1, 2 June 2013 * Third Sunday of Pentecost



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"The Eastern Rites are the Treasure of the Catholic Church"

Pope John XXIII

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 **Sacristans:** Yvonne Nemer, Theresa Nemer & Laurie Nale

Teachers DRE: 3-5th Lenore Boles K-1st Rosanna Joseph 2nd Jane Lee

Parish Council: David Elias, Frank Griffin, David Lee, Gerald Joseph, Rosanna Joseph, Kevin Michaud,

Susan Mitchell, Lowell Hawes, & Aaron Rowden.

Ex-officio: Deacon Peter Joseph, Subdeacon Steve Crate, Lenore Boles DRE, Paula Mitchell, Rosary Sodality, Larry

Mitchell, Knights of Columbus.

John 14:21-27

"They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

Judas (not Iscariot) said to him, "Lord, how is it that you will reveal yourself to us, and not to the world?"

Jesus answered him, "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me."

"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

We need to pay attention to what troubles our heart. Jesus is not saying that we are doing something wrong when our heart is troubled: He Himself felt troubled by events surrounding Him. We have to learn how to protect our heart, and pay attention to

what actually is troubling, and then take the steps necessary to not let them take over our life. Sometimes, all we have to do is remove ourselves

from the situation. Other times we have to learn a new response to the situation. We can catch ourselves playing the "damaged" part of a song over and over, forgetting that actually if we listen to the whole song or album, it actually is quite good. Commandments given by God, and rightly understood, protect and foster love. We use commands constantly to protect, instruct, and to carry out our will. When we seek the will of God, we are telling Him we truly believe He can be trusted to guide us on the way of all that is best for us in the full picture of life. When we have faith, and can see the plan and design of His loving hand, we know our lives are changed and for the better. God guides us with love and His proven wisdom.

Every so often we need to be reminded that Jesus said, "keep my word ... and We will make a home with you ..." he didn't say 'quote my word" or use it to control others for your own ego and self interest; but live it. I find it fascinating that Jesus says we will come to the person who keeps my Word.

More often the imagery is we go to Him, and than He passes the right and just judgment upon us. In this case, He says he will go to us, which means ultimately, Jesus is as close to us as we let Him through our decisions. Our relationship with God deepens in relationship to our deepening willingness to keep His word.

A very wonderful loving person can be in our presence, but we can draw false conclusions about that person, and be filled with animosity and even hatred. We can do this with God; if we had actually known their true character, our hearts would be overflowing with love. **Aboona**

Lebanese History Exhibit

The Holocaust and Human Rights Center of Maine, located at the University of Maine at Augusta; has reached out to our community for help! The center is planning to do an exhibit this fall about the Lebanese Community which settled in Maine and in particular Waterville. Mr. David Greenham is the Program Manager for the Center and he would like to hear from anyone who may have old

photograph's or physical items that might be used in the exhibit. This is a great way for our history to be told. Anyone wishing to help the Center with this great project should contact David Greenham: Holocaust and Human Rights Center of Maine

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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: Theresa Clark, Dianne Fjeldheim, Herb Jabar, Albert Joseph, Theresa Lee, Kendra Maroon, Hope Murphy, Tala Poulin, and Virginia Poulin.

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

<u>June Devotions</u> - Sanctuary Candles <u>St. Joseph</u> 14 days Sanctuary Candle <u>Intention Available</u>

St. Jude 7-Day Sanctuary Candle Intention Available

Altar Bread & Wine:

For Tofe Joseph

By Louise Sleiman

Liturgy Helps:

Be sure your cell phone is off or silenced 2nd Collection 6/9 Catholic School Subsidy Liturgy will begin on page 427, Creed p 748 Anaphora of St. John p 815

Liturgy Intentions

Sat 1 4:00 p.m.

† Saliem Mitchell By Anna Mitchell

Sun 2 10:00 a.m.

† Doug & Sally Crate, and Robbie
By Subdeacon Steve and Family

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

Mon 3 Father's day off

Tue 4 9:00 a.m.

† Joseph & Martha Kendra By Don & Marcia Kendra

Wed 5 9:00 a.m. (Communion Service)

† Edmond G. Pare, (6 month Anv.) By Suzanne Pare

Thu 6 9:00 a.m. (Communion Service)

Intention Available

Fri 7 9:00 a.m. (Communion Service)

† Caroline Nale
By Mark & Laurie Nale

Sat 8 4:00 p.m.

† Freda Annino By John Thomas, Sr.

Sun 9 10:00 a.m.

