2, 3 August, 2014 * Ninth Sunday of Pentecost



Season 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: Theresa Nemer & Laurie Nale Parish Secretary: Paula Mitchell

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

Parish Council: Sheila Bonenfant, David Elias, Lisa Grard, Frank Griffin, Lowell Hawes. Rosanna Joseph,

Pearley Lachance, David Lee, Aaron Rowden, & Elizabeth Wilson

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

Mitchell, Knights of Columbus

Luke 4:14-21

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country.

He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him.

He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

Dear Parishioners and Friends:

Wouldn't it catch your attention to hear someone read the Scriptures and then say? "What I have read

is fulfilled?" Jesus does fulfill the promises of the Scriptures. God did send His beloved Son into the world so that we would find eternal life. God declares the method of rescue; now it is up to us to put faith in that message and follow the plan.

Today, Jesus reveals part of the message that reveals some of the reasons He was sent into the world. He has entered history and continues to reveal and fulfill his message. When we act on the teachings of Jesus the good news of hope is brought to the poor. What can be brought to the poor; the possibilities are endless.

For those shackled by addictions and emotional behaviors that bring hurt and pain to themselves and those around them; the Christian message brings motivation to provide understanding and the courage to take the steps necessary. The willingness to make the decisions to be released from that bondage certainly is good news. To feel hope and confidence that the storms of life will come to an end we no longer are fed by fear and hopelessness.

For those with physical ailments, hope is a part that motivates us to search and commit to actions necessary to find healing. For all of us, in some way God has a message of transformation and a fulfilling direction that brings into our life a power that fills a type of emptiness that only God knows the right remedy for each individual.

Being in Church on the Sabbath, is an act of faith and consent to believing the "report" about Him. If we believe that the world as we know it needs transformation and healing, then our next step is to search out ways to make the message of Jesus known and accepted.

The Holy Spirit comes upon the Bread and the Wine in order for it to be transformed into His Body and Blood. We are transformed when our faith is fed through our altar call to come forward to receive Him into our lives. In this profound way Jesus continues as He did in the Synagogue this day be praised and heard in the Temple of Worship.

God created a beautiful and wonderful world for us to enjoy and find inspiration and meaning. We cannot let these be a substitute though for the author of creation. Only through the Sacrifice of Calvary, which is renewed on the Altar, do we see the glimpse of the eternal blessing and the Thanksgiving that He personally asks from each of us.

As wonderful as creation is, it cannot finally end the evil that eats away at our own attempts to form a just and compassionate society. It is God's grace and mercy flowing through His teachings that offers the lasting hope and restful peace for those who put their faith in Him.

Let us pray for the victims of evil, violence and hatred, especially those in Syria, Iraq and throughout the Middle East. **Aboona**

Festival at the Falls – The City's annual Franco-American Family Festival has been reinvented this year to include a wider variety of Waterville's cultural heritage. The Festival at the Falls will be held at the Head of Falls on Sunday, September 7, from 12-4pm and will celebrate Waterville's cultural diversity with a variety of authentic foods, live traditional music and jigs, and family oriented activities and events. No pets or alcoholic beverages are allowed on site.

We have invited Okbari, the Middle Eastern ensemble to play. St. Joseph will offer Lebanese food and we are looking for volunteers to work the day of the festival. Contact Lisa Grard or Subdeacon Steve to help.

An error gracefully acknowledged is a victory won.

~Caroline L Gascoigne

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

Liturgy Helps:

Be sure your cell phone is off or silenced

2nd Collection: Aug 10 School Subsidy Liturgy: Ninth Sunday of Pentecost

Entrance chant: Pg. 427 (A), Creed: Pg. 748,

Anaphora of St. John Pg. 815

Liturgy Intentions

Sat 2 4:00 p.m.

† Gerald Joseph By Al & Toni Duguay

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

Sun 3 10:00 a.m.

† Jordan Maroon

By Herb Joseph, Sr.

Mon 4 Father's day off for for rest, prayer, reflection, and relaxation

Tue 5 9:00 a.m.

† Madame Jeannette Marie Sleiman By John T. Sleiman

Wed 6 9:00 a.m.

† Gerald Joseph By Al Dugay

Thu 7 9:00 a.m.

† Annie Stevens By Janet George

Fri 8 9:00 a.m.

† Caroline Nale
By Mark & Laurie Nale

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

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: Evelyn Blaschke, 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

August Devotions - Sanctuary Candles

St. Joseph 14 day Sanctuary Candle For Available

St. Jude 7 Day Sanctuary Candle For Available

Altar Bread:

For Shackie and Rose Marie Joseph

By Rosanna Joseph

Altar Wine:

For John and Margaret Joseph Family

By Rosanna Joseph

August Birthdays

August Anniversaries

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**.

Last Week's Collection

Regular Collection \$1,911.00 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.

READERS SCHEDULE

9th Sunday of Pentecost

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

4 p.m. Aug 2 Lenore Boles 10 a.m. 3 Joe Rowden

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

EVENTS FOR AUGUST

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

Fri 15-16 Mahrajan in New Hampshire *

www.bestfestnh.com

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 Gournier 314-8607 *

Sun 14 Rosary Sodality Meeting

Coffee Schedule

For the summer: Larry Mitchell (Muffins)

Remember St. Joseph in your will

Consider including your parish in your will.

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.

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

True happiness is not attained through self-gratification, but through fidelity to a worthy purpose.

~Helen Keller

^{*} information on insert sheet

Hope Haitian Choir:

The Hope Haitian Choir will be performing at Saint Joseph's Maronite Church on August 14th at 7 p.m. The concert is free and open to the public. Hope Haitian Choir is a group of children and young adults from Haiti age 7-15 who have seen many difficulties in their short lives, yet still love the Lord Jesus Christ and want to share His hope with others around the world. This is their third annual tour in Maine.In order to make this concert a success for the choir and our Church, we will need volunteers to help set-up, serve a meal for the choir, or even host small groups of choir members overnight. If you are interested in helping with this project, please contact Aaron Rowden (660-5450 or aaron.rowden@gmail.com) to join the team!

Daughters of Isabella Saint Theresa Circle 447

A pilgrimage trip by bus to Boston is scheduled for September 13th. The cost will be \$70 per person and will include the charter bus, a bagged lunch, a tour of St. Leonard's, a tour of the Old North Church, Mass at St. Leonard's, and an Italian Banquet at Polcari's. We hope to include a small service project as well. The trip is limited to 55 people, men and women. You must pay in full in order to reserve your place. If you want to go, let Emily Fournier know soon and send payment to 4 Cottage St. Fairfield, ME 04937. Make checks out to Daughters of Isabella Circle 447. You may call her at 314-8607 or email her at emilyrowdenfournier@gmail.com.

P.S. This pilgrimage is open to anyone of any faith. Please let your friends know.

Mahrajan 2014, a Middle Eastern food festival, will be held on the grounds of Our Lady of the Cedars Melkite Catholic Church at 140 Mitchell St., Manchester NH on Friday August 15 from 5-10 PM, Saturday August 16 from 12-10 PM, and Sunday August 17 from 12-5 PM. The event features a variety of Lebanese food, live music, dancing, religious gifts, church tours, and entertainment for children. Mitch Kaltsunas and Ensemble along with DJ Kibar are providing the music. Admission is free. For more information, go to www.bestfestnh.com.