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Our Cathedral Mission is to provide all people with access to the saving love of God through Word, Sacraments, and a community of justice and love, that empowered by the Holy Spirit, we might all become beloved disciples of Jesus Christ, living and inviting others to a holy and abundant life.

Cathedral Parish Membership
 June: 1,135 households, 1,847 individuals

Parish Finances

OFFERTORY COLLECTION	\$4,894
(Sunday, July 11, 2021)	
WEEKDAY (July 5-10, 2021).....	\$1,302
MAIL	\$2,361
CREDIT CARD	<u>\$1,444</u>
WEEKLY TOTAL	\$10,001
OFFERTORY RECOVERY TO DATE.....	\$62,800

THANK YOU!

FISCAL YEAR BUDGET	\$22,790
(\$11,395 x 2 weeks)	
FISCAL YEAR COLLECTION	\$22,742
TOTAL OVER (UNDER)	(\$48)

**Your financial support
 of the ministries of the Cathedral
 by mail and on-line are also very much
 appreciated at this time.**

Dear Parishioners and Friends of the Cathedral,

One of the remarkable phenomena that often seems to capture people's imagination when it comes to the lives of the Saints is the occurrence of those who are found to be incorrupt – meaning that their bodies do not decay after death. Throughout the Church's history there have been hundreds of documented and confirmed cases of such individuals. This week, we celebrate one such individual on July 24th.

His name is Saint Sharbel (sometimes spelled Charbel) Makhluf. He was a Maronite Catholic monk who was born in AD 1828 in Northern Lebanon. Sharbel, the youngest of five children, was born to very poor, but deeply religious parents, and given the name Joseph. His father died when he was only three years old, and his uncle stepped in to help raise him. From an early age he developed a strong attraction to prayer, and would spend long solitary hours out in the pastures contemplating God and the beauty of His creation, while tending to the family's cow. While his family had certain hopes for Joseph (his uncle wanted him to continue working for the family and his mother wanted him to marry a certain young woman), he and God had other plans.

At the age of 23, Joseph left home and entered the monastery, taking his vows in AD 1853, and was given the name Sharbel after an early martyr. He then began his theological studies for the priesthood and was ordained a priest in AD 1859. For the next nineteen years, he would live and serve in the monastery of Saint Maron, distinguishing himself in his devotion to prayer, silence, and manual labor. Those around him in the monastery could clearly see God's power at work all around him, and there are a number of miracles attributed to him during his lifetime. In AD 1875, he was given permission to live a solitary life in a hermitage dedicated to Sts. Peter and Paul near the monastery. For the next twenty-three years, he gave himself over to an intensely ascetic and penitent life (sleeping on the ground, eating only one meal a day, and spending long hours in prayer). His preference was to celebrate Mass as 11:00 am, in order that he might spend the entire morning in preparation, and the rest of the day in thanksgiving. In AD 1898, at the age of seventy, Sharbel suffered a stroke or a seizure of some sort while celebrating holy Mass. Eight days later he died on Christmas Eve. For forty-five days after his burial, a mysterious light shone around his tomb. Upon seeing this light, his body was exhumed and even though he had been buried without a casket or embalming, his body was found incorrupt. Steams of pilgrims came to visit his body and huge numbers reported healings and other special graces through his intercession. Saint Sharbel was canonized in 1977 by Pope Paul VI, and his feast day is celebrated on July 24th.

Saint John Vianney once said that if we truly understood what took place at Mass we would die of ecstatic joy. This is because the Mass is the act by which Jesus Christ ransomed the world from sin and death, and forever opened up the way to eternal life. We can come no closer to heaven in this life than by our participation at Holy Mass. Saint Sharbel knew this well, which is why he spent hours preparing for Mass and hours in thanksgiving afterward. Most of us are not hermits and do not have the freedom to imitate him in this, because of our state in life. But the Church none-the-less invites everyone to prepare themselves in some way before Mass and offer some act of thanksgiving afterward in gratitude. It is an immense privilege to be able to participate in the very life and activity of God, and stand upon the threshold of heaven. Do we find time to do this each week before and after coming to Mass?

