

Melcome to SAINT MARON MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

A prayer to begin every day: **Good morning my good and my beloved Lord.**

FIFTH WEEK OF PENTECOST

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SATURDAY, JULY 5

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

SUNDAY, JULY 6

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

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GOSPEL

MATTHEW 10:1-7



Then he summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits to drive them out and to cure every disease and every illness. The names of the

twelve apostles are these: first, Simon called Peter, and his

brother Andrew; James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew, Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James, the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddeus; Simon the Cananean, and Judas Iscariot who betrayed him. Jesus sent out these twelve after instructing them thus, "Do not go into pagan territory or enter a Samaritan town. Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, make this proclamation: 'The kingdom of



ICON OF THE TWELVE APOSTLES.
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heaven is at hand. This is the truth. Peace be with you.

The theme of this week's Gospel is: Jesus chose imperfect and ordinary men. But Jesus unites them for one purpose and sends them with a simple message: "The kingdom of heaven is near." We, too, are called to go out and share this message with those around us.

Father will pray the

ANAPHORA OF THE SAINT SIXTUS
beginning on page 856

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 5 at 4:30 p.m.

In thanksgiving for Donald and Sharon Newkirk's 50th Wedding Anniversary

Sunday, July 6 at 10:00 a.m.

Available

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

Available

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

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

Available

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

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.

Available

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

Saturday, August 16 at 4:30 p.m.

Available

Sunday, August 17 at 10:00 a.m.

Available

Saturday, August 23 at 4:30 p.m.

Available

Sunday, August 24 at 10:00 a.m.

Available

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

Available

Sunday, August 31 at 10:00 a.m.

Available

CHURCH SUPPORT

Due to a vacation production schedule, and the holiday week, numbers for June 28/29 weren't available at press time. They will be reported next week.



A PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY ON INDEPENDENCE DAY

Father of all nations and ages,
We recall the day when our country claimed
its place among the family of nations;
For what has been achieved, we give you thanks,
For the work that still remains, we ask your help,
And as you have called us from
many peoples to be one nation,
Grant that, under your providence,
our country may share your blessings
with all the peoples of the earth.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ,
Your Son, who lives and reigns with you
In the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

WORDS OF WISDOM FROM FOUR AMERICAN SAINTS

St. Rose Philippine Duchesne: Let's try not to be exacting with other people, but rather to pass over in silence those thousand little annoyances that tend to irritate us. For we know that no one is perfect in this life, and we must put up with the defects of others as they put up with ours.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton: Blessed are they who wear themselves out for charity.

St. John Newmann: Pray – for with God's grace, there is nothing impossible. Prayer defeats death. Prayer heals the sick. Prayer makes all things possible. "Ask and you shall receive."

St. Katharine Drexel: It is a lesson we all need - to let alone the things that do not concern us. He has other ways for others to follow Him; all do not go by the same path. It is for each of us to learn the path by which He requires us to follow Him, and to follow Him in that path.

EPISTLE

PHILIPPIANS 3:7-14

(But) whatever gains I had, these I have come to consider a loss because of Christ. More than that, I even consider everything as a loss because of the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having any righteousness of my own based on the law but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God, depending on faith to know him and the power of his resurrection and (the) sharing of his sufferings by being conformed to his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. It is not that I have already taken hold of it or have already attained perfect maturity, but I continue my pursuit in hope that I may possess it, since I have indeed been taken possession of by Christ (Jesus). Brothers, I for my part do not consider myself to have taken possession. Just one thing: forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead, I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus. Praise be to God always!





50th Wedding Anniversary!

Congratulations to

Donald and Sharon Newkirk,
who are celebrating their
50th Wedding Anniversary
this weekend.

May God bless you and grant you joy. May He deepen your love for each other. May He bless you and your family and friends, and may He lead you to unending happiness in Heaven. Amen.

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.



My Dear Friends:

In continuing my series on the Catholic letters of the New Testament, here is a summary of 1 Saint Peter:

Saint Peter wants to encourage every Christian who is facing trials and persecution to live as a holy people of God.

He said that every believer is called to be holy, to love one another, and to trust God's grace. And more, every Christian has to endure trials with patience and humility.

This letter invites us today to respond to someone with patience, to do good even when it is hard, and to offer small kindness without expecting anything in return.

I pray that you will have a blessed week ahead. Fr. Fadi

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PROVERBS CHAPTER 14: 28-35

- 28 The glory of a king is a multitude of people; without people a prince is ruined.
- Whoever is slow to anger has great understanding, but one who has a hasty temper exalts folly.
- 30 A tranquil mind gives life to the flesh, but passion makes the bones rot.
- 31 Those who oppress the poor insult their Maker, but those who are kind to the needy honor him.
- 32 The wicked are overthrown by their evildoing, but the righteous find a refuge in their integrity.
- 33 Wisdom is at home in the mind of one who has understanding, but it is not known in the heart of fools.
- 34 Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people.
- 35 A servant who deals wisely has the king's favor, but his wrath falls on one who acts shamefully.

Texts are taken from the New Revised Standard Bible

WISDOM FROM THE SAINTS

Miss no single opportunity of making some small
sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly
word; always doing the smallest right and doing it
all for love. --St. Thérèse of Lisieux





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