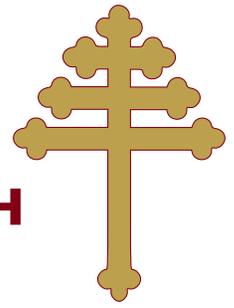




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 Please contact our priest ASAP
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 by appointment

MARRIAGE
 Couples must contact our priest
 six months before the wedding.

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Be sure to visit from time to time for National
 Maronite News, pictures of parish events and
 other announcements!

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF
 RESURRECTION SEASON**

SATURDAY, APRIL 27
 Adoration 4:00 p.m.; Liturgy at 4:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 28
 Rosary at 9:30 a.m.; Liturgy at 10:00 a.m.

GOSPEL

John 21:15-19



When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." He then said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you."

He said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was distressed that he had said to him a third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." (Jesus) said to him, "Feed my sheep. Amen, amen, I say to you, when you were younger, you used to dress yourself and go where you wanted; but when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." He said this signifying by what kind of death he would glorify God. And when he had said this, he said to him, "Follow me." This is the Truth. Peace be with you.



FEED MY LAMBS (PAIS MES BREBIS) from the series of THE LIFE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST (LA VIE DE NOTRE-SEIGNEUR JÉSUS-CHRIST) 1886-1894 BY JAMES TISSOT. The Brooklyn Museum.

The Holy Eucharist is the center of absolutely everything.
 -- Pope Benedict XVI

This week Father will pray the
ANAPHORA OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM
 beginning on page 876

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 27 at 4:30 p.m.

Available

Sunday, April 28 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the souls of George Durstin,
Bill Barrante & all the deceased of THS Class of 1964
Requested by Sam and Jane Slaiby

Saturday, May 4 at 4:30 p.m.

For the repose of the soul of John Nejaime
Requested by his sisters Dulce, Lili and Gemeli

Sunday, May 5 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the souls of Bill Dunning
and all of the deceased of the Assumption College
Class of 1968
Requested by Sam and Jane Slaiby

Saturday, May 11 at 4:30 p.m.

Birthday remembrance for Maurice Theeb, Jr.
Requested by Michael & Lisa Soliani and
Donald & Sharon Newkirk

Sunday, May 12 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the souls of Deirdre and Sheila Ivain
Requested by David Leard and Marilyn Vencel

Saturday, May 18 at 4:30 p.m.

Available

Sunday, May 19 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the souls of
Bill Boss, Richard Zummo, & Jim McKnight &
all the deceased of Vermont Law School Class of 1976
Requested by Sam and Jane Slaiby

Saturday, May 25 at 4:30 p.m.

Available

Sunday, May 26 at 10:00 a.m.

Available

CHURCH SUPPORT

Weekend of March April 20/21

Saturday, April 20 Offering:

1st Collection **\$573.00**

2nd Collection **\$70.00**

Sunday, April 21 Offering:

1st Collection **\$844.00**

2nd Collection **\$282.00**

Mail In: **\$270.00**

Bingo: **\$1134.00**

Thank You!

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

The second collection on May 5 is for:

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as depression, anxiety, PTSD, or grief, or **spiritual
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Find solace and embrace the healing powers of our
divine physician, Jesus Christ.

Come to a special **Healing Mass**

Friday May 3 at 6:00 p.m.

St. John Paul the Great Parish

St. Peter Church

99 East Main St., Torrington

Fr. Emmanuel Ihemedu, pastor of St. John Paul the
Great Parish will be the celebrant and homilist.

*Let us never forget that an age prospers or dwindles
in proportion to its devotion to the Holy Eucharist.
This is the measure of its spiritual life and its faith, of
its charity and its virtue.*

-- St. Peter Julian Eymard

The Torrington Council of Catholic Women's next meeting will be

Friday, May 3rd in St. Peter's Hall at 2:00 pm.

We will be honoring Our Blessed Mother with a May Crowning ceremony.

All are welcome!

SATURDAY JUNE 8 BREW FEST RETURNS!

BrewFest is our major fundraiser of the year and much of our operating budget comes from the money we raise there. PLEASE consider volunteering - there are many jobs to be filled. If you can not volunteer, PLEASE consider attending and supporting the parish. It is always a good time! If you can't volunteer or attend, PLEASE pray for the success of the festival and for everyone involved. See Subdeacon Mike for more details.



EPISTLE

EPHESIANS 2:1-10

You were dead in your transgressions and sins in which you once lived following the age of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the desires of our flesh, following the wishes of the flesh and the impulses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like the rest. But God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ (by grace you have been saved), raised us up with him, and seated us with him in the heavens in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works, so no one may boast. For we are his handiwork, created in Christ Jesus for the good works that God has prepared in advance, that we should live in them. Praise be to God always.

I keep up the Holy Hour . . . to grow more and more into His likeness. . . . We become like that which we gaze upon. Looking into a sunset, the face takes on a golden glow. Looking at the Eucharistic Lord for an hour transforms the heart in a mysterious way.

Venerable Bishop Fulton Sheen

Like the manna for the people of Israel, for every Christian generation the Eucharist is the indispensable nourishment that sustains them as they cross the desert of this world, parched by the ideological and economic systems that do not promote life but rather humiliate it. It is a world where the logic of power and possessions prevails rather than that of service and love; a world where the culture of violence and death is frequently triumphant.

-- Pope Benedict XVI



The Pastor's Corner

SHORT ARTICLES AND NOTES

My Dear Friends:

Last weekend we celebrated the great sacrament of First Holy Communion. What a special day to witness the young people of our parish so eagerly receive our Lord for the first time in the form of bread and wine. Do you remember your first communion?

What a privilege we have as Catholics be able to receive Jesus in our hearts and bodies each time we celebrate the Divine Liturgy. Eucharist is the center of our faith and the center of our life.

This year Pope Francis has asked every diocese around the world to have Eucharistic Adoration and special time for prayer in front of the Eucharist - our lord Jesus Christ. Please try to carve out quiet time to spend with our Lord. There is nothing as rewarding as this time with Jesus.

May the young people of our parish who received their First Communion last week always keep our Lord close to them. May we all take time and receive communion as often as we can, so our lives can be joined with our loving God. May this holy season of Resurrection remind us of the love that Christ has for His church and each one of us.

I pray that God will bless you all abundantly this coming week.

Fr. Fadi

LAST SUNDAY, APRIL 21,
12 OF OUR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION STUDENTS CELEBRATED THEIR
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION.



Pictured left to right: Jonathan Vazquez, (altarservers - Alex Cantosiaso, Franklin Jerez), Katheryn Vazquez, Sheyla Chimbo, Evelyn Chimbo, Susely Chimbo, Rosa Maita, Cristian Bonilla, Diana Maita, Autumn Rushlow, Beckham Ganem, Arianna Rushlow, Austin Rushlow, Father Fadi, Sub-deacon Mike Soliani.

First Holy Communion
St. Maron Parish





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Mondays
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 Starting @ 6PM
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 STARTING @ 7PM

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