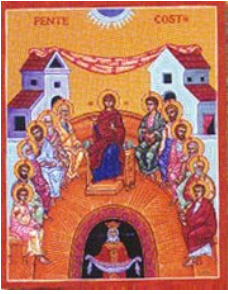


11, 12 July 2015 * Eighth Sunday of Pentecost



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Pentecost

“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.

Choir Director: Fefa Deeb	Sacristans: Theresa Nemer & Laurie Nale	Parish Secretary: Paula Mitchell
Teachers DRE: 3-5 th Lenore Boles, K-1 st Rosanna Joseph, 2 nd Jane Lee		
Parish Council: Sheila Bonenfant, Lisa Grard, Lowell Hawes, Rosanna Joseph, Pearley Lachance, David Lee, & Aaron Rowden, Ex-officio: Subdeacon Steve Crate, Lenore Boles DRE, Paula Mitchell, Rosary Sodality, Larry Mitchell, Knights of Columbus		

Matthew 12:14-21

But the Pharisees went out and conspired against Jesus, how to destroy him. When Jesus became aware of this, He departed. Many crowds followed Him, and He cured all of them, and He ordered them not to make Him known. This was to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah: “Here is my servant, whom I have chosen, my beloved, with whom my soul is well pleased. I will put my Spirit upon him, and he will proclaim justice to the Gentiles. He will not wrangle or cry aloud, nor will anyone hear his voice in the streets. He will not break a bruised reed or quench a smoldering wick until he brings justice to victory. And in his name the Gentiles will hope.”

Dear Parishioners and Friends:

(from a previous reflection)

As the Christian message began to spread among the Gentiles, it was important to show the references from the Sacred Scriptures of the Hebrews that when the Messiah came He would preach and be accepted by the Gentiles. The genuine message of the Gospel was not to harm or bruise anyone, or to destroy anyone. This message is for anyone hurting and wounded; whether physically, spiritually, or

emotionally. It was obvious that the Messiah was a gentle Shepherd to all.

It was not until almost 400 years before those in power began to manipulate the religion to gain more power and claim to be in the name of the faith, to begin to bruise and quench the struggling and weak. From then to now, Christianity has had to struggle to remain authentic and true, in the midst of wolves in sheep's clothing. Fortunately, Christ warned of this, because even before there was any political power in being a Christian, the seeds of using religion for personal power and gain, is the very nature of humans, and is found in every organization.

It is spiritually unwise to put faith in anyone but the sinless One Jesus Christ and with the promise of Jesus, though many may not endure and keep to living the faith authentically, still, the faith can be found and followed. The truth of the faith is whether Jesus spoke the truth and lived what He preached, we cannot make it false by our failures. We can make it more difficult for others to believe through our failures, but the truth, the way and the Life of Jesus remains the way of salvation. The good Doctor can heal His patients. **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: **Jerry Fortin, Herb Jabar, Albert Joseph, Betsy Joseph, John M. Joseph, Debbie Leary, Theresa Lee, Mary Morneau, Hope Murphy, Debbie Pomelow, Tala Poulin, Virginia Poulin, Kevin Scully.**

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

Liturgy Helps:

Be sure your cell phone is off or silenced

2nd Collections: July 12 Fuel Collection

Liturgy: Eighth Sunday of Pentecost

Entrance chant: Pg. 427(A), Creed: Pg. 748,
Anaphora of the Twelve Apostles Pg. 754

This week's Songs: The Song number and page are on the back of the bulletin.

July Food Pantry

Bisquick Variety soups
Cake mixes Personal care items

Thank you for your thoughtfulness and help.

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

Heart Gifts

It's not the things that can be bought
That are life's richest treasure,
It's just the little
"heart gifts"
that money cannot measure...
A cheerful smile, a friendly word,
A sympathetic nod
Are priceless little treasures
From the storehouse
Of our God...

They are the things that can't be bought
With silver or with gold,
For thoughtfulness and kindness
And love are never sold...
They are the priceless things in life
For which no one can pay,
And the giver finds rich recompense
In Giving Them Away.
--- Helen Steiner Rice

Liturgy Intentions

- Sat 11 4:00 p.m.**
† **Joseph & Mary Smus**
By Paula, David & Pat Smus
- Sun 12 10:00 a.m.**
† **Bob, Nancy & Brian Sturtevant**
By The Family

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

There will be no Weekday Liturgy while I am gone. There will be a Communion Service on Wednesday and Friday.

- Wed 15 9:00 a.m. **(Communion Service)**
- Fri 17 9:00 a.m. **(Communion Service)**

- Sat 18 4:00 p.m.**
† **Deceased Members of Lebanon Youth Society**
By the Lebanon Youth Society
- Sun 19 10:00 a.m.**
† **Larry Bishop of KofC Council 11303**
By The Knights of Columbus

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

It is in recognizing the actual presence of God that we find prayer no longer a chore, but a supreme delight.

~Gordon Lindsay

SUMMER COMFORT

Dress with modesty for a sacred and special place.

Last Week's Collection

Regular Collection \$2,240.00

God bless you for your generosity.

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

July Devotions

St. Joseph 14 day Sanctuary Candle

For Neil Avcollie
By Bodie Spencer

St. Jude 7 Day Sanctuary Candle

Available

Altar Bread

Available

Altar Wine

Available

SAY A PRAYER

Little Johnny and his family were having Sunday dinner at his Grandmother's house. Everyone was seated around the table as the food was being served. When Little Johnny received his plate, he started eating right away. "Johnny! Please wait until we say our prayer." said his mother. "I don't need to," the boy replied. "Of course, you do" his mother insisted. "We always say a prayer before eating at our house." "That's at our house." Johnny explained. "But this is Grandma's house and she knows how to cook."

READERS SCHEDULE

Eighth Sunday of Pentecost

Romans 8:1-11	Matthew 12:14-21
July 11	Lila Hallowell
July 12	Joe Rowden

Ninth Sunday of Pentecost

2 Corinthians 5:20-6:10	Luke 4:14-21
July 18	Lenore Boles
July 19	Joe Rowden

EVENTS FOR JULY

Fri 17 Aboona Returns
Mon 20 9th Anniversary for Fr. Larry being here

Coffee Schedule

Larry and Gareth for the Summer

Vocation Icon – Prayers for Vocations

A family or an individual takes home with them a devotional of prayers and an Icon to pray for a week for vocations. It is returned at the end of the week and the next individual or family takes it home.

We have two Vocation Icons, so I am hoping that some people on **Saturday** will sign up to take it home also. You can take it home more than once.

(Icon schedule will continue when Aboona returns from vacation.)

Do you have anything stored in the Maronite Center (School)? Please contact Larry Mitchell if you want it back. 313-0153. The School's removal will be some time later this summer.

I am sure there is sadness in reaching this point after more than 12 years of trying. Those who tried to make a go of making the school a source of income or least not a source of more expenses were unable to accomplish this. There are many ideas but none turned out to be feasible due to the cost of bringing the building up to code and the costs of heating and maintaining the building.