- Sat 3 \*\*5:00 pm**  
† **Gertrude Hutchinson**  
By Lauraine Mansur
- Sun 4 10:00 am**  
† **Ferris Ferris**  
By The family  
**Prinella Mitchell** (1<sup>st</sup> Anni.)  
By The Family

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

- Mon 5 Father's day off for for rest, prayer, reflection, and relaxation
- Tue 6 9:00 am  
† **Msg. James Khoury**  
By Larry & Paula Mitchell
- Wed 7 9:00 am  
† **Jeannette M. Sleiman**  
By John Sleiman
- Thu 8 9:00 am  
† **Ralph Cogswell**  
By Anne Bernard & Michael Mills
- Fri 9 9:00 am  
† **Ralph Cogswell**  
By Matt & Anne LaPierre
- Sat 10 4:00 pm**  
† **Saliem Family**  
By Louise Saliem
- Sun 11 10:00 am**  
† **Richard Elias, Sr.**  
By Sheila Bonenfant

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

**September Food Pantry**

Ravioli Stews  
Jiffy mixes Personal care items

**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.**

### September Devotions

#### St. Joseph 14 day Sanctuary Candle

For **Prinella Mitchell**

By **Lowell & Mary Hawes**

#### St. Jude 7 Day Sanctuary Candle

Available

#### Altar Bread

Available

#### Altar Wine

For **John & Margaret Joseph & Family**

By **Rosanna Joseph**

### THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who worked diligently to make the "**Kickoff Dinner**" a great success. The Parish Hall looked beautiful, the food was delicious, and the talks, concluding with former Senator George Mitchell were inspiring. Brochures were provided to take home to prayerfully consider contributing to the Endowment Fund.

We will be sending out these Brochures to each parishioner.

The **Endowment Committee** and I are committed to keeping our parish thriving which includes planning for the future.

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

~Dennis Wholey

### **READERS SCHEDULE**

#### **Seventeenth Sunday of Pentecost**

Romans 13:8-14

Luke 10:25-37

September 3 Lenore Boles

4 Joe Rowden

#### **Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

1 Cor. 1:18-25 John 12:20-32

September 10 Ruth Lunn

11 Lauraine Mansur

### **EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER**

Sat 3 \* Schedule change in Liturgy  
5 p.m. Liturgy instead of 4 p.m.

Wed 7 6 PM Parish Council Meeting

Sun 11 Rosary Sodality Meeting 11:30/11:45

Sun 18 Registration for Religious Education  
After Liturgy.

### **Coffee Schedule**

**For the Summer:** Larry Mitchell & Gareth Belton

### **Vocation Icon – Prayers for Vocations**

Let me know if you want to continue with the Vocation Icon program after September 11th, or modify the program to maybe once a month.

Sep 10 Audrey Yotides (Sat)

Sep 11 Greg & Marianne Gillespie

Sep 17 Ann Giguere (Sat)

Sep 18 Larry & Lisa Gard

***If we were logical, the future would be bleak, indeed. But we are more than logical. We are human beings, and we have faith, and we have hope, and we can work.***

~Jacques Cousteau

### **CHURCH TYPOS**

These sentences actually appeared in church bulletins or were announced in church services:

11. Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

12. Barbara remains in the hospital and needs blood donors for more transfusions. She is also having trouble sleeping and requests tapes of Pastor Jack's sermons.

13. During the absence of our Pastor, we enjoyed the rare privilege of hearing a good sermon when J.F. Stubbs supplied our pulpit.

14. The Rector will preach his farewell message after which the choir will sing "Break Forth into Joy."