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Bulletin #22

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### ***1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Pentecost (Trinity Sunday)***

- \***Weekend Masses:** Saturdays: Mass at 4:00 p.m. and Sundays: Mass at 10:30 a.m.
- \***Weekday Masses:** Tuesdays and Thursdays Mass at 12:00 Noon  
Mondays and Wednesdays and Fridays: No Mass. Pastor's office work.
- \***Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament:** Every 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday and Sunday of the month after Mass.
- \***Confession:** Saturday: 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. or any other time by appointment.
- \***Baptism:** Please call the Pastor as soon as baby is born; at least one Godparent must be Catholic.
- \***Weddings:** Please make arrangements at least **six** months in advance before any other plans are made.
- \***Sick Calls & Anointing of the Sick:** Please notify the Pastor at 304-233-1688
- \***Parish Council:** Lou Khourey, Susan (John) Burns, Mark McLaughlin, Liz Murad, Gary Weisner.
- \***Choir Members:** Lou Khourey, Robert Harris, Joe Simon, Shelly Hancher, Holly Stahl.
- \***Bulletin Coordinator:** Thomasina Geimer
- \***Altar Servers:** Joe Roxby and Christopher AlKhouri
- \***Cedar Club:** Linda Duffy, President
- \***Women's Society:** Jeannette Wakim, President



#### \***Bulletin Announcements:**

Submit all Bulletin Information to Msgr. Bakhos by Noon on Tuesday every week.

#### \***New Parishioners:**

We welcome you with great joy & invite you to officially register as one of our parishioners.

\***Remember the Church in your Last Will & Testament:** Her prayers will accompany you to heaven.

## ***Gospel Reflection: Trinity Sunday***

Readings: Gen 18:1-8; Rom 11:25-36 and Mt 28:16-20

### Trinity and Incarnation

I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me" (Jn 14:6).

The mystery of the Incarnation led Conchita toward the profundities of God.

"The Lord then raised my spirit up to the contemplation of the Incarnation of the Word. He made me understand very profound things concerning the Most Holy Trinity, of which He is the Second Person.

From all eternity the Father existed. He produced from His own depths, from His own substance, from His very essence His Word. From all eternity, too, from the beginning the Word was God, as the Father was God, the two Persons constituting but one divine substance. But never at any moment did these divine Persons, the Father and the Son, exist alone, never were they but two. In this same eternity, though proceeding from the Father and the Son, the Holy Spirit existed, the reflection, substance, essence of the Father and the Son and, equally, Person. The Holy Spirit is a divine reflection on the bosom of Love Itself. He is the reflection of light at the heart of light itself, the reflection of life in the innermost of Life itself, and so of all infinite perfection within the inmost core of eternal perfection.

This communication of the same substance, of the same essence, of the same life and of the same perfections which form and which are actually one and the same essence, substance, life and perfection, constitute the eternal felicity of one sole God and the endless complacency of the Persons of the august Trinity.

Oh how great, immensely great, God is! What abysses in Him, incomprehensible for man and even for angels! Before this grandeur, I feel like the tiniest atom. Yet my infinite soul, on feeling capable of receiving a feeble reflection of this same grandeur, expands, fully joyous on contemplating the felicity, the eternity, the incomprehensible immensity of its God.

And is the Word there? I ask myself, wholly moved, whether it is from this throne He will descend to the vile atom of the earth? Oh my eternal God, how can I accept such condescension?

Jesus went on: 'The Word, the Second Person of the Most Holy Trinity descended into the most pure womb of Mary and, by operation of the Holy Spirit who made her pregnant, the Word became incarnate and was made man! So profound an abasement as only the love of a God could bring about!'

I heard about this marvelous and so sublime mystery some things so profound that they are only for my soul, for I cannot explain them to others, for lack of words." (*Diary*, Feb. 25, 1897).

I suffer when I see certain paintings or representations of the Most Holy Trinity. Oh, that is not what I feel! God is light, purity, divine perfume, an array of beauty, the hearth of all perfection, peace and candor. He is love, love, love, incomprehensible, eternity apart from time, a point which enkindles and absorbs all, dazzling, majestic, and exceedingly sweet, which attracts everything and ever communicates itself . . . without ever diminishing its plentitude!

Oh, how this eternity apart from time is deeply imprinted on my heart! This God, God thrice holy, holy, holy, whom I do not understand but whom I experience, who will be able to say what He is, if even in heaven there is no language to explain it?

