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Weekly Bulletin

May 19, 2024

Sunday of Pentecost

أحد العنصرة حلول الروح القدس على الرسل

Book of Genesis 11: 1-9

Epistle: Eph 1: 15-23

Epistle: Ac 2:1-21

The Apostles, Mary and a few relatives hear a noise similar to that of a violent gust of wind that fills the house; it is the first sign. The second sign was a kind of fire that shared tongues and landed on each of them. And here the third wonder: filled with the Holy Spirit, signified by wind and fire, they began to speak in other tongues. The festive crowd is amazed because each of them heard them spoke their own language.

Thus is fulfilled the promise made by Christ to the Apostles at the time of his Ascension: «You will receive a power, that of the Holy Spirit who will come upon you. Then you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth” (Acts 1:8).

Having received the power of the Spirit, the apostles then have the courage to leave the room in the Upper Room where they were locked up. They immediately began to witness to Christ's resurrection, to make his teaching known and to baptize.

At Pentecost, the Church is constituted not by a human will, but by the power of the Spirit of God!

Ministries of Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick:

Please call the Church Office :(506) 444-6023

Confessions:

Available upon Request & 30 minutes prior to mass

Baptism:

Please call the Church Office, One month prior

Marriage:

Please call Church Office, Six months prior

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تأمل من وحي الإنجيل "العنصرة"

العنصرة هي ثمرة القيامة في حياة الكنيسة: هي زمن إعلان قيامة الربّ لكون بأسره. هو إعلان بدأته جماعة الرسل بعد حلول الروح القدس، ولا يزال مستمرًا حتى اليوم وسوف يستمرّ حتى نهاية الأزمنة. زمن العنصرة هو زمن الكنيسة المُبشّرة التي خرجت من الخوف والتوقع كي تكمل عمل سيدها الخلاصي. تاريخيًا: هذا العيد هو كنعانيّ وثني قديم. هو عيد الحصاد أو يوم الباكورة: كان الكنعانيون يأتون بباكورة الحصاد إلى الهيكل ليقدموها لإلههم... هذا العيد أخذته اليهود، فيما بعد، عن الكنعانيين وأعطوه معنى آخر وقالوا أنّه ذكرى نزول الشريعة على موسى في سيناء... يُحتفل بهذا العيد في اليوم الخمسون بعد عيد الفصح. أيها الأحباء لقد منحنا الله المحبّ البشر اليوم عطايا تتخطى كلّ منطق بشريّ. لذلك لنفرح كلنا معًا ولنرقص بفرح مسبّحين ربّنا. لأن اليوم هو عيدنا وإحتفالنا. كما أن عصرًا يخلف الآخر ودورة شمس تخلف أخرى هكذا وفي الكنيسة عيدٌ يخلف آخر فتتوالى الإحتفالات الكنسيّة الواحد تلو الآخر. قبل أيّام إحتفالنا بالصليب بالألام وبالقيامة. بعدها بصعود ربّنا يسوع المسيح إلى السماء.

Our Sacred Stories by Father John Jennings

Spirit and Gifts – The Way Forward

The disciples whom Jesus had called to follow him did so over a considerable time. Over the course of being with him, they had drawn close to Jesus. In fact, John's Gospel remarks on this close bond that has been created between Jesus and his disciples: *I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father* (Jn.15:15). The bond between Jesus and his disciples is tested as the disciples are struggling with the crucifixion and their loss of the master who had led them, instructed them and served as their mentor and example. But the disciples came to see that Jesus the Christ continued to be among them. The Gospels offer us several accounts of the disciples witnessing his resurrected presence with them. These accounts of the disciples' encounters with the risen Jesus often characterize his presence as bringing peace to the disciples who are fill with dismay and fear from their experience of the crucifixion. We see this near the end of John's Gospel. The risen one appears among them and declares: *Peace be with you* (Jn.20:19-23). More than this, Jesus commissions them as his friends and closest collaborators to carry on the mission that he has had – to reconcile and heal the brokenness of the world. His mission becomes their mission. His Spirit is their spirit. By building and sharing the peace that they have received and by loving as he has loved, they will bring the reign of God to their world. This Spirit, that was to remain with the disciples is the one that Paul refers to in his letter to the Christians in Corinth (1Cor.12:3-7) – *Now there are a variety of gifts, but the same Spirit*. Filled with this Spirit, they went forth and began to change the world with the message and the mission that they had received. The Spirit poured out upon the disciples on that first Pentecost gave them new gifts which brought new life, new heart to the variety of their own personal talents and abilities. They became a community of disciples, filled with energy and drive for the message and the mission. The outpouring of the Spirit builds the disciples into a community of believers and missionaries of the message of Jesus. They become Church, focused on hearing the message anew and taking it out to the ends of the earth. We are Church. We are a Spirit-filled community of disciples of Jesus the Christ. On this Feast of Pentecost, we celebrate the Spirit that we have been given. With this Spirit the variety of gifts that we possess can bring new heart to a world seeking hope and new vision. This is the vision of God's dream for all creation – of peace, of hope, of healing, of unity.