Father Sean Ralph



Faith Enrichment Opportunities

Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Background: In a world that, for too long, has been too fast-paced and adrenaline-driven, Jesus’s words to his disciples after their apparently successful first missionary journey are a message that we too need to hear: “Come away and rest for a while.” We need, at least, every Sunday to reinvigorate ourselves, both physically and spiritually; otherwise we will not be able to live the Gospel in a convincing way.

Discussion Questions

1. How has your time been spent lately in building the kingdom/reign of God?
2. Where have you found unexpected rest and reinvigoration?
3. Who has been shepherding you? Whom have you been shepherding?
4. The Christian churches have been declining in membership in an increasingly secularized world. Yet people are still hungry for Good News. Why are they not finding it in our words and actions?

Practice: This week, pray and meditate over the verses of Psalm 23 in turn: 1-2, 3-4, 5, 6. End the week by praying the whole psalm. Remember that many of these verses have been understood as referring to the sacraments.

~ Adapted from RCL Benziger

Practicing the Presence of God *Based on the Writings of Brother Lawrence (1614-1691)*

(Excerpted from Richard Rohr, *Daily Meditations*)

- I don’t practice any particular prayer discipline. I have no specific technique I use to meditate. I know these methods work for many people. But for me, when I tried them, I just spent all my time rejecting my wandering thoughts, over and over. I’ve tried to practice these disciplines, but now I don’t worry about them anymore. Their only purpose, anyway, is to bring a person to union with God. Why should I fast or set aside particular prayer times or deny myself in some way when I’ve found the shortcut? If every moment I’m consciously practicing love, doing all things for God’s sake, then I don’t need to worry about these spiritual methods.
- My thoughts are the biggest obstacles to this way of living my life. The little useless thoughts that drift through my head, making mischief, distracting me. I’ve learned to reject them as soon as I notice them. They have nothing to do with the reality at hand—nor with my eternal salvation—and once I stop paying attention to them, I can get back to communing with God.

REGISTRATION TIME FOR SEPTEMBER IS HERE!

Are you interested in RCIA? Adult Confirmation? Teen Confirmation? First Reconciliation and First Eucharist? RCIC? PHSR? Please contact Carolyn Apperson at the email below or call 216-771-6666 ext. 5620 to schedule a meeting (in-person or virtually).

Time to Pause and Reflect:

Prayer is the orientation of all the attention of which the soul is capable toward God. ~Simone Weil, *Waiting for God*

Did you know that we have Facebook members in more than 25 countries?

Are you a member? You’ll find announcements from the parish as well as opportunities for spiritual inspiration. The link is <<https://saintjohncathedral.com/facebook>>. We invite you to join the group!

Online resources from Formed.org: Not registered yet? It’s easy. Go to our website, look on the right-hand side close to the bottom and you will see “Click here to sign up for free or login to view content.”

Be safe, be healthy, and be holy!
 Questions, comments, suggestions?
 Email <capperson@dioceseofcleveland.org>



THE CATHEDRAL PARISH PICNIC IS THIS SUNDAY, JULY 18TH 1:00-5:00 PM

at Edgewater Park’s upper shelter. Please join us for a day of fun by the Lake, get to know your fellow parishioners, take part in games, and enjoy being together! Hamburgers, Hot-Dogs, and various other refreshments will be available. Enter via the park’s west entrance, off of West Blvd.



This Week at the Cathedral

SUNDAY, JULY 18

1-5 pm Cathedral Parish Picnic

MONDAY

6:30 pm Centering Prayer

TUESDAY

6:30 am Women’s Prayer Group

FRIDAY

6:30 am Men’s Prayer Group

SUNDAY, JULY 26

6:00 pm Young Adults

Join in the celebration of Mass online at: <http://SaintJohnCathedral.com/streaming> on Monday-Friday: 12:00 pm Mass & on Sunday: 8:00 am Mass

Please be aware that if you are in attendance in the Cathedral at that time, you may appear in the broadcast.

