

HEARTBEAT

News Notes and Inspiration For the People of Sacred Heart Parish Volume 1 – No. 24 August 12/13 2017

19th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Second Collection for Sacred Heart Parish

Music for The 20th Sunday of Ordinary Time – August 19/20

Suggestions for Hymns are always welcome (We will recite the Gloria, the Creed and the Our Father)

ENTRANCE HYMN Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation ALLELUIA (Gaelic) OFFERTORY Blest Are You Lord God of All Creation HOLY – ACCLAMATION – AMEN (Let all that is within me...) AGNUS DEI (Latin) COMMUNION Jesus Remember me, When You Come into Your Kingdom RECESSIONAL Holy God, We Praise Thy Name



PRAYER INTENTION OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR AUGUST For Artists

That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

(Please share your own prayer intentions to be included so we all can pray together.)

CONTINUING PRAYER REQUESTS

St. Ignatius always said that God listens to our prayers, and when something important was coming up, he would encourage the early Jesuits to "storm heaven with can be included here and all of our parish will join in praying with you.

For a young woman, Kaitlyn, fighting cancer For the successful sale of a house For friends and family members who have died For Caijul who is fighting cancer For a woman concerned about her daughter and her grandchildren

For Ray who has moved into hospice For all expectant mothers in our parish For the safety of all who are traveling For a man who will undergo surgery For Colleen, unable to find relief from pain For a father with cancer

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

August 12/13 - SECOND SUNDAY COLLECTION

August 15 – Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Day of Obligation – Mass at 8:30 AM and 6 PM at the Jesuit Center August 22 – Memorial of the Queenship of Mary Lector Training Workshop, 7:30 PM SHARP, Jesuit Center, 43 Al Razi Street August 24 – Feast of St. Bartholomew, Apostle August 25 - Lector Training Workshop, 10:00 AM SHARP, Jesuit Center, 43 Al Razi Street August 28 - Lector Training Workshop, 7:30 PM SHARP, Jesuit Center, 43 Al Razi Street August 29 – Passion of St. John the Baptist August 30 - Lector Training Workshop, 7:30 PM SHARP, Jesuit Center, 43 Al Razi Street September 1 - 1st Friday - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after the 8:30 Mass September 6 – Singing with Father John, 7 PM at the Jesuit Center September 9/10 – SECOND SUNDAY COLLECTION September 12 – Liturgy Planning Meeting, 7 PM at the Jesuit Center September 13 – Singing with Father John, 7 PM at the Jesuit Center September 16/17 – Catechetical Sunday September 16 – Welcome Back! Reception at Sweifieh September 19 - Meeting of parents of First Communion Candidates, 7 PM at the Jesuit Center September 20 – Singing with Father John, 7 PM at the Jesuit Center October 6 - First Friday - Friday - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after the 8:30 Mass **October 8 – SECOND SUNDAY COLLECTION AT DE LASALLE CHURCH** October 13 – 100th Anniversary of the miracle at Fatima **October 14 – SECOND SUNDAY COLLECTION AT SWEIFIEH**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS – On Saturday, October 21, a special Mass to celebrate Alumni of Jesuit schools, anywhere in the world. Anyone who attended a Jesuit school or a certificate program is most welcome. There will be reserved seating for alumni and a reception after Mass. Additional details to follow.

PLEASE REGISTER!!!

There are usually registration slips at the back of the Church. There are four ways to register:

- 1) Fill out the slip of paper and give it to me.
- 2) Go onto the website and there is a space where you can register online.
- 3) Send me an email with the basic information.
- 4) If you are on Facebook, go to Parish Group and leave me a message. I will admit you to the group and you can leave your details in a private message there as well.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES

Please mark your calendars.

For parents who have children they think are ready to begin preparation for First Holy Communion, there will be a meeting at the Jesuit Center at 43 Al Razi Street on Tuesday, September 19th at 7 PM. This is a required session to discuss the program and outline what will be required of parents and candidates. **Please bring a copy of your child's Baptismal certificate** for us to keep – we can make a copy if you only have an original. This is a meeting for parents, there will be a meeting with the children that will be announced at the meeting. If a parent cannot absolutely make the meeting, contact Fr. John – but this is an important commitment, and parents have to be actively involved. Only one parents needs to be present, but if both can attend, so much the better. Children should be at least 7 years old and in at least the second grade.

