

6, 7 June 2015 * Third Sunday of Pentecost



Holy Eucharist

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“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: 3-5th Lenore Boles, K-1st Rosanna Joseph, 2nd Jane Lee	
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Remain in Peace. ✠ فَوْهْ حَمَلَا ✠ foush bshlomo

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,

Sometimes it seems strange to me that Jesus would use phrases, like “if you love me you will

keep my commands.” Why would He need to feel loved? He has felt love for all eternity from His Father, why would he care whether or not we loved Him. This is a misunderstanding in our mind about love and about God.

God does not need our love and His existence and being is not shaped or controlled by our love. When God has a relationship with us, it has to be a relationship that we can comprehend and desire for us to be in this relationship. No matter how much we are loved by another, it only begins to change us, and fulfill us when we are capable of identifying with it, by being able to love back.

We can understand this in our human relationships, in marriages, friendships, and with parents and our children. We are most happy and at peace in our life, when we not only know we love the other, but also are deeply aware of the love we have to return. How happy can anyone be if they know who they genuinely love

but cannot love them back or are unable to return the same level of love. For us, this linking love with the willingness to obey His commandments does not diminish our sense of love, but offers a path to be certain our ability to love grows and deepens as we mature and develop into the person we were meant to be.

A person trying to “get out” of making any sacrifices in their relationships is building a life in a world that can only get smaller emptier and lonelier. What else can one expect if they are trying to not love, but control and gratify senses that cannot be satisfied?

The speaker of sacrificial love is the Father, the words of sacrificial love is the Son, and the power and the comfort we experience from this message is the Holy Spirit. As wonderful as the world can be, as beautiful as the scenery of the world is, and the many ways we find joy and happiness; we can lose it all in situations of endless possibilities.

What is lasting into eternity, is the eternal peace and harmony found in a relationship with God. These commandments empower the infinite love of God to empower us to love back at a supernatural level of peacefulness.

He says, “Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid,” not as a cliché, or a bewildering request without help, but he offers directions that lead us out of trouble and fear. Faith is believing that, though along the path there are setbacks and troubles; this is the way. His words are truth and life. His words are life giving.

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.

June Food Pantry

Condiments Toilet paper
Jiffy mixes Stews

Thank you for your thoughtfulness and help.

Liturgy Helps:

Be sure your cell phone is off or silenced

2nd Collections: June 14 Fuel, 21 Communications

Liturgy: Holy Trinity Sunday

Entrance chant: Pg. 416, Creed: Pg. 748,

Anaphora of St. John the Apostle Pg. 815

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

Liturgy Intentions

Sat 6 4:00 p.m.

† **Victor & Stella Chadwick**

By Dominick Rinaldi, Sr.

Sun 7 10:00 a.m.

† **Paul & Marlene Peters**

By Eric Peters

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

Tue 9 9:00 a.m.

† **Bertha Jensen**

By Norman Mathieu

Wed 10 9:00 a.m.

† **Emil & Isabella Kalil**

By Norma Kalil Osta

Thu 11 9:00 a.m.

† **Marilyn Corey Miller**

By Barbara Atkins

Fri 12 9:00 a.m.

† **Tannous & Tamam (Saade) Sleiman**

By Annette Bourget

Sat 13 4:00 p.m.

† **Eugene Marshall, Sr.**

By Jackie Marshall

Sun 14 10:00 a.m.

† **Joe Hikel**

By Rita Hikel

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

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

SUMMER COMFORT

Dress with modesty for a sacred and special place.

Last Week's Collection

Regular Collection \$1,438.00

God bless you for your generosity.

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

Maronite Charity Appeal	\$(4,000.00)
Collected last week	\$50.00
Collected before last week	\$3,589.00
Total yet to collect	\$(361.00)

Any amount over the \$4,000 we can use toward repairing our Church steps on Appleton Street

June Devotions

St. Joseph 14 day Sanctuary Candle

For Deeb and Dale Ferris

By the family

St. Jude 7 Day Sanctuary Candle

For Yvonne Nemer

By Lowell and Mary Hawes

Altar Bread

Available

Altar Wine:

For the Maroon Joseph Family

By Al & Ruth Joseph

The Daughters of Isabella St. Theresa Circle 447

The Daughters of Isabella is an international nonprofit service organization for Catholic women ages 16 and up, founded on the principles of Unity, Friendship, and Charity. We have a monthly meeting the first Tuesday of every month, September through June, and complete volunteer services both privately and as a group. FMI or to join our circle, please call Emily Fournier, Regent, at 314-8607.

