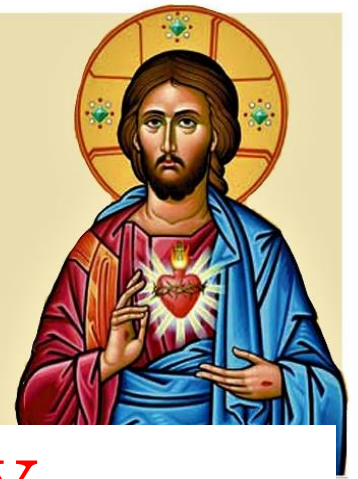


SACRED HEART HEARTBEAT

ENGLISH LANGUAGE
ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH



EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 27/28, 2019

Afrikaans: Christus het opgestaan! Christus is verrese!

Albanian: Selamat Paskah!

Arabic: Al Massih qaam! Haqqan qaam!

Belorussian: Chrystos uvaskrss! SaprAUD } uvaskrss!

Catalan: Crist ha resuscitat! Felig Pasqua!

Croatian: Krist je uskrsnuo! Sretan Uskrs! Czech

Czech: Kristus vstal z mrtv } ch. Pokoj v`m!

Dutch: Zalig Pasen in de vreugde van de Heer!

English: Christ is risen! Happy Easter!

Estonian: Kristus on surnuist |les tyusnud!

Finnish: Siunattua Pddsidistd!

French: Christ est ressuscité! Joyeuses Pâques!

Galician: Cristo resucitou! Feliz Pascoa!

German: Christus ist auferstanden! Gesegnete Ostern!

Greek: Hristos anesti!

Hausa: Issa ya tashi, hakkan ya tashi!

Hungarian: Krisztus feltamadott, Alleluja!

Icelandic: Upprisa Krists!

Indonesian: Selamat Paskah!

Irish: Beannacht na C_sga dhuibh go l_ir! Ta Crmost iirithe!

Italian: Cristo h risorto! Buona Pasqua!

Japanese: Kirisuto ga fukkatsu shimashita!

Shu no go-fukkatsu, omedetoo gozaimasu!

Kirundi: Ntimumhebzre! Pasika Nzmza Mwise! Yizu Yazztse!

Latin: Surrexit Dominus vere, Alleluja!

Latvian: Priec_gas lieldienas!

Lithuanian: Prisikelias Krystus wisiems tesuteikia

Dziaugsmo ir Ramibis!

Luxembourgish: Frou a geseent Ouschteren!

Malagasy: Arahaba Tratry Ny Paka!

Maltese: Il-Mulej qam! L-Ghid it-Tajjeb!

Norwegian: God Peske!

Polish: Chrystus zmartwychwstal! Szczesliwych Swiat!

Portuguese: Cristo resucitou! Feliz e santa Pascoa em Cristo,

Redentor do homem e nossa paz!

Romanian: Cristos a nnviat! Adeverat a nnviat!



Russian: Hristos voskrese! Voistino voskrese!

Slovene: Blagoslovljene velikonocne praznike

Spanish: !Cristo ha resucitado! !Feliz Pascua!

Swahili: Heri na baraka zangu kwa sikukuu ya Pasaka kwen wote!

Bwana amefufuka pasaka njema!

Swedish: Kristus dr uppstenden!

Glad P`sk!

Tagalog: Maligayang pagkabuhay ni Kristo!

Turkish: Paskalya vesilesi ile sizlere de esenlik dolu g`nler dilerim

Ukrainian: Hristos voskres! Voistinu voskres!

Vietnamese: Mung le phuc sinh.



COMING SPECIAL EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

April 28 – Easter Sunday – 10 AM – Mass at the Jesuit Center

April 28 – 30 – Special Video screening at the Jesuit Center – 6 PM each day

April 29 – Dyngus Day, Wet Monday, Fools' Day

May 1 – Feast of St. Joseph, the Worker

Labor Day holiday

May 3 – Feast of Ss. Philip & James, Apostles – First Friday, Adoration following the 8:30 AM Mass

May 11/12 – SECOND SUNDAY COLLECTION

May 14 – Feast of St. Matthias, Apostle

Iftar Dinner at the Jesuit Center, hosted by Sacred Heart Parish - details to follow

Parishioners welcome, to act as hosts. Short musical show follows the dinner.