To feel, that makes me fear. But all at once, I feel myself immersed in this ocean of ravishing perfections, in this eternity of beauty and personal happiness! I see the three divine Persons communicate to each other this eternal complacency which is ever produced and at each instant on contemplating themselves.

### ***Flowers to the Blessed Mother During May***

May the Blessed Mother shower her graces upon all the generous parishioners who sponsored Flowers to decorate her altar during the month of May consecrated to her devotion.

May 31st	Thomasina Geimer, Nini Miller and Becky Ferrera
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## ***This Weekend Mass Schedule. Sat-Sun. May 30-31***

### **Saturday May 30, Mass at 4:00 p.m.:**

- † Bryce D. Luginhill (Anniversary) by Mary Beth Weisner
- † Noel Foreman by his wife Anne & Family
- † Linda Mason by Judy Noll

### **Sunday May 31, Mass at 10:30 a.m.:**

- † Bertha Nolte (Great Aunt) (Anniversary) by Janet Shutler
- † Fran Saseen by Michelle & Jay McGowan
- † Tom Quinn by his Family

## ***Weekdays Mass Schedule***

**Monday June 1:** No Mass. Pastor's day off.

### **Tuesday June 2, Mass at Noon.**

- † Tom Ferris (Anniversary) by Libby Magnone
- † Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, & her son Mark by her last will
- † Janis & George Thomas (Ohio) by their last will

### **Wednesday June 3: No Mass.**

### **Thursday June 4, Mass at Noon:**

- † Mary Zaid Stees, Elizabeth A. Magnone and Tom Ferris by Libby G. Magnone
- † Mary Zaid Stees (Birthday) by Libby Magnone
- † Mary E. Daniel (Anniversary) by Michael & Rebecca (Daniel) DiFabrizio

### **Friday June 5: No Mass.**

## ***Next Weekend Mass Schedule. Sat-Sun. June 6-7***

### **Saturday June 6, Mass at 4:00 p.m.: Benediction after Mass**

- † George & Martha Saseen (Wedding Anniversary) by George & Susan Saseen and Family
- † Kenny Joseph by Millet L. Fadoul and Family
- † Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her last Will

### **Sunday June 7, Mass at 10:30 a.m.: Benediction after Mass**

- † Tom & Mary K. Ferris by their daughter Denise Ferris
- † Rick Frazier by his wife Luane Frazier and sons Richard & John Frazier and grandson Lendon Logan Kyle
- † Annette Togliatti and Sadie Bouharb by GiGi Rice and the Bouharb Family

## ***Coming Events in a Glimpse***

Dance Troupe practice	Lasts for 45 minutes directly after 10:30 am Mass. May 31 and June 7, 14, 28 and July 12, 19, 26
Saturday, June 6	Rummage Sale from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.
June 20 – June 28	Fathers and grandfathers' Day Masses (see list below)
Sunday, August 9	Mahrajan (Lebanese Festival) See details below
Fall Bake Sale (convenient date?)	Week of October 19-24????? Week of October 26-31????? Week of November 16-21????????? Week of November 23-28?????????

## ***Fathers' Day Masses, Sat. June 20 – Sunday, June 28***

### ***Masses for the Deceased Fathers and Grandfathers***

Special Remembrance on these special days:

On June 20: † Mariam Joseph by the Weisner and Joseph Families

On June 21: † Sara (Joseph) McLaughlin (Birthday) by Mark & Barb McLaughlin

- † Sara McLaughlin (Birthday) by Larry & Becky Ferrera
- † Sister Mary Thomasina John by Ron & Susan (John) Burns
- † Richard Frazier (Birthday) by his wife Luane
- † Antonina Siebieda (Anniversary) by Larry & Lillian Siebieda and Family

