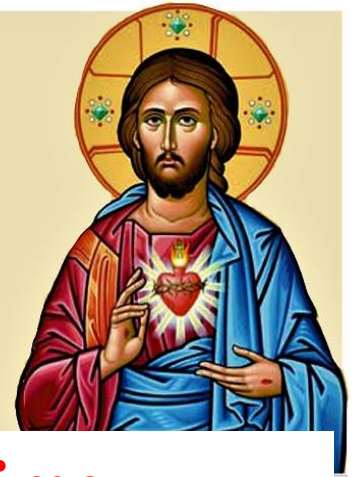


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ENGLISH LANGUAGE
ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH



29th Sunday of Ordinary Time October 19/20, 2019

COMING SPECIAL EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

October 19 – Mass for Jesuit Alumni and Friends (No reception after Mass)

October 25 – Daylight Savings Time ends

October 26/27 – Renewal of Marriage Vows

October 29 – 9 AM – Deadline for Ads for Fr. John's Concert program

October 30 – November 9 – Father John away on retreat

November 1 – Solemnity of All Saints; First Friday; Adoration following Mass

November 2 – Feast of All Souls

November 9 – Fr. John returns from retreat; regular 1st Communion class

November 9/10 - **Second Sunday Collection for Sacred Heart Parish**

(NOTE: The November collection will go to the Care for the Poor Fund)

November 13 – Deadline for ads for the 2020 calendar

November 18 – FATHER JOHN MEETS FATHER CHRISTMAS – 7 PM, Bank Al-Etihad

November 23/24 – SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

November 28/29 – Christmas Bazaar at the Jesuit Center

Nov 30/Dec. 1 – First Sunday of Advent

December 9 – Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

Ask Father John (Location to TBA)

December 10 – Meeting of the Parish Advisory Council

December 14 – Mass for Children, Sweifieh

December 17 – Birthday of Fr. McChesney, SJ and Pope Francis

December 24 – Christmas Eve and Vigil Mass to be scheduled

December 25 – Mass of Christmas morning at the Jesuit Center at 10:00 AM



Pope Francis'

MONTHLY
PRAYER
INTENTIONS

FOR OCTOBER Evangelization – Holy Spirit

That the breath of the Holy Spirit
engender a new missionary “spring”
in the church.

The link to the video for this month's Prayer Intention:

<https://youtu.be/wi6VxvIU4mQ>

MASS SCHEDULE

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

FATHER JOHN MEETS FATHER CHRISTMAS

Monday, November 18 – 7 PM SHARP!
Halim Salfiti Theater Bank Al Etihad HQ



TICKETS FOR THE OCTOBER 7TH CONCERT VALID FOR THIS EVENT.

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT:

KARASI – www.karasi.com

Orders at – www.jordanjesuits.org click Sacred Heart Parish

PRICES:

Patron – 25 JOD – Reserved seats, name in the program, special gift (*Patron seats ONLY through Fr. John*)

General Admission – 10 JOD

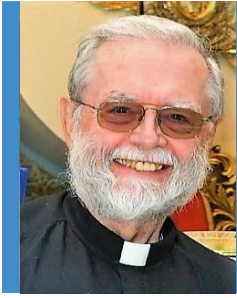
Children under 12 (Accompanied by adult) 5 JOD – limit 2 per adult ticket

Students – 5 JOD (Admitted 10 minutes before the start, sit in any vacant seat.)

All proceeds go to the Sacred Heart Parish charity programs



**SET CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR
AT 1 AM ON OCTOBER 25**



RAMBLINGS

OF THE REVEREND REDACTOR

When I was growing up, there was a very popular song by Bob Dylan, “The Times They Are A-Changing.” Now Dylan was talking about social revolution, but today, it has more to do with setting your clocks back one hour on October 25th. Having a morning Mass is always fun when the time changes, either in the Spring or in the Fall, because there are always people who arrive one hour early or one hour late.

Today many of our devices actually change themselves. But there are still some that have to be manually adjusted. Just for fun this year, count how many clocks and watches and microwaves and ovens and car clocks you have to change to get ready for the new time.

This whole business of time is, you know, fairly recent. When I was studying in Ireland – a country notorious for people being late and not particularly caring about it – I realized that in many cases, the “offenders” had been raised on or were one generation away from a farm. On a farm – and it has been true for centuries, long before watches or clocks – the sun was your clock. You went to work when the sun went up, and when the sun went down you stopped. In the middle of the day, when the heat was at its worst, you might rest for a little and get something to eat. But time was measured more in seasons – time to plow, time to plant, time to harvest – than in hours and minutes. Still true today in many countries.

In Nigeria, near where we built our first school, there was a village that operated on an 8-day week. Every 8 days was a market day. They’d been living according to that schedule for a long time, and it didn’t bother them that the rest of the world had moved on to a different calendar. In Jordan, we celebrate Lent and the Easter Season up to Pentecost according to the Orthodox calendar, which this year again means all our celebrations will be one week behind the rest of the Catholic world. People coming to Jordan to celebrate Easter often miss it, because while everyone else is celebrating Easter, we are only at Palm Sunday. In 2021, I believe the gap will be a three-week difference.

