



Saint Theresa Maronite Church

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Cana Sunday Entrance into Lent

Abouna Joseph Daiif, Pastor

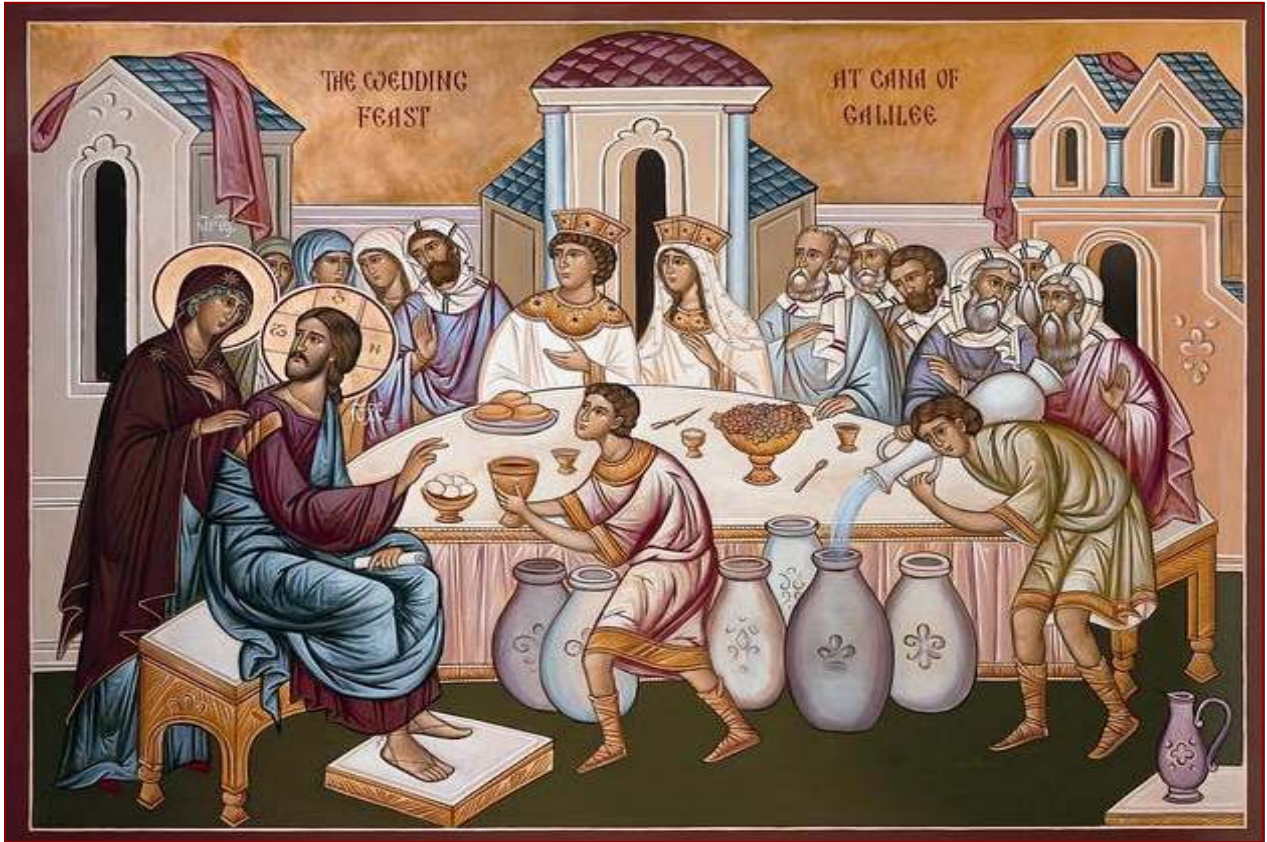
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'DO WHATEVER HE TELLS YOU.'

