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ENGLISH LANGUAGE
ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH



27th Sunday of Ordinary Time October 5/6, 2019

COMING SPECIAL EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

October 5/6 – Mass in Latin

~~October 7 – FATHER JOHN SINGS AGAIN!! A Concert at Bank Al-Etihad~~

Concert postponed until November 18

October 12/13 – Installation of Liturgical Ministers

Second Sunday Collection for Sacred Heart Parish

October 18 – Farewell Reception for Sr. Ursula (Following the 8:30 Mass at Jesuit Center)

Art Project for orphans at the Jesuit Center

October 19 – Mass for Jesuit Alumni and Friends (Reception following Mass)

October 25 – Daylight Savings Time ends

October 26/27 – Renewal of Marriage Vows

October 30 – 9 AM – Deadline for Ad 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**

November 13 – Deadline for ads for the 2020 calendar

November 14 – The Progressive Dinner

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 (See announcement)

Nov 30/Dec. 1 – First Sunday of Advent

December 9 – Ask Father John (Location to TBA)

December 10 – Meeting of the Parish Advisory Council

December 14 – Mass for Children, Sweifieh



Pope Francis'

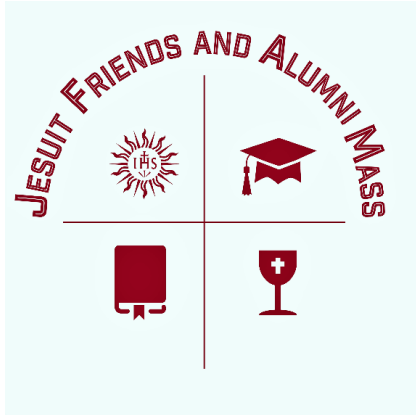
MONTHLY
PRAYER
INTENTIONS

FOR OCTOBER Evangelization – Holy Spirit

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

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)



JESUIT FRIENDS AND ALUMNI – OCTOBER 19

Once again we are pleased to join with other Jesuit parishes around the world to celebrate and honor our friends who have gone to Jesuit schools or worked in Jesuit organizations. There will be a special Mass at 5 PM in Sweifieh, followed by a reception in the Church Hall immediately afterwards. The Mass program will again list the various schools and agencies that will be represented, so if you went to a Jesuit school (even if you didn't graduate) or worked at a Jesuit school or a parish or a project, send in the name of that organization, so we can include it in the program.

Please help spread the word to others you know, and plan on coming yourself. You are part of our Jesuit family, and we look forward to welcoming you and saying Thank You for your contribution and participation in the work of the Jesuits around the world.

ONGOING PARISH ACTIVITIES – EACH WEEK

Daily Mass at the Jesuit Center – Monday thru Saturday, 8:30 AM

Tuesday Morning – Bible Study – 11 – 12:30 (Contact: Sana Dababneh - 079 565-6844)

Tuesday Evening – Group Study & Reflection – 7 – 9 PM

Saturday – 9 AM -10:30 – Confirmation Class (Contact: Fr. John)

Saturday – 3:30 – 4:30 PM – Adult Catechism Class with Fr. Marc-Stephan

(Contact: marc-stephan.giese@jesuiten.org)

Saturday – 3:30 – 4:30 – First Communion Class with Fr. John

Saturday – 5 PM – Sunday Mass in English at Sweifieh

Sunday – 6 PM - Sunday Mass in English at Freres Church, Jabal Hussein

Daily during October – Reflection on “Extraordinary Mission Month” – The Church of Christ on Mission in the World (*Reflections by email by request only*)

Confessions by appointment or prior to the Masses at Sweifieh and Freres

MASS ATTENDANCE FOR SEPTEMBER

	Sweifieh	Jesuit Ctr	Freres
September Total	809	371	213
Average	202	15	42

HAVE YOU REGISTERED IN THE PARISH?

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

WEBSITE TRAFFIC

In the month of September we had 1,358 visitors who made 8,040 visits to one or more pages on our website. The numbers are significantly up from last month, with the most visits coming from computers registered in the US, in Jordan and in Germany. Google is far and away the major sources of referrals, with coming through that servers than all others combined.

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

If you have a ticket and want to come in November - just keep your ticket and it will be honored.

If you would like your money back, let me know and I will take your ticket and refund your money.