Do you shop on Amazon.com?

If you do, a portion of each of your purchases could benefit the Cathedral! Just go to <smile.amazon.com/ch/34-0716744> to designate the Cathedral for your donations, and then do all of your online shopping at <Smile. Amazon.com>!

Stewardship of the Earth



As Christians, we believe that the earth is entrusted to our faithful stewardship. We are not its owners, but its caretakers on behalf of God. How can I be a good steward?

Reduce, reuse, and rethink. When it comes to sustainability, reducing, reusing, and rethinking only helps to further recycling efforts to protect our planet. Find ways to reduce your consumption, reuse items, and rethink your needs and approach.

- Empty your recyclables. Before you toss your empty cans, bottles, and cartons, make sure you rinse to remove food waste and such – then recycle.
- Return items to stores for recycling. Some items can't be recycled at the curbside. These include plastic wraps and films, plastic shopping bags, and air shipping pillows. Many retail locations provide recycling centers for these items.
- Keep electronics and batteries out of the recycling cart. While these should be recycled, batteries, and electronics do not belong in your curbside recycling cart or bin. These can start fires at recycling centers and in trucks. Please take a moment to check locally for hard-to-recycle items.

Serving the Poor in Our Midst

Each day, numerous people come to the rectory office seeking assistance. Through your generosity, and with the assistance of the workers at the Bp. Cosgrove Center, we are able to fill some of their needs. Listed below is a report on the assistance the Cathedral has offered this past month, and on your generosity in support of these efforts.

July Charitable Donations

Charitable Assistance Fund	\$878.00
Cosgrove Center	\$395.00
July PIC Collection	\$32.00

June Assistance Expenses

Rent / Utility Assistance	\$1,488.20
ID Assistance.....	\$10.00
Greyhound	\$13.79
Total	\$1,511.99
Cosgrove Fund Equipment Purchase ...	\$15,000.00

A Community of Justice & Love

Helping Children With Grief - With plenty of summer left, two organizations are providing 3-day camps for children experiencing loss. *Cornerstone of Hope's Camp Erin*, August 6-8 in Bellville, Ohio is free for children ages 8-17. Registration must be **completed by July 23**, including an in-person pre-camp assessment with a parent or guardian. For information: JoAnn Borer at 614-824-4285 or < joann@cornerstoneofhope.org >. Western Reserve Grief Services (of Hospice of the Western Reserve) is offering *Red Oak Camp* in Willoughby, Ohio, August 10-12, for children ages 6-13. Transportation is available from the Lakeshore HWR campus. There are scholarships available, for information: 216-486-6838.

Don't Call the Police - Experiencing Homelessness is not a crime. On Wednesday, July 28, from 6-8 pm, Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless staff, along with community advocates, will come together to discuss alternatives to policing in response to homelessness. Members of our street outreach team have lived experience with homelessness and have seen firsthand how police involvement negatively impacts unhoused people and the community as a whole. During this live teach-in, we'll hear about the lived experiences of unhoused people who have been targeted, get some historical context on the criminalization of homelessness, and discuss the current reality on the ground in our community. To get a link for Zoom registration for this discussion, contact < neoch@neoch.org >. Guest speakers include Dr. Zaria Davis (Pretrial Justice Institute).

