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The Pope's Prayer Intention for July:

We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.



SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 4:00PM, 5:30 PM, (en español)

Sun. 8 AM, 9:15AM, 10:30AM, 11:45AM, 1:15 PM (en español), 4:00PM, 5:30PM

Weekday Masses:

Mon.—Fri. 8:00AM, 12:05PM, 4:45PM Saturday 9:00AM, 12PM

Confessions:

Mon.—Fri. 11:15 -11:50AM, 12:45-4:15PM Saturday 9:30 - 11:45 AM, 12:45-3:30PM

Devotions:

Tuesday after Mass: Our Lady Wednesday after Mass: St. Joseph Thursday after Mass: St. Jude

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Mon.—Fri. 8:30-11:50AM, 12:30-4:30PM: **Sat.** 9:30-11:30AM, 12:30-3:30PM; **Sunday** 2:30-3:30PM

Gift Shop Hours:

Monday—Friday 10:00AM - 5:30PM*; **Saturday** 9:30AM - 6:30PM*; **Sunday** 8:45AM - 6:30PM* (*Closed during Masses)

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Christ in the House of Martha and Mary. Jan Vermeer, National Gallery of Scotland. Public Domain.



Reflection by Fr. Michael Warren, OMV

What is lacking in the sufferings of Christ? St. Paul in his letter to the Colossians—this Sunday's second reading—states that in his own personal suffering he is making up for what is lacking in Christ's sufferings. It is a bold statement, and thought-provoking.

In the suffering Christ endured in His life, and most especially on the cross. He redeemed us and the whole world. What could be left undone, or lacking in this? St. Paul will go on later in the letter to address the reality of the Church being the Body of Christ. In cosmic and mystical terms, then, when we speak of Christ we also speak of the whole Body, which includes all the baptized in the Church. The life and sufferings of Jesus created the Church and made it His Body. He also enabled all of us to become participants with Jesus in redeeming the world. That means, like Him, our lives and sufferings continue the mission of redemption. What, then, is lacking in the sufferings of Christ, the whole Christ? Mine and yours. Our sufferings are a manifestation of the life of Christ rising in us as we strive to become less of the world and more of Him. Christ suffered for us. now He must suffer in us. St. Paul was writing to the Colossians to tell them that he was willingly accepting Christ suffering in him, and so Paul was helping to build up the whole Body by including his own sufferings. The whole Christ must offer suffering for the salvation of the world; Jesus the Head, and we, the Body.

What this does not mean is that we suffer for suffering's sake. It is not our mission to go in search of suffering for its own sake. In living out each of our respective vocations and the universal call to holiness we will suffer. Our task is to follow Christ where He trod, that includes His way of the cross. In willingly accepting suffering with Christ in redeeming ourselves and the whole world, we make up for what is lacking in the sufferings of the whole Body of Christ, our own personal sufferings.

St. Sharbel was a man who knew the suffering of the ascetical life of a monk and hermit. He lived in Lebanon from 1828 till 1898. Sharbel was a member of the Maronite Church, which is one of the Rites of the Catholic Church. The Maronites have a parish in Jamaica Plain, Our Lady of the Cedars. I encourage you to visit and experience the Maronite liturgy, another expression of the same Catholic Faith.

AMEN

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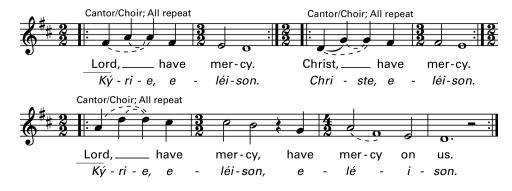
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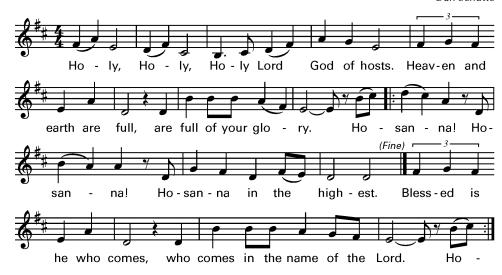
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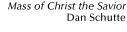


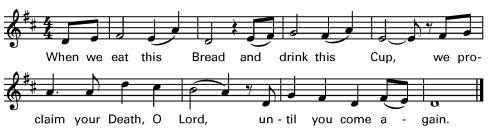




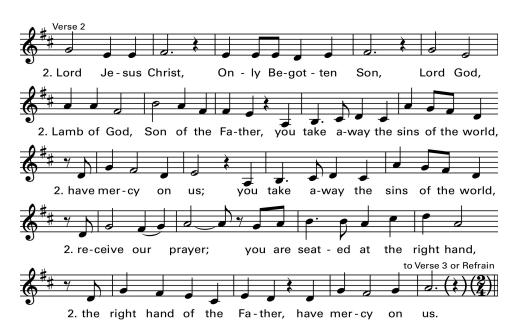
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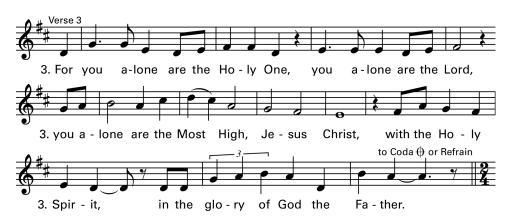






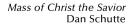
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MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sunday, July 17

8:00 AM +Dr. Rafael Caron 9:15 AM Lilia Munoz—birthday 10:30 AM Fr. Solomon—good health 11:45 AM John C. Kilpatrick—health 1:15 PM +Ignacio Sierra—anniv. 4:00 PM Cecilia—birthday 5:30 PM +Mary Walsh

Monday, July 18

8:00 AM +Rev. Fergus Healey **12:05 PM** +Joseph G. Maciora & family—
24th anniv.

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4:45 PM Maria Varela—Thanksgiving

Tuesday, July 19

8:00 AM +Raul, +Samuel and +Margarita who still do not know you or do not want to recognize you.

12:05 PM Jack & Jill Cummings—health **4:45 PM** +Romelia, +Mariela & +Sergio Norena

Wednesday, July 20

8:00 AM Holy Souls 12:05 PM +Gladys Marhefka 4:45 PM In honor of St. Joseph

Thursday, July 21

8:00 AM +Augusto Cordeiro 12:05 PM Gracesor Fabien 4:45 PM Holy Souls in Purgatory

Friday, July 22 8:00 AM +Auguste Cordeiro

12:05 PM +Juan Madariaga **4:45 PM** +Joseph Timilty

Saturday, July 23

9:00 AM +Rita Kopp 12:00 PM Lily—birthday 4:00 PM Fr. Albert Colpitts 5:30 PM +Roxana Rios

Prayer Before Mass



by Ven. Bruno Lanteri

My God, I offer you this holy sacrifice to proclaim, honor and glorify your infinite greatness, and in recognition of the supreme dominion which, as the first principle and last end, you have above all created things. I give you this homage for all those who still do not know you or do not want to recognize you.

I offer this too in thanksgiving for the benefits that I and all the world have received and will receive from your infinite goodness; in satisfaction for my sins and those of the whole world; to implore the graces that are necessary for my eternal salvation and for all mankind. Oh, my God, I offer to you the merits of Jesus Christ; grant me at this Holy Mass a profound adoration of him.

My God, my Creator, I implore you to grant me the grace of final perseverance. I know by faith that I do not deserve it, nor can I deserve it, but your Divine Son deserves it for me with all his virtues and with all the wounds he shows you in his Most Holy Body, on behalf of my wounded love. Amen.

The Maronite Catholic Church

Maronites have remained loyal to the Catholic faith since their inception in the Fourth Century, and have never broken communication with the Pope and the Church of Rome. Certain Prayers in the Maronite Catholic Liturgy are said in Aramaic, the language spoken by Jesus Christ. The Maronite Church takes its name from St. Maron, a Syrian hermit who lived in the fourth century. During the Council of Chalcedon in 451 the Syriac Church, along with the Alexandrian (Coptic) and Armenian Churches disagreed with the decision of the Council of Fathers and broke the union with the Great Church. Those who refused to follow the Syriac Church into heresy and remained loyal to the Catholic faith became known as the "Maronites".

The Maronites are one of 22 autonomous, or self-governing churches, which form the Catholic Church. While remaining in communication with the Pope, each Catholic Church has its own hierarchy and clergy, generally headed by a patriarch or metropolitan, and separate ecclesiastical jurisdictions, called eparchies (dioceses) headed by an eparch (bishop). There are over 20 million Christians worldwide who live out their faith as Eastern Catholics.

Historically centered in Lebanon and Syria, the Maronite church was formed by Syriac Christians who developed their own hierarchy and traditions from the mid-fourth century onwards. During the Islamic conquest, Maronites retreated to the mountains in Lebanon. Though cut off from communication with Rome for 500 years before the Crusades, and for long periods afterwards, Maronites regard themselves not as a church that was eventually "unified" with Rome, having previously been Orthodox, but rather as one that was always united theologically and spiritually with Rome, and which "confirmed" that union when contact was reestablished. There is no Orthodox counterpart to the Maronite Church.

Migration over the course of the last 125 years has meant that most Maronites today live outside of the region where the church was born and shaped its culture and practice. They fled in particularly large numbers during the Lebanese civil war of 1975-1990. The 2015 *Annuario Pontificio* claims about 3.36 million Maronite Catholics worldwide, including about 1.5 million in Lebanon and 64,000 in

Syria. The largest numbers outside of Lebanon are living in Argentina (720,000), Brazil (493,000), Mexico (156,000) and Australia (150,000). The number of Maronites worldwide is hard to determine precisely because many of those who live outside Lebanon worship in Latin or other Catholic churches if they do not live near a Maronite parish.

Many of the ideals of the Maronite life were shaped by monastic traditions and the history of retreating to the mountains under threat. The namesake of the church, St. Maron (sometimes Maroun), was a hermit monk. Churches and holy sites in Lebanon are often located above towns, in hills and mountains. Other saints of the tradition—St. John Maron, St. Rafka (Rafqua) and St. Charbel are the most prominent among them, aside from the biblical saints—were all revered for their extreme monastic asceticism. Still, non-monastic Maronite priests can be married.

A long period of linkages to Rome introduced a number of Latin practices like the Rosary, and fostered a strong devotion to the Immaculate Conception. Since Vatican II, and particularly under Pope St. John Paul II, liturgical reforms have looked to recover important Maronite traditions that had been Latinized. The church is led, under the pope, by the Patriarch of Antioch and All the East, who is head-quartered in Lebanon.

Source: Catholiccultures.org and saintsharbelnj.org

St. Sharbel—Feast Day July 24

O Lord Jesus, you inspired the Saint, Monk and Hermit Charbel to live and die in your path and you gave him the strength to detach himself from the world in order to make triumph, in his hermitage, the monastic virtues. We implore Thee to bestow upon us the grace to love Thee and serve Thee following his example.

God Almighty, who has manifested the power of Saint Charbel's intercession, by the numerous miracles and favours, grant us our petition(s) by his intercession. Amen