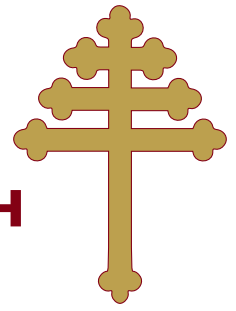




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 six months before the wedding.

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

SUNDAY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

SATURDAY, MAY 25

Adoration 4:00 p.m.; Liturgy at 4:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 26

Rosary at 9:30 a.m.; Liturgy at 10:00 a.m.

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 28:16-20



The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain
 to which Jesus
 had ordered them.
 When they saw him,
 they worshiped,
 but they doubted.

Then Jesus approached and said
 to them, "All power in heaven and
 on earth has been given to me.
 Go, therefore, and make disciples
 of all nations, baptizing them in
 the name of the Father, and of
 the Son, and of the holy Spirit,
 teaching them to observe all
 that I have commanded you. And
 behold, I am with you always,
 until the end of the age."



TRINITY SUNDAY. *The Maronite Icons: Modern Sacred Art.*
 Dar Sader Publishers: Beirut 1999. Via Maronite Heritage.com/icons



A Prayer for Memorial Day

God of power and mercy,
 you destroy war and put down earthly pride.
 Banish violence from our midst and wipe away our tears,
 that we may all deserve to be called your sons and daughters.
 Keep in your mercy those men and women
 who have died in the cause of freedom and
 bring them safely into your kingdom of justice and peace.
 We ask this though Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

This week Father will pray the
ANAPHORA OF SAINT JAMES
 beginning on page 794

MASS INTENTIONS

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

For the repose of the soul of Raymond Hubert
Requested by his wife and children

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

Available

Saturday, June 1 at 4:30 p.m.

For the repose of the soul of Adrienne NeJaime
Requested by Michael and Lisa Soliani

Sunday, June 2 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the soul of Elsie Dablain
Requested by Sam and Jane Slaiby

For the repose of the soul of Adrienne NeJaime
Requested by Linda Noujaim

Saturday, June 8 at 4:30 p.m.

Available

Sunday, June 9 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the souls of Nemer, Rose, Saad
and Elias Noujaim

Requested by Nassib and Toni Noujaim

For the intentions of the Bingo workers

Saturday, June 15 at 4:30 p.m.

For the repose of the soul of Adrienne NeJaime
Requested by Linda and Sal Rinaldi

Sunday, June 16 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the soul of Adrienne NeJaime
Requested by Ninette Barakat

Saturday, June 22 at 4:30 p.m.

Available

Sunday, June 23 at 10:00 a.m.

Available

CHURCH SUPPORT

Weekend of May 18/19

Saturday, May 18 Offering:

1st Collection **\$715.00**

2nd Collection **\$0**

Sunday, May 19 Offering:

1st Collection **\$440.00**

2nd Collection **\$51.00**

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Thank You!

Last Sunday, Fr. Fadi along with his brother priests, blessed and prayed with motorcyclists. If you have a motorcycle and would like it blessed, please see Fr. Fadi



SATURDAY, JUNE 8 FROM 1 - 5 P.M. AT SKI SUNDOWN IN NEW HARTFORD!

BREWFEST IS FAST APPROACHING! This is by far St. Maron's biggest and most important fundraiser of the year. Little did we know that 13 years ago when Mike NeJaime suggested we try to raise money with a small brew festival that it would grow into such a massive, successful event. Last year we had over 1000 people attending! BrewFest is a huge undertaking and we are so blessed to have Brooker Memorial join us in as our partner and dear friends.

ATTENTION ALL BREWFEST VOLUNTEERS

To help keep volunteers organized and informed, we are using the online portal SignUpGenius.

This is the link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0948AAA623A2FBCF8-49600296-13th#/>.

Once you have selected a preferred time slot, you will need to enter your name and contact information. Reminders and further communication will come directly from SignUpGenius. If you spoke to a committee member about volunteering, please make sure your name is in a slot (you should have received an email from signup genius already). If you do not see your name, please sign up for an available slot. If you have questions, contact Kaitlyn at kgraboski@brookermemorial.org. We will have an informational session the week prior to the event. At the meeting we will discuss what is expected on the day of answer any questions. Dinner will be provided.



