

## 2, 3 July 2016 \* Eighth Sunday of Pentecost



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Season of Pentecost

The Weekly Video of Our Sunday Liturgy can be found on our Web Site <http://www.sjmaronite.org>

**“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    **Sacristan:** Laurie Nale    **Parish Secretary:** Paula Mitchell  
**Teachers DRE:** Lenore Boles, **K-1<sup>st</sup>** Lenore Boles, **2<sup>nd</sup>** Jane Lee **3-5<sup>th</sup>** Shana Page,  
**Parish Council:** Sheila Bonenfant, Lisa Grard, Lowell Hawes, Pearley Lachance, David Lee, Aaron Rowden,  
Elizabeth Wilson **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:**

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 be preached and 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 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: **Fr. Bill Clark, Jerry Fortin, Herb Jabar, Albert Joseph, Betsy Joseph, John M. Joseph, Debbie Leary, Theresa Lee, Reginald "Mitch" Michaud, Mary Morneau, Debbie Pomelow, Tala Poulin, Virginia Poulin.**

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

## **The Mayonnaise Jar & 2 Cups of Coffee**

When things in your life seem almost too much to handle, when 24 hours in a day are not enough, remember the mayonnaise jar and the 2 cups of coffee. A professor stood before his philosophy class and had some items in front of him. When the class began, he wordlessly picked up a very large and empty mayonnaise jar and proceeded to fill it with golf balls. He then asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed that it was. The professor then picked up a box of pebbles and poured them into the jar. He shook the jar lightly. The pebbles rolled into the open areas between the golf balls. He then asked the students again if the jar was full. They agreed that it was. The professor next picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. Of course, the sand filled up everything else. He asked once more if the jar was full. The students responded with a unanimous "yes." The professor then produced two cups of coffee from under the table and poured the entire contents into the jar effectively filling the empty space between the sand. The students laughed. "Now," said the professor as the laughter subsided, "I want you to recognize that this jar represents your life. The golf balls are the important things — God, your family, your children, your health, your friends and your favorite passions — and if everything else was lost and only they remained, your life would still be full. The pebbles are the other things that matter like your job, your house and your car. The sand is everything else — the small stuff." "If you put the sand into the jar first," he continued, "there is no room for the pebbles or the golf balls. The same goes for life. If you spend all your time and energy on the small stuff you will never have room for the things that are important to you. Pay attention to the things that are critical to your happiness. Play with your children. Take time to get medical checkups. Take your spouse out to dinner. Play another 18. There will always be time to clean the house and fix the disposal. Take care of the golf balls first--the things that really matter. Set your priorities. The rest is just sand." One of the students raised her hand and inquired what the coffee represented. The professor smiled. "I'm glad you asked. It just goes to show you that no matter how full your life may seem, there's always room for a couple of cups of coffee with a friend."



## **Liturgy Helps:**

**Be sure your cell phone is off or silenced**

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Collections:**

July 9,10 Fuel Collection

**Liturgy: 6 Pentecost (B) Pg. 492/3**

Page numbers for the Prayers and Songs are on the back cover of the Bulletin.

### **Liturgy Intentions**

**Sat 2 4:00 pm**  
† **Raymond Veilleux**  
By Larry & Paula Mitchell

**Sun 3 10:00 am**  
† **Jibryne & Jeannette Karter**  
By The Family

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

### **No Weekday Liturgy**

**Sat 9 4:00 pm**  
† **Amin Mikael Saad & Hoda Honeine**  
By John Sleiman

**Sun 10 10:00 am**  
† **Marion Maroon**  
By Judi Lynn Nassar & Family

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

### **Last Week's Collection**

Regular Collection \$2,366.00

God bless you for your generosity.  
If you are not receiving envelopes and would like to start, please let the office know.

*Start by doing what's necessary, then what's possible and suddenly you are doing the impossible.*

~ St. Francis of Assisi

## July Devotions

St. Joseph 14 day Sanctuary Candle Available

St. Jude 7 Day Sanctuary Candle Available

Altar Bread & Altar Wine Available

## **Vocation Icon – Prayers for Vocations**

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.

July 3 Jim & Rachel Kilbride  
July 9 Ann Giguere (Sat)  
July 10 Larry & Paula Mitchell  
July 17 Larry & Lisa Grard  
July 24 Lowell & Mary Hawes  
July 30 Audrey Yotides (Sat)  
July 31 Greg & Marianne Gillespie

## Deepest Sympathy

Our condolences and deepest sympathy go out to the family and friends of **John M. Joseph**, of this parish who passed away Thursday morning. We pray that the Lord God may grant him rest in His kingdom and bring consolation to his family and friends as they mourn their loss.

## **READERS SCHEDULE**

### Eighth Sunday of Pentecost

|               |   |                  |
|---------------|---|------------------|
| Romans 8:1-11 |   | Matthew 12:14-21 |
| July          | 2 | Lenore Boles     |
|               | 3 | Joe Rowden       |

### Ninth Sunday of Pentecost

|                         |    |                 |
|-------------------------|----|-----------------|
| 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:10 |    | Luke 4:14-21    |
| July                    | 9  | Ruth Lunn       |
|                         | 10 | Lauraine Mansur |

### EVENTS FOR JUNE

Wed 29 Leave for vacation with Family

### EVENTS FOR JULY

Tue 5 Maronite Priest Conference  
Fri 8 National Apostolate of Maronite  
Convention begins.  
Wed 20 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for Fr. Larry being here

### EVENTS FOR AUGUST

Wed 24 Endowment Fund "Kickoff Supper"

### Coffee Schedule

**For the Summer** Larry Mitchell & Gareth Belton

**July 3 NO COFFEE HOUR**

### Mark YOUR calendars!

**August 24 – Kickoff Supper for the Endowment Fund. George Mitchell will be attending and share his experience of growing up here at St. Joseph's. We will also officially recognize our "new members".**

### **10 Things God wants you to remember:**

**I will** give you rest.  
**I will** strengthen you.  
**I will** answer you.  
**I believe** in you.  
**I will** bless you.  
**I am** for you.  
**I will** not fail you.  
**I will** provide for you.  
**I will** be with you.  
**I love you.**