

9, 10 August, 2014 * Tenth Sunday of Pentecost



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Season of Pentecost

<http://www.sjmaronite.org>

“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: Theresa Nemer & Laurie Nale	Parish Secretary: Paula Mitchell
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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 brings 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: **Dianne Fjeldheim, Herb Jabar, Albert Joseph, Betsy Joseph, Deacon Peter Joseph, Theresa Lee, Brent Maroon, Mitch Michaud, Hope Murphy, Anita Perreault, Tala Poulin, Virginia Poulin, Brent Williams**

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

Maronite Cathedral in Brooklyn is filmed with a history of the Maronites in New York
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Zldb8aLchA>

Basilica of Our Lady of Lebanon

Just recently, **Pope Francis** has elevated The **National Shrine of our Lady of Lebanon Shrine** to the level of a **Minor Basilica**.

August Food Pantry

Bisquick Jelly Cake Mixes
Family sized items – soups, ravioli, etc.

Thank you for your thoughtfulness and help.

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.

Liturgy Helps:

Be sure your cell phone is off or silenced

2nd Collection: Aug 10 School Subsidy **Aug 16. 17**
Aid the Christians in Iraq and Syria

Liturgy: Tenth Sunday of Pentecost

Entrance chant: Pg. 493 (B), Creed: Pg. 748,
Anaphora of St. Sixtus Pg. 856

Liturgy Intentions

Sat 9 4:00 p.m.
† **John Thomas, Sr. 40 Day Liturgy**
By The Family

Sun 10 10:00 a.m.
† **Yvonne Nemer**
By Jim & Lenore Boles

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

Mon 11 Father's day off for for rest, prayer, reflection, and relaxation

Tue 12 9:00 a.m.
† **Albert & Minnie Nachazel**
By Don & Marcia Kendra

Wed 13 9:00 a.m.
† **Jeanette Pratt**
By John Thomas

Thu 14 9:00 a.m.
† **Selma (Joseph) Thompson**
By Janet George

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Fri 15 9:00 a.m.
† **Caroline Nale**
By Mark & Laurie Nale
6:00 p.m.
† **John & Marietta Thomas**
By The Family

Sat 16 4:00 p.m.
† **Rev. Paul Coury**
By The Parish

Sun 17 10:00 a.m.
† **Yvonne Nemer**
By Gordon & Sue Webber

Movie and Article on St. Sharbel

To read about and watch a movie on St. Sharbel you can follow this Link.

<http://te-deum.blogspot.com/2014/07/saint-charbel-movie.html>

Progress is impossible without change, and those who cannot change their minds cannot change anything.

~George Bernard Shaw

August Devotions - Sanctuary Candles

St. Joseph 14 day Sanctuary Candle

For Available

St. Jude 7 Day Sanctuary Candle

For Special Intention

By Gerry Brouillard

Altar Bread:

For Shackie and Rose Marie Joseph

By Rosanna Joseph

Altar Wine:

For John and Margaret Joseph Family

By Rosanna Joseph

Last Week's Collection

Regular Collection \$2,606.00

God bless you for your generosity.

Please don't forget to send in your contributions while gone during the summer, our monthly bills still continue to arrive during the summer.

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

Remember St. Joseph in your will

Consider including your parish in your will.

Deepest Sympathy

We extend our prayers and condolences to **Lyn Rowden** of our parish, and her family, on the loss of her mother, **Evelyn Blaschke**. May she rest in peace. May the angels of heaven carry her to the place of paradise.

READERS SCHEDULE

10th Sunday of Pentecost

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

4 p.m. Aug 9 Lila Hallowell

10 a.m. 10 Joe Rowden

11th Sunday of Pentecost

Ephesians 2:17-22 Luke 19:1-10

4 p.m. Aug 16 Lenore Boles

10 a.m. 17 Joe Rowden

EVENTS FOR AUGUST

Thu 14 7:00 p.m. Haitian Choir here at St. Joseph Maronite Catholic Church
Contact person Aaron Rowden 330-5450 *

Fri 15-16 Mahajan in New Hampshire *

www.bestfestnh.com

S&S 16-17 Collection for the persecuted Christians of Syria and Iraq

Sun 24 Chicken BBQ 11:30 am-1:30 pm

EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER

Wed 3 Parish Council Meeting

Sun 7 Festival at the Falls 12-4 pm

Sat 13 Bus Trip to Boston

Contact person Emily Fournier 314-8607 *

Sun 14 Rosary Sodality Meeting

* information on insert sheet

Coffee Schedule

For the summer: Larry Mitchell (Muffins)

Special Collection for the Churches under severe persecution.

The Maronite Bishops have asked for a collection to be taken on the 16, 17 of August in all Maronite Churches. The Patriarchs of the Middle East are pleading for help as their churches are being burned and their homes are being confiscated. Many have lost their lives. They have nothing as they flee from lands they have lived for centuries before Islam even came into existence. This persecution is against anyone who does not embrace this gross and wicked distortion of what should not even be identified as Islam. Many Muslims of different traditions are suffering the same fate.

Throughout history, without justice and sound teaching, religions have suffered the infection of a like cancer on the body. Evil triumphs when the good do nothing. Pray for justice and pray for peace to the Prince of Peace.

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

HOLY HUMOR

A father was approached by his small son who told him proudly, "I know what the Bible means!" His father smiled and replied, "What do you mean, you 'know' what the Bible means?"

The son replied, "I do know! " "Okay," said his father. "What does the Bible mean?" "That's easy, Daddy.." the young boy replied excitedly, " It stands for 'Basic Information Before Leaving Earth..' "

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***"The Catholic Church, East and West,
breaths as two lungs in the same body"***