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Weekly Bulletin

Sunday June 17, 2007 – Sunday June 24, 2007

The Immaculate Heart of Mary



The devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary is connected on many points with that to the Heart of Jesus; nevertheless, it has its own history. The attention of Christians was early attracted by the love and virtues of the Heart of Mary, symbolized by her heart.

Simeon's prophecy in Luke 2:33-34 paved the way and furnished devotion with one of its favorite formula and most popular representations: the heart pierced with a sword. Saint Luke's Gospel says that Mary kept all the sayings and doings of Jesus in her heart, that she might ponder them and live by them.

Indications of a regular devotion are perceived in a sermon by Saint Bernard (d. 1180), *De duodecim stellis*, from which extract has been taken by the Church and used in the Offices of Compassion and of the Seven Dolors. Stronger evidence is discernible in the pious meditations on the *Ave Maria* and the *Salve Regina*, usually attributed to Saint Anselm of Lucca (d. 1080) or Saint Bernard.

Saint Jean Eudes (d. 1681) propagated the devotion to make it public, first in Autun in 1648 and afterward in a number of French dioceses. He established religious societies interested in upholding and promoting devotion. His efforts to secure a feast failed in Rome but the devotion progressed. In 1699 Father Pinamonti (d. 1703) published in Italian his beautiful little work on the Holy Heart of Mary, and in 1725 Pere de Gallifet combined the cause of the Heart of Mary with that of the Heart of Jesus in order to obtain Rome's approbation of the two devotions and the institution of the two feasts. In 1729 his project was defeated, and in 1765 the two causes were separated, to assure the success of the principal one.

In 1799 Pius VI, then in captivity at Florence, granted the Bishop of Palermo the feast of the Most Pure Heart of Mary for some of the churches in his diocese. In 1805 Pius VII made a new concession, thanks to which the feast was soon widely observed. In 1942, Pope Pius XII consecrated the world to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

<http://www.wf-f.org/ImmaculateHeart.html>

Fr. Jihad has forms from the Consulate of Lebanon for passport renewals, marriage & birth registrations. If you are in need any of these forms please see Fr. Jihad.

Clergy

Rev. Father Jihad Younes
Deacon Martin Rachid
Subdeacon Earl Matte
Subdeacon Charles Rossie

Parish Staff

Pam Aziz – Parish Secretary
Darrell Frye – Maintenance
Pat Haley – Caterer

Parish Leaders

Albert Zerka – Parish Council
Dee Gardner – Choir Director
Dottie Byrnes – Organist
Freda Hearsch – Religious Education
Cindy Shaheen – Altar Society
Jeanette Walterhouse – Morningstar
Rob Kowalk – Spiritual Growth Coordinator



Liturgy Schedule

Monday	9a.m.
Tuesday	9a.m.
Wednesday	9a.m.
Thursday	9a.m.
Friday	12noon
Saturday	9a.m.
	5p.m.
Sunday	10a.m.
2 nd Sunday of the month	10a.m. (English)
	12noon (Arabic)

Adoration

Friday 11a.m.

Confessions

½ hour before liturgy on
Saturday and Sunday and
by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism, please contact the priest at least **1 month** before the intended date for the baptism.

Sacrament of Marriage, please contact the priest at least **6 months** before the intended date for the wedding.

Sick calls, please notify the Church office as soon as possible if you want communion for your sick. We usually do sick calls on Wednesdays.

Pray for our sick and homebound Parishioners:



Eddie Rashid
Nadia Sob
Tom & Margaret LaBranch

Marge Okal
Sarah Marshall
Hanneh Chammas
Hap Maroun
Tom Joubran
Doris Beck
Ann Faris



Dorothy Mattar
Sharon Griffiths

Our Lady of Lebanon Office Hours

Monday 9am – 5pm
Tuesday 9am – 5pm
Wednesday 9am – 5pm
Thursday 9am – 5pm
Friday 9am – 5pm



MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY 17: 4th Sunday of Pentecost Father's Day

10A.M.: (1Cor 2:11-16; Lk 10:21-24) Reader: Erik Lindhurst
- Rep. Ferris Adado by Duane & Dee Gardner
- Rep. Saleem Sob by Family

MONDAY 18: St. Leontius of Tripoli, Martyr
- Rep. Joe Ferris by Bill Conti

TUESDAY 19: St. Jude Thaddeus the Apostle
- Rep. Dr. Joseph Manoharan
10th Anniversary by James Manoharan

WEDNESDAY 20:
- NO MASS

THURSDAY 21: St. Louis Gonzaga, Confessor
- NO MASS

FRIDAY 22: St. Eusebius, Confessor
12NOON
- Rep. Bill Hannosh by Louie & Pam Aziz