On June 23: † Jim Fahey (Anniversary) by George & Patty Fahey

On June 27: † Bob Sengewalt and his son Dave by the Family

- † Habib Khourey, Louis Khourey Sr., & Nassif Nader by Lou, Charlotte, Emmalena & Louie Khourey
- † Charles "Pud" Howard, Bruce Cody Riggs and Franklin C. Howard by Lou & Charlotte & Family
- † Adib Chidiac (father) & Nadim Chidiac (brother) and my grandfathers by Msgr. Bakhos
- † Aziz Kazour and Youssef Chahine by Jocelyne Chahine and Family (Pittsburgh)
- † Janis & George Thomas (Ohio) by their last will
- † Albert Togliatti and Khalil Harb by GiGi Rice
- † Deceased of Mr. Jamil Harb by Msgr. Bakhos
- † Tom & Mary K. Ferris by their daughter Denise
- † Noel Foreman by his wife Anne and Family
- † Ray McLaughlin, Sr. and Elias Joseph by Mark & Barb McLaughlin and Family
- † John Miller by Mark & Barb McLaughlin and Family
- † Dana Burkhart by his wife Carol Burkhart
- † Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, & her son Mark by her last will
- † Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her last Will
- † John T. John and D. William Burns by their loving children Susan and Ron Burns
- † Thomas John, David Joseph and Donald Burns by their loving grandchildren Susan and Ron Burns
- † Alfred Felici by his children Stephanie Richards and Brian Felici
- † Elias Frenn and Jim Thomas by Dr. Adel, Diane & Justin Frenn and Andreah, Zack & Christian Riedel
- † Richard Frazier by his wife Luane & sons Rick, John & grandsons Kyle & Logan Sander
- † Thomas A. Ferris by his daughter Denise Ferris
- † Thomas Shia and Gus Shia by Sue Jochum & Family
- † Thomas Jochum, Jr. & Sr. by Sue Jochum & Family
- † Al Schroeder by his son Mark Schroeder and daughter Jane Wine
- † Matt Hughes and Albert Schroeder by Mark Schroeder and Jane Wine
- † Kenneth Joseph by his daughter Cheryl Tucker & Family
- † Donald Nickerson Sr. & Albert Nickerson by their Loving Family
- † Nicholas Elias by his Loving Family
- † Vincent Jacovetty by Patty & George Fahey
- † Dennis Fahey by George & Patty Fahey
- † Randy Borkoski by Anthony & Amanda Sable and Children
- † John Henning and Joseph Bott by Don & Roberta Henning
- † Anthony George (MN) by his daughter Margaret George
- † George A. Fahey by Jackie & Pat Petros
- † Philip Petros by Jackie & Pat Petros
- † George Fadoul and Joseph Duffy by Earl & Linda Duffy
- † Samuel John Hebdo by his daughter Rose Hebdo-Oberst
- † George J. Saseen by his son George P. Saseen
- † Steve Harasuik by his daughter Susan Harasuik-Saseen
- † Al Otterbeck and Barkett Coury by Ron & Kim Gibbons
- † George Joseph, Lawrence Ferrera, Elias Joseph and Tom Veechione by Larry & Becky Ferrera
- † Gary McLaughlin, Mickey McLaughlin, Gerard Joseph and Edward Joseph by Larry & Becky Ferrera
- † Walter Elwartoski by his son Richard Elwartoski
- † Robert & Charles (Darwish) by Carol Dougherty
- † Mike Joseph by his wife Vickie Joseph

- ✠ Alphonse Joseph by Vickie Joseph
- ✠ Abdo Ferris, Tom Ferris, Nikolai Magnone, Louie Ferris, Kenneth Coffield, Ted Ferris, David Garcia, John Ferris, Mark Fertig, William Magnone by Libby G. Magnone
- ✠ George Alan Weisner and Albert Frederick Weisner by Mary Beth Weisner
- ✠ Nimon Joseph by Mary Beth Weisner
- ✠ George Weisner by his son Gary Weisner
- ✠ Donald Vince by his Children and grandchildren
- ✠ Walter Machel and Leo Spyra by Judy & Mike Sofka
- ✠ Sterun Sofka and John Sayre and Tim Stanton by Judy & Mike Sofka
- ✠ Abdoo Saseen by Jim & Pat Connell
- ✠ Bernard Connell by Jim & Pat Connell
- ✠ Albert Boehm by his Family
- ✠ Robert Glaser by his Family
- ✠ Samuel J. Elias by Mike & Terri Golebiewski
- ✠ Alphonse Golebiewski by Mike & Terri Golebiewski
- ✠ John E. Ritts by his son John Ritts
- ✠ Joseph Namey by his grandson John Ritts
- ✠ Robert J. Shutler, Sr. by his daughter Janet Shutler
- ✠ Harry F. Nolte by his great granddaughter Janet Shutler
- ✠ Harry J. Nolte by his granddaughter Janet Shutler
- ✠ Frederick J. Shutler, Sr. by his granddaughter Janet Shutler

