

## Saint Anthony's Maronite Catholic Church

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### Sunday, June 14, 2015, Fourth Sunday of Pentecost

#### **Sunday, June 14, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.**

For the Parish

#### **Sunday, June 14, 2015 at 11:00 o'clock**

Joseph and Julia Shaar and deceased family members

#### **Daily Liturgy in the Chapel (June 15 -21)**

**Monday at 9:00 a.m.:** Jason Abou Assi

**6:30 p.m.:** Abe, Julia and Peggy Massad

**Tuesday at 9:00 a.m.:** Mouna Abou Assi

**6:30 p.m.:** Jeanine Bourret

**Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.:** Elizabeth Davis

**6:30 p.m.:** Nuela Daily

**Thursday at 9:00 a.m.:** Zachary Shulleeta

**6:30 p.m.:** Kyle Desmesropian

**Friday at 9:00 a.m.:** Mary Francis Davis

**6:30 p.m.:**

**Saturday at 9:00 a.m.:** Bridget George

#### **Sunday, June 21, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.**

Kenneth Fodill

#### **Sunday, June 21, 2015 at 11:00 o'clock**

For all fathers

#### **Sunday, June 28, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.**

Abe, Julia and Peggy Massad

#### **Sunday, June 28, 2015 at 11:00 o'clock**

Bishop Stephen Hector Doueihy

#### **Readers**

**Sunday, June 21, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.**

Michael Tarabay

**Sunday, June 21, 2015 at 11:00 o'clock**

Kenneth Sledd

#### **Ushers**

**Sunday, June 21, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.**

Danny Shibley, Frank Greco, Tom Cole and William Shulleeta

**Sunday, June 21, 2015 at 11:00 o'clock**

John Nadder, Victor Reynolds, P. J. George, Anthony Shibley and Kevin Fahed

#### **Altar Boys**

**Sunday, June 21, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.**

Adam and Harry Shaia and Andy Shulleeta

**Sunday, June 21, 2015 at 11:00 o'clock**

Joseph Chaoul and Andrew Shibley

#### **Prayer for Vocations**

This week Stephen and Jennifer Fodill family will have the Vocation Icon and will pray for vocations.

#### **Attention All Ladies of the Parish**

The Ladies Auxiliary will sponsor a pot luck social for all ladies in the parish on **Wednesday, June 17, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.** Bring a favorite dish to share. For more information, please call Mary Siefke at 749-3560.

#### **Vacation Bible Camp**

Vacation Bible Camp will take place **Monday, June 22 through Friday, June 26, 2015, from 8:30 A.M. to 12: 30 P.M.** Cost is \$15 per child. Registration for Vacation Bible Camp will take place following each Liturgy. For further information, please call Donna Goodman at 749-4760 or Cathy George.

#### **Peter's Pence**

**Sunday, June 28, 2015**, a second collection will be taken for the Holy Father (**Peter's Pence**). The Peter's Pence Collection enables the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to requests to aid the most needy throughout the world - those who suffer

as a result of war, oppression, and natural disasters. All funds collected will be sent to the Chancery Office for proper transfer to the appropriate channels. Thank you for your continued generosity and cooperation.

#### **Recreation Center**

Hours of the pool are from 12:00 noon - 8:00 P.M. **TUESDAY THROUGH SUNDAY** and **from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Monday**

#### **Who Instituted the Sacrament of Penance?**

Jesus himself instituted the sacrament of Penance when he showed himself to his apostles on Easter day and commanded them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained" (Jn 20:22a-23).

Nowhere did Jesus express more beautifully what happens in the sacrament of Penance than in the parable of the Prodigal Son: We go astray, we are lost and can no longer cope. Yet our Father waits for us with great, indeed, infinite longing; he forgives us when we come back; he takes us in again, forgives our sins. Jesus himself forgave the sins of many individuals; it was more important to him than working miracles. He regarded this as the great sign of the dawning of the kingdom of God, in which all wounds are healed and all tears are wiped away. Jesus forgave sins in the power of the Holy Spirit, and he handed that power on to his apostles. We fall into the arms of our heavenly Father when we go to a priest and confess (YOUCAT question 227).

#### **Who Can Forgive Sins?**

God alone can forgive sins. Jesus could say "Your sins are forgiven" (Mk 2:5) only because he is the Son of God. And priests can forgive sins in Jesus' place only because Jesus has given them that authority.

Many people say, "I can go directly to God; why do I need a priest?" God, though, wants it otherwise. We rationalize our sins away and like to sweep things under the rug. That is why God wants us to tell our sins and to acknowledge them in a personal encounter. Therefore, the following words from the Gospel are true of priests: "If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained" (YOUCAT question 228).