The Northeast Ohio Coalition for the Homeless exists to eliminate the root causes of homelessness while loving our diverse community through organizing, advocacy, education, and street outreach. NEOCH asks that if you encounter someone experiencing homelessness, you contact Street Outreach (216-432-0540) before calling the Police. Street Outreach can help people access: Emergency Shelter, camping supplies, clothing, food, transportation, Birth Certificates / IDs, SNAP, disability or insurance benefits, mental/physical health services, substance abuse treatment, as well as transitional and permanent housing. They can also be contacted at < streetoutreach@neoch.org >

Vaccinations for the Homebound - For homebound or bedridden individuals who have not received a COVID-19 vaccination, Cuyahoga County and the City of Cleveland have a program to do vaccinations in their home. A "*homebound person*" includes those who need the help of another person, a walker, or a wheelchair to leave their home; or their medical provider believes that if they leave their home, their health would be adversely affected. To check eligibility and register yourself or a loved one, please contact the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging for screening: call 216-621-0303 or visit < http://areaagingsolutions.org >. When making a referral, please be prepared to provide the individual's name, demographic information, date of birth, phone number, and address.

Ordinary Time XVI

18 July 2021

The King of Love



1. The King of love my shep-herd is, whose
2. Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my
3. In death's dark vale I fear no ill with



Introit. Be - hold, O God, my help thou art; The
 good - ness fail - eth nev - er; I
 ran - somed soul he lead - eth; and
 thee, dear Lord, be - side me; thy
 Lord sus - tains my spir - it. I



noth - ing lack if I am his, and
 where the ver - dant pas - tures grow, with
 rod and staff my com - fort still, thy
 sac - ri - fice with will - ing heart; and



he is mine for ev - er.
 food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
 cross be - fore to guide me.
 praise your name im - plic - it.

Text: (Verses 1-3) Psalm 23, para. Henry W. Baker, 1868; (Verse 4) Psalm 54: 6, 8, *Ecce Deus adiuvat me*; Introit, Ordinary 16, adapted Greg Heislman. Tune: ST COLUMBA, Irish Traditional.



Greeting

Priest: The Lord be with you. *People:* And with your spirit

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

(striking their breast, all say)

through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

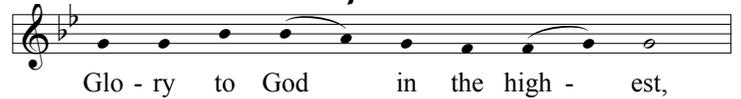


Lord, have mer-cy. Christ, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy.

Text: Kyrie Eleison. Music: Jeff Ostrowski, *Mass of St Ralph Sherwin*, 2011; CCWatershed.org

Introductory Rites

Gloria



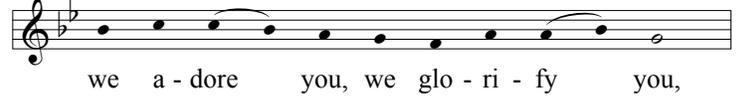
Glo - ry to God in the high - est,



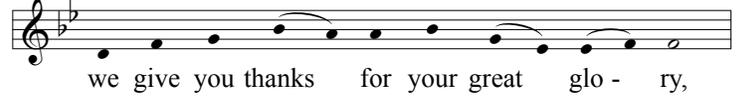
and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.



We praise you, we bless you,



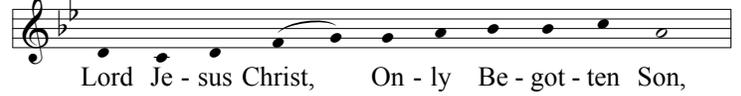
we a - dore you, we glo - ri - fy you,



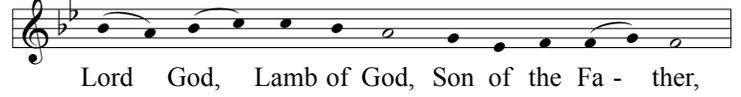
we give you thanks for your great glo - ry,



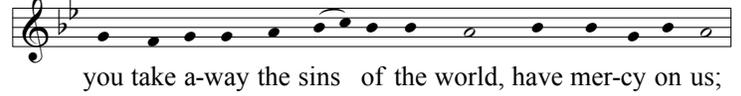
Lord God, heav-en-ly King, O God, al-might- y Fa - ther.