### *Masses for the Living Fathers and Grandfathers*

- ✠ Louis H. Khourey by his children Emmalena and Louie
- ✠ Mark McLaughlin by his children Brad and Kristen and grandchildren Nathan and Shane Graney
- ✠ Dr Adel Frenn and Mike Riedel by Justin Frenn and Andreah, Zack Riedel
- ✠ Dr Adel Frenn and Mike Riedel by Christian Riedel
- ✠ Earl (Mickey) Duffy by his wife Linda Duffy
- ✠ Assad Rahi by his daughter Alicia and Scott Peklinsky
- ✠ George Saseen by his granddaughter Ginny Naswadi
- ✠ Larry Ferrera, Larry Ferrera III, Tony Ferrera and Mark McLaughlin by Becky Ferrera
- ✠ Louis Valles by his daughter Vickie Joseph
- ✠ Nick Magnone, John Ferris, Nicky Magnone, Bill Stees, Josh McDowell by Libby G. Magnone
- ✠ Anthony Ruiz by Matt and Vicki Gompers
- ✠ Patrick Rinehart and Terry Rinehart and Mike Sofka by Judy & Mike Sofka
- ✠ Krzysztof Kowalski and Zdzislaw Kowalski by Judy & Mike Sofka

### *Lebanese Festival News (Sunday, August 9 from 11 to 6 pm)*

**Outdoor Mass** (Sunday Mass will be at 10:00 am not 10:30 am at Oglebay Park. There will be no Mass at the church that Sunday.)

#### **Souvenir Ad Book**

--If any parishioner want to put an ad in the Souvenir Ad Book that will be distributed at the festival and all over, please contact Msgr Bakhos 304-233-1688 or Mark McLaughlin. We will help you in the free design.

#### **Dance Troupe of OLOL**

--We are once again recruiting for our parish dance troupe. If you know anyone (age 5-21) who would be interested to join, please contact Nesrin Alkhouri at 304-231-7728. We have to see many young dancers. Practice schedule: Lasts for 45 minutes directly after 10:30 am Mass. May 31 June 7, 14, 28, July 12, 19, 26

#### **Volunteers:**

--If you are able to volunteer 2 hours at the festival, please call Msgr. Bakhos at 304-233-1688. Thanks

#### **Diamond Sponsors:**

All those generous benefactors who sponsored the 2026 festival with \$200 or more will be recognized in the Ad Book as Diamond sponsors.

--Anthony & Amanda Sable donated \$300.00 to be used toward the members of the church dance troupe. Their names will be on the Diamond Level in the Ad Book. Many Thanks.

### **5 Cash Door Prizes:**

--All guests will be welcomed at the entrance of the festival with good news of five cash prizes donated by generous parishioners. Everyone who submits his/her name and address at the welcome booth, will have a chance to win \$100 cash. Drawings will take place around 6:00 pm before the Raffle cash prize. Good luck to everyone and many thanks for our generous benefactors.

### **No Canope or Pop-ups at the Festival:**

The Festival committee decided not to allow anyone to bring his/her own canope or pop-up tent to the festival ground -that is rented by the church- for insurance and safety reasons. The committee will ask the owners to remove their pop-up immediately.

## ***Birthdays Wishes in the Coming Month***

June 1: Billy Committee  
 June 5: Earl "Mickey" Duffy, Kenly George  
 June 7: Jean Weisner  
 June 9: Ava DeMuth  
 June 14: P.J. Lenz, Kathy Boehm  
 June 15: Becky Joseph Ferrera, Grace Ferrera  
 June 20: Nick Ghaphery, Jr., Michelle Shia  
 June 23: Mary Beth Weisner  
 June 27: Lindsay Lenz

## ***Please Pray for Those on Our Prayer List***

*(Note: Please call Msgr. Bakhos if you need your name added to our Prayer List. HIPPA regulations)*

Jean Weisner, Gina & Shelley Hancher, Lisa Kennedy (daughter of Carol Dougherty, OK), Joe Popovich, Earl & Linda Duffy, Nini Miller, Julia Schiess (daughter of Leo Bleifus), Mary Ragase, Mary Zigler (sister of Lillian Siebieda), Dolores Oser, Anthony Wakim, Sandra DeMuth, Justin Frenn, Elia Frenn, Patty Fahey, Fred Schweizer (brother of our organist Mary Lee Porter), Denny Albaugh, Rita Rae Sage,

<b><i>Your Church Support Last Week</i></b>	
\$1,505.00	Sunday Collection
36.00	Candles
18.00	Coffee hour
704.00	Bake sale deposited in Women society
730.00	Mahrajan (Lebanese festival)
270.00	Donation to the church
\$3,263.00	Total Deposits: May God reward you abundantly for supporting your spiritual home! Finance Committee: Lou Khourey, Susan Burns, Liz Murad, Mark McLaughlin

## ***Question & Answer (#70)***

***Question #70: "How can youth leaders get Catholic teens more excited about God in their youth groups or Church?"***

Answer: Many kids could be classified as "lukewarm." They didn't care too much about religion. They were bored in religious education classes. They were probably apathetic because they were not more convinced about the truths of the Faith.

I recommend trying to get them fully convinced about just one issue, perhaps abortion. After they come to see that truth exists and that it is vitally important, you can then introduce them to other truths. You can convince them that “objective truth” exists and that we need to act on this truth. They will start to see the ridiculousness of the “live and let live” mentality. How can one let an Adolf Hitler “do his own thing?” How can one sit by as millions of babies are killed each year in abortion? An energetic, even mildly confrontational faith will excite them. Then you can introduce them to a deeper sacramental and contemplative approach to the Faith.

## *Famous Quotes*

Story of Jesus when he needed workers

Jesus went through all the towns and villages. He taught in their synagogues. He preached the good news of the kingdom. And he healed every illness and sickness. When he saw the crowds, he felt deep concern for them. They were treated badly and were helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then Jesus said to his disciples, “The harvest is huge. But there are only a few workers. So ask the Lord of the harvest to send workers out into his harvest field.” (Matthew 9:35-38)

## *Spirituality: God and the spider*

During World War II, a US marine was separated from his unit on a Pacific island. The fighting had been intense, and in the smoke and the crossfire he had lost touch with his comrades.

Alone in the jungle, he could hear enemy soldiers coming in his direction. Scrambling for cover, he found his way up a high ridge to several small caves in the rock. Quickly he crawled inside one of the caves. Although safe for the moment, he realized that once the enemy soldiers looking for him swept up the ridge, they would quickly search all the caves and he would be killed.

As he waited, he prayed, "Lord, if it be your will, please protect me. Whatever your will though, I love you and trust you. Amen."

After praying, he lay quietly listening to the enemy begin to draw close. He thought, "Well, I guess the Lord isn't going to help me out of this one." Then he saw a spider begin to build a web over the front of his cave.

As he watched, listening to the enemy searching for him all the while, the spider layered strand after strand of web across the opening of the cave.

"Hah, he thought. "What I need is a brick wall and what the Lord has sent me is a spider web. God does have a sense of humor."

As the enemy drew closer he watched from the darkness of his hideout and could see them searching one cave after another. As they came to his, he got ready to make his last stand. To his amazement, however, after glancing in the direction of his cave, they moved on. Suddenly, he realized that with the spider web over the entrance, his cave looked as if no one had entered for quite a while. "Lord, forgive me," prayed the young man. "I had forgotten that in you a spider's web is stronger than a brick wall."

We all face times of great trouble. When we do, it is so easy to forget the victories that God would work in our lives, sometimes in the most surprising ways. As the great leader, Nehemiah, reminded the people of Israel when they faced the task of rebuilding Jerusalem, "In God we will have success!" [Nehemiah 2:20]

Remember: Whatever is happening in your life, with God, a mere spider's web can become a brick wall of protection. Believe He is with you always. Just speak His name through Jesus His son, and you will see His great power and love for you.

## *Wisdom*

Today we are living with cancer, not dying of cancer, and there is a considerable difference. Today, 50% of all cancer patients are being cured of their disease and 40% are being put into remission. Of the remaining 10% whose cancer is advanced and for whom treatment might not be effective, the diagnosis of cancer still does not mean imminent death. For these patients, there still is hope for “quality life” for the remaining weeks, months,

or years of their lives. We talk about being realistic that one has a life-threatening illness; however, we do not close the door on hope. We stress the importance of having a positive attitude, taking life one day at a time, and making each day count.

## *Story*

Jack took a long look at his speedometer before slowing down: 73 in a 55 zone. Fourth time in as many months. How could a guy get caught so often?

When his car had slowed to 10 miles an hour, Jack pulled over, but only partially. Let the cop worry about the potential traffic hazard. Maybe some other car will tweak his backside with a mirror. The cop was stepping out of his car, the big pad in hand. Bob? Bob from Church? Jack sunk farther into his trench coat. This was worse than the coming ticket.

A cop catching a guy from his own church. A guy who happened to be a little eager to get home after a long day at the office. A guy he was about to play golf with tomorrow. Jumping out of the car, he approached a man he saw every Sunday, a man he'd never seen in uniform.