If you would like to donate your ticket - please destroy or send back your ticket, and God bless you, the money will still go to the Care for the Poor work in the parish. Let me know



There are still 2 pages available in the concert program for 50 JOD each. Contact Fr. John to reserve.

Blessing of the Animals by Faith Shearin

At my daughter's Catholic school there is a blessing of the animals at which the children line up with their fat hamsters and gauzy goldfish, their dogs so old

they can barely climb the hill. They bring their cats with bald patches and their lizards sleeping in cages under a fake sun. In the line to the priest there are snakes

with white eyes and birds without songs. There are ant farms and worms and rats with long, exposed tails. The children wait hours for their animals to be blessed: for the priest's hand

to hover over the weight they carry. They bring shoe boxes full of turtles, hairy spiders, frogs with dry skin. I like watching my daughter

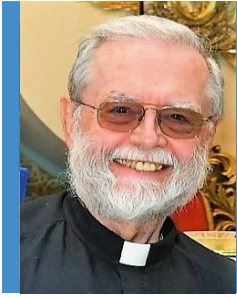
among the other children: her dog small in her arms, her gaze protective. Children believe in the power of animals, tucked into their feathers and shells; they believe

in blessings: the sprinkle of holy water, each tiny unexplained life.



BIRTHDAYS IN OCTOBER

- 1 Paul Kiechlin
- 5 Mirna Haddad, Karen Gates
- 6 Jose Daniel Cerezo Gamarra
- 7 Michael Jude George
- 9 Mary Worzala
- 10 Candy Delos Santos, Ines Christine Mpamy Badiane
- 12 Tatiana Pak-Corbin
- 13 Maximiliane Ribic-Aluar
- 14 Susan Szmania
- 17 Andrew Petrovich
- 18 Paul Frederic Badiane
- 20 Gina Reynolds-Wheeler
- 21 Elizabeth Christensen
- 22 Karen Rosario-Hopkins, Bill DeGenaro



RAMBLINGS

OF THE REVEREND REDACTOR

I have said it many times before, and it bears repeating – God will not do for you what you should do for yourself.

October, in addition to being one of two months dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, is also Mission Month, and this year the Holy Father has placed a special emphasis on this. Those who asked have already been receiving daily reflections on this call, based on the Mass readings for the day. (And anyone who wants to start receiving them has only to send me an email.)

We are the hands of Christ in the world, and our call is to help bring people to Jesus – the knowledge of Him, and hopefully the love of Him and the acceptance of His invitation to salvation. In Jordan we don't "evangelize" but in history, it was the example of others that proved most successful in attracting people to the faith. "See how they love one another" was the observation that led others to name this new group "Christians," and St. Francis of Assis (whose feast we celebrate this month as well) is noted for his saying "Preach the Gospel. When absolutely necessary, use words."

The intention of the Holy Father for this month is that the Holy Spirit will engender a new missionary "spring." Whatever your call in life, God has already given you the gifts to fulfill your mission. Your call, of course, is to figure out what those gifts are and how best to use them. Jesus sent out his disciples, and after His death, His apostles, His most trusted companions, scattered to the four corners of the globe to keep extending the invitation.

It is possible to be a "missionary" in solitude and in private. One of the two patrons saints of missionaries is St. Terese, the Little Flower, who spent most of her adult life in a cloister. (The other, of course, is St. Francis Xavier, the Jesuit patron of our chapel, who spent much of his life working the missions overseas.) But in most cases, "mission" involves other people – which means going out and getting involved in something. Yes, I am reminding you of the many opportunities in our parish to help serve.

But if you are involved in good works in other places, the challenge is to be sure that you are doing it as – and are seen to be doing it as – a Catholic. Our Novice Master reminded us early in our training that even if you had been a teacher before entering the Society of Jesus, teaching as a Jesuit should be something different. As a Jesuit you should bring something to your teaching that comes out of your faith, your experience, your relationship with God. The same is true of being a Catholic.

Whatever you do – doing it "as a Catholic" should somehow make it different. It should reflect in your "doing" of it something of who you are as a Catholic. Not preaching – not trying to convert – but simply living in everything you do the faith that you hold, the relationship you hopefully have with Jesus Christ. "Doesn't she do great work?" Yes, well, you know – she is a Catholic. That, I believe, might be the greatest compliment someone else could pay.

Let us continue to pray for one another and for the good we hope to do in this world, and especially in this month.

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.*