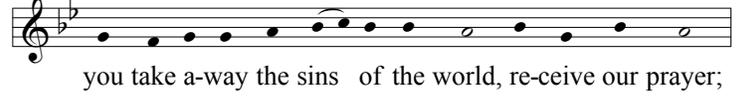
Lord Je - sus Christ, On - ly Be - got - ten Son,



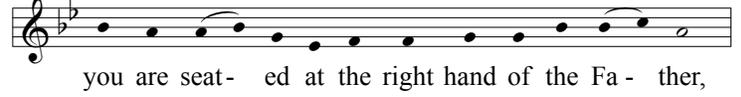
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther,



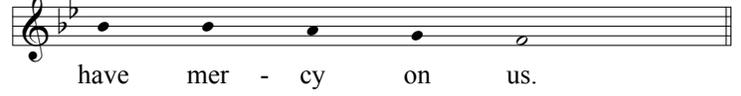
you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us;



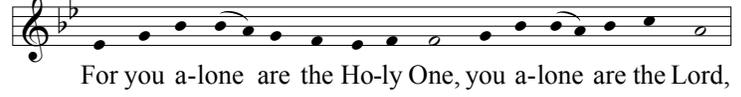
you take a-way the sins of the world, re-ceive our prayer;



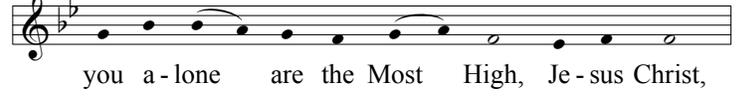
you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther,



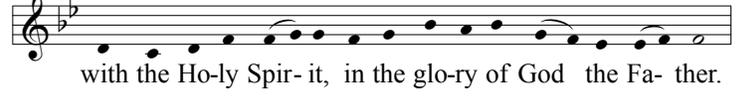
have mer - cy on us.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,



with the Ho-ly Spir - it, in the glo-ry of God the Fa - ther.



A - men.

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Liturgy of the Word

A Reading from Jeremiah 23:1-6

Lector: The word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 23



The Lord is my shepherd; there is noth-ing I shall want.

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The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me; he revives my soul.

He guides me along the right path, for the sake of his name. Though I should walk in the valley of the shadow of death, no evil would I fear, for you are with me. Your crook and your staff will give me comfort.

You have prepared a table before me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for length of days unending.

Psalms for the Week

Mon: Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory.

Tue: Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory.

Wed: The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

Thur: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Fri: Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

A Reading from Ephesians 2:13-18

Lector: The word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God

Alleluia



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,



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Liturgy of the Word

The Gospel according to Mark 6:30-34

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (All bow) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Universal Prayer

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Preparation of the Gifts

Priest: Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation...

People: **Blessed be God for ever.**

Prayer Over the Offerings

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

People: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

Eucharistic Prayer



The Lord be with you. And with your spir - it.



Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right and just.

Holy



Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts.



Heav- en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-



san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the



name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Mystery of Faith



We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-



fess your Res-ur-rec-tion un-til you come a-gain.

Amen

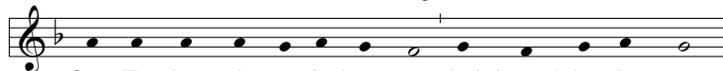


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Communion Rite

Lord's Prayer



Our Fa-ther, who art in heav-en, hal-lowed be thy name;



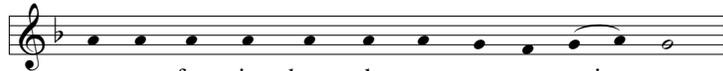
thy king-dom come; thy will be done on earth



as it is in heav-en. Give us this day our dai-ly bread;



and for-give us our tres-pass-es



as we for-give those who tres-pass a-gainst us;



and lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion,



but de-liv-er us from e-vil.

Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil... as we await the blessed hope and coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

People:



For the king-dom, the power and the glo-ry are yours



now and for ev-er.