"Hi, Bob. Fancy meeting you like this." "Hello, Jack." No smile.

"Guess you caught me red-handed in a rush to see my wife and kids."

"Yeah, I guess." Bob seemed uncertain. Good.

"I've seen some long days at the office lately. I'm afraid I bent the rules a bit just this once." Jack toed at a pebble on the pavement "Diane said something about roast beef and potatoes tonight. Know what I mean."

"I know what you mean. I also know that you have a reputation in our precinct." Ouch. This was not going in the right direction. Time to change tactics. "What did you clock me at," "Seventy. Would you sit back in your car please?"

"Now wait a minute here, Bob. I checked as soon as I saw you. I was barely nudging 65." The lie seemed to come easier with every ticket.

"Please, Jack, in the car."

Flustered, Jack hunched himself through the still-open door. Slamming it shut, he stared at the dashboard. He was in no rush to open the window.

The minutes ticked by.

Bob scribbled away on the pad. Why hadn't he asked for a driver's license?

Whatever the reason, it would be a month of Sundays before Jack ever sat near this cop again. A tap on the door jerked his head to the left. There was Bob, a folded paper in hand Jack rolled down the window a mere two inches, just enough room for Bob to pass him the slip.

"Thanks." Jack could not quite keep the sneer out of his voice.

Bob returned to his police car without a word. Jack watched his retreat in the mirror. Jack unfolded the sheet of paper. How much was this one going to cost? Wait a minute. What was this? Some kind of joke?

Certainly not a ticket. Jack began to read:

"Dear Jack,

Once upon a time I had a daughter. She was six when killed by a car. You guessed it a speeding driver. A fine and three months in jail, and the man was free. Free to hug his daughters. All three of them. I only had one, and I'm going to have to wait until Heaven before I can ever hug her again. A thousand times I've tried to forgive that man. A thousand times, I thought I had. Maybe I did, but I need to do it again. Even now. Pray for me. And be careful, Jack, my son is all I have left." "Bob"

Jack turned around in time to see Bob's car pull away and head down the road. Jack watched until it disappeared. A full 15 minutes later, he too, pulled away and drove slowly home, praying for forgiveness and hugging a surprised wife and kids when he arrived.

Life is precious. Handle with care. This is an important message. Drive safely and carefully. Remember, cars are not the only things recalled by their maker.

## Jokes (223)

### ***The Modern Child***

A man wanted to foster a love for music in his children so he bought them a piano.

When he got home, he found them contemplating the piano in puzzlement. *“How,”* they asked, *“do you plug it in?”*

### ***Astonishment!***

A little boy was in a village, away from the big city for the first time in his life. He was standing on the sidewalk when an old man drove up in a horse cart and went into a shop. The boy kept gazing in wonder at the horse, an animal he had never seen in his life.

When the old man came out of the shop and was preparing to drive away, the kid said: *“Hey, mister! Maybe I ought to warn you that he just lost his petrol!?”*

### ***Too Much, is too much!***

A teacher learnt to become a wise and compassionate educator the hard way, by making many mistakes. Here is one of them:

He was Principal of a school when a lad came to say he wanted to leave for another school.

*“Why, son? What ‘s wrong? What makes you unhappy? Your marks are good.”*

*“Nothing’s wrong, sir. I just want to leave.”*

*“Is it the teachers? Is there any teacher you do not like?”*

*“No, sir. It isn’t the teachers.”*

*“Is it the other students? Have you had a fight with someone?”*

*“No. It’s nothing like that.”*

*“Is it the fees? Are those too high?”*

*“No, sir. It isn’t that either.”*

The Principal then paused for a long while, confident that by his silence he would get the lad to speak. Suddenly the boy was wiping tears from his eyes. The Principal knew he had won. In his softest, most understanding tone he said: *“You’re crying because something is bothering you, aren’t you?”*

The boy nodded. *“Well, then, tell me why you are crying.”*

The boy looked straight at the Principal and said:

*“Because you are asking me all these questions.”*

### ***Education***

Nasruddin handed a boy a pitcher and told him to go fetch water from the well. Before the kid set out, however, he clouted him on the ear and shouted: *“Mind you don’t drop it!”* An onlooker said: *“How can you strike a poor child before he has done anything wrong?”* Said Nasruddin: *“I suppose you would prefer me to strike him AFTER he has broken the pitcher when both the pitcher and the water are lost? When I clout him he remembers and so the pot and the water are both saved.”*