



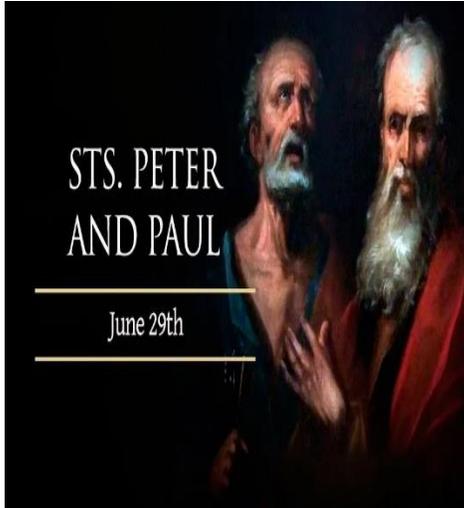
Our Lady of Purgatory



Maronite Catholic Church

June 25-26, 2022

SEASON OF THE GLORIOUS PENTECOST SAINTS PETER AND PAUL



FEAST DAY OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

On June 29 the Church celebrates the feast day of Saints Peter & Paul. As early as the year 258, there is evidence of an already lengthy tradition of celebrating the solemnities of both Saint Peter and Saint Paul on the same day. Together, the two saints are the founders of the See of Rome, through their preaching, ministry and martyrdom there.

Peter, who was named Simon, was a fisherman of Galilee and was introduced to the Lord Jesus by his brother Andrew, also a fisherman. Jesus gave him the name Cephas (Petrus in Latin), which means 'Rock,' because he was to become the rock upon which Christ would build His Church.

Peter was a bold follower of the Lord. He was the first to recognize that Jesus was "the Messiah, the Son of the living God," and eagerly pledged his fidelity until death. In his boldness, he also made many mistakes, however, such as losing faith when walking on water with Christ and betraying the Lord on the night of His passion.

Yet despite his human weaknesses, Peter was chosen to shepherd God's flock. The Acts of the Apostles illustrates his role as head of the Church after the Resurrection and Ascension of Christ. Peter led the Apostles as the first Pope and ensured that the disciples kept the true faith.

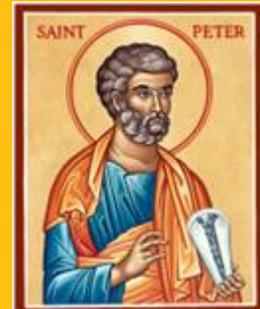
St. Peter spent his last years in Rome, leading the Church through persecution and eventually being martyred in the year 64. He was crucified upside-down at his own request, because he claimed he was not worthy to die as his Lord.

He was buried on Vatican hill, and St. Peter's Basilica is built over his tomb.

St. Paul was the Apostle of the Gentiles. His letters are included in the writings of the New Testament, and through them we learn much about his life and the faith of the early Church.

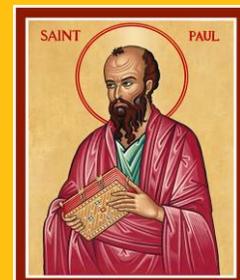
Before receiving the name Paul, he was Saul, a Jewish pharisee who

QUOTE OF THE WEEK



"By his great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and to an inheritance which is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time."

St. Peter, 1 Peter 1:3-5



"We walk by faith, not by sight."

St. Paul, 2 Corinthians 5:7

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zealously persecuted Christians in Jerusalem. Scripture records that Saul was present at the martyrdom of St. Stephen. Saul's conversion took place as he was on his way to Damascus to persecute the Christian community there. As he was traveling along the road, he was suddenly surrounded by a great light from heaven. He was blinded and fell off his horse. He then heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He answered: "Who are you, Lord?" Christ said: "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting."

Saul continued to Damascus, where he was baptized and his sight was restored. He took the name Paul and spent the remainder of his life preaching the Gospel tirelessly to the Gentiles of the Mediterranean world. Paul was imprisoned and taken to Rome, where he was beheaded in the year 67. He is buried in Rome in the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls. In a sermon in the year 395, St. Augustine of Hippo said of Saints Peter and Paul: "Both apostles share the same feast day, for these two were one; and even though they suffered on different days, they were as one. Peter went first, and Paul followed. And so, we celebrate this day made holy for us by the apostles' blood. Let us embrace what they believed, their life, their labors, their sufferings, their preaching, and their confession of faith."

SAINT JOSEPH SODALITY NEWS

Periodically we will be publishing news and coming events from the St. Joseph Sodality. The Sodality is the oldest organization in the Parish, having been founded in 1918. Through their devotion to St. Joseph, Sodality Members seek to emulate the life and faith of St. Joseph, and by doing so, hope to achieve eternal happiness as he did. The Sodality encourages you to consider becoming a member.

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNS FOR....

This week the sanctuary candle burns for Norman Madeiros requested by Helena Tavares. Anyone who would like to offer the sanctuary candle for a loved one or special intention, this will be offered each week. An offering of a \$10.00 donation is appreciated.

SECOND COLLECTION- PETER'S PENCE

As per the directive of the Eparchy of Saint Maron, there will be a second collection this weekend for the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul. This Holy Father's Collection is earmarked for the Holy Father to assist with emergency financial assistance to aid the most need throughout the world. Thank you for your generosity.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2022 GRADUATES

Loredana T. Mello received B.A. in Music Summa Cum Laude from UMASS Dartmouth.

Stephanie Hakeem received a Master of Professional Studies in Public Relations and Cooperate Communications from George Town University.

Jordan David received B.A. in English from UMASS Dartmouth.

Emmanuelle Abi Younes received B.A. in Chemical Engineer from UMASS Amherst.

Genevieve W. Chedid graduated from Dartmouth High School and will continue her education at Stonehill College.

Joseph J. Chedid graduated from Dartmouth High School and will continue his education at Bryant University.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Angela Scorza-Anderson, Renee Helmer, Terry Amsden, Lisa Mello-Frost, Ziad Al-Ghoubry, Natalya Sarkis, Joe Reid, Octavia David, Jacob Rego, Amal Assaf, Peter Helmer, Denise Magaletta, Fernanda Thomas, Leo Rodrick, Theresa John, Laurette Bou Ramia, Annie Peter, Jeannie Francis, Mariam David, Norma Thomas, Zita Drouin, Lucienne Rodrigues, Ed Da Rocha, Edmond Salameh, and Alice Daher. If anyone is missing from this list, please contact the Church office.

WINE AND HOST OFFERINGS

The altar bread and wine for the month of June is offered in memory of Joseph and Marie Kenyon requested by family. May their souls rest in peace.

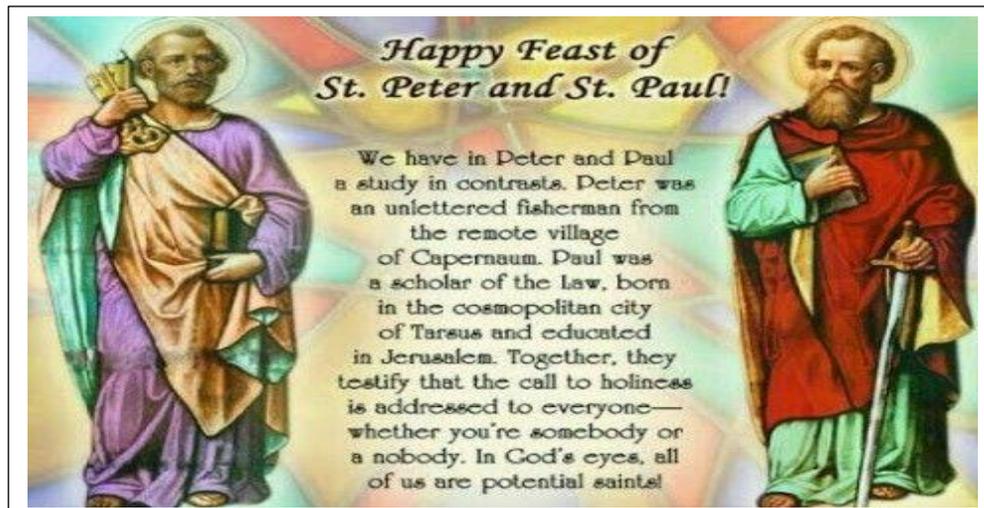
LECTORS FOR JUNE 2022

Saturday, June 25,

Carol Ann Maslanka

Sunday, June 26,

John Barbour /Halim Choubah



LITURGY INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 25, @ 4:30 PM, (Feast of Saints Zachariah and Elizabeth). Liturgy is being offered for the souls of Susan and Amy Cabral requested by Lou and Smitty Cabral. May their souls rest in peace. Liturgy is being offered for the souls of the deceased members of the Kalife family. May their souls rest in peace.

Sunday, June 26, @ 10:30 AM, (Feast of Saint Yaacub Haddad the Capuchin). Welcome Me into Your Kingdom Liturgy. Liturgy is being offered for the 2022 Graduates. Liturgy is being offered for the souls of Abraham and Amelia Sarkes requested by family. May their souls rest in peace.

Monday, June 27, @ 9:00 AM, (Feast of Saint Samson the Hospitable). Maronite Sisters of Christ the Light convent.

Tuesday, June 28, @ 9:00 AM, (Feast of Saint Irenaeus). Liturgy is being offered for the souls of Helen and Anthony Buaiz, and grandson Joseph Ribeiro requested by family (FM). May their souls rest in peace.

Wednesday, June 29, @ 6:00 PM, (Feast of Saints Peter and Paul).

Thursday, June 30, @ 7:00 PM, (Feast of the Twelve Apostles). Liturgy is being offered for the soul of Ann Briggs requested by family (FM). May her soul rest in peace. **Arabic Liturgy.**

Saturday, July 2, @ 4:30 PM (The Visitation of Our Lady to Her Cousin Elizabeth). Liturgy is being offered for the soul of Nazera Saba requested by Subdeacon Joe Abraham and Carol Ann Maslanka. May her soul rest in peace. Liturgy is being offered for the souls of Radha Peter J. David and her father Peter (FM).

Sunday, July 3, @10:30 AM (Feast of Saint Jerome). Liturgy is being offered for the souls Sam Akeekie and Najebe Kazem (FM). May their souls rest in peace. Liturgy is being offered for the souls of Saba Mike Barkett, Joseph and Mary (FM). May their souls rest in peace.

WISH LIST EQUIPMENT

Dear Parishioners of OLOP:

Last year's festival was a great success for our Church, both financially and communally. As you may know, we were very fortunate to have Msgr. Jim Root and the parishioners of Saint Anthony of the Desert, who were so gracious and helpful by allowing us to use many pieces of equipment that was needed to make our festival a success.

In an effort to continue the success of our festival, we have come up with a wish list of equipment that will be of great help for the festival and other events we are planning throughout the year. You have all been so generous to the Church and as I share with you our wish list, I want to stress that it is exactly that--- a wish list. If anyone would like to donate towards any of these items, it would be a great help and very much appreciated. All of this is to assist in making our events more successful. Once again, I thank you in advance for all your support and I pray that this year's festival will be filled with much success and pride.

Dough Sheeter for Minooshe	\$ 2,200.00
Bain Marie for Sandwich Station	\$ 600.00
(1) Table Top Food Warmers(each)	\$ 200.00
(2) 6 Ft Gas Grills (each)	\$ 500.00
Food Warmer	\$ 1,500.00
Food Warmer Trays	\$ 400.00

DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF 6/20-6/25/22

Monday:

Acts of the Apostles 7:44-50
Matthew 18:1-5

Tuesday:

Acts of the Apostles 7:51-8:1a
Matthew 18: 6-10

Wednesday:

2 Corinthians 11:21-30
Matthew 16:13-20

Thursday:

Acts of the Apostles 8:9,13b-25
Matthew 18:15-20

Friday:

Acts of the Apostles 8:26-40
Matthew 18:21-35

Saturday:

Acts of the Apostles 9:1-6,10-11,15-19
Matthew 11:25-30

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Please know that confession is available before liturgies. You may also call to set up an appointment.

LECTORS FOR JULY 2022

Saturday, July 2,

Smitty Cabral

Sunday, July 3,

Mae Dickinson/Jano Baroudi

Saturday, July 9,

Joan Mello

Sunday, July 10,

Ann Dupre/Hiba Chdid

Saturday, July 15,

Rachel Higgins

Intercessions: Anna Higgins

Sunday, July 16,

John Barbour /Halim Choubah

Saturday, July 23,

Mae Dickinson

Sunday, July 24,

Joan Mello/Gaby baroody

Saturday, July 30,

Carol Ann Maslanka

Sunday, July 24,

Ann Dupre/Rana Choubah

(If you are not able to read on your given day, please contact Mae Dickinson)

WEEK OF JUNE 18-19, 2022

Sunday Collection	\$ 1078.00
Festival Sponsorships	\$ 1990.00
Sanctuary Candles	\$ 10.00
Donation	\$ 250.00
Coffee Hour	\$ 38.00
Candles	\$ 31.00
Total	\$ 3582.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS AND GENEROSITY BY SENDING IN YOUR WEEKLY COLLECTIONS VIA MAIL. THIS HAS BEEN VERY HELPFUL FOR THE CHURCH. GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.

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Eternally in our hearts and in our thoughts. We miss seeing your face, hearing your voice, seeing your smile and hearing your laugh. We cherish the day we will join you in GOD's Heavenly Kingdom. We Love you and miss you even more with each passing day.

Joseph & Marie Kenyon

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