What are gifts and abilities

Sunday: 11:30 AM (English & Arabic)
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday
 See schedule below (English & Arabic)
Monday & Tuesday: (No Mass)



الأحد: 11:30 ظ (عربي و إنجليزي)
الأربعاء، الخميس، الجمعة والسبت
 (عربي و إنجليزي)
الأثنين والثلاثاء (لا قداس)

Sunday May 19 Mass Intentions



تأمل

Sunday, May 19, 2024. Mass 11:30 AM
Pentecost Sunday

For the Parishioners of Saint Charbel

Monday 20/05 No Mass

Tuesday 21/05 , No Mass

Wednesday 22/05 , No Mass

Thursday 23/05 , No Mass

Friday 24/05 , No Mass

Saturday 25/05 , No Mass

Sunday, May 26, 2024. Mass 11:30 AM
Holy Trinity Sunday

For the Parishioners of Saint Charbel

• تحتفل الكنيسة اليوم بعيد العنصرة حيث تجدد إيمانها بدور وحضور وقوة "الرب المحيي"، الروح القدس!
 • يدعونا نصّ الرسالة من أعمال الرّسل، إلى التأمل في حلول الروح القدس كحدثٍ أصبحت معه الكنيسة مفتوحة الأبواب على كلّ النّاس دون أن تفرّقهم لغات أو أعراق أو جنسيّات أو بشرة...
 • نتأمل من خلال إنجيل اليوم في معاني عيد العنصرة الذي هو ثمرة القيامة في حياة الكنيسة: العنصرة هي زمن إعلان قيامة الربّ لكون بأسره الذي بدأته جماعة الرسل بعد حلول الروح القدس، ولا يزال مستمرّاً حتى اليوم وسوف يستمرّ حتى نهاية الأزمنة.



Saint Charbel oil LAMP

Saint Charbel Oil Lamp light for a week is Available in memory of a loved one or for a special intention. Suggested donation \$10.00. See Msgr. Azzi to select a week.

Offertory May 12

Collection : \$ 1,335.00



Donations to St. Charbel's Parish Use-E-Transfer: to BMO Direct Deposit Via Email: fredericton.stcharbel@gmail.com
 Thank you in Advance, God Bless.

Announcements



Saint Charbel Youth Council are attending the Maronite Youth Convention in Ottawa this weekend and Back to the Parish on Monday May 20. The Parish of Saint Charbel is praying with our youth at the Pentecost saying: *“Lord of all, as our youth gather in Ottawa to worship You, we ask that their hearts open to Your presence. Fill the Maronite Convention with Your Spirit and their souls with Your peace. Let every song, prayer, and word spoken glorify You and draw our youth closer in communion with You and each other. Amen.”*



Feast of Sainte Rita May 22. An Augustinian Nun from 14th century Cascia, Italy. She was born in 1381. She is the patroness of impossible causes and hopeless circumstances because of her difficult and disappointing life. At the age of 36, Rita finally was accepted into the Augustinian convent. She lived a regular life of prayer, contemplation and spiritual reading, according to the Rule of Saint Augustine. For forty years she lived this routine lifestyle until Good Friday of 1442, fifteen years before her death, when she had an extraordinary experience. With the tender, compassionate heart of a person fully motivated by grateful love. Her offer was accepted, her prayer was answered, and Rita was united with Jesus, a thorn from his crown penetrating her forehead. The wound it caused remained open and visible until the day of her death. Through her trials God used her in remarkable ways, not only while she lived, but now from heaven she assists those who plead for her intercession for their own seemingly impossible and hopeless circumstances. Rita's body, which has remained incorrupt over the centuries, is venerated today in the shrine at Cascia, which bears her name. Many people visit her tomb each year from all over the world. Sainte Rita pray for us.

Congratulations to Charbel Akouri, Jennifer Akouri, Rita Estephan and Charbel Gebrael, on their First Communion celebration on Sunday May 05, 2024 at Saint Charbel Church. May God bless them and bless their families.



SAVE THE DATES!

- Father's Day: June 16, 2019
- Victoria Weekend May 18-20
- Cultural Festival: June 22, 2024 at Exhibition Ground Fredericton.
- St Charbel's Feast: July 21, 2022

