

17, 18 May, 2014 * Fifth Sunday of the Resurrection



First Holy Communion

St. Joseph Maronite

Catholic Church

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The Eucharist

“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
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, David Lee, Kevin Michaud, Aaron Rowden, & Elizabeth Wilson		
Ex-officio:	Deacon Peter Joseph, Subdeacon Steve Crate, Lenore Boles DRE, Paula Mitchell, Rosary Sodality, Larry Mitchell, Knights of Columbus		

John 21:15-19

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my lambs.” A second time he said to him, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Tend my sheep.”

He said to him the third time, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, “Do you love me?” And he said to him, “Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my sheep.”

Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.” (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, “Follow me.”

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The relationship between Peter and Jesus is one of Love. Even though Peter speaks and acts before thinking. He sincerely believed things about himself that were proven to temporarily not be true about him. He acted tough, and yet behaved out of fear. We all have some of Peter’s traits. If we thought Christianity is these traits, many would reject or become indifferent toward being a Christian. Actually many have quit practicing as a Christian because they are continuously bombarded by what is wrong with “us” rather than what is right about Jesus.

Jesus asked Peter if he loved Him, Peter needed to get in touch with his beliefs rather than his fears. Our sinfulness does not make what is true about Jesus false. The Holy Spirit is involved in the sinners’ life to transform the sinner. Peter made mistakes regarding his personal decisions, but when proclaiming the truth about Jesus, through the Holy Spirit, he did proclaim Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God. He proclaimed Jesus the Holy Word made flesh, who spoke truth, taught truth, and lived it.

When others were rejecting that Jesus was the Bread that came down from heaven, and that His followers must feed on this Bread. Peter proclaimed he believed Jesus. When others turned away on hearing Jesus say, "unless you eat my flesh, and drink my Blood you will not have eternal life." It was Peter who said, "you have the words of eternal life, you are the Son of God."

Jesus asks Peter, "Feed my sheep." Out of love for Jesus, he promises to feed the sheep. At this time, some followers were only interested in food multiplied by Jesus, or Miracles. Jesus wasn't crucified for this, it was for being the Bread that came down from heaven, the sacrificial Lamb. He was Food. He is the Food of angels.

We are bombarded constantly with an endless supply of information regarding Jesus, regarding those who teach the message and receive the message. In many ways there are thousands of menus of selected food for the sheep. There is such a variety of "foods" out there that society is starving while picking out just the parts they are willing to believe and follow.

When the only news we continuously focus on is the flaws of "Peter" the built and building church that Jesus called to exist, and ignores and distorts the full and complete teachings as lived through the centuries, we create a distorted society obsessed with out healing and hope. There is always a spiritual hunger within us, and that hunger wrongly responded to leads to destructive distortions within religions and cultures.

Follow the healing, compassion, transforming love that Jesus asks of us. Jesus spoke of what is ahead for Peter, the manner of his death. This did not cause him to shrink from following the One he once denied; instead Peter lived the rest of his life focused on the victory of life over death, forgiveness over hatred, and healing over illness. **Aboona**

Last Week's Collection

Regular Collection \$1,757.00

God bless you for your generosity.

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

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.

Every time you smile at someone, it is an action of love, a gift to that person, a beautiful thing.

~Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Liturgy Helps:

Be sure your cell phone is off or silenced

2nd Collection: 6/1 Catholic Communication Campaign

Liturgy: Fifth Sunday of the Resurrection

Entrance chant: Pg. 317, Creed: Pg. 748,

Anaphora of The Twelve Apostles Pg. 754

Liturgy Intentions

Sat 17 4:00 p.m.

† **Cecilia Joseph John**

By The Bernie Thomas Family

Sun 18 10:00 a.m.

† **First Holy Communion**

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

Tue 20 9:00 a.m.

SI Michael & Lisa Kendra

By Don & Marcia Kendra

Wed 21 9:00 a.m.

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Thu 22 9:00 a.m.

† **Maroon George**

By Janet George

Fri 23 9:00 a.m.

† **Caroline Nale**

By Mark & Laurie Nale

Sat 24 4:00 p.m.

† **Eugene Marshall, Sr.**

By Gene & Dot Marshall

Sun 25 10:00 a.m.

† **Kathleen Hawes**

By Lowell & Mary Hawes & Family

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, Kendra 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

Financial Report for 2013

Copies of the Financial report for 2013 can be found at both entrances on entering the church. If you have any questions don't hesitate to ask.

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

Maronite Charity Appeal	\$(4,000.00)
Collected last week	\$735.00
Collected before last week	\$2,385.00
Total yet to collect	\$(880.00)

*To live only for some future goal is shallow.
It's the sides of the mountain that sustain life,
not the top.*

~Robert M. Pirsig

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 is exempt.

First Holy Communion – May 18, 2014

Congratulations!

Isabel Derosby, the daughter of **Craig & Mary Derosby**,

Isabel, will be receiving the Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior for the first time. Keep her in your prayers as she begins a very special time in her life.

“The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, is given to you for the forgiveness of sins and for eternal life.”

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

READERS SCHEDULE

Fifth Sunday of the Resurrection

Ephesians 2:1-10	John 21:15-19
4 p.m. May 17	Lenore Boles
10 a.m. 18	Mary Jo Hodgkin

Sixth Sunday of the Resurrection

Romans 10:1-13	Luke 24:36-48
4 p.m. May 24	Lila Hallowell
10 a.m. 25	Joe Rowden

EVENTS FOR MAY

Sun 18 First Holy Communion
(Isabel Derosby)

Coffee Schedule

5/18	Alice Lachance	Elizabeth Wilson
5/25	Jan Bourque	Theresa Nemer
6/1	Lenore Boles	Rosanna Joseph
6/8	Larry Mitchell	April Mitchell (Muffins)
6/15	Jody Veilleux	Mary Jo Hodgkin

There is coffee and donuts served each Sunday after the 10 a.m. Liturgy, sponsored by the Rosary Sodality. Muffins will be served the second Sunday of each month.

Mount Merici Academy News:

Mount Merici Academy is having our 6th & 7th Grade New Family OPEN HOUSE on 5/22 at 6:00p.m. ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE FAIR!

Pre-Kindergarten New Family OPEN HOUSE on 5/30 at 11:30. Come join Mrs. Turmelle, our Pre-K teacher for fun activities and learn what Pre-K at Mount Merici is all about! Please contact Mrs. Cote, principal at 873-3773 or email scote@mountmerici.org for more information about the above events, registration information, or to schedule a tour. Our website is www.mountmerici.org and like us on facebook.

May Devotions - Sanctuary Candles

St. Joseph 14 day Sanctuary Candle

For a Special Intent

Laya Joseph

St. Jude 7 Day Sanctuary Candle

For a Special Intent

Laya Joseph

Altar Bread:

For Shackie & Rose Marie Joseph

By Rosanna Joseph

Altar Wine:

For John & Margaret Joseph

By Rosanna Joseph

May Food Pantry

Cake mixes, Jelly or jam, Canned ravioli, and Family size cans of (soup, ravioli, etc.)