JOHN 2: 5

تعال بيننا، أقم عندنا، وخذ من قلوبنا لك مسكنا

هب لنا عيوننا ترنو إليك، واجعل حياتنا ملكا لديك، فنعرف طعم الهناء، ألا استجب منا الدعاء

نحن جياغ أنت خبزنا، نحن عطاش أنت ماؤنا، فمناك يطيب الغذاء، ألا استجب منا الدعاء

أضح الضغينة من صدورنا، وازرع كلامك في ضميرنا، فنحصد حب العطاء، ألا استجب منا الدعاء



Sunday of the Entrance into Lent /Cana Sunday

Sat. March 2 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Intention of the celebrant

Sun. March 3 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Mary George Davin as requested by the family

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ASH MONDAY March 4, 2019

7:00PM +Service of the Holy Mysteries and Distribution of ASHES

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Sunday of the Healing of the Leper

Sat. March 9 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Catherine Mirza as requested by the family

Sun. March 10 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

40 Day Memorial for +Virginia (Zena) Mahanna as requested by Mr. James Mahanna and family



For the Month of March

Bread & wine for the Holy Gifts are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
+Alan J. Poirier by Donna M. Poirier

Vigil candle for the Gospel Throne is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
*+Louis and Mary Stevens and
+William and Catherine Hansbury by the family*

Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
+Special Intention

Vigil candle for Shrine of St. Theresa is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
+Joseph, Lorice and Steven Hashem by the family



Lectors' Schedule

Saturday, March 2, 2019

English: Kevin

Sunday, March 3, 2019

English: Michelle

Arabic: Sadie

The Holy Mysteries are celebrated: Saturdays at 4:00 PM; Sundays at 10:30 AM; 7:00 PM Holydays

Holy Mystery of Reconciliation: Please Note: The sacrament of Reconciliation is available one hour before each Liturgy. And, is available any time on request.

Ministry to the Sick: If a parishioner is seriously ill at home or in the hospital, please call the church office to arrange for Communion or the Anointing of the Sick.

Holy Mysteries of Baptism and Chrismation: Please make arrangements with the pastor at least one month in advance. Sponsors must meet particular requirements of church law; parents must consult with the pastor before inviting someone to serve as a sponsor.

Holy Mystery of Crowning: Please consult with the pastor to make arrangements at least 6 months in advance of proposed date in order to avoid any difficulty in scheduling.

Welcome New Parishioners: If you are new to our parish, please fill out a registration form, which may be found on the table in the lobby of the church, and return it to us, so you may be added to our mailing and email list. We extend a warm welcome to you and your family to our parish family.



Reading: Romans 14: 14-23

I know and am persuaded in the Lord Jesus that nothing is unclean in itself; but it is unclean for anyone who thinks it unclean. If your brother or sister is being injured by what you eat, you are no longer walking in love. Do not let what you eat cause the ruin of one for whom Christ died. So do not let your good be spoken of as evil. For the kingdom of God is not food and drink but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. The one who thus serves Christ is acceptable to God and has human approval. Let us then pursue what makes for peace and for mutual edification. Do not, for the sake of food, destroy the work of God. Everything is indeed clean, but it is wrong for you to make others fall by what you eat; it is good not to eat meat or drink wine or do anything that makes your brother or sister stumble. The faith that you have, have as your own conviction before God. Blessed are those who have no reason to condemn themselves because of what they approve. But those who have doubts are condemned if they eat, because they do not act from faith; for whatever does not proceed from faith is sin.

رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل روما

يا إخوتي، إِنِّي عَالِمٌ وَوَاتِقٌ، فِي الرَّبِّ يَسُوعَ، أَنَّ لَا شَيْءَ نَجِسٌ فِي دَاتِهِ، إِلَّا لِمَنْ يَحْسِبُهُ نَجِسًا، فَلَهُ يَكُونُ نَجِسًا. فَإِنْ كُنْتَ مِنْ أَجْلِ الطَّعَامِ تُحْزِنُ أَحَاكَ، فَلَا تَكُونُ سَالِكًا فِي الْمَحَبَّةِ. فَلَا تُهْلِكْ بَطَّعَامِكَ ذَلِكَ الَّذِي مَاتَ الْمَسِيحُ مِنْ أَجْلِهِ! إِذَا فَلَا تَسْمَحُوا بِأَنْ يَصِيرَ الْخَيْرُ فِيكُمْ سَبَبًا لِلتَّجْدِيفِ. فَلَيْسَ مَلَكُوتُ اللَّهِ أَكْلًا وَشُرْبًا، بَلْ بِرٌّ وَسَلَامٌ وَفَرَحٌ فِي الرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ. فَمَنْ يَخْدُمُ الْمَسِيحَ هَكَذَا فَهُوَ مَرْضِيٌّ لَدَى اللَّهِ، وَمَقْبُولٌ لَدَى النَّاسِ. فَلْنَسْعَ إِذَا إِلَى مَا هُوَ لِلسَّلَامِ، وَمَا هُوَ لِلنِّيَانِ بَعْضِنَا بَعْضًا. فَلَا تَنْفُضْ عَمَلَ اللَّهِ مِنْ أَجْلِ الطَّعَامِ؛ لِأَنَّ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ طَاهِرٌ، وَلَكِنَّهُ يَنْقَلِبُ شَرًّا عَلَى الْإِنْسَانِ الَّذِي يَأْكُلُ وَيَكُونُ سَبَبَ عَثْرَةٍ لِأَخِيهِ. فَخَيْرٌ لَكَ أَنْ لَا تَأْكُلَ لَحْمًا، وَلَا تَشْرَبَ خَمْرًا، وَلَا تَتَنَاوَلَ شَيْئًا يَكُونُ سَبَبَ عَثْرَةٍ لِأَخِيكَ. وَأَحْتَفِظْ بِرَأْيِكَ لِنَفْسِكَ أَمَامَ اللَّهِ. وَطُوبَى لِمَنْ لَا يَدِينُ نَفْسَهُ فِي مَا يَفْرَرُهُ! أَمَّا الْمُرْتَابُ فِي قَرَارِهِ، فَإِنْ أَكَلَ يُدَانَ، لِأَنَّ عَمَلَهُ غَيْرُ صَادِرٍ عَنِ يَقِينِ وَإِيمَانِ. وَكُلُّ عَمَلٍ لَا يَصْدُرُ عَنِ يَقِينِ وَإِيمَانٍ فَهُوَ خَطِيئَةٌ.

