



# Saint Theresa Maronite Church

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## Eighteenth Sunday of Pentecost

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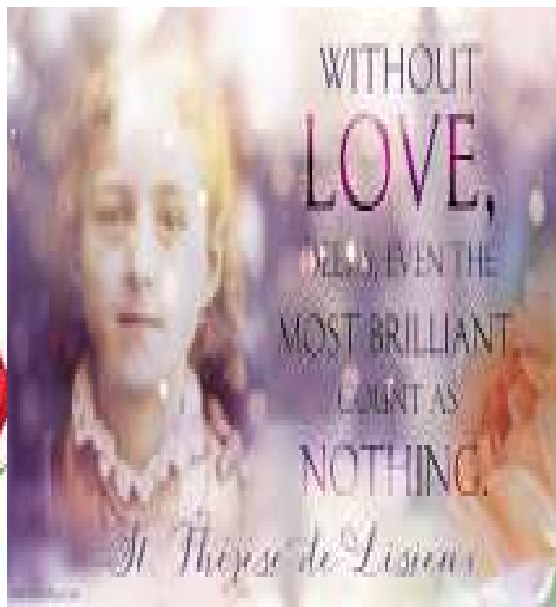
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*"I will let fall from Heaven a Shower of Roses."*

*~Saint Theresa of Lisieux~ "The Little Flower"*



**Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
Liturgy will be celebrated on  
Wednesday, September 14, 2016  
at 7:00PM**

## **Eighteenth Sunday of Pentecost**

**Sat. Sept. 10 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:**

+Ibrahim Shafiq Awad as req. by the family

**Sun. Sept. 11 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:**

40 Day Liturgy +Nacklie Nessralla as req. by the family



## **First Sunday after Holy Cross**

**Sat. Sept. 17 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:**

+Leo and Alice Smith, son John and cousin Peter Smith as req. by the family

**Sun. Sept. 18 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:**

+Patricia Rose Hume as req. by the family

+Boutros and Nawal Chahine as req. by the family



## **For the Month of September**

**Bread & wine for the Holy Gifts** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
+Rose Saba by the family

**Vigil candle for the Gospel Throne** is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
+Leo and Alice Smith, son John and cousin Peter Smith by the family

**Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle** is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
+Peter L. Asack by Margo Asack and family

**Vigil candle for Shrine of St. Theresa** is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
+Peter G. Asiaf, Jr. by the family



## **Lectors' Schedule**

**Saturday, Sept. 10, 2016**

Gail

**Sunday, Sept. 11, 2016**

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:** 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



### Reading: 1 Peter 1:22-25

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God. For 'All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord endures forever.' That word is the good news that was announced to you.

### رسالة القديس بطرس الأولى. 22:1-25

يا إِخْوَتِي، الْآنَ، بَعْدَ أَنْ طَهَّرْتُمْ  
أَنْفُسَكُمْ بِالطَّاعَةِ لِلْحَقِّ، مِنْ أَجْلِ مَحَبَّةِ  
أَخَوِيَّةٍ لَا رِيَاءَ فِيهَا، أَحْبَبُوا بَعْضُكُمْ  
بَعْضًا بِقَلْبٍ طَاهِرٍ حُبًّا ثَابِتًا.  
فَإِنَّكُمْ وُلِدْتُمْ وَلادَةً جَدِيدَةً، لَا مِنْ زَرْعِ  
فَاسِدٍ، بَلْ مِنْ زَرْعٍ غَيْرِ فَاسِدٍ، بِكَلِمَةِ  
اللَّهِ الْحَيَّةِ الْبَاقِيَةِ.  
فَالكِتَابُ يَقُولُ: «كُلُّ بَشَرٍ كَالْعُشْبِ،  
وَكُلُّ مَجْدِهِ كَزَهْرِ الْعُشْبِ. الْعُشْبُ قَدْ  
يَبَسَ وَالزَّهْرُ قَدْ سَقَطَ.  
أَمَّا كَلِمَةُ الرَّبِّ فَتَبْقَى إِلَى الْأَبَدِ». هَذِهِ  
هِيَ الْكَلِمَةُ الَّتِي بُشِّرْتُمْ بِهَا.

### Gospel: Mark 12:1-12

Then he began to speak to them in parables. 'A man planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a pit for the wine press, and built a watch-tower; then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the season came, he sent a slave to the tenants to collect from them his share of the produce of the vineyard. But they seized him, and beat him, and sent him away empty-handed. And again he sent another slave to them; this one they beat over the head and insulted. Then he sent another and that one they killed. And so it was with many others; some they beat, and others they killed. He had still one other, a beloved son. Finally he sent him to them, saying, "They will respect my son." But those tenants said to one another, "This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and the inheritance will be ours." So they seized him, killed him, and threw him out of the vineyard. What then will the owner of the vineyard do? He will come and destroy the tenants and give the vineyard to others. Have you not read this scripture: "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes"?' When they realized that he had told this parable against them, they wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowd. So they left him and went.

### إنجيل القديس مرقس 12:1-12

وَبَدَأَ يُكَلِّمُهُمْ بِأَمْثَالٍ: «رَجُلٌ غَرَسَ كَرْمًا، وَسَيَّجَهُ، وَحَفَرَ مَعَصْرَةً، وَبَنَى  
بُرْجًا، ثُمَّ أَجْرَهُ إِلَى كَرَامِيْنَ، وَسَافَرَ.  
وَلَمَّا حَانَ الْأَوَانُ، أَرْسَلَ عَبْدًا إِلَى الْكَرَامِيْنَ، لِيَأْخُذَ مِنْهُمْ حِصَّتَهُ مِنْ ثَمَرِ  
الْكَرْمِ.  
فَقَبَضُوا عَلَيْهِ وَضَرَبُوهُ، وَرَدُّوهُ فَارِعَ الْيَدَيْنِ.  
وَعَادَ رَبُّ الْكَرْمِ فَأَرْسَلَ إِلَيْهِمْ عَبْدًا آخَرَ، وَهَذَا أَيْضًا شَجَّوْا رَأْسَهُ  
وَأَهَانُوهُ.  
وَأَرْسَلَ آخَرَ، وَهَذَا أَيْضًا قَتَلