



PARISH SCHEDULE

SUNDAY LITURGY | at 11:00 AM

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Sunday Liturgy: 11:00 AM

Saturday Liturgy: 5:00 PM

Wednesday & Friday Liturgy: 6:30 PM

Thursday Liturgy & Adoration: 6:30 PM



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READINGS

June / 2023

June 11

3rd Sunday of Pentecost

Epistle

1 Cor 2:1-10

Gospel

Jn 14:21-27



June 18

4th Sunday of Pentecost

Epistle

1 Cor 2:11-16

Gospel

Lk 10:21-24

TIME

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FROM



Remember your loved ones with Mass Intentions

June 11

11:00 AM

Alia Youssef Antoun

By: Jacques Akl-Matar

June 18

11:00 AM

Michel Youssef Rezk

By: Patti Karam

June 25

11:00 AM

Available

HOSPITALITY - COFFEE HOUR / 2023

June 11

Jacques Akl-Matar

June 18

Available

June 25

Available



To sponsor a coffee hour pls contact Gloria Salim-Brown: 919.345.3483, gsalim@aol.com.
Donation for coffee hour is appreciated

PARISH OFFERING

June 4, 2023



Weekly offering

\$889.00

Coffee Hour

\$168.00

Total Income

\$1,057.00

*Thank You for your generosity and
your support*

Important Messages

Daily Readings

Monday: Acts 5:34-42; Jn 16:5-11

Tuesday: Acts 6:1-12; Jn 16:12-15

Wednesday: Acts 7:1-8; Jn 16:16-19

Thursday: Acts 7:9-16; Jn 16:20-24

Friday: Gal 1:11-17; Mt 11:25-30

Saturday: Acts 7:30-38; Jn 16:29-33



THE SANCTUARY LAMP

Is a vigil light burning 24/7 and kept near the Blessed Sacrament. The light indicates the unfathomable mystery of the Eucharistic presence of Jesus. It reminds us of the reverence due to the Sacrament. The burning light is a pious custom as a way of prolonging our adoration and prayer to honor His presence.

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- By Mail at: 600 Mount Vernon Church Rd., Raleigh NC 27614
- Via our website www.saintshatbelchurch.org by clicking on Donate
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Upcoming Second Collection

- June 25: Holy Father's Collection (Peter's Pence)
- Sept. 10: Catholic University of America and Maronite Seminary
- Oct. 22: World Mission Sunday

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS - 2023

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| June 10: | St. Sharbel Youth Gathering (Ages 12-18) |
| June 12: | Finance Committee Meeting |
| June 16: | The Sacred Heart of Jesus |
| June 18: | Father's Day |
| June 24: | Evening with Our Lady after 5:00 PM Liturgy |
| June 25: | Pastoral Council Meeting |

Third Sunday of Pentecost

Qurbono P. 425; Creed P. 748; Anaphora of St. John p. 815

The Holy Spirit Teaches (John 14:21-27)

The unique characteristic of the New Testament is the event of the sending of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples, upon the early apostolic Church, upon each and everyone of us, upon all the children of the church wherever they may be in the world, from the day of Pentecost, throughout history, and down to this very day.

In today's Gospel, when Judas, not the Iscariot, asked him why are you revealing yourself to us, and not to the world? Jesus responded to him with a twofold answer: In the first, he emphasizes that he who keeps the commandments of the Father, both the Father and Jesus will come to him and make their dwelling place in him and make of him a holy and spiritual temple. In the second, Jesus stresses the importance of the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples to teach them everything, to continue what he had started with them, to remind them of his previous teaching, to gradually make them understand the meaning of their unique apostolic experience which they have actually lived with Jesus, and finally to include them in the perfect and complete mystery of Jesus.

For Saint John, Love is the basis of everything. The love between God and Jesus spills over the world and is planted in the heart of all people. All people love God through Jesus and in turn they love each other. Through the love of Jesus heaven and earth are reconciled, man and God are reconciled, man and man are reconciled and are all bound by the bond of love. Further, Jesus here stresses the necessity of obedience—the only proof of true love. Obedience to God and his commandments brings about two great and saving elements: Safety and complete revelation: (a) Safety, because those who love God and obey him, they will be safe on the day of Christ's triumph in his second coming; (b) Revelation, because when Jesus rose from the dead, he revealed himself to those who have accepted him, not to those who were hostile toward him. No evil person can receive a revelation of Jesus. Revelation of Jesus is only reserved to those who seek him and to those who obey God's commandments. Therefore, this fellowship between God and humanity, which is characterized by God revealing himself to us is totally dependent on LOVE and love is dependent on OBEDIENCE.

Speaking about the Holy Spirit, Jesus provides two basic statements: (a) ***The Holy Spirit teaches us.*** If we are willing to be learners, the Holy spirit will teach and lead us into the truth of God. No Christian should ever feels that he knows everything. If we ever feel we know it all, it means that we have begun our self-destructing process. On the one hand, we have no more reason to learn and therefore, we will be losing the guidance, inspiration, and knowledge that the Holy Spirit is about to offer us. (b) ***The Holy Spirit reminds us*** of what Jesus said. Jesus taught us the truth. Here, however, it is not the truth that we must discover, but the meaning of that truth. In addition, the Holy Spirit keeps us protected and guides us to act appropriately in matters of moral and behavior; saves us from faltering when we are tempted and speaks through us and for us when we are being falsely accused.