May 18 - FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AT SWEIFIEH – RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

May 24 – Our Lady of the Way

May 25 – Independence Day in Jordan

May 26 – Father John leaves for the US until July 4

May 30 – THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD - A Holy Day of Obligation

May 31 – Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

June 7 - First Friday – Adoration following the 8:30 AM Mass

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**

SECOND SUNDAY COLLECTION

HAVE YOU REGISTERED IN THE PARISH?

Go to www.jordanjesuits.org, go to the link for SACRED HEART PARISH and on the right side is a direct link so you can register on line.

Couldn't be easier. Thank you.



Pope Francis'

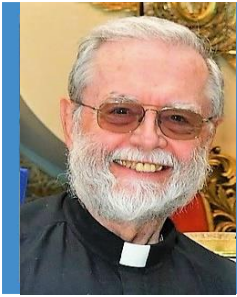
MONTHLY
PRAYER
INTENTIONS

FOR APRIL

**For doctors and humanitarian collaborators in
war zones,
who risk their lives
to save the lives of others.**

As we remember the Holy Father's intentions, which were selected some time last year, we cannot ignore the Cathedral burning in Parish, the desecration of hundreds of churches, priests killed at the altar, the bombings in Sri Lanka, the slaughter in Nigeria and Afghanistan, the ongoing injustices and warfare in our own Region. It seems too easy to simply say "Please pray for...." Yet for many of us, that is all we can do.

Let us take the invitation to prayer seriously, and let us "Storm heaven with our prayers," as St. Ignatius used to encourage his men. Serious problems need serious prayers and we should take seriously the invitation and the commitment. Pray for peace and the world.



RAMBLINGS OF THE REVEREND REDACTOR

CHRIST IS RISEN!

INDEED HE IS RISEN!!!

There was a cartoon I saw the other day, appropriate because of course the Western Church celebrated last week. One panel was a group of people celebrating “THE LORD IS RISEN.” The other panel was a priest stretched out in a chair, looking exhausted and the heading was “The clergy is dead!”

I think we all know I’m not normal. But I find the Triduum exhilarating. Washing 24 feet is a pain, quite literally – between arthritis in the back and separated tendons on both knees, that is my own passion sacrifice. But the story that each pair of feet tells more than balances the pain. Striking the altar, and the procession of moving the Blessed Sacrament was a favorite moment when I was an altar boy, and I have started the tradition of processing down Al Razi Street from the Freres Church to the Jesuit Center. Imagine – carrying the Blessed Sacrament through the streets of a Muslim capital, and the police are there to protect us. Not that we feel we need it, but the government insists.

Good Friday is always a rich day of prayer for me, and even with all of the “chores” to be done, I manage to take three quiet hours for myself, as I yet again try to understand what that sacrifice might have been like for Jesus. And for His mother. I always spend some time reflecting on the Passion of Mary during these days as well. Holy Saturday is a day of “the Great Silence,” and again, even though there are things to prepare, the Exsultet to run through one more time – there is also the pull to spend part of the time in that silence.

Then – THE GREAT EASTER VIGIL. The darkness and the light, the single candle entering the blackness of the church, the growing light as the light of Christ is shared among the people – the movement from the tomb to the Resurrection – even without catechumens to baptize or welcome into the Church, it is a very special ceremony. And it contrasts with the flat out celebration of Easter Sunday morning. It is a great period, and at the end of it all, I am not really tired, but inspired, not exhausted but renewed.