Text: The Lord's Prayer. Music: adapted & arranged by Robert J. Snow, © 1964.

Fraction of the Bread



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world,



have mer-cy on us. grant us peace.

Text: *Agnus Dei*. Music: Jeff Ostrowski, *Mass of St Ralph Sherwin*, 2011; CCWatershed.org

(Please remain standing throughout the Communion Rite until the Communion hymn has ended.)

Priest Behold the Lamb of God, behold him...
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

People **Lord, I am not worthy
that you should enter under my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

Communion Rite

Called to the Supper of the Lamb

Blessed are we, blessed to be called,
called to the sup - per of the Lamb. His
sac - ri - fice re - newed, here Christ is our feast, our
prom - ise of the glo - ry to come.

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Praise, O Zion, voices raising, glorify your Shepherd King; Let unworthy yet impassioned, thankful hymns your homage ring join your humble acclamations to the psalm that angels sing.

Here recalling Christ's own passion, come, disciples, as his friends; Blessing, breaking, pouring, sharing, by these actions Christ still sends to the world his Blood and Body, covenant that never ends.

Christ, the Paschal Lamb obedient, gave himself as God had planned; No replacing former offerings, in self-giving here he stands, prays again in consecration; "Eat and drink," his great command.

As we keep this wondrous mystery, heart and mind in faith combine. Here we eat the bread, his Body, drink his precious Blood in wine; This, the deathless Victim's table set in sacramental sign.

Concluding Rites Blessing and Dismissal

Priest: The Lord be with you. *People:* **And with your spirit.**



Priest: Go forth, the Mass is ended. *People:* **Thanks be to God.**

July 22 - St Mary Magdalene

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

1. Christ, the Lord, is ris'n to-day; Chris-tians haste your
2. Say, O wond'-ring Mar-y, say what you saw a -
vows to pay; Of - fer now your prais - es meet
long the way. "I be - held where Christ had lain,
at the Pas - chal vic - tim's feet.
emp - ty tomb and an - gels twain;
For the sheep the Lamb has bled, sin - less in the
I be - held the glo - ry bright of the ris - ing
sin - ner's stead. Christ, the Lord, is ris'n on high;
Lord of light. Christ, my hope, is ris'n a - gain;
Now he lives, no more to die.
Now he lives, and lives to reign."

Text: ascr. Wipo of Brugundy; trans. Jane Leeson. Tune: VICTIMAE PASCHALI LAUDES.

Gloria

(found on p 5)

Psalm 63

My soul is thirst-ing for you,
O Lord, my God.

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Communion - O Sons and Daughters

Al-le-lu - ia, Al - le - lu-ia, Al-le-lu - ia.

Text: Jean Tisserand (*d. 1494*); trans John M. Neale (*1818-1866*). Tune: O FILII ET FILIAE

Ye sons and daughters let us sing. The King of heaven the glorious King, o'er death today rose triumphing. Alleluia!

That Easter morn at break of day, the faithful women went their way to seek the tomb where Jesus lay. Alleluia!

An angel clad in white they see, who sat and spoke unto the three: "Your Lord has gone to Galilee." Alleluia!

The New Location for The FEST for 2021 - Sunday, August 8, at Brookside Reservation in the Cleveland Metroparks. The 132 acres will allow for plenty of room for you to enjoy great music, inspiring displays, and vendors, along with many opportunities for prayer and inspiration. See four great bands: *For King & Country*, *Danny Gokey*, *Tauren Wells*, and *We Are Messengers!* It's going to be great to come together to celebrate our faith at Mass with Bishop Malesic at 8 pm. This year, you will need to purchase an admission ticket for those 6 years of age and older. Tickets cost \$10 and can be purchased online at < TheFEST.us/tickets >. As you enter The FEST, you will receive a FEST kit - thanks to our friends at Marc's. Not able to join us in person? Tune into the FEST@Home, and sign up today for your craft kit! Visit the website < theFEST.us/kids > for details and registration! There is plenty of FREE off-site parking, along with FREE shuttles to The FEST grounds.

Centering Prayer is a spiritual practice of our Catholic contemplative tradition that opens us more deeply to a relationship with God in faith and intimacy. Our group meets on Monday evenings from 6:30-8:00 pm in the Lower Sacristy.

Morning Prayer Groups - Please consider joining our weekly gatherings from 6:30-7:00 am in the Lower Sacristy of the Cathedral. Using the scriptures for the coming Sunday, these groups share their faith and some fellowship over a cup of coffee. The women's group gathers on Tuesdays, and the men's group on Fridays. Just show up at the Lower Sacristy, or contact the parish office with inquiries.

AM 1260 The Rock - *For it is in giving that we receive* - St. Francis of Assisi. Consider becoming an instrumental part of Catholic radio by volunteering with AM 1260 The Rock! Volunteers can help with office support, voice work, special events, pledge drives, and more. There are positions for every skill set and schedule. AM 1260 The Rock depends on the support of volunteers in our daily operations. Call us at 216-227-1260 or go to our website and fill out a volunteer application at <AM1260TheRock.com >.

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Pray for Each Other - In your prayers, please remember those in



need of healing and support, especially: Sherry Brodock ✠ Natalie Rose Hayek, Dan F. ✠ Mary Theresa Dias & Family ✠ Pat Hesland ✠ Jim Nagle ✠ Kristen LaManna, Peggy LaManna, Alfred LaManna ✠ Michael Rullo ✠ Marquis Williams, Dina Williams ✠ Robert Grasso ✠ Joan Uniatowski ✠ Shelly, Vicki Kaltner ✠ Matthew Silipini ✠ Claude Anderson, Claudia Anderson, Robert Black ✠ Therese Kramer, Dn. Richard Woods ✠ Gabriel Minton, John Berry, Linda McKinney, Dn. Tom Senn, Paula Dragunas, Joanne Laessig, Edward Loomis ✠ Al Nugent, Drusilla Allen ✠ Steven McNamara, David Forte, David Taylor, Pasquale Mano ✠ *If you, or one of your family, would like to be included in this prayer list, please contact the Cathedral Office.*

Parish Pastoral Council

For details visit:

< SaintJohnCathedral.com/ParishCouncil >
Parish Council meets on the **second Tuesday** of the month at 6:00 pm. Any parishioner wishing to address the Council at this time should contact the Council with their request. E-mail < ParishCouncil@saintjohncathedral.com >, or contact the rectory at

216-771-6666 ext. 4700.

Next Meeting is Tuesday, September 14

Want to Become a Parishioner?

You can register to be a member of the Cathedral Parish by simply filling out the form available on our website.

Welcome New Parishioners!

Norm Kotoch, Charles & Cathleen McDowell,
Caitlyn Crowley, Morgan Morelli,
Samantha Lutch & Maxwell Trubiano,
Daniel Klein, Jason Kasik, Melissa Laidman,
Greg & Margaret Couch & family,
Brendan Holland, Morgan Miller



Faith Formation at St John's Cathedral

Children's Ministries at the Cathedral include Parish Home School of Religion (PHSR); RCIC; & Sacramental Preparation for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation (8th to 11th grade). Through small group, on-line, and home schooling, we provide Kindergarten to High School students with catechesis and sacramental preparation.

Adult Ministries at the Cathedral include RCIA, preparation for Confirmation, and Adult Faith Enrichment opportunities.

If you are interested in assisting in these ministries, registering your child for PHSR or sacramental preparation, or if you have any questions, please contact Carolyn Apperson at 216-771-6666, ext. 5620 or < capperson@dioceseofcleveland.org >.

Intentions of the Holy Father

July - Social Friendship. We pray that, in social, economic, and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

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Current Protocols

With changes made in the last couple weeks, the gradual return to full participation calls for these protocols:

- The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation is reinstated. This means that all Catholics are obliged to Worship God at Mass. Watching Mass via livestream does NOT fulfill this obligation. However, those who: are homebound, are too frail, are at dangerous risk to their health, may pose serious risk to others health due to sickness, or are imprisoned, are dispensed from this obligation while the above condition endures. Weekday 12:00 noon and Sunday 8:00 am Masses will continue to be livestreamed.
- Face masks and social distancing will no longer be required inside the Cathedral, but are suggested for those who are not yet fully vaccinated or who may be otherwise vulnerable.
- Hand sanitizing stations will continue to be available at the entrances to the Church. Holy Water has returned to the fonts.
- Public gathering of parish groups, ministries, and devotions are permitted outside of Mass.
- Until further notice, weekday Masses are at 7:15 am and 12:00 noon. Confessions are from 6:30 - 7:00 am; and 11:30 am - 12:30 pm weekdays. Rectory hours are 9:00 am - 5:00 pm weekdays.



In Our Diocesan Community

Construction Advisory - The Cathedral is in the midst of renovations in anticipation of its 175th Anniversary. Work continues to repair the handicapped ramp at the north door, with the courtyard between the Cathedral and the Parking Garage blocked. For now, the East 9th Street entrance will be closed on weekdays, but open on weekends. The door on the Superior / south side of the Cathedral with the temporary ramp, is now the **primary entrance** to the Cathedral. Please forgive the inconvenience.



The Year of St. Joseph continues through December. Sacred Scripture describes St. Joseph as “a just man” (Matthew 1:19) which can also be translated as “righteous,” “upright,” or, “he who is virtuous in all things.” If we want to learn from St. Joseph, we must begin by imitating the virtues he practiced daily in his quiet, hidden life. One of the prescribed works, to gain the indulgence for one’s self or someone in purgatory, is to “recite the Litany of St. Joseph for Christians who suffer all forms of persecution.” Monthly themes are taken from St. Joseph’s virtues and titles as prayed in this Litany.

For July, the theme is: *Joseph Most Faithful*. Fidelity connotes steadfastness. In the vicissitudes of life, one needs steadfast love, that is, fidelity, when encountering confusion, suffering, and failure. The image of Joseph finding a place in which the Child could be born was his movement in all of life. Failure simply meant one went on in fidelity and found by failure what God had intended for the fruitfulness of His will. The Litany and more contemplations on his virtues can be found at: < <https://yearofstjoseph.org/resources/virtues-of-st-joseph> >. In honor of the Year of Saint Joseph, Pope Francis has decided to insert seven new invocations in the Litany of St. Joseph (Prot. n. 133/21). The new invocations are *Guardian of the Redeemer, Servant of Christ, Minister of salvation, Support in difficulties, Patron of exiles, Patron of the afflicted, and Patron of the poor*. They were drawn from the writings of various Popes, as they reflected on the foster father of the Lord Jesus Christ and patron saint of the universal Church.

Tax-Wise Gifting from your IRA - If you are 70½ or older, you may be able to reduce your taxable income with a gift made directly from your IRA to a qualified charity such as our parish. Your accountant or IRA administrator can help you understand how the IRA Charitable Rollover works and the particular steps you can take to lower your taxes and help St. John Cathedral. Questions? Contact Mary Lou Ozimek at <mozimek@catholiccommunity.org>.



Please keep the health and safety of the members of our Armed Forces in your thoughts and prayers. God grant that they may return home safely and soon. **Please also let us know when your service people have returned.** *Luke Turbin, Devion Long, Craig Long, Travis Harman, Chris Paulett, Ben Maragliano, Bryan Ullom.* After 90 days, please let the office know whether to retain the name on the prayer list. (Please feel free to submit the names of service members for inclusion in this space.)



Plan for Peace of Mind
The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour pre-planning seminar. These informational seminars provide an overview of the burial planning process including: types of interment (full body, cremation, and natural); burial options; memorialization options; and more.
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