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31st Sunday of Ordinary Time

November 2/3, 2019

COMING SPECIAL EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

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 NOVEMBER

Dialogue and Reconciliation in the Near East

That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.

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)

IF YOU DON'T HAVE YOUR TICKETS YET - WHY NOT??

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 – <u>www.karasi.com</u>

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

BIRTHDAYS

NOVEMBER

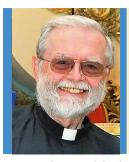
- 3 Aina Hegedis
- 11 Elizabeth LeverenzHelen Staude-Zimprich
- 12 Katherine Gates
- 16 Jack Sivzattian
- 18 Ethan Gates
- 20 Mira Marie Zimprich
- 22 Allan Khalil
- 24 Reuben McCarthy Julie Zalar
- 27 Balgis Aldawood



CONCERT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

On Monday, November 18, we need a couple of volunteers to help out with Father John's concert. One ticket taker – one or two to man tables in the lobby – two to help with seating inside and perhaps one more to help with Patrons. Send Fr. John an email if you would be willing to help. You'll need to be at the theatre at Bank Al Etihad by 5:30 latest for briefing and getting to know the space. Besides an additional star in your crown in heaven other perks may be negotiated.





RAMBLINGS OF THE REVEREND REDACTOR

I continue with the Lord's Prayer – but let me note that St. Augustine wrote several lovely pieces about this prayer and at one point, he said that anything we prayed for that was not in the Lord's Prayer was not good. We should measure our own prayer against this prayer, and if there was anything that did not match, we should abandon it.

"on earth as it is in heaven" – our call is always two-pronged. We are called to be with God in heaven, but our path there is based on this very physical existence. The old catechism answer remains, in my mind, the best short piece of theology I know. "God made me to know Him, to love Him and to serve Him in this world, and to be happy with Him forever in heaven." It is a perfect parallel to the phrase – Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

Give us this day our daily bread – if we think about this phrase at all, we think about food. In many places in the world, "daily bread" is a serious chore. First thing – you get water, and often that means carrying it from some distant place to where you live. Then you look for food. There are no fridges and precious little is in the cupboard If you're lucky you might have a little something to start the day – but that might mean you ate less the night before. Storing up things some would say indicates a lack of trust in God. But for many, that is simply not an option, and so this phrase is very important.

Of course, it does not have to only mean food. Our daily bread should also include Holy Communion, the bread of angels, and God's grace in our lives as well as chew and swallow items. Give us this day our daily inspiration – our daily moments of peace – the quiet times when we can look for and often find the hand of God in our lives – these are all moments of "daily bread" that sustain us and keep us alive in both the physical and the more important spiritual sense.

I find myself going back to the phrase "give us" – because in my world, we have to work for our daily bread. We have to earn the money or grow the crops, or beg on the streets but the food does not "magically" appear on our tables. But wherever we go – however we live – God is always a part of that; if we do whatever we do with God, we find it easier, more rewarding and whatever happens, we are more able to accept it in peace. Sometimes, of course, things do "happen" that defy any explanation except that God has, in fact, "given" us something – a person who helps out unexpectedly, a gift that arrives without asking, a change in our lives we could never have predicted. God can intervene, and we should not be surprised it that happens.

A reminder – I'm choosing words and phrases that are speaking to me at this moment. I encourage you to find your own moments in this prayer. You can go slowly, taking one word at a time, rather than phrases, and wrestle with them, unpack them, play with them. There is an old theatre trick for actors - when you are having trouble with a speech, read it with an accent. Or put the emphasis on different word. Read it as though you were a very young child, or a very old person. A different tone, or a different rhythm, may suddenly open up a new understanding. And reading out loud is always a good idea.

Spend some time with the Lord's prayer this week, and see what God may be trying to tell you.

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

If you have friends or know vendors who would be interested in selling their items, please pass on the information about this Bazaar

DAILY REFLECTIONS DURING ADVENT

Advent will shortly be here, and once again, we will be offering daily reflection to help you keep your spiritual focus during this busy and very important season. If you received the reflections during Lent, you will still be on the list, unless you ask to be removed. If you received the reflections in October but did NOT receive the Lenten reflections, you are NOT on the list and need to alert Fr. John if you wish to be added. The daily reflections will also be available on the Facebook page, Parish Group. You need to be admitted but again, if you ask to be entered into the group, you will be.

