29, 30 April 2017 * Third Sunday of the Resurrection



St. Joseph Maronite Catholic Church

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Emmaus Sunday

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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 Sacristan: Laurie Nale Parish Secretary: Paula Mitchell Teachers DRE: Lenore Boles, K-1st Lenore Boles, 2nd Jane Lee 3-5th Shana Page

Parish Council: Sheila Bonenfant, Lisa Grard, Lowell Hawes, Rosanna Joseph, Pearley Lachance, David Lee, Kevin Michaud, Mark Morin, Aaron Rowden, Elizabeth Wilson **Ex-officio:** Subdeacon Steve Crate, Lenore Boles DRE, Paula Mitchell, Rosary Sodality, Larry Mitchell, Knights of Columbus.

Luke 24:13-35

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?"

They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him.

But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they

had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him."

Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the Scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the Scriptures to us?"

That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their

companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Visions, angels talking, touching wounds, the stories kept coming in; Jesus of Nazareth is being proclaimed to have come back from the dead. This is the Good News that a person can come back from the dead. This is profoundly true and powerful. Now that you know this, does it make any difference in your life?

One question might be, just because He was brought back to life, does that mean that I will be brought back to life? And what kind of life are we brought back to? What are the requirements? In general, the present age is marked with an attitude that Jesus has no message for our behavior and any expectations or requirements to have eternal life in the Kingdom of God, the New Jerusalem.

It was deep in the heart of Jesus to explain Who He is and how He is the fulfillment of all the prophets that came before Him. This is why knowledge of the Old Testament remains important to Christian belief. Jesus, is this Word made flesh and there is an intimacy with this history.

We can see God in His creation and His hand through the good deeds of men and women. We know Him through written Revelation and Tradition. Ultimately the fullest of revelation, devotion and adoration is found in the breaking of the bread, the Holy Eucharist. It is in this completion that we began to not only have a Holy God, but the dimension of holiness made available to us, the divinization of our humanity. Our walk to Emmaus, is a walk that never ends. In our journey we have many experiences, struggles, and temptations. We need to keep our hearts open with hospitality to God and others. And like these two men, be willing to spend time learning from the Resurrected Lord. **Aboona**

Congratulations - Baptism

Congratulations to **Thomas and & Audrey Nale** on the baptism of their daughter, **Elizabeth Audrey Nale**, she is now marked and sealed as a member of the Flock of Christ. May God's blessing be upon her and may she grow in faith and knowledge of her Lord and Savior.

Liturgy Helps:

Be sure your cell phone is off or silenced

<u>2nd Collections:</u> Apr. 29, 30 Catholic Home Mission May 6, 7 National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon

May 13, 14 Fuel Collection

Liturgy: Sundays after the Resurrection Pg. 315/317

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

Liturgy Intentions

Sat 29 4:00 pm

† Jean Marie Cunningham By John Sleiman

Sun 30 10:00 am

† Valerie Joy Tieman By Joe & Lyn Rowden

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

Mon 1 Father's day off for prayer, reflection, and relaxation

Tue 2 9:00 am

† Theresa Casavant & John & Marietta Thomas By Dan & Pam Casavant

Wed 3 9:00 am

† Lester Giguere By Ann Giguere

Thu 4 9:00 am

† Cathi Lee

By Larry & Paula Mitchell

Fri 5 9:00 am

† Theresa Lee

By Dan & Pam Casavant

Sat 6 4:00 pm

† William & Violettet (Sleiman) Marozzi
By John Sleiman

Sun 7 10:00 am

† Kathleen Hawes
By The Family

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

May Food Pantry

Toilet paper Family Sized items – soups, Ravioli Condiments Juice in plastic containers

Thank you for your thoughtfulness and help.

Last Week's Collection

Regular Collection \$1,703.00 God bless you for your generosity.

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

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, Dorothy Furgus, Albert Joseph, Sierra Lee, Darrell Mitchell, Mary Morneau, Doreen Nader, Debbie Pomelow, Tala Poulin, Virginia Poulin, Beverly Rideout, Gordon Webber.

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

Church Etiquette

Refrain from long and loud conversations, **no food or drinks in church**, no leaving of pews during the reading of the Gospel and the Consecration of the Bread and Wine. Check to see if your cell phone is off.

May Devotions

St. Joseph 14 day Sanctuary Candle

For Special Intention
By Gerard Brouillard

St. Jude Shrine 7 day Sanctuary Candle

Altar Bread

For Shackie & Rosemarie Joseph

By Rosanna Joseph

Altar Wine

For Deceased Members of the Philip Veilleux Family

By Larry & Paula Mitchell

"Don't try to reach God with your understanding; that is impossible. Reach him in love; that is possible."

- Carlo Carretto

READER'S SCHEDULE

Third Sunday of the Resurrection

2 Timothy 2:8-13 Luke 24:13-35

April 29 Lenore Boles 30 Joe Rowden

Fourth Sunday of the Resurrection

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

May 6 Ruth Lunn

7 Mary Jo Hodgkin

EVENTS FOR APRIL

Sun 30 5 – 6:30 pm Lebanese Supper

EVENTS FOR MAY

Tue 9 6 pm Parish Council Meeting

Sun 7 May Crowning

7 Rosary Banquet 12:00 Joseph's Fireside

Sun 14 Mother's Day

Sun 21 First Holy Communion

Coffee Schedule

Apr 30 NO COFFEE – Due to the Lebanese Supper

May 7 Sharon Crowe & Mary Hawes

May 14 Larry Mitchell & Gareth Belton (Mother's Day)

May 21 Cindy Elias & Mary Nader

May 28 Elaine Hoag & Mary Jo Hodgkin

June 4 Alice Lachance & Jane Lee

June 11 Larry Mitchell & Gareth Belton

June 18 Lauraine Mansur & Marie McMahon Larry & Gareth for the Summer

<u>Vocation Icon – Prayers for Vocations</u>

"Request therefore of The Lord of the harvest to send out laborers to his harvest." Matt. 9:38

Apr 29 Jim & Lenore Boles (Sat)

Apr 30 Lowell & Mary Hawes

May 6 Audrey Yotides (Sat)

May 7 Greg & Marianne Gillespie

May 14 Pearley & Alice Lachance

Sometimes circumstances are such that song choices must be changed at the last minute. Song Books are located in the pews.

LB=Liturgical Book SB=Song Book

"The Catholic Church, East and West, breathes as two lungs in the same body."

St. John Paul II, Pope of Rome