SIMPLE SINGING SESSIONS Three Sessions of Singing



Starting on Wednesday, September 6 and going for three weeks (September 6, 13 and 20) there will be an informal meeting of anyone who wants to get together and sing. We will work on basic vocal technique, blending voices, and simple harmonies and rounds. The idea is to get together and sing for fun. No commitment, no obligation. Ability to read music not necessary. Desire to sing a bonus. If anyone thinks, "Oh I can't sing" come and see. I might be able to help you discover you CAN sing, and if you already sing,

you might find ways to sing better.

We will meet at the Jesuit Center, Al Razi Street, and we will start around 7 PM. I'll be there by 6:30 PM if anyone wants to come earlier and warm up or ask questions or just sit in the air conditioning. I'll provide the music – bring your voice.

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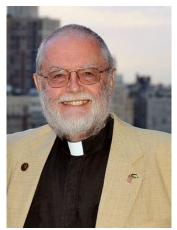
Ministry	Mary of Nazareth	Jean Baptiste de LaSalle	Notes or Special Events
Coordinator	Donna Naber	Elisa Estrada	
Hospitality 1 ¹			
Hospitality 2			
Leader of Song			
Lector 1 ²	Christine Darby	Brian Marland	
Lector 2	Grace Ibrahim	Dr. Barbara	
Lector 3	Donna Naber	Johnny Church	
Offertory Gifts	Jude Family		
Collection 1			
Collection 2			
Eucharistic Min.			
Eucharistic Min.			
Altar Server	Alexie		
Altar Server	Filonia		

Ministry Assignments for 20th Sunday of Ordinary Time, August 19/20

ENGLISH MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Saturday – 8:30 AM – Jesuit Center, 43 Al Razi Street, Jabal Hussein Every Saturday at 5 PM– Sweifieh, St. Mary of Nazareth Every Sunday – 6 PM - Jabal Hussein, St. Jean Baptiste de LaSalle

Most weekend Masses have confession for 30 minutes prior to the beginning of the Mass. Fr. John or other Jesuit priests are available to hear confessions by appointment as well.



RAMBLINGS

FROM THE REVEREND REDACTOR

WELCOME BACK! Recently I've started to see faces I haven't in a while, and there were some new faces, so as the year moves on, this seems to be the season when people who were away are coming back. And even if you didn't go away,

or you did and you've been back for a while - welcome back to you too.

One of the less joyful jobs of a Pastor is registering parishioners. Yecch. But it is necessary for me and important for you. Necessary for me, because I need to be able to tell the Bishop and the Patriarch's Office approximately how many people our parish serves. We know, and they realize, that we serve more than are registered. But we still need to know some numbers.

It is important for you because if you present yourself with a child for Baptism, or First Communion, or asking me to write a letter to another parish confirming that you are a parishioner in good standing because you have been asked to be a sponsor at Confirmation or a Godparent at Baptism, and I do not have you on the rolls, it is difficult to take the next step. I know, Jesus didn't have a file cabinet. But in our day, we do and those to whom I must answer expect me to have the records up to date.

SO - here we go again. EVEN IF YOU REGISTERED PREVIOUSLY - please drop by the website and do it again. It makes my life MUCH easier this way, because people leave without letting us know and so we carry folks who are now living in another country. I have also slightly changed the information we are requesting - for instance, I'm asking for your birthday. Not the year, but the month and the day. Yes, I plan to start listing birthdays in the weekly bulletin, so we can remember you in our prayers when you celebrate another year of growing wiser and more beautiful.

There will be new paper forms if you hate the internet and don't want to go to the website - fair enough - they will be available at the back of the church or at the Jesuit Center after each Mass. So PLEASE - register. Give us all the information. I absolutely promise and guarantee we do not share, trade sell or barter that information with ANYBODY and it is on a discrete disk drive, so even if our computer gets hacked, that information is NOT accessible. (Feel better? Good.)

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch. But recently I received a lovely present from some folks as they were leaving Mass. I was touched and delighted. And when I sat down to write Thank You note - they're not registered so I have no email, no mailing address, no phone - no way to say Thank You. We can't invite you to a party if we don't know how to reach you, and we can't confirm to some other parish that you're a member of ours if you're not on our list.

So I apologize for being a nuisance - and Thank You for your cooperation.

