

HEARTBEAT

# News Notes and Inspiration For the People of Sacred Heart Parish Volume 1 – No. 25 August 19/20 2017

# **20th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

### Music for The 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time – August 26/27

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

ENTRANCE HYMN Praise to the Lord ALLELUIA (Gaelic) OFFERTORY This Day God Gives Me HOLY – ACCLAMATION – AMEN (Let all that is within me...) AGNUS DEI (Latin) COMMUNION Amazing Grace RECESSIONAL They Will Know We Are Christians By Our Love



#### 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.

#### **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 Paul undergoing cancer rehab therapy For family members who have died For Caijul who is fighting cancer For a woman concerned about her daughter and her grandchildren For Colleen, who is in great pain unable to find relief For the successful sale of a house

#### ENGLISH MASS SCHEDULE

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

For Ray who has gone to God For Ward, having his knee replaced For the safety of all who are traveling For a man who will undergo surgery For a father with colon cancer For all expectant mothers in our parish For Catherine, 93, who fractured her neck For all those looking for work

> 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.

# **UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS**

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 – Parish 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 after Mass 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 – 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the miracle at Fatima October 14 - SECOND SUNDAY COLLECTION AT SWEIFIEH

MARK YOUR CALENDARS – On Saturday, October 21, we will have a special Mass to celebrate and honor all Alumni of Jesuits 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!!!

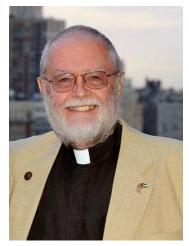
There are NEW registration slips at the back of the Church. There are four ways to register:

- 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 (but PLEASE answer all the questions)
- 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.

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Ministry	Mary of Nazareth	Jean Baptiste de LaSalle	Notes or Special Events
Coordinator	Sana Dababneh	Dr Barbara	
Hospitality 1 <sup>1</sup>			
Hospitality 2			
Leader of Song			
Lector 1 <sup>2</sup>	Eunice Dadsom	Johnny Church	
Lector 2	Maria Rosen Solomon	Luis Aguilar	
Lector 3	Sana Dababneh	Sr. Joana	
Offertory Gifts	Pulickal Family		
Collection 1			
Collection 2			
Eucharistic Min.			
Eucharistic Min.			
Altar Server	Austin Pulickal		
Altar Server	Athan Pulickal		





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Christianity has several key images. The greatest is the crucifixion, the Savior hanging on the cross, giving His life for us. The most popular is probably the crèche, the stable scene where Jesus was born.

But one of the most telling is the scene at the Last Supper, where Jesus washed the feet of His disciples. One of the key elements of the Christian message is service, taking care of others, humbling yourself to clothe, feed, wash the feet of those in need.

When we hear that message we tend to think in extremes – feeding the starving, helping those who care for refugees. That is certainly important and throughout the year, as a community, we will be exploring how we can make a real contribution in those areas whenever and however we can. But it is also important to serve closer to home - in fact, at home, and in particular, to take care of one another.

As we begin a new year, there are a number of needs within our own parish community. They are not as dramatic as feeding the poor or clothing the naked, but they can be as important. Each of our volunteer ministries is important in the life of the parish, and in the life of the parishioners. Each ministry is also important in the life of the person who volunteers, for as each person brings his or her gift of self and offers it to the community, there is a spiritual growth in that person. As we share our gifts and our faith with one another, we strengthen one another and we grow ourselves as well.

In the next weeks I hope there will be many who will put our parish community on the list of things they are going to invest time in this year. Lector, Extraordinary Minister of Communion or Minister of Hospitality, musician, altar server, teacher, parish planning – or perhaps activities that I have not thought of that someone will suggest and help to create - there are many ways to share or develop your gifts. It is a good work; it is a necessary work; it is even a holy work.

There are many demands on our time and our energy. Work, family, school, our community, our interests and hobbies and clubs and other service organizations all cry for attention and a space on our calendars. I hope that in the next week or so, you will put serving the parish on your own personal list of commitments, and that our parish community will not be last on the list, or something that gets added when all the other commitments have been made.

Grab a towel and a basin – it's time to start washing some feet.

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**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.

# 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.

## 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 19<sup>th</sup> 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.

#### PARISH PLANNING GROUP

I would like to form a group that might 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 could/should 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. From last week to this the name changed from LITURGY PLANNING GROUP to PARISH PLANNING GROUP, indicating a much wider range of activity.

