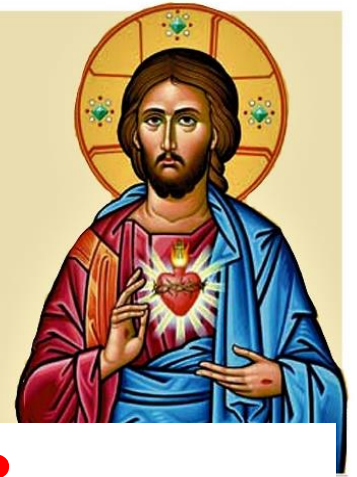


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ENGLISH LANGUAGE
ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH



6th Sunday of EASTER June 1/2, 2019

COMING SPECIAL EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

- June 6 – Birthday of Fr. Anton, Pastor of St. Mary of Nazareth
June 7 - First Friday – Adoration following the 8:30 AM Mass
June 8 – Birthday of Fr. Michael Linden, SJ, Jesuit Superior in Jordan
June 8/9 – **SECOND SUNDAY COLLECTION FOR SACRED HEART PARISH**
June 10 – Mary, Mother of the Church
June 11 – Feast of St. Barnabas, Apostle
June 13 – St. Anthony of Padua
June 15/16 – **SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST**
June 21 – St. Aloysius Gonzaga, SJ
 First Day of Summer - Father's Day (Take a priest to lunch!)
June 22/23 – Solemnity of Corpus Christi
June 24 – Solemnity of the Birth of John the Baptist
June 29 – Solemnity of Ss. Peter and Paul, Apostles
July 3 – Feast of St. Thomas, Apostle
July 5 – Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
 Patronal Feast of our parish
 First Friday – Adoration following the 8:30 AM Mass
July 6/7 – We will celebrate the Mass of the Sacred Heart, in honor of our patronal feast
July 6 – Reception after Mass for the parish feast
July 13/14 - **SECOND SUNDAY COLLECTION**
July 15 – Feast of the Dedication of the Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre
July 22 – Feast of St. Mary Magdalen
July 25- Feast of St. James, Apostle
July 31 – Solemnity of St. Ignatius Loyola, founder of the Jesuits
 Reception following the 8:30 AM Mass



Pope Francis'

MONTHLY
PRAYER
INTENTIONS

FOR JUNE

That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are most poor.



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

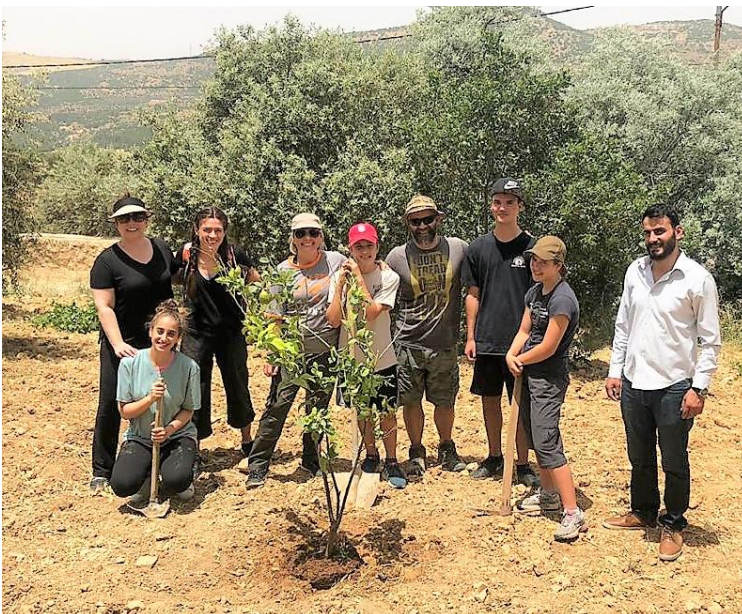
2	Sandra Hill	14	Henriques Pereira
	Natalie Al Naber	21	Al fares Hattar
6	Fr. Anton (St. Mary of Nazareth)	24	Bernadette Lack
8	Fr. Michael Linden, SJ	26	William Awwad
9	Shirley Fontejo	27	Pedro Herrera Gomez
11	Rita Okechukwu		Andrea Fossum
	Dr. Barbara Burgan	28	Karim Mubarak
13	Fr. Gerald Metal	29	Eileen Doherty
	Kelly Connor	30	Maysam Ziadeh

ANJARA TRIP REPORT

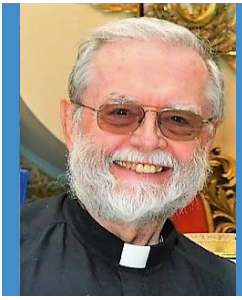
On Friday, May 24, 12 hardy individuals braved the heat and instead of taking the day off, made the journey up to Anjara, to bring and plant lemon and fig trees to poor families in the area, as a gesture of Ramadan support from our parish to them. We coordinated with the orphanage that is in Anjara, and Sana Dababne organized a lunch not just for the workers but for the whole orphanage. (We were very popular.) The participants got to learn something about the orphanage, interact with the children, and of course, many learned something about planting trees. (Digging holes is hard work!) In spite of the 38 degree temperatures – and it was probably more out in the sun – everyone had a good day.