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EPISTLE

ROMANS 11:25-36

I do not want you to be unaware of this mystery, brothers, so that you will not become wise (in) your own estimation: a hardening has come upon Israel in part, until the full number of the Gentiles comes in, and thus all Israel will be saved, as it is written: "The deliverer will come out of Zion, he will turn away godlessness from Jacob; and this is my covenant with them when I take away their sins." In respect to the gospel, they are enemies on your account; but in respect to election, they are beloved because of the patriarchs. For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable. Just as you once disobeyed God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now disobeyed in order that, by virtue of the mercy shown to you, they too may (now) receive mercy. For God delivered all to disobedience, that he might have mercy upon all. Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How inscrutable are his judgments and how unsearchable his ways! "For who has known the mind of the Lord or who has been his counselor?" "Or who has given him anything that he may be repaid?" For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.



ADRIENNE ANNE NEJAIME, 83, of Torrington, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family on May 17th, 2024. She was the loving and devoted wife of Norman E. NeJaime for nearly 55 years.

Born May 29, 1940, in Poughkeepsie, NY; the daughter of the late Louis & Josephine NeJame, Adrienne attended St. Mary's Roman Catholic School, Class of 1958. She worked as a paralegal for many years before getting married. She was an avid reader and Jeopardy watcher, enjoyed going to UConn basketball games with her husband, annual trips to Virginia Beach with her family, and countless couples' adventures here and abroad.

Adrienne was a wonderful wife, mother, and Gramma always making time for her family whether attending various events or just spending time with them. In addition to her devoted husband, she leaves her children, Christopher NeJaime of Winsted, CT, Lynn NeJaime of Clinton, MA, Karen NeJaime of Torrington CT, sister Barbara Dalrymple of Poughkeepsie, NY, 16 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her sister Gail Jones and daughter Sharon NeJaime Merati.



The Pastor's Corner

SHORT ARTICLES AND NOTES

My Dear Friends:

Today is Trinity Sunday. The Trinity is a core belief of our faith – but how to explain it? How can we speak of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit, and at the same time say that there is just one God? Many people, including our great saints and teachers, have tried to offer analogies, but in the end all the explanations fall just a little bit short for us to completely understand the mystery that lies behind the Trinity.

St. Patrick taught that the three lobes of the clover make up one leaf; Bishop Fulton Sheen explained that a triangle has three different angles and all angles are distinct and required for the triangle, but none makes a triangle on its own. In this tech age, people have talked about RGB light (the light that allows us to read a computer screen) and how each strand is distinct (red, green, blue) but together they make pure white light.

C. S. Lewis said: *All sorts of people are fond of repeating the Christian statement that "God is love." But they seem not to notice that the words 'God is love' have no real meaning unless God contains at least two persons. Love is something that one person has for another person. If God was a single person, then before the world was made, He was not love.* Many theologians, including St. Thomas Aquinas, have taken this thought one step further and say that the love between the Father and the Son is so intense, so perfect, so real that it is actually the Holy Spirit.

All of these attempts at explaining the Trinity show us a little something of the great majesty and mystery of God, but ultimately they fall short and we shouldn't be surprised. Doesn't the Bible ask us in Job 11:7-8 *Can you fathom the depths of God or discover the limits of the Almighty? They are higher than the heavens—what can you do?* And again in Isaiah 55:9 *For as heaven is higher than earth, so my ways are higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.* As St. Catherine of Sienna said: *God is God and we are not.* Sometimes we just need to give God thanks for His greatness and rejoice that he loves us all.

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

Fr. Fadi

*A Christian receives divine wisdom in three ways:
by the commandments, teachings, and faith.
The commandments free the mind from passions.
Teachings lead it to true knowledge of nature.
Faith leads to the contemplation of the Holy Trinity.
--Maximus the Confessor*



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