First meeting will be on Tuesday, September 12 at 7:00PM 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

# WHAT ELSE should we be planning for?

Potluck suppers? Birthday celebrations? Special commemorative Mass? Advent ceremonies? Midnight Mass at Christmas? Picnics? Activities for children? Ecumenical projects and celebrations? Adult discussion sessions? Adult religious ed classes? All Saints Day?

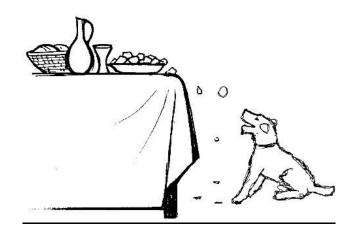
Christmas. It is never too late to start planning ahead. (I know, how can you plan behind. Sorry)

### WHAT'S YOUR CATHOLIC IQ?

Being a Catholic is more than just going to Mass. If you were raised Catholic, you may not be as aware of it, but those who are converts discover that there is a LOT to learn about being a Catholic. It's not just a question of theology, but a whole culture. Here's a quiz to see how much of "Catholic culture" you are familiar with. Answers will be in next week's bulletin. (No fair using Google.)

- 1. The first Pope after Peter was b) Peter II c) Sylvester a) Paul d) Linus 2. A Louisiana nun well-known for her opposition to the death penalty is b) Mother Angelica c) Sr. Thea Bowman a) Sr. Helen Prejean d) Mother Teresa 3. King Solomon's Temple in Jerusalem was utterly destroyed by the Babylonians in a) 587 BC b) 33 AD c) 70 AD d) 313 AD 4. The first man to print the Bible on a printing press was a) Martin Luther b) Pope Gregory the Great c) Johannes Gutenberg d) Alexander Graham Bell 5. Ceremonial display of a consecrated host in church is called a) viaticum b) exposition of the Blessed Sacrament c) concelebration d) Benediction 6. The saint who is credited with finding the True Cross of Jesus is a) Helena b) Perpetua c) Felicity d) Ignatius of Antioch 7. Another name for "sermon" is a) dialogue b) homily c) hominy d) extreme unction 8. The association of Catholics that works to encourage vocations to the priesthood and religious life is a) Altar Guild b) Legion of Mary c) Serra Club d) Christophers 9. The new Code of Canon Law went into effect a) late 1930's b) early 1950's c) early 1980's d) 2000
- 10. In the Bible, the prayer that begins "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord" is spoken by
  a) Mary, the mother of Jesus
  b) Elizabeth, mother of John the Baptist
  c) Zechariah, father of John the Baptist
  d) the Apostle John, known as the Evangelist
- 11. A number of saints were dropped from the revised liturgical calendar becausea) the Pope didn't like themb) there was little historical evidence for their existencec) the publisher made a mistaked) all of the above
- 12. Twenty-one books of the New Testament are calleda) lettersb) Gospelsc) proverbsd) chronicles
- 13. Using a fish as a symbol for Christ
  - a) dates from the early days of Christian art
    b) was a secret way of showing one was a Christian
    c) was used because the Greek word for an acrostic for Jesus' titles
    d) all of the above
- 14. The traditional name for a prayer that expresses sorrow for sin and a firm purpose of amendment is called a) a doxology b) an act of contrition c) an Ave Maria d) the Apostles' Creed
- 15. The oldest Christian feast celebrated by the faithful isa) Christmasb) New Yearc) Easterd) the Assumption

- 16. The Church teaches that the primary religious educators of children area) Catholic schoolsb) parentsc) godparentsd) pastors
- 17. Recent changes in the Mass include
  - a) bowing before receiving Communionb) genuflecting during the Our Fatherc) singing the entire Eucharistic Prayerd) proclaiming the Gospel in Latin
- 18. The first two words of the Our Father in Latin area) Adeste Fideles b) Pater Noster c) Sanctus Sanctus d) Et Cetera
- 19). The Second Council of Trent took place
  a) 2<sup>nd</sup> century BC
  b) 5<sup>th</sup> century AD
  c) 16<sup>th</sup> century AD
  d) 20<sup>th</sup> century AD
- 20. The feast that commemorates Mary's body and soul entering the glory of heaven is thea) Assumptionb) Immaculate Conceptionc) Annunciationd) Ascension



# **COMING UP THIS WEEK**

#### 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. For both those who have been reading and for those who would like to begin this important ministry.

#### PLEASE REGISTER

There is a new form for registering as a member of Sacred Heart Parish, and I am asking (begging, pleading cajoling) you – even if you are already registered – to take a minute and do it again. You may do it online at <u>www.jordanjesuits.org</u> (that's the easiest) but we also have paper forms available at the back of the Church after Mass and at the Jesuit Center. Thank you.