† Mary Maroon

By Freda Nassar & Judie Lynn Nassar

Liturgy Intentions

We are running out of Liturgy intentions. Liturgy Intentions are not just for the Faithful Departed even though this might be the most common reason. There is a good reason for this; we are deeply spiritually connected to our loved ones even after their earthly journey is over. Having a Liturgy said for them is to accompany them as they journey home to Paradise. A 40-Day Liturgy is said to bring family and friends together once again to mark the process of marking the official closure to the grief of the family. The official period of mourning is over, not that sense of loss ever completely ends, but as the Scripture says, we do not give in to despair, but be comforted by our eternal hope.

A yearly anniversary Liturgy for a loved one helps keep the memory alive, for there is an everlasting link between those who are one in the Lord. Liturgies for the living are also encouraged. The whole meaning of Eucharist is to give thanks; so it makes perfect sense to remember birthdays, anniversaries, saying thank you for prayers answered, special intentions, known only to the one having it offered, and for healing. Jesus gave the highest form of worship toward the Father when He gave Himself on the cross. Each Eucharistic Liturgy we attend is this Sacrifice made available to us.

Food Pantry - June

Jelly or jam Juice in plastic bottles
Jiffy mixes Family size items

Ravloli, soups, etc.

Thank you for caring!

Last Week's Collection

Regular Collection \$1,574.00

Maronite Charity Appeal	\$(4,000.00)
Collected last week	\$-0
Collected before last week	\$3,171.00
Total yet to collect	\$(829.00)

God bless you for your generosity.

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

Gone a lot? Please consider electronic giving. You can contact your bank to schedule your contribution to be sent to St. Joseph Maronite Catholic Church.

Birthdays in June

6	Richard Levine Jr.	13	Jenna Mitchell
7	Pilar Elias	14	Renee Jabar
9	Jody Veilleux	15	Peter Taddeo
9	Lea Williams	16	Blake Sturtevant
9	Nevaeh Pease	17	Jibryne Karter Jr.
10	David Poirier	18	Nicholas Derosby
11	Sara Poirier	21	Laya Joseph
12	Jeff Lee	23	Beverly Rideout
12	Brandon Bearce	27	Alexandria Lee
13	Karen Clark	29	Allison Crate
13	Nicholas Elias	29	Kooper Levine

Anniversaries for June

- 2 Kevin & Diane Joseph
- 4 Richard & Nancy Elias
- 11 Hanson & Linda Weed
- TI Hallson & Linua Weed
- 13 Bridget & Joe Jabar Jr.
- 24 Dan & Pam Casavant
- 25 Mark & Doris Poirier
- 27 Bill & Vicki Mitchell
- 28 Karen & Ken Clark

O Bread of Life, O Love Divine! We Adore You!

READERS SCHEDULE

Third Sunday of Pentecost

1 Corinthians 2:1-10 John 14:21-27

4 p.m. June 1 Lila Hallowell

10 a.m. 2 Subdeacon Steve Crate

Fourth Sunday of Pentecost

1 Corinthians 2:1-10 John 14:21-27

4 p.m. June 8 Lenore Boles 10 a.m. 9 Lauraine Mansur

EVENTS FOR JUNE

Sun 9 Anniversary Liturgy in Danbury

Wed 12 6 p.m. Parish Council Meeting Pizza included

Coffee Schedule

6/2 Lenore Boles Jane Lee 6/9 Jan Bourque Elizabeth Wilson 6/16 Sharon Crowe Jeanne Thomas

Hafli - October 5, 2013

Dust off your Hafli jar; ink in this date for a great time. The Funds from this Hafli will be used toward the new roof for the Rectory. \$35 a person.

Hafli Jar

If you start now putting in 35 cents a day or a \$1.94 a week in your Hafli jar, you will have the amount for the Hafli ticket.

E-Mail Bulletins

The **Monthly** and **Weekly Bulletin** is sent out by E-mail. If you have Internet service and would like to have the bulletin sent to you this way, send an E-Mail to the church.

The email address is on the front of the bulletin.

Fasting for Communion

A gentle reminder, there is still an hour fast before receiving Holy Communion. In general this means you should no longer be eating when there is only twenty minutes before Liturgy begins for a weekend Liturgy. Water and medicine are exempt.

New Liturgical Books

You might have to take a Liturgical Book from another pew if there is not one for you to use. In time, they will be distributed according to where people usually sit.

Please handle them carefully and respectfully. If you have a child that might mishandle them, be sure to provide another item for them to be entertained with.

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. Modest clothing is expected and appreciated.