The real question at the end of all this is - now what? We continue to celebrate the Easter season up to Pentecost – but if Lent was to prepare us for Easter, and we have “had” Easter – now what? What does it/did it all mean in our everyday, “normal” lives? Only you can answer that question, but if the reality of God becoming man has not touched you, if the love involved in making the sacrifice of the Passion and Death doesn’t inspire you, if the promise of the Resurrection doesn’t somehow change your life even if only a little – you need to go back and re-live the events that we have just celebrated and remembered. You need to some time reflecting – and what it DOES mean for you? And if you know – then go out and change the world.

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

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.

OVERNIGHT RETREAT – On May 7 and 8, the parish is sponsoring an overnight retreat. Leave Abdoun by 10 on Tuesday morning, with a picnic lunch en route to the Baptismal Site. Double rooms, each with its own bath, 3 meals included, approximately 70 JOD. We will be carpooling to help save expenses. Fr. John will celebrate Mass each day and give points for meditation. Return Wednesday afternoon. Reservations accepted on payment of fee. For more details or to reserve a space, email Sana Dababneh at Sana@dababneh.net, or call 0795656844. The space is quiet and restful, but space is limited so when the list is full, we cannot accept additional requests. At this writing we have 14 definitely going. Men and women.

CLOW VOLUNTEERS

The Children's Liturgy of the Word is proving to be very popular, both with the children and with adults. Several of our initial volunteers have left or are leaving shortly, and we need to maintain a number who are willing to teach and be with the children, so that all the adults have a chance to take part in the regular Liturgy of the Word. Please contact Ian or Karen if you would like to volunteer or simply get more information. Potential volunteers are always welcome to sit in on a session to see what it is like. Email: karenandian2407@gmail.com or Phone: 078 088-8805.

Special Film Series: Inspiration from the Holy Books, and more

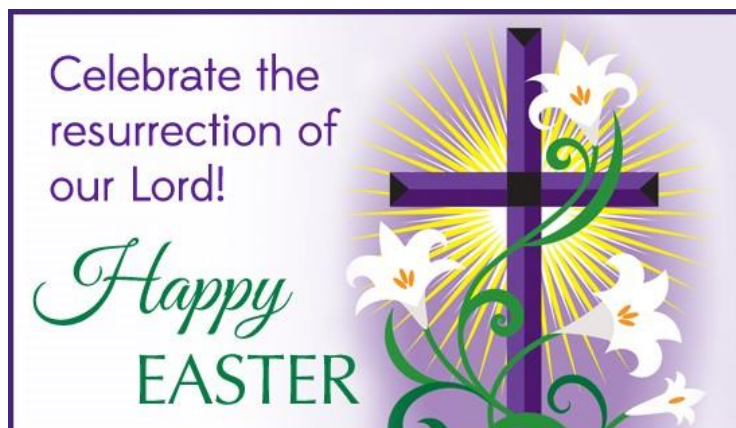
The Jesuit Center supports all adults seeking to grow humanly, professionally, and religiously. In 2019, the Christian "Holy Week" and the beginning of Ramadan are close together, so the Center has put together a film series which can offer inspiration to persons during the special religious times. The films are free but room is limited so once all the seats are filled no more can be admitted. Come early.

All films begin at 6 PM. Light refreshments are served. Each evening is a "Double-Feature." Spend about 3.5 hours each evening, more or less. The films are in English, and most have English subtitles also; sorry, none have Arabic subtitles.

Monday, 29 April: Part 1, a video lecture, "The Life of Muhammad;" "Quo Vadis"
Tuesday, 30 April: Part 2, a video lecture, "The Life of Muhammad;" "The Robe"
Wednesday, 1 May: Part 3, a video lecture, "The Life of Muhammad;" "Ben Hur"

IFTAR DINNER HOSTED BY SACRED HEART PARISH

As we did last year, the Parish will again be hosting an Iftar dinner, on Tuesday May 14. The meal will begin at around 7:30 following the call to prayer. The guests will be predominantly refugee families, and members of the parish are invited to come as hosts. Most of the guests have some Arabic, and are always eager to practice but Arabic speakers are always helpful as well. A donation of 5 JOD is appreciated but not required but you must notify Fr. John in advance, so we don't get so many parishioners that we swamp the guests. Parishioners should plan an arriving by 7 PM. After dinner, there will be a free show of dance and music in the garden theatre for about 40 minutes.




