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7TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST



CLERGY

Fr. Paul Damien, Pastor

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

LITURGY / Mass :

Tues - Fri : 9:00 am

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 10:30 AM

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“As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”

What happens today is that the 72 disciples become apostles. There is a difference between these two. Disciples are students. Apostle are preachers. Luke is making a point with the numbers. The 12 apostles have consistently represented the 12 tribes of Israel. Now to that number Jesus adds the 72 opening up the mission beyond Israel. No longer is this a chosen few who are sent only to the house of Israel. Now everyone is sent to bring in the harvest so that God can fill all of us with good things.

Luke is unfolding for us, the universal vocation of everyone who has come to faith in Jesus Christ. There is work to be done, and we are sent to take up a share in that mission, reaping the harvest. Sent with bare essentials thinking that we don't have enough, that we're not ready, that we don't know enough and can't do a good job; but because this is God's work, God will provide the resources. Success is not the issue, going and doing is. We cannot be a passive group of stay-at-home people and be part of mission that identifies us as belonging to Christ.

Where people long for comfort, you extend the touch of assurance. Where people are afraid, you sit with them and defy the darkness and fear. Where people look for hope, you bring the light of Christ. Where people are bound by ignorance, you set them free with the truth. Where people are anxious and burdened with the things of this world, you share your joy and the freedom with the things that God provides. This is what proclaims the Kingdom. It takes patience, the patience of God. It takes obedience and openness to the will of God.

When sent to announce peace as this reading concludes, we touch the heart of the message we have to share, the truth. Peace was the first announcement of Christ's coming: "Peace on earth and good will toward men" is what the angels sang to the shepherds. In his life among us, Jesus reached across every barrier by the simple gestures of acceptance and speaking the truth. He showed us what divine peace is all about, the healing of all division and the unity of all creation.

The very word Shalom describes wholeness. The Hebrew word literally describes the mending of a net. It has to do with putting back together whatever is broken. As Jesus used the word it was a greeting that announced that he was there present in their midst, and that the relationship he had with the apostles was not broken by death. That is what those sent are to say when they enter a home. They are to announce by the greeting of peace that Christ is there. As Jesus will say later in Luke's Gospel: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." We are to continue the peacemaking of Jesus, but this is not patching things up, arranging a settlement with concessions all around, or trying to find some compromise. This peace, real peace, the peace of Christ has to do with the truth of who we are and who we are in God. It is God's gift to those who are open in faith to the tranquility of God's love and God's presence. It is achieved and accomplished when we enter into the magnetic pull of God unity and God's love.



PRAYER CHAIN

Please contact Lucy Zahran or call church office to **join the prayer chain** or with prayer requests

“7TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST”

Saturday July 8- 5:00 PM: Maria Han Nguyen by Mrs Sherman (1 of 3)

Sunday July 9- 10:30 AM: Phyllis Saleeby by Michael Saleeby & family

Tuesday	Jul 11	9:00 am	St Benedict, Abbot, C	Maria Han Nguyen (2/3) by Mrs. Sherman
Wednesday	Jul 12	9:00 am	Sts. Rufina and Secunda, M St. Susanna of Rome, M	For the intentions of Kim Ngan Nguyen
Thursday	Jul 13	9:00 am	Joel the Prophet, C	For Rhonda Birthday by Thanh & Han Vo
Friday	Jul 14	9:00 am	St. Bonaventure, C St. Kateri Tekawitha (USA), C	For the Vo Nguyen family by Thanh & Han Vo

“ 8TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST ”

Saturday July 15 - 5:00 PM: for Lewis Scheib by MJ Hahn

Sunday July 16 - 10:30 AM: Queenie Jabbour (birthday remembrance) by family

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Sign up today, at the church entrance for a holy hour!



Every Thursday
9:30 am - 2:00pm
Rosary for Peace @ 9:30 am

CATHOLIC SOCIAL MINISTRIES

Kindly Place your donation of (jelly - Peanut butter) in the basket next to the Confessional.

June: Donations 104 lbs

READERS

7/8	MJ Hahn	7/9	Annika Nesbitt
7/15	Lynn Vaughan	7/16	Jason Byrne
7/22	Rick Criste	7/23	Chris Cooper
7/29	Kathy Kriminger	7/30	Ace Acevedo

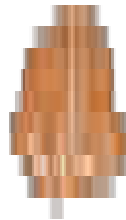
We encourage those who wish to participate in The Divine Liturgy by Reading please contact Kim Phelan

SCRIPTURE

7th Sunday of Pentecost
2 Cor 3: 1-6/ Lk 10: 1-7

8th Sunday of Pentecost
Rom 8: 1-11/ Mt 12: 14-21

**9th Sunday of Pentecost/
St Sharbel, C Sunday**
Rom 8: 28-39/ Mt 13: 36-43



GIFTS OF THANKSGIVING

Offer the Incense, Candles and Wine for one month in memory/honor of someone for a \$25 donation.

JULY GIFT OF THANKSGIVING

In Thanksgiving

By Thanh & Han Vo



Collections	\$ TBD
Candles (2 weeks)	\$ TBD
Peter's Pence (2nd Coll.)	\$ 379.00
50 th Anniversary Ad Book	\$ 105.00



Congratulations to St. Michael Archangel Ladies Guild, established in 2013, celebrating 10 years of service. Committed to "promoting the work of the Church & building a spiritual community of faith within the Parish." add by: **MJ**

2nd Collection - REMINDER:

September 10 - Catholic University of America (75 % will benefit our seminary)

ONLINE GIVING

to donate online
Please go to our website

VOCATION CHALICE

7/8: Volunteer
7/9: Chris Cooper
7/15: Volunteer
7/16: Ingrid Franklin

If your family would like to volunteer to pray for Vocations to Religious Life, please see Kimberly P.



"Hand Made Rosaries"

Handcrafted to order by **Ace Acevedo**
Premade Rosaries, as well as a complete list of all available styles, are in the social hall by the Ladies Guild gift counter!



All proceeds go to the Parish!

(sponsored Ad by Ace)

Vacation Bible School

forms are due by July 31st. Join us August 7th-11th from 9am to 2pm. Lunch and snacks are provided. If you plan to volunteer, please reach out to Kim Nesbitt to complete or renew your safety training.

KNIGHTS CORNER

-Rudy Mack officially assumed his role as Grand Knight of the St. Maron Council on July 1.



FROM THE LADIES GUILD

- The Ladies Guild will meet July 16th after the Social Hour in the Social Hall. The meeting will begin promptly at noon.
- The Rosary and Traveling Mary will be hosted by Patti Reynolds and MJ Fredette on Wednesday July 12th after Liturgy at 10am at MJ's house. Please RSVP to MJ or Patti.
- The Guild is looking for a **new Secretary** whose duties are to take the minutes and submit them to the Chair for review and publication. If you are a member or have considered joining the Ladies Guild and would like to serve in this way, please contact Stacie, Melissa or join us on the 16th.

50th Anniversary updates.

We need your help looking for ads for the anniversary book. (it can be memorials of loved ones-business advertisement and others)

Ad's forms available at the church entrance

Religious Education classes

Volunteers are still needed for Wednesday night religious education beginning late August. Substitute, assistant, and full time positions are available. Lesson plans and glue sticks provided.

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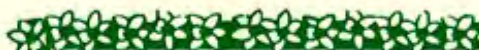
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