Here is the merry band - Fr. John took the picture



It may take a village to raise a child, but apparently it takes a crew of 10 (including the photographer) to plant a lemon tree. And the truth is – everybody contributed – dug the hole or got the tree out of the pot (NOT an easy step!). We may go back and take pictures of the lemons.



RAMBLINGS

OF THE REVEREND REDACTOR

Those of you who check the website know that I write a Ramblings there as well, and I practically never duplicate, so they are always different. This week, I am stealing a little bit (from myself!) from that page to this. As I write this, I am sitting in the departure lounge at Queen Alia Airport and will shortly put myself in the hands of Royal Jordanian Airlines and return to the States to celebrate my 2nd 50th reunion (I am a member of two classes at the University of Notre Dame) and visit my sister and see some friends. It is a hectic schedule and not really a vacation - but I learned a long time ago, way before the personal computer or the internet were even being talked about in science fiction magazines, keeping in touch with friends is crucial if you want to sustain the friendship. So during my all too short time in the States, I am doing a LOT of travel, just to touch base and talk with and listen to a long list of friends. It is tiring and expensive - but it is very important.

And WHAT we do isn't important; often enough it is simply the act of being together. Taking the garbage to the dump in the pickup is time spent together. Sharing simple moments in a family or a community helps build the links that keep friends together. So I will be spending a lot of energy in doing just that. Of course I am still writing the weekly Newsletter and the daily reflections continue until Pentecost - those ARE made possible by the internet and the computer. Even though I am away, I manage to take a lot of work with me.

There is a parallel, of course, in how I feel about friendship and how I think about God. If we are to keep our friendship with God alive and vibrant and important, then the same approach applies. God, of course, knows our life and schedules and hopes and failures. But we need to keep including God in the simple things we do. Yes, even taking the garbage to the dump. If our "contact" with God is going to continue to be meaningful in our lives, then we have to work it in the same way and with the same energy and care and love that we devote to keeping in touch with family in far away places and friends.

God isn't on Facebook, and doesn't respond to Tweets, and if anyone has an email address for God they haven't shared it with me. So the "usual" channels of communication don't work. But silence and prayer and simply playing attention - these DO work and are easier than Facebook - no censorship, no computer needed, no worries about people stealing your "identity." Simply thinking about God during the day is a good beginning, whether reading the newspaper or taking a walk, sitting in traffic (harder to lose your temper if you are also quietly talking to God) or taking out the garbage. God is always ready and willing to be a part of your life; you need to invite Him, to MAKE him a part of your life.

Whether you are traveling or staying put, leaving on vacation or for good - be safe, remember the parish in your prayers, and know that Sacred Heart Parish is always ready to welcome you back. You are family - and even if you don't keep in touch when you leave, we will pray for you.

Let us continue to pray for one another and for a world that needs changing.

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Fr. John's Mobile: 079 013-8985 (If no answer, leave a message.)

Facebook: If you are on Facebook, go to Parish Group and ask to be admitted to the group. You will be.

AN UPDATE FROM FR. SCHINELLER

We move to summer, June 2019 it is a good time to catch up. In January 2018 (more than one year ago) I arrived in New York. I resided in the Bronx, at the Jesuit residence, Murray-Weigel Hall, for a few months, awaiting a new assignment. That came in March 2018 and so I headed north to Jogues Retreat Center in peaceful, quiet Cornwall, New York. I assist around the house, and have time for writing, reflection.



Weekends here are frequently busy with groups, faculty, administrators, coming from high schools, parishes, for some rest and reflection. Jesuits too come by a few days of rest and/or prayer. Right now there are 22 young Jesuits here, relaxing after their year of studies at Fordham University.

I have a small car, needed to get around, at times pick up or drop off visitors at the train stations, the ferry, or the bus stop. For my exercise I work on the grounds, raking leaves, planting a few flowers and two Colorado spruce trees. My favorite tree is a huge copper beech tree, 280 years old. The house is the James Stillman House, designed by noted architect Stanford White and built in 1886. It was given to the Jesuits in 1973 to serve as a quiet residence for Jesuits on retreat or on vacation. We have 37 acres and views of the Hudson River two miles away.

On the weekends I drive for 20 minutes to Highland Mills, to St. Patrick's Parish. I celebrate Mass either on Saturday evening or Sunday morning. I would call it a typical country parish: prayerful, generous, friendly.

The Local Paper, the *Times-Record* (a quite impressive paper) every day more or less prints a Photo of the Day. Two of mine were so honored, one of a deer heading into the winter wonderland.

My health has been excellent. In August, cataracts were removed to improve my eyesight helping me to see the golf ball, if not hit it better. Speaking of which, there is a golf course adjoining our property and we have a golf cart in our backyard which we can use to play golf.

While I like and enjoy city life, I also appreciate very much the quiet of Cornwall. No honking horns, few fire engines, friendly stores and neighbors, welcomes and greetings in the shops of Cornwall and nearby towns.

I enjoy it so much - the peace and quiet - that I tend to stay at home, rather than explore the historic sites of the area. I keep busy with my writing - on the names, descriptions of Jesus, and on finding God in technology and manufactured objects (as well as in nature). While as Christians we formerly often thought of and rejected the "occasions of sin, I find myself reflecting on and writing about "occasions of grace" - and there are plenty around here.



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