“⁴⁸ For he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed. ⁴⁹ for the Mighty One has done great things for me - holy is his name. Luke 1:48-49 (NIV)”

Under the Patronage of His Royal Highness Prince Faisal Bin Al-Hussein
The Vicariate of the Latin Patriarchate of Jordan, Represented by His Excellency Bishop William Al-Shomali

Request the pleasure of your presence at
THE OPENING OF THE LADY OF THE MOUNT SHRINE TO CELEBRATE THE COMPLETION OF THE MAINTENANCE AND RENOVATION WORK.

Saturday, May 4th, 2019
At the Church of Our Lady of the Mountain in Anjara at **11:00AM followed by lunch at 1:30PM**
A festive mass will be held on this occasion at **3:30PM**

Your attendance honors us



RSVP before May 1st, 2019
by calling at this number
0772628202

If anyone is interested in being a part of this very special event, a bus and a meal can be arranged. You must indicate your interest soon, in order to make arrangements – cost 10 JOD per person. Contact Sana Dababneh for reservations and more information, Sana@dababneh.net, or call 0795656844.

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/CONVERSATION

On the one hand, a number of people have asked about some kind of an adult group that could explore more learning and discussion about the faith. Call it Bible Study, Adult Ed or a fancy title – the idea is that as adults, we need to pursue our knowledge of the faith, and many feel a desire to share elements of their faith life, and to hear that from others. There is a Tuesday morning group that meets each week, and averages 10-15 at each meeting. We are currently going through the Gospel of John, and the topics vary greatly, depending on the interest of the group. We meet at Sana Dababneh’s house from 11 to 12:30, and all are welcome.

But many cannot come during the day and so several weeks ago we offered a Tuesday night group and asked if anyone were interested. One person responded. One. Someone said that perhaps Tuesday was not a good night. Fair enough (although voicing that would have been a help). So we make the same offer – if there are people interested in being part of a similar group on a regular basis on Monday night – let Father John know about that. Or if another night is better and what your own interests might be.

The idea is that people come when they can – the group determines where the discussion and presentations go – Father John is available as a resource, sometimes as a teacher but members also can lead and discussion becomes a key part of the gathering.

Please share your ideas. Because silence does not help create anything.

For all those who helped at the Holy Week services - those who sang and who passed out programs, the Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers, the altar servers, the ushers and volunteers who did the little things that people never notice but that make the world of difference, the people who brought their baskets to be blessed, the little gifts that appeared for the Fathers, the people who experienced the joy and peace of the Sacrament of Confession during the days leading up to Easter – for these and all who simply came to our services and prayed with us

THANK YOU!!!!

EASTER by Gerard Manley Hopkins S.J.

*Break the box and shed the nard;
Stop not now to count the cost;
Hither bring pearl, opal, sard;
Reck not what the poor have lost;
Upon Christ throw all away:
Know ye, this is Easter Day.*

*Build His church and deck His shrine,
Empty though it be on earth;
Ye have kept your choicest wine—
Let it flow for heavenly mirth;
Pluck the harp and breathe the horn:
Know ye not 'tis Easter morn?*

*Gather gladness from the skies;
Take a lesson from the ground;
Flowers do ope their heavenward eyes
And a Spring-time joy have found;
Earth throws Winter's robes away,
Decks herself for Easter Day.*

*Beauty now for ashes wear,
Perfumes for the garb of woe,
Chaplets for dishevelled hair,
Dances for sad footsteps slow;
Open wide your hearts that they
Let in joy this Easter Day.*

*Seek God's house in happy throng;
Crowded let His table be;
Mingle praises, prayer, and song,
Singing to the Trinity.
Henceforth let your souls always
Make each morn an Easter Day.*