Gospel: John 2: 1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

إنجيل القديس يوحنا

فِي الْيَوْمِ الثَّلَاثِ، كَانَ عُرْسٌ فِي قَانَا الْجَلِيلِ، وَكَانَتْ أُمُّ يَسُوعَ هُنَاكَ. وَدُعِيَ أَيْضًا يَسُوعُ وَتَلَامِيذُهُ إِلَى الْعُرْسِ. وَنَفَدَ الْخَمْرُ، فَقَالَتْ لِيَسُوعَ أُمُّهُ: «لَيْسَ لَدَيْهِمْ خَمْرٌ». فَقَالَ لَهَا يَسُوعُ: «مَا لِي وَلكِ، يَا أُمْرَأَةٌ؟ لَمْ تَأْتِ سَاعَتِي بَعْدًا!». فَقَالَتْ أُمُّهُ لِلْخَدَمِ: «مَهْمَا يَقُلْ لَكُمْ فَاَفْعَلُوهُ!». وَكَانَ هُنَاكَ سِتَّةُ أَجْرَانِ مِنْ حَجَرٍ، مُعَدَّةٌ لِتَطْهِيرِ الْيَهُودِ، يَسَعُ كُلُّ مِنْهَا مِنْ ثَمَانِينَ إِلَى مِئَةٍ وَعِشْرِينَ لِيْتْرًا، فَقَالَ يَسُوعُ لِلْخَدَمِ: «إِمْلَأُوا الْأَجْرَانَ مَاءً». فَمَلَأُوهَا إِلَى فَوْقِ. قَالَ لَهُمْ: «إِسْتَقُوا الْآنَ، وَقَدِّمُوا لِرَبِّيسِ الْوَلِيمَةِ». فَقَدِّمُوا. وَذَاقَ الرَّبِّيسُ الْمَاءَ، الَّذِي صَارَ خَمْرًا - وَكَانَ لَا يَعْلَمُ مِنْ أَيْنَ هُوَ، وَالْخَدَمُ الَّذِينَ اسْتَقُوا يَعْلَمُونَ - فَدَعَا إِلَيْهِ الْعَرِيسَ وَقَالَ لَهُ: «كُلُّ إِنْسَانٍ يُقَدِّمُ الْخَمْرَ الْجَيِّدَ أَوَّلًا، حَتَّى إِذَا سَكِرَ الْمَدْعُوعُونَ، قَدَّمَ الْأَقْلَّ جُودَةً، أَمَّا أَنْتَ فَقَدْ أَبْقَيْتَ الْخَمْرَ الْجَيِّدَ إِلَى الْآنَ!». تِلْكَ كَانَتْ أَوْلَى آيَاتِ يَسُوعَ، صَنَعَهَا فِي قَانَا الْجَلِيلِ، فَأَظْهَرَ مَجْدَهُ، وَأَمَنَ بِهِ تَلَامِيذُهُ.

TIME, TALENT & TREASURE
STEWARDSHIP: A WAY OF LIFE

Parish Support : Offertory needed each week \$ 2,000.00. Our offertory is needed for the following: Parish Assessment, paid monthly from Feb. thru Nov: \$750.00. Parish Building Insurance, paid monthly from Jan. thru Nov: \$970.00. **Offertory received:** 2/24/19 \$2,622.00



Please Note: Eucharistic Adoration will take place on **Thursday, March 7, 2019;** Doors are opened at 6:00 pm.



Coffee Hour Volunteers: If you are able to lend a hand in sponsoring a Sunday morning Coffee Hour please see Abouna. **The following Sunday's are open for volunteers: March 3, and April 7, April 14, April 21 and April 28, 2019.**



Religious Education Calendar
Saturday, March 16, 2019
Class 7 from 9:00AM-12:00 Noon



CEMETERY PALM CROSSES

Cost: \$25.00 each
Order Must Be Received By
March 31, 2019

Name: _____

Tel. Number: _____

Number of Palm Crosses Ordered: _____

Total Payment Enclosed: _____

Please make checks payable to:
St. Theresa Church

Please Note: We can not fill orders placed
after March 31, 2019. Thank you.

Crosses will be distributed on Sha'NeeNee
(Hosanna Sunday) Weekend.
April 13-14, 2019



LENTEN REGULATIONS

The Most Reverend Bishops Gregory Mansour and A. Elias Zaidan have issued the following Lenten guidelines for the Maronites of the U.S.: All Maronites who are physically capable are to abstain from meat on Ash Monday (**March 4, 2019**) and all Fridays of Lent. Ash Monday and the Great Friday of the Crucifixion are also days of **fasting**. Fasting in the Maronite Church involves eating and drinking nothing at all (except water and medicine) from midnight until noon. The rest of the day normal meals can be taken, but without meat. All Maronites who are physically capable are to fast on these two days.

Devotion of Lenten Fridays

All parish priests are to celebrate the Benediction with the Cross every Friday of Lent except for the Great Friday of the Crucifixion. This service may be preceded by other popular devotions such as Evening Prayer (*Ramsho*), Stations of the Cross or even the Divine Liturgy. Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament should not take place on Fridays of Lent.

