

16, 17 July 2016 * Tenth Sunday of Pentecost



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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.

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

Matthew 12:22-32

They brought to Jesus a demoniac who was blind and mute; and he cured him, so that the one who had been mute could speak and see. All the crowds were amazed and said, “Can this be the Son of David?” But when the Pharisees heard it, they said, “It is only by Beelzebul, the ruler of the demons, that this fellow casts out the demons.” He knew what they were thinking and said to them, **“Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and no city or house divided against itself will stand. If Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself; how then will his kingdom stand? If I cast out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your own exorcists cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges. But if it is by the Spirit of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come to you. Or how can one enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property, without first tying up the strong man? Then indeed the house can be plundered. Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters.**

Therefore I tell you, people will be forgiven for every sin and blasphemy, but blasphemy against

the Spirit will not be forgiven. Whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, either in this age or in the age to come.”

Dear Parishioners and Friends:

At some point in time, a person is going to wonder if they or someone they know has committed the sin against the Holy Spirit and now have no chance of receiving eternal life. The sin against the Holy Spirit isn’t a particular act, but a determined and committed course of action in deed and thought to reject every opportunity the Spirit of Holiness puts before us to turn our life around and we knowingly and intentionally reject this to our very last breath.

This shows a great sense of respect and freedom that God shows us; that He does not bring someone back from the dead and change their identity into someone they never chose or wanted to be in the afterlife. If the process of dying doesn’t change the heart of man or woman, there is no reason to believe that when the process ends they change. Theoretically, a person can eternally lock themselves into actions and the spirit of a demon. To hate and not forgive, to be immersed in the thoughts they

craved to justify the evil they wished upon anyone in the world around them.

There has to be a division and separation to protect those who chose life and from those who chose death. We have to actively seek out and know the ways to protect our "house" so that we don't let our life be plundered by those of evil intention. In the mind and will of Jesus, His message has the power to bring evil to an end. This cannot be done by wishful thinking, but by the guidance of the truth of the Holy Spirit. We are asked to worship in spirit and truth, because when we worship what is not true, even when it seems harmless, the saving message of redemption becomes neglected. This is very much the way our culture is now; neglectful of true worship and the path of life.

Certainly it is evil that is evicting the light of Christianity in so many places in the world. Some of divisive and fearful separation is by bloody persecution. In other places by intellectual persecution or ignoring the faith because of ignorance and false conclusions of the meaning and necessity of the message Jesus brought to bring peace and security to all nations. **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, Herb Jabar, Albert Joseph, Betsy Joseph, Debbie Leary, Theresa Lee, Reginald "Mitch" Michaud, Mary Morneau, Debbie Pomelow, Tala Poulin, Virginia Poulin.**

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

***The price of success is hard work,
dedication to the job at hand, and the
determination that whether we win or lose,
we have applied the best of ourselves to the
task at hand.***

-Vince Lombardi

Liturgy Helps:

Be sure your cell phone is off or silenced

2nd Collections:

Aug 13, 14 Fuel Collection

Liturgy: 10 Pentecost (B) Pg. 492/3

Page numbers for the Prayers and Songs are on the back cover of the Bulletin.

Liturgy Intentions

- Sat 16 4:00 pm**
† **Joseph & Mary Smus**
By Patricia, David & Paula Smus
- Sun 17 10:00 am**
† **Toni Mathieu (10th Anni. Liturgy)**
By The Family

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

- Mon 18 Father's day off for prayer,
reflection, and relaxation
- Tue 19 9:00 am
† **Clayton Faucher**
By Larry & Paula Mitchell
- Wed 20 9:00 am
† **Richard Elias, Sr.**
Bob & Carol Huard
- Thu 21 9:00 am
† **Edward & Van Joseph**
Joan Gotardi
- Fri 22 9:00 am
† **Simone Laviec**
By John Sleiman
- Sat 23 4:00 pm**
† **Tannous Abou Sleiman & Tamam Saad**
By John Sleiman
- Sun 24 10:00 am**
† **Theresa Nemer**
By Barbara Atkins

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

Last Week's Collection

Regular Collection \$1,500.00

God bless you for your generosity.
If you are not receiving envelopes and would like to start, please let the office know.

July Devotions

St. Joseph 14 day Sanctuary Candle Available

St. Jude 7 Day Sanctuary Candle Available

Altar Bread & Altar Wine Available

Vocation Icon – Prayers for Vocations

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.

July 17 Larry & Lisa Grard
July 24 Lowell & Mary Hawes
July 30 Audrey Yotides (Sat)
July 31 Greg & Marianne Gillespie
Aug 6 Ann Giguere (Sat)
Aug 7 Larry & Paula Mitchell

READERS SCHEDULE

Ninth Sunday of Pentecost

2 Corinthians 5:20-6:10 Luke 4:14-21

July 9 Ruth Lunn
10 Lauraine Mansur

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1 Corinthians 12:1-11 Matthew 12:22-32

July 16 Lila Hallowell
17 Joe Rowden

EVENTS FOR JULY

Wed 20 10th Anniversary for Fr. Larry being here

EVENTS FOR AUGUST

Wed 24 Endowment Fund “Kickoff Supper”

Coffee Schedule

For the Summer: Larry Mitchell & Gareth Belton

Mark YOUR calendars!

August 24 – Kickoff Supper for the Endowment Fund. George Mitchell will be attending and share his experience of growing up here at St. Joseph’s. We will also officially recognize our “new members”.

Everything I need to know about life, I learned from Noah’s Ark

One: Don’t miss the boat.

Two: Remember that we are all in the same boat.

Three: Plan ahead. It wasn’t raining when Noah built the Ark.

Four: Stay fit. When you’re 600 years old, someone may ask you to do something really big.

Five: Don’t listen to critics; just get on with the job that needs to be done.

Six: Build your future on high ground.

Seven: For safety’s sake, travel in pairs.

Eight: Speed isn’t always an advantage. The snails were on board with the cheetahs.

Nine: When you’re stressed, float a while.

Ten: Remember, the Ark was built by amateurs; the Titanic by professionals.

Eleven: No matter the storm, when you are with God, there’s always a rainbow waiting.