I mention this because time is a construct we have accepted for measuring the passing of our lives. Some people get excited about “gaining” or “losing” an hour. I won’t even try and get into Leap Year. But I remind myself that while it can be a useful device, God exists outside of time, and at some point, so will we. Now we are chronological beings, and everything we do is pretty much first this and then that in nice little sequences. Which implies – actually which requires – time. But time (the theoretical physicists tell us) is a function of matter; if there were no matter there would be no time, and for the scientists, time began with the Big Bang, at which moment all matter was created. It is hard for us to imagine “outside” of time.

For me, I am much more interested in the moment when all time will end, perhaps for all the world and maybe even the universe, but most certainly and assuredly for me. There will come a split second when I will leave this time and move into something entirely other. I won’t need a watch, I won’t care about the seasons – the only thing will be endless love.

I think I’m rather looking forward to it. In the meantime – don’t forget to change your clocks.

And let us continue to pray for one another.

Fr. John’s Email: pastorsh@jordanjesuits.org *Website:* Jordanjesuits.org

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.



Christmas Bazaar at the Jesuit Center



Date: Thursday, November 28 – 2 PM to 8 PM

Friday, November 29 – 10 AM to 5 PM

Tables available – one price for both days.

Food – games for the kids – raffles – music & entertainment

To reserve a table, call Father John at 013 079-8985

If no answer, leave a message

Or send an email: PastorSH@Jordanjesuits.org

Large table – 20 JOD for both sessions

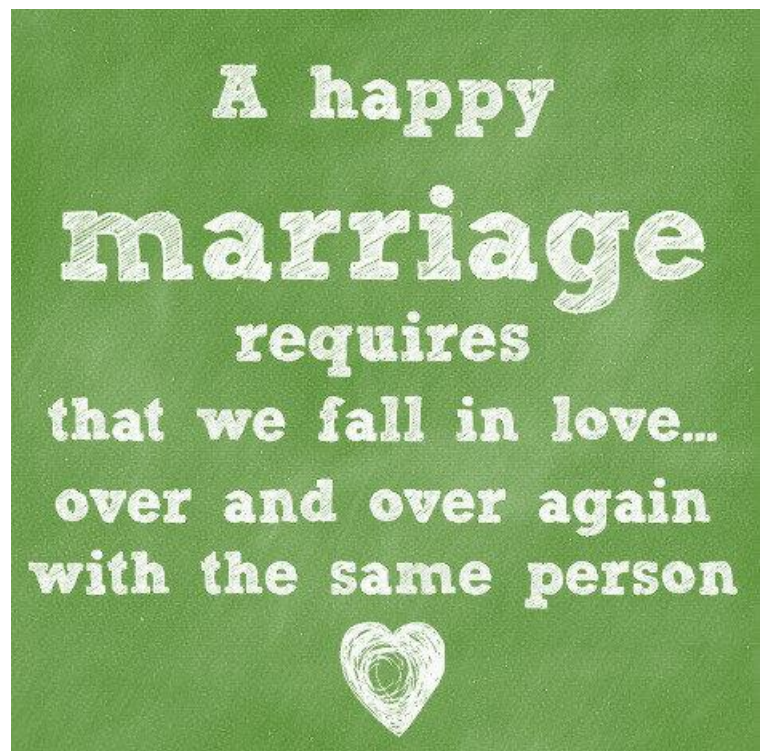
Small table – 15 JOD, 2 for 30 JOD

Free admission

RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE VOWS – OCTOBER 26/27

You make your vows on your wedding day but you live them each and every day of your life. From time to time, it is good to step back and remember that very special day, and to repeat the vows that you so eagerly took “back then.” Whether it was 5 years ago or 55 years ago, one way to keep your love fresh is to remember those initial promises.

At Mass we will renew wedding vows, and if there are rings to be blessed, they will be blessed as part of the renewal ceremony. At both Sweifiah and Freres churches.



THE 2020 CALENDAR IS BEING PREPARED

This is the 3rd edition of our annual calendar, with pictures from our parish and our parish activities, not a “generic” calendar put out by a printing company. The dates are in squares big enough to write in, and there are commemorations of all the major Church events and some you may not know about. About half of our printing cost comes from the support of advertisers, and the cost this year for the calendars will remain the same – 2 JOD for 1 calendar, but 3 calendars for 5 JOD, and 7 calendars for 10 JOD. They make great stocking stuffers, so plan now. We hope to have them on sale for Christ the King or the week after at the latest.

THERE IS STILL ADVERTISING SPACE AVAILABLE.

A full-page ad is only 100 JOD – you supply the camera-ready art no later than November 13 (if there is still space available at that date). Reservations for space accepted; email Father John.

DON'T MISS OUT!