2019 Eparchial Annual
Bishop's Appeal

As we enter the Season of Lent, parishioners are once again asked to participate in the Annual Eparchial Bishop's Appeal; monies raised will help enrich many lives and programs entrusted to the mission of our Eparchy. ***Within the next week, every household will receive a mailing regarding this appeal.*** In the past, your collective generosity has helped Saint Theresa Church reach her quota of **\$3,500.00**. Our parish family is obligated to forward this amount to the Eparchy by **April 28, 2019**. When each household generously supports the *2019 Eparchial Bishop's Appeal*, the required amount can easily be raised without using funds from our general parish account. Like the power of the widow's mite, any donations will be greatly appreciated.

ST. THERESA CHURCH

LENTEN SCHEDULE 2019



ASH MONDAY March 4, 2019

7:00PM +Service of the Holy Mysteries and Distribution of ASHES

Beginning on Tuesday, March 5, 2019

Liturgy will be celebrated on

Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 7:00PM

Doors are opened at 6:00 PM.

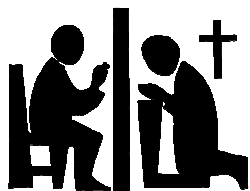
Adoration
of the
Blessed Sacrament



Eucharistic Adoration: will take place on Thursdays at 7:00 PM followed by Eucharistic Adoration. Doors are opened at 6:00 PM.



Service of the Holy Cross: will be celebrated on Fridays at 7:00PM. Beginning on Friday, March 8, 2019. Doors are opened at 6:00 PM.



Please Note: The sacrament of Reconciliation is available one hour before each Liturgy. And, is available any time on request.



Coming Event: Save the Date!

ST. THERESA CHURCH OF BROCKTON

Spring Hafele

Featuring the Famous Singers

**George
Hadchiti**



&

**Mitchell
Kaltsunas**



Saturday April 6, 2019

Location: St. Anthony's of the Desert Church
300 N. Eastern Ave. Fall River, Ma

Admission:

VIP: \$125 - \$100 - \$80 * Children: \$30

For Reservations Please Call:

Salma Haikal: 617 413-6319
Tony Zeidan: 781 910-7184

Malek Hayek: 508 333-3430
Copal Awad: 508 922-3331

Doors Open 8:00 pm

Our Lady of the Cedars of Lebanon Church Jamaica Plain, MA Presents A Tour To Lebanon

Lebanon

October 2-16 2019

Our Lady of the Cedars of Lebanon Church
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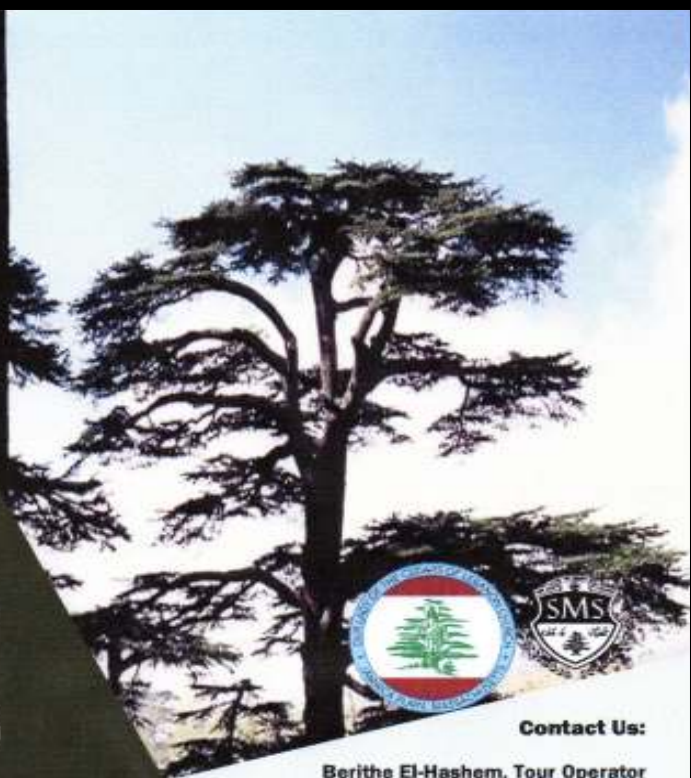
14 days | 13 nights