READERS SCHEDULE

Third Sunday of Pentecost

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

4 p.m. June 6 Lenore Boles

10 a.m. 7 Subdeacon Steve

Fourth Sunday of the Resurrection

Hebrews 13:18-25 John 21:1-14

4 p.m. June 13 Lila Hallowell

10 a.m. 14 Joe Rowden

EVENTS FOR JUNE

Wed 17 5: 30 Parish Council Meeting

F&S 19&20 Recycled Shakespeare

Sun 21 Fathers' Day

Sat 27 Fundraiser for Refugees in Lebanon

Mon 29 Maronite Priest Conference begins

EVENTS FOR JULY

Wed 1 NAM Convention starts in Cleveland

Mon 20 9th Anniversary for Fr. Larry being here

Coffee Schedule

May 31 Jeanne Thomas & Susan Webber

June 7: Elizabeth Wilson & Mary Bard

June 14: Mary Jo Hodgkin & Jody Veilleux

June 21: Larry and Gareth

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.

June 7 Nancy Fairfield

June 14 Larry & Paula Mitchell

June 21 Lowell & Mary Hawes

A little religious humor

The minister was preoccupied with thoughts of how he was going to ask the congregation to come up with more money than they were expecting for repairs to the church building. Therefore, he was annoyed to find that the regular organist was sick and a substitute had been brought in at the last minute.. The substitute wanted to know what to play. "Here's a copy of the service," he said impatiently. "But, you'll have to think of something to play after I make the announcement about the finances."

During the service, the minister paused and said, "Brothers and Sisters, we are in great difficulty; the roof repairs cost twice as much as we expected and we need \$4,000 more. Any of you who can pledge \$100 or more, please stand up."

At that moment, the substitute organist played "The Star Spangled Banner."

Song Books are located in the pews.

LB=Liturgical Book SB=Song Book

Third Sunday of Pentecost - A

Lighting of the Church: SB #135 pg. 21or LB pg.5

Jesus, Christ, O Source of Light

Entrance Hymn: SB – Pg. 11 #115

Gathered at Your Church

Entrance Chant: LB - Pg. 437

Glory: SB - Pg.01 # 01

Hymn: SB – Pg. 1 #4 O Mary, We Pray to You

Liturgy of the Eucharist – After the (748) Creed

Transfer of Gifts:

SB – Pg. 750 The Lord Reigns

Incense Hymn: SB – Pg. 3 #08

Peace Hymn: SB Pg. 12 # 117

Gift of Peace

Anaphora Acclamations after Consecration:

when Sung: SB - Pg. 4 # 10

Communion: SB - Pg. 9 # 109 Be Not Afraid

After Communion:

Closing Song: SB Pg. 21 # 136

Joyful, Joyful



Christians in Lebanon are suffering.

Please pray for Lebanon!

If you are able to relieve some of the suffering,

please visit: www.caritas.org.lb.

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Fundraiser For Refugees in Lebanon

Spaghetti and Bean Dinner and Silent Auction

Where: St. Joseph Maronite Catholic Church

When: Saturday, June 27th

Time: 4:30 to 6:30

Cost: \$8 per person.

This fundraiser is to help the Middle Eastern refugees who have lost everything. Hundreds of thousands of Christians have fled for their lives and are living in horrific conditions in the streets and refugee centers.

Caritas, a very respected Catholic Charity, has offices in Lebanon and other areas, to help care for these refugees. They are in desperate need for the very basics to survive. All their possessions were confiscated when they had to flee their homes.

If you are willing to help with any aspect of this dinner and auction please contact Lyn Rowden at 314-4730 or singhawk@myfairpoint.net.

Through donations of your time, the items for the silent auction, and the items to prepare and serve the Dinner we can give 100% of the money donated to the Refugees.

There are several websites covering their situation. Our bulletin provides the www.caritas.org.lb.

This week's Catholic Sunday Visitor has an article from an Iranian Assyrian Catholic who fled from certain death and made it to the USA.

Iraqchristian-relief.org. They certainly need our prayers.

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

St. John Paul II, Pope of Rome