

# 15, 16 April 2017 \* The Glorious Resurrection



Resurrection Sunday

## St. Joseph Maronite Catholic Church

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### "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, Rosanna Joseph, Pearley Lachance, David Lee, Kevin Michaud, Mark Morin, Aaron Rowden, Elizabeth Wilson	<b>Ex-officio:</b> Subdeacon Steve Crate, Lenore Boles DRE, Paula Mitchell, Rosary Sodality, Larry Mitchell, Knights of Columbus.	

## Christ has Risen! He truly has Risen!

### Mark 16:1-8

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; He is not here. Look, there is the place they laid Him.

But go, tell His disciples and Peter that He is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see Him, just as He told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

### Dear Parishioners and Friends:

Without faith, a few people finding an empty tomb would not convince people to believe that a Jewish man was resurrected from the dead and was the Son of God. Faith is a gift from God, A long history of God revealing Himself prepared us to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the promised One who would bring salvation to our broken humanity.

There are millions still searching and waiting for this gift of faith. They may not even know it. The world continuously is searching for a message of peace that will work, a remedy for their pain, a hope that sustains them. Human philosophy, various spiritualities, and discoveries can bring us close to this, but its perfection and completeness is through Jesus Christ.

Christianity believes that we need a compassionate form of transformation to live eternally with God. We believe we can be restored to exist in peace, and embraced by an all-consuming love.

We don't need proofs that people die, hurt, grieve, and struggle with pain, disappointment, and can be

devastated by betrayal. The fact that we can imagine a more perfect world to live in is innate because a perfect world was created for us and our spirit hungers and searches to return to this place.

Jesus entered our world to experience it the way a human experiences life. He can carry our burdens, forgive our sins, and restore our broken lives. The thief on the cross confessed Him and then entered Paradise to be with Jesus. The thief who wanted to judge others and make excuses for his choices wouldn't even look at the path to Paradise. The thief chose to walk the way of redemption with Jesus; he wanted to be remembered by Jesus.

Jesus knows His message changes the way we exist. In the miracles that He worked, He healed the broken bodies and hearts of whomever He touched. Our bodies can do wondrous things in self-healing and with medicines, but ultimately there comes a time and situation where the body and science can do no more, and to live again comes through a Creator that repairs.

The ultimate power is the power that Christ has over death. The Good News is that we don't forever have to suffer the consequences of our actions if we turn away from the wrongs that we do. The power of God's love is that we change our responses to the world that we live in. When the soldiers were arresting Jesus, Peter used his sword to defend Jesus, in doing so; he cut the soldier's ear off. Jesus told Peter, that those who live by the sword die by the sword and Jesus then healed the soldier.

In the dramatic events leading to the crucifixion, and resurrection, choices were made to act in fear or live in faith. Faith keeps us from allowing the sins of others, and our own sins pull us away from the path of truth. Times have not changed. Jesus heals, transforms, forgives, challenges, teaches, rescues, and finally brings us into His safe and protected Kingdom. Our creator still lives! **Aboona**

### Thank YOU!

I wish to thank everyone who was involved in making the Holy Week Services a source of inspiration. The Choir, servers, ushers, clean up, decorators, readers, Apostles, and computer operator for giving of your time and talents.

### Liturgy Helps:

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

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Collections

Apr. 29, 30 Catholic Home Missions

#### Liturgy: The Glorious Resurrection

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

### Liturgy Intentions

- Sat 15** 8:00 pm  
**Intentions of the Parish**
- Sun 16** 10:00 am  
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When the servers go to the side altar, those who will be carrying the gifts may go at this time.

- Mon 17 Father's day off for prayer, reflection, and relaxation
- Tue 18 9:00 am  
† **Theresa Casavant, John & Marietta Thomas**  
By Dan & Pam Casavant
- Wed 19 9:00 am  
† **David Proulx**  
By Ann Giguere
- Thu 20 9:00 am  
† **Cathi Lee**  
By Mark & Jeanne Joseph
- Fri 21 9:00 am  
† **Prinella Mitchell**  
By John Sleiman
- Sat 22** 4:00 pm  
† **John Sleiman**  
By Family in Paris
- Sun 23** 10:00 am  
† **Alfred Joseph (40 Day Liturgy)**  
By Ruth Joseph

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

### April Food Pantry

Ravioli                      Stews  
Jiffy Mixes                Personal care items

**Thank you for your thoughtfulness and help.**

**"One who knows how to show and accept kindness will be a friend better than any possession."**

– Sophocles

## READER'S SCHEDULE

### 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, Dorothy Furgus, Albert Joseph, Sierra Lee, Darrell Mitchell, Mary Morneau, Doreen Nader, Debbie Pomelow, Tala Poulin, Virginia Poulin, Gordon Webber.**

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

### Church Etiquette

Refrain from long and loud conversations, **no food or drinks in church**, no leaving of pews during the reading of the Gospel and the Consecration of the Bread and Wine. Check to see if your cell phone is off.

### Last Week's Collection

Regular Collection \$2,884.00

God bless you for your generosity.

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

### April Devotions

#### St. Joseph 14 day Sanctuary Candle

For **Special Intention**

By Gerard Brouillard

#### St. Jude Shrine 7 day Sanctuary Candle

#### Altar Bread

For **John & Margaret Joseph Family**

By Rosanna Joseph

#### Altar Wine

### Photography and Migration:

Includes the Lebanese Community  
A Waterville Community Event at Waterville Public Library, Saturday, April 22, 12-4pm. Info:  
[web.colby.edu/photomigration/events](http://web.colby.edu/photomigration/events)

### Chaplet of the Divine Mercy Sunday,

April 23<sup>rd</sup>

**Notre Dame Church** with Fr. Matt:

2 pm – 2:40 pm: Reconciliation

2:50 – 4 pm Exposition/ Chaplet/ Benediction

Fellowship Afterwards.

### The GLORIOUS RESURRECTION

1 Corinthians 15:12-26 Mark 16:1-8

April 15 Lila Hallowell  
16 Joe Rowden

### New Sunday

2 Corinthians 5:11-21 John 20:26-31

April 22 Ruth Lunn  
23 Joe Rowden

### EVENTS FOR APRIL

Sat 15 8 pm Easter Vigil – no Choir

Sun 16 10 am Easter Sunday

Sun 30 Lebanese Supper

### EVENTS FOR MAY

Sun 7 May Crowning

Sun 14 Mother's Day

Sun 21 First Holy Communion

### Coffee Schedule

Apr 16 Betty Michaud & Rosanna Joseph (Easter Sunday)

Apr 23 Elizabeth Wilson & Rosanna Joseph

Apr 30 NO COFFEE

May 7 Sharon Crowe & Mary Hawes

May 14 Larry Mitchell & Gareth Belton (Mother's Day)

May 21 Cindy Elias & Mary Nader

### Vocation Icon – Prayers for Vocations

"Request therefore of The Lord of the harvest to send out laborers to his harvest." Matt. 9:38

Apr 16 Pearley & Alice Lachance

Apr 22 Ann Giguere (Sat)

Apr 23 Larry & Lisa Grad

Apr 29 Jim & Lenore Boles (Sat)

Apr 30 Lowell & Mary Hawes

May 6 Audrey Yotides (Sat)

May 7 Greg & Marianne Gillespie