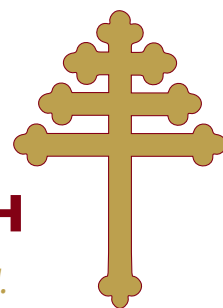




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Maronite News, pictures of parish events and
other announcements!

SIXTH WEEK OF PENTECOST

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SATURDAY, JULY 12

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

SUNDAY, JULY 13

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

GOSPEL

MATTHEW 10:16-25



"Behold, I am sending you like sheep in the midst of wolves; so be shrewd as serpents and simple as doves. But beware of people, for they will hand you over to courts and scourge you in their synagogues, and you will be led before governors and kings for my sake as a witness before them and the pagans. When they hand

you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say. You will be given at that moment what you are to say. For it will not be you who speak but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will hand over brother to

death, and the father his child; children will rise up against parents and have them put to death. You will be hated by all because of my name, but whoever endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to another. Amen, I say to you, you will not finish the towns of Israel

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HE SENT THEM OUT TWO BY TWO (IL LES ENVOYA DEUX A DEUX.)
From the series LA VIE DE NOTRE-SEIGNEUR JÉSUS-CHRIST,
1886-1894, by James Tissot. THE Brooklyn Museum.

The theme of this week's Gospel is: We are all missionaries at work, in our parish, in our family, and in society. Our Lord Jesus Christ gives us grace to speak truth with love and to suffer with purpose. Am I living my faith everyday with the presence of Jesus Christ in my life?

Father will pray the
ANAPHORA OF THE TWELVE APOSTLES
beginning on page 754

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 12 at 4:30 p.m.

For the repose of the souls of the victims of the horrific flooding in Texas, and for grace and peace for their families

Sunday, July 13 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the soul of Tony Abou Arrage
Requested by the Torrington Council of Catholic Women

A 20th anniversary Mass for Emily Beck,
Requested by James W. Beck

Saturday, July 19 at 4:30 p.m.

Available

Sunday, July 20 at 10:00 a.m.

Celebration of the Feast of St. Charbel

Available

Saturday, July 26 at 4:30 p.m.

Available

Sunday, July 27 at 10:00 a.m.

Available

Saturday, August 2 at 4:30 p.m.

Available

Sunday, August 3 at 10:00 a.m.

Available

Saturday, August 9 at 4:30 p.m.

For the repose of the soul of Jemel Nejaime
Requested by his sisters Dulce, Lili and Jemeli

Sunday, August 10 at 10:00 a.m.

For the repose of the souls of
Mary Peters Dreisbach and the deceased members
of the Namtella and Rachel Peters Family
Requested by Rae Cameron

CONGRATULATIONS!

On Saturday, July 5, 2025 Don and Sharon Theeb Newkirk celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with their children and grandchildren in attendance.

They were married on Saturday July 5, 1975 by Chor Bishop Dominic Ashkar at Saint Maron's. It was the last wedding Chor Bishop Ashkar performed before leaving Saint Maron's for Ohio. Don and Sharon renewed their vows with Father Fadi, Deacon Steve, and Subdeacon Mike as celebrants. The marriage crowns were once again placed on their head, and Don and Sharon were given a special papal blessing.



Afterwards, at a lovely catered lunch, over 70 family and friends from around the country gathered to continue the joyous celebration. During the lunch, Sharon spoke eloquently about the joy of their fifty year marriage. Congratulations and God's blessings upon this amazing couple. Our parish community wishes them many more happy years together.



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Mail In: **\$620.00**

Bingo: **\$779.50**

Thank You!

Next week on July 20, we will celebrate the feast of our great St. Sharbel. Here is a beautiful prayer for his intercession:

Saint Sharbel, you were called into the solitary life of a monk and then a hermit, and you responded. You kept your eyes upon Christ, and He transformed your humble soul into a glorious beacon of light for the world to see. Please pray for me, that I will receive the grace I need to be faithful to the vocation God has given me and that I will respond with the same generosity and commitment that you manifested in your earthly life. Saint Sharbel, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You.

EPISTLE

1 CORINTHIANS 12:12-13, 27-30

As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit. Now you are Christ's body, and individually parts of it. Some people God has designated in the church to be, first, apostles; second, prophets; third, teachers; then, mighty deeds; then, gifts of healing, assistance, administration, and varieties of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work mighty deeds? Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret?



GOSPEL

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before the Son of Man comes. No disciple is above his teacher, no slave above his master. It is enough for the disciple that he become like his teacher, for the slave that he become like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more those of his household!

OUR PARISH PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH OF JULY IS FOR ALL LAY SERVANTS OF THE CHURCH, LIVING AND DECEASED

Loving Father, we thank you for the many lay people from our parish who have faithfully served Your Church and those who have gone home to You. Bless those who continue to give their time, talents and hearts to build up Your Church. Our beloved Lord, inspire all of us to follow their example of selfless service. And through their generosity, let Your light shine in our community. Amen.

MAASSER EL CHOUF REUNION

Please join us for the 93rd Maasser El Chouf Annual Reunion on **Sunday, August 3rd** at Maasser Park, 112 Rock Hall Road, Colebrook, CT. **Gates open at 9 am, rain or shine.** All are welcome! We would love to see you as we gather to celebrate our heritage and family coming together for the 93rd year!



The Pastor's Corner

SHORT ARTICLES AND NOTES

My Dear Friends:

To continue the series on the Catholic letters of the New Testament, here is a summary of 2 Saint Peter:

Peter knows his death is near, so he leaves a final message for his spiritual children:

- Peter encourages the faithful to "make every effort to add to your faith." Especially in things such as virtue, knowledge, self-control, endurance, devotion, mutual affection, and love.
- Then, Saint Peter warns of false teachers who deny Jesus Christ, exploit others, and live in sin.
- After this, Saint Peter reminds the faithful that God is not slow, but He is patient.
- At the end of his letter, Saint Peter exhorts his children to "Grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

In fact, our goal in life is to grow in grace and the knowledge of Jesus Christ.

I pray that you will have a blessed week ahead.

Fr. Fadi

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PROVERBS CHAPTER 15 : 1 - 10

- 1 A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.
- 2 The tongue of the wise dispenses knowledge, but the mouths of fools pour out folly.
- 3 The eyes of the Lord are in every place, keeping watch on the evil and the good.
- 4 A gentle tongue is a tree of life, but perverseness in it breaks the spirit.
- 5 A fool despises a parent's instruction, but the one who heeds admonition is prudent.
- 6 In the house of the righteous there is much treasure, but trouble befalls the income of the wicked.
- 8 The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to the Lord, but the prayer of the upright is his delight.
- 9 The way of the wicked is an abomination to the Lord, but he loves the one who pursues righteousness.
- 10 There is severe discipline for one who forsakes the way, but one who hates a rebuke will die.

Texts are taken from the New Revised Standard Bible.

WISDOM FROM THE SAINTS

To convert somebody go and take them by the hand and guide them. -- St Thomas Aquinas



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