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ENGLISH LANGUAGE
ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH



20th Sunday of Ordinary Time August 17/18, 2019

COMING SPECIAL EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

August 19 – Deadline for registering for the Pilgrimage to Malta

August 20 – Meeting of the Parish Advisory Council, 7 PM

August 22 – Queenship of Mary

Meeting for parents of 1st Communion candidates, 7 PM at the Jesuit Center

(Additional Meeting on Sept. 2 for those unable to make August 22nd – note the date change)

Please register in advance so we know how many to expect

August 24 – Feast of St. Bartholomew, Apostle

August 26 – St. Mariam of Bethlehem

August 28 – St. Augustine

August 29 – Feast of the Passion of St. John the Baptist

Patron of the Amman Vicariate

September 2 - Meeting for parents of 1st Communion candidates, 7 PM at the Jesuit Center

PLEASE NOTE THE NEW DATE FOR THIS MEETING

September 7/8 – Narrated Mass, Part 1

September 14 – Welcome Mass for new and returning Parishioners – Reception after the Mass

First Class for First Communion candidates – 3:30 PM

September 17 – 21 – Pilgrimage to Malta – *Tentative, based on response*

September 19-21 – Visit of the Jesuit Provincial

September 21/22 – Narrated Mass, Part 2

September 23 – Deadline for ads for the program for Fr. John's Concert

September 24 – Lector Workshop, 7 PM, Jesuit Center – Please register in advance

September 26 - Lector Workshop, 7 PM, Jesuit Center – Please register in advance

September 27 – Lector Workshop, 10 AM, Jesuit Center – Please register in advance

September 29 – Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion – Session A of 2, 3 PM Jesuit Center



Pope Francis'

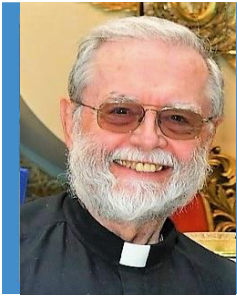
MONTHLY
PRAYER
INTENTIONS

FOR AUGUST

Families, Schools of Human Growth

That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth."

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RAMBLINGS

OF THE REVEREND REDACTOR

I probably should have used this last week, but even though it is after the fact, I can't resist.



Of course, while it does teach a lesson in proper punctuation, the lesson in the real story is twofold. The first is, of course, Abraham's trust in God, that God's will is the most important. The second – contrary to the humor of the cartoon – is Isaac's trust in his father.

In the real world, that is how trust grows. We begin as small children, and we instinctively trust everyone and everything. We learn, in time, that there are some things of which we need to be cautious. But our parents are usually – unfortunately not always – the foundation for

trust. We learn to trust the people who carry us, who throw us up and catch us, who feed us and take us to wonderful places – and we learn to trust the people they trust.

We go to school and we are taught to trust the teachers. About the same time we also go to Church, and we learn to trust God. As we grow into adults, we have our own experiences of God (hopefully) and in those we learn a different kind of trust. As adults – whether or not we are parents or teachers – we communicate trust to others. We teach by example, often without realizing it and people who trust us will instinctively trust the people or the things they see we trust. I cannot count the number of people who have converted to the Catholic Church because of the people they have come to know who are Catholics. For all the programs and materials and courses that have been “designed” to encourage people to come to the faith, nothing has ever been as effective as the example of and friendship with Catholics who truly practice our faith.

We may not think of it as “trust” but when we are little, we often think or say, “I want to be like him. I want to be just like her.” Sometimes it is a famous person, sometimes a career person (I want to be a fireman, I want to be a doctor) – but the sub-text really is, “I want to be like _____.” The greatest compliment one person can pay to another is to think – even if they don't say it – I want to be like you.

Of course, the ultimate step in that process is to be able to say – and mean it – I want to be like Jesus Christ. Now that is hard. Not just because He is the Son of God but because while He was both human and divine, we are only human. We have resources, we have knowledge and we know it can be done. There are thousands of example of people who have succeeded and most of us even know people in our own lives. That is the ultimate example of trust – to step out of the boat, to sell what you have and follow, to want to be like Jesus Christ. That is our call as Catholics – to want to be like Jesus Christ.