Price: \$3,200 per person + airfare*

- 5-star accommodations at Le Royal Hotel & Resorts (Dbayeh) – luxury rooms (single supplement price extra) with Internet, WIFI, breakfast buffet, etc. included in price
- Deluxe transfers to all points, attractions & holy sites – Chouf, Saïda, Beit Eddine, Beirut, Jeita, Jounieh, Baalbek, Dimane, Faqra, Bkerke, Annaya, Tannourine, Tripoli, Zahle, and many other places
- Fine dining, wineries, air-conditioned Motorcoach, airport transfer(s), English-speaking tour guide and MUCH, MUCH more

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* Please contact us for full pricing, itinerary and registration details



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TRIP ITINERARY

DAYS 1-15 | Oct 2-16th

DAY 1 – Wednesday, Oct 2nd

DEPARTURE: We will meet at least three (3) hours in advance of our departing flight at Logan International Airport (BOS).

DAY 2 – Thursday, Oct 3rd

CONNECTING FLIGHT: Middle East Airlines to Beirut, Lebanon – arrival in Beirut with airport greeting; transfer to Le Royal Hotel & Resorts, check-in and relax. 1st NIGHT: “Welcome to Lebanon” Dinner at Le Royal Hotel & Resorts.

DAY 3 – Friday, Oct 4th

TOUR BEGINS: BREAKFAST at 7:45AM – Tour departs promptly at 8:00AM for the North. We’ll start in DIMANE, the Maronite Patriarch’s summer residence, and continue to BECHARRE and the KANLIL GIBRAN MUSEUM. We will then make our way to the CEDARS and St. ANTHONY KOZHAYA Monastery. Return to Le Royal – rest and relaxation. Dinner this evening in the hotel.

DAY 4 – Saturday, Oct 5th

FREE DAY: Rest or relax by the pool – perhaps take a private tour – the choice is yours! Lunch and dinner on your own, wherever you choose; connect with relatives.

DAY 5 – Sunday, Oct 6th

TOURING DAY 2: BREAKFAST at 7:45AM – Tour departs promptly at 8:00AM for Jounieh, and the surrounding area. We will visit the Tolerance up to MARISSA, the SHRINE and BASILICA of Our Lady of Lebanon. On our way down, we will pay a visit to the MARONITE PATRIARCH, take photographs and explore the grounds at BKERKE. From there, we will visit the cave formations at JEITA GROTTO. Lunch today is at Babal al Bahar. After lunch, the tour continues to HYBLOS/JBEL.

DAY 6 – Monday, Oct 7th

TOURING DAY 3: BREAKFAST at 7:45AM – Tour departs promptly at 8:00AM for ANNAYA, Monastery of Saint Sharbel. We’ll stop in DOUBNA, TANNOURINE and LAQLOUJ – LUNCH is included at Azawadeh.

DAY 7 – Tuesday, Oct 8th

TOURING DAY 4: BREAKFAST at 7:45AM – Tour departs promptly at 8:00AM for the North again – LUNCH is included at Isair Winery. We will start at SAYDET EL NGOURIYEH, a monastery with breathtaking views of the Mediterranean Sea. We then continue to TRIPOLI and ANFEH – finishing the day at Isair Winery, with a tour of the Bateau facility.

DAY 8 – Wednesday, Oct 9th

TOURING DAY 5: BREAKFAST at 7:45AM – Tour departs promptly at 8:00AM – we will be going South to the CHOUF MOUNTAINS, visiting MHR MAQAM EL-NABIE AYOUB; we will pass by the village of JOUAI, where we will visit DEIR EL MORHALLIS, and the statue of Our Lady of Lebanon – MAGDOUCHE. Lunch this afternoon is at La Crêperie – JOUNIEH.

