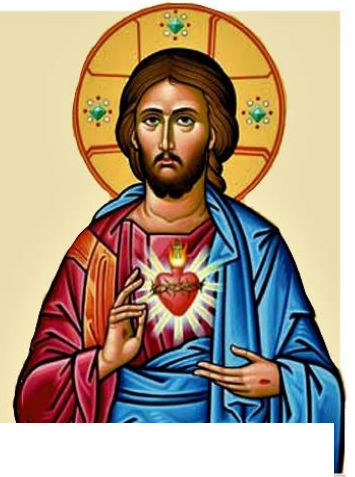


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ENGLISH LANGUAGE
ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH



TRINITY SUNDAY May 26/27, 2018



Pope Francis'
MONTHLY
PRAYER
INTENTIONS

FOR MAY

Evangelization: The Mission of the Laity

That the lay faithful may fulfil their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.

COMING SPECIAL EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

May 26/27 – Trinity Sunday

Special Blessing for those who are leaving, and prayers for those who have left already

May 27 – June 26 – Fr. John in the U.S.

May 29 - Music Group rehearsal, 7 PM – contact Jeff (079-662-3346) for directions if your 1st time

May 31 – Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

June 1 – First Friday; Adoration following Mass in the Francis Xavier Chapel

June 2/3 – Corpus Christi (The Body and Blood of Christ)

June 6 – Birthday of Fr. Anton, St. Mary of Nazareth Church

June 8 – The Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus – Patronal Feast of Our Parish

Birthday of Fr. Michael Linden, SJ

June 9 – Immaculate Heart of Mary

June 9/10 - SECOND COLLECTION FOR SACRED HEART PARISH IN BOTH CHURCHES

June 11 – St. Barnabas, Apostle

June 15 (Approx) – Beginning of Eid al Fitr

June 21 – St. Aloysius Gonzaga – 1st Day of Summer

Father's Day (*Take A Priest to lunch*)

June 24 – The Nativity of John the Baptist

June 27 – Fr. John returns from U.S.

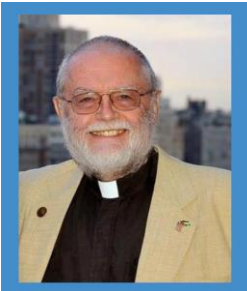
June 29 – Solemnity of Ss. Peter and Paul

July 2 – St. Elizabeth the Prophet (Saint of Jordan)

July 3 – Feast of St. Thomas, Apostle

July 4 – US Independence Day

July 6 - First Friday; Adoration following Mass in the Francis Xavier Chapel



RAMBLINGS

OF THE REVEREND REDACTOR

One of the aspects of this page of “Ramblings” is that it gives me great freedom. I can be theological, personal, introspective, occasionally (probably not often enough) funny) and I can use it to address a number of different issues, plans, concerns and even complaints. This is one of those.

WHAT IN THE WORLD ARE YOU THINKING OF??!!?

When I was a working actor in theatre – and continually as a member of an audience – one of my great annoyances was people who would leave the moment the curtain descended on the play, without having the courtesy to wait for the curtain call. Those actors or singers or dancers or whatever had worked hard to entertain, and the audience didn’t have the courtesy to give them that Thank You, that acknowledgement that they appreciated their work. In New York, there are some who might actually have to catch a train. For the most part, it is people who simply don’t want to wait in line to get their coat or to get a taxi or to be behind someone walking up the aisle. Again, as an actor, coming out to take a bow, and seeing the back of dozens of people leaving – not a great sight.

I liken it to the people who, as soon as the final blessing is delivered, are on their way out the door. They don’t wait for the priest to leave, they don’t get a copy of the newsletter, they don’t have the courtesy to remain part of the congregation and sing the final hymn. Nope, OUT THEY GO.

Now I have two reflections. One is – it is simply rude. Impolite, discourteous, pick your word – but really? I know these people are not catching a train – I’m fairly sure they’re not dashing to the airport – and the parking lot is quite large and the next Mass doesn’t start for usually a full hour after we finish at Sweifieh, and there is lots of room in the parking lot at Freres, so physically getting out is not the problem. If these folks simply don’t want to be involved with “other people,” to spend a minute visiting with or getting to know others in the parish, then they need to look at their view of what it is to be a Catholic.

My other reflection is that while “technically” there is a dismissal – the Mass is really not over until the priest leaves. Just as the Gathering hymn at the beginning is designed to help bring us together as a community, so too the final hymn is a proclamation of our community of worship, our being a family, and we end as we begin. I know, there are also people who are habitually late for Mass – but those should be the LAST people to leave, not the first. Give God the full hour – and if you get to Church early (as you should, so you can quiet down and prepare for your participation in this great mystery) the “clock” doesn’t start until the priest enters, and the Mass shouldn’t be over for you until he leaves.

Give God the full hour – and be polite to your fellow worshippers.

And let us continue to pray for one another.

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Website: Jordanjesuits.org **Facebook:** Go to Parish Group and ask to be admitted to the group. You will be.

MASS SCHEDULE

DAY	TIME	LOCATION
Mon - Sat	8:30 AM	Jesuit Center
Saturday	5:00 PM	Sweifieh, St. Mary of Nazareth
Sunday	6:00 PM	Jabal Hussein, St. Jean Baptiste de la Salle (Al Razi Street)

MORE MOMENTS FROM THE FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATIONS





More pictures can be viewed on line
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www.jordanjesuits.org
click on the link to
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