SATURDAY 23: Council of Ephesus
9A.M.
- Special Intentions

5P.M.
- Deceased Members of the Mattar Family by
Joe & Mary Conroy

SUNDAY 24: 5th Sunday of Pentecost
The Apostles St. Peter and St. Paul
The Birth of John the Baptist, Confessor
10A.M.: (2Cor 11:21-30; Mt 16:13-20) Reader: Diane Massad
- Rep. Sylvia Zerka by George & Virginia Rizk

SUNDAY July 1: 6th Sunday of Pentecost
Blessed Junipero Serra, Confessor
10A.M.: (1Cor 12:12-13,27-30; Mt. 10:16-25) Reader: Earl Matte
- Rep. Sam Marino by Mike & Madeline Zerka

Weekly Contributions

May 20:	\$2127
May 27:	\$2291
June 3:	\$3178
June 10:	\$1324



Quote of the Week

"Let us hear what the Bible says and what we as Christians are called to hear together: By grace you have been saved." – Karl Barth

Announcements

Father Jihad will be out of the office on Tuesday, June 19, Wednesday, June 20 and Thursday, June 21, 2007. There will still be mass on Tuesday, June 19, 2007 at 9am. If you have an emergency please call Deacon Marty at 232-9713.

Happy Father's Day to our Parish Fathers! We pray God blesses each of you with good health and happiness.

Father's Day Prayer

Thank you, friend Jesus,
for my father who loves me,
for my grandfather who cares for me
and for God, my eternal father,
who made me and is always with me.
How Blessed I am!
Amen



Church cleaning for the
Month of June:

Nina Rachid, Louise Faris
& Linda Macksood

Altar Server Schedule

June 24: Team 3
July 1: Team 4
July 8: Team 1



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

JUNE

24 Picnic in Honor of Our Mothers

JULY

16-20 Children's Bible School
22 Parish Picnic
25-29 NAM Convention in Richmond
Virginia

Saint Eusebius

Confessor

Christians who breathed a sigh of relief when Constantine proclaimed Christianity the state religion, believing this would end the bloodshed and martyrdom. But it was all too short a time until they were facing persecution once more -- from others who claimed to be Christian.

When Christianity became the state religion, many people adopted it for political reasons. Others adopted it without truly understanding it. Under these circumstances heresy found fertile ground. One of the most powerful heresies was Arianism which claimed that Jesus was not God (a heresy that has never completely died out). The Arians were powerful people, including nobles, generals, emperors. They commanded armies and senates. True Christianity was in real danger of being stamped out once again.

Eusebius had learned how to stand as a Christian from his father, who died a martyr in Sardinia. After his father's death, he grew up in Rome where he was ordained a lector. This was a time when bishops were elected by the people and local clergy. When the people of Vercelli saw how well he served their Church, they had no doubt about choosing him as bishop.

Pope Liberius also noticed his abilities and sent him on a mission to the Emperor Constantius to try to resolve the troubles between Arians and Catholics. Seeming to agree, Constantius convened a council in Milan in 355. The powerful Arians however weren't there to talk but to force their own will on the others. A horrified Eusebius watched as his worst fears were confirmed and the Arians made this peace council into a condemnation of Saint Athanasius, their chief opponent. Eusebius, unafraid of their power, slapped the Nicene Creed down on the table and demanded that everyone sign that before condemning Athanasius. The Nicene Creed, adopted by a council of the full Church, proclaims that Jesus is one in being with the Father -- directly contradicting the Arian teaching.

The emperor then tried to force Eusebius, Saint Dionysius of Milan, and Lucifer of Cagliari to

condemn Athanasius under pain of death. They steadfastly refused to condemn a man who far from being a heretic was supporting the truth. Instead of putting them to death, the emperor exiled them.

In exile in Scythopolis in Palestine, Eusebius lived with the only Catholic in town. Any comfort he had from visits of other saints was destroyed when the local Arians stripped him half naked and dragged him through the streets to a tiny cell. The Arians finally let him go after he spent four days without food. But a few weeks later they were back, breaking into his house, stealing his belongings and food, and imprisoning him again.

Eusebius was exiled to two other places before Constantius' successor Julian let him and the other exiled bishops return home in 361. The problem was not over and Eusebius spent his last years working hard to counteract the damage the Arians had done and continued to do. After working with Athanasius and taking part in councils, he became a latter-day Saint Paul traveling all over in order to strengthen the faith and spread the truth.

Eusebius died on August 1, 371.

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Prayer with the Saints

Dear Father, You have given the saints in Heaven eternal happiness and they now live in the fullness of Your glory. Because of their holy love for You, they also care about me and my family, my friends, my church, and my neighbors.

Thank You for the gift of their friendship and the witness of their holy lives. I ask our patron saints and every saint who has become especially dear to me to intercede for us. I ask them to help us journey safely on the narrow path that leads to Heaven. O Lord, give us their protection. Grant us their assistance in overcoming temptation and gaining the fullness of life with You. Amen.