DAY 9 – Thursday, Oct 10th

TOURING DAY 6: BREAKFAST at 7:45AM – Tour departs promptly at 8:00AM – we will be visiting the villages of FAQRA, KIFAN DEBIAN and JISH EL RAJAN; we will continue to FARAYA, visiting the newest statue of SAINT SHARBEL which towers 24m high! Dinner this evening: Chinese Restaurant [TBD].

DAY 10 – Friday, Oct 11th

FREE DAY: Rest or relax by the pool – perhaps take a private tour – the choice is yours! Lunch and dinner on your own, wherever you choose; connect with relatives.

DAY 11 – Saturday, Oct 12th

TOURING DAY 7: BREAKFAST at 7:45AM – Tour departs promptly at 8:00AM – we’re off to SAIDA, and a tour of AUDA SOAP FACTORY. Taking the shore road along Lebanon’s southern coast, we will stop in QANA, the place where Jesus performed his first miracle, then finish up in TYRE. Dinner this evening: Italian Restaurant [TBD].

DAY 12 – Sunday, Oct 13th

TOURING DAY 8: BREAKFAST at 7:45AM – Tour departs promptly at 8:00AM – today we will be traveling to the BEKAA VALLEY, with stops at ANJAR and BAALBEK.

We will tour CHATEAU KSARA (CAVES DE KSARA), exploring one of Lebanon’s premier wineries – founded in 1857. Afterwards, we will move to the beautiful city of ZAHLE, where we will eat lunch at the famous “BERRAYNE.” On the way back, we’ll visit the miraculous shrine of OUR LADY OF BECHMAI.

DAY 13 – Monday, Oct 14th

TOURING DAY 9: BREAKFAST at 7:45AM – Tour departs promptly at 8:00AM for the Chouf area again – BEIT EDDINE, PALACE KASR MOUSSA and SAROU CEDARS. Dinner tonight is at Le Royal Hotel & Resorts.

DAY 14 – Tuesday, Oct 15th

TOUR ENDS: BREAKFAST at 7:45AM – Tour departs promptly at 8:00AM for DOWNTOWN BEIRUT – we will stroll along the Corniche, and visit ZAITUNAY BAY, RADUCHE and the NATIONAL MUSEUM. We will have a traditional Lebanese lunch (Our FAREWELL LUNCHEON) at Em Sheriff – BEIRUT.

Tonight, it’s time to get packed and ready for our return to the USA tomorrow!

DAY 15 – Wednesday, Oct 16th

DEPARTURE: Meet in the Lobby [TBD] for transfer to Beirut International Airport (BEI).

PLEASE BE ADVISED!

- ALL listed tours are subject to change
- Travelers must have valid US passport *Expiry must not be within 6 months of travel*
- Travelers must obtain Lebanese Visa *Lebanese Consulate Instructions to Follow*
- Travel/Cancel Insurance MANDATORY

Bon Voyage!

REGISTRATION FORM | Mail with deposit to: Saint Maron Society | 61 Rockwood Street | Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

NAME: _____ TEL: (____) _____

ADDRESS: _____ EMAIL: _____

CITY/TOWN: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

Do you want to visit your ancestral village(s) if applicable? YES ___ NO ___

Do you want us to arrange private transportation (taxi, van, etc)? YES ___ NO ___

Do you have any special dietary restrictions or allergies? YES ___ NO ___

YOUR EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

NAME: _____ TEL: (____) _____

Double Occupancy (2nd, 3rd or 4th) \$_____
 Single Supplement (Single Room) \$1,680
 PAID Deposit of \$1,000 (due by 8/1/2019)
 Balance \$ _____ (due by 7/1/2019)

LEBANON 2019