Fr. John's Email: pastorsh@jordanjesuits.org
Fr. John's Phone: Office: 06 461-4190, Ext 29 Mobile: 079 013-8985 (If no answer, leave a message on the voicemail.)
Website: Jordanjesuits.org and there is a separate section for the Sacred Heart Parish
Facebook: If you are on Facebook, go to Parish Group and on your first visit you will request to be admitted. After that the system will recognize you so you can post.

LECTORS

The Lector is entrusted with proclaiming the Word of God at Mass and other public celebrations. This year we will have a required Workshop at the beginning of the year, with additional classes as needed throughout the year. In addition to the technical dimension of proclaiming the readings, Lectors should regularly pray with the readings. This ministry is open to all who are in Grade 10 and above. The Lector is an established ministry in the Church, and so those who take and pass the course will be officially recognized at Mass. Even those who have been reading in the past are asked to please come and take the workshop if they wish to continue this ministry.



A workshop for Lectors will be held on

Tuesday, August 22, at 7:30 PM SHARP at the Jesuit Center, 43 Al Razi, Jabal Hussein Friday, August 25 at 10 AM SHARP at the Jesuit Center (*Feast of St. Genesius, patron of actors*) Monday, August 28 at 7:30 PM SHARP at the Jesuit Center, 43 Al Razi, Jabal Hussein Wednesday, August 30, at 7:30 PM SHARP at the Jesuit Center, 43 Al Razi, Jabal Hussein

Topics will include (but are not necessarily limited to) – Praying with Scriptures – Giving Meaning to the words – Using your voice – how to use a microphone – Presence, Posture and Personality.

<u>It is necessary to only attend one of the sessions but members must be present for the whole session</u>. Please call or (even better) email Fr. John to indicate which workshop you will be attending, so we can have materials for all who attend. If you can attend none of these workshops but would still like to be considered, let us know so we can add your name to a list for future workshops. Workshop will run approximately two hours, depending on the number of people present.

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In the weeks to come, workshops and special training will be announced for Ministers of Hospitality, teachers in the catechism program for regular classes and perhaps for a Children's Liturgy of the Word (if it turns out there is a need), Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, Altar Servers and as always if there are areas where you think there is a need that has not been mentioned, please step up and make your voice heard.



LITURGY PLANNING GROUP

Since I am not perfect, all-wise or all-knowing, and especially since this is my first year, I would like to form a group that would meet once a month to advise me about upcoming holidays, liturgies, and special events. Just because "we did it last year" doesn't automatically mean we will do it again. But I also gather there are things we "used to do" that have disappeared, and it may be that those too could be revived. Brand new (but we've never done THAT before!) ideas are also

welcome - I might even have one or two of those myself.

First meeting will be on Tuesday, September 12 at 7:30PM and everyone is welcome. Please drop me a note to say a) that you are coming (so I can be sure we have enough space) or b) if you would REALLY like to be part of this group but cannot make this first meeting. Every topic is up for grabs – music, liturgical style, altar servers, the role of other volunteers, special events, observance of major feasts and seasons and whatever you might bring to the discussion. Just to keep things in context – yesterday we unwrapped an Advent wreath and I have already started working on Christmas. It is never too late to start planning ahead.

EXISTING OR POSSIBLE MINISTRIES

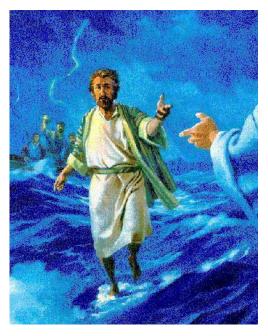
* - Some ministries require some training, which will be provided

*Lectors – Read at Mass *Altar Servers *Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist *Ministers of Hospitality Volunteer Coordinators Special Events (Receptions, trips, etc) Liturgy Planning Service to the Poor and/or Refugees Catechism Instruction *Children's Liturgy of the Word Bible Study/Reflection/Sharing Visiting the Sick Graphic/Design (*Bulletin, website, HEARTBEAT*) Days of Recollection – Parish retreat Parish Council/Advisory Group

If there is something you think of that is not on the list, especially if it involves your own talent or experience, PLEASE SPEAK UP and let us know!

NOTE: Volunteering does not mean you will be IN CHARGE, if you are more comfortable being IN a group or ON a committee, don't feel you will be pushed beyond your ability or comfort level. Some ministries require some training, which will be provided. There will ALWAYS be help.

The picture is Peter walking on the water. The lesson is that Christ calls us to do things we think we can't.



But before Jesus can help us, we have to step out of the boat. Take a chance – volunteer.