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.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES

The first class of preparation for those who wish to make their First Holy Communion in 2020 will be held on Saturday, September 14, at 3:30 PM in the basement of the hall next to St. Mary of Nazareth Church, Sweifieh. We will gather outside the hall prior to that so we can enter together exactly at 3:30.

But before that – Fr. John needs to meet with the parents (at least one) of each child, and then he will schedule a meeting with the child at the family home, to determine if he thinks the child is ready. Both of these MUST be completed before the child is admitted to the program.

Candidates should be at least 7 years old, baptized in the Catholic Church and have a good command of English. Other requirements will be discussed at the meeting with the parents.

Meeting for Parents of Candidates:

August 22 or September 2 – 7 PM at the Jesuit Center. Please register.

Please note the changed date for the second possible meeting

August 23 – September 13 – Candidate interviews with Father John

September 14 – First class at Sweifieh, 3:30 PM, followed by Mass at 5 PM. Regular attendance at this Mass for the candidates and the family is a requirement of the program.

MASS SCHEDULE

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

HAVE YOU REGISTERED IN THE PARISH?

WWW. <http://shp.jordanjesuits.org/>

PILGRIMAGE TO MALTA

Registration deadline is 5 PM on Monday August 19th

Our planned trip will be from September 17 (Tuesday) returning on Saturday September 21. We will be back in time for First Communion class and Mass at Sweifieh. We will have Mass each day except Saturday.

The basic cost is 700 JOD per person. That includes:

- Round trip air fare with Ryan Air from Amman to Malta and back to Amman in economy class with one 20KG suitcase and one 7KG carry on (assuming no change in the quoted rate prior to booking)
- 4 nights accommodation in 4 star hotel, double occupancy. Hotel has free wi-fi when available. For a single room there is a supplemental charge of 90 JOD. Breakfast each day is included.
- All transfers and excursions in A/C coach, and all entrance fees
- English speaking guide throughout the tours from day 1 to day 4
- 2 dinners (one on day 1 and the other on day 2)

This does NOT include:

- Tips, local and/or international telephone calls from the room/hotel, laundry, dry clean, mini bar, room service and any other not mentioned above
- Souvenirs, Drinks of any kind during the meals, water, Roaming mobile fees and charges
- Transfers from your home in Amman to Queen Alia Int'l Airport (QAIA) and back
- Lunch and dinner other than above (need to calculate approx 30 to 40 Euro per person per day)
- Visa fees (Europeans, North Americans and some Asians exempt from obtaining a visa in advance.
- Excess baggage weight charges and/or extra baggage charges
- In flight entertainment, purchases and/or meals

WE HAVE TO KNOW NO LATER THAN 5 pm ON MONDAY AUGUST 19



FATHER JOHN SINGS AGAIN!

Monday, October 7 – 7 PM
Halim Salfiti Theater, Bank Al Etihad Headquarters

SONGS YOU ASKED FOR!
OR SHOULD HAVE

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT:

THE JESUIT CENTER - 43 Al Razi Street, Jabal Hussein
Thru KARASI – www.karasi.com
Orders at – www.jordanjesuits.org and click Sacred Heart Parish

Prices: (*Proceeds support the Care for the Poor Program at Sacred Heart Parish*)

Patron – 25 JOD – Reserved seats, name in the program, special gift

(*Must be reserved through Father John: Phone or Pastorsh@jordanjesuits.org*)

General Admission – 10 JOD

Children under 12 - 5 JOD (*Accompanied by adult – Maximum 2 children per adult*)

Students – 5 JOD (*Admitted to the theatre 10 minutes before the start,
may sit in any vacant seat. Student ID required*)

NOTE: The program will begin promptly at 7 PM. Latecomers will be admitted only when there is a suitable pause in the singing.

- Cameras, cell phones and other recording devices are strictly not allowed. Patrons who use their cell phone for any reason during the performance will be asked to leave. **NOT EVEN FOR E-MAIL!**

PROGRAM ADVERTISING AVAILABLE: Space in the show program is available. Deadline Sept. 23 or until space is sold out. Contact: Pastor@jordanjesuits.org.

FATHER JOHN SHEEHAN is a Jesuit priest, currently Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Amman. He worked for many years in professional theatre and broadcasting and has had over 1,000 performances. He has appeared off-Broadway, in dinner theatre and regional theatres around the United States, and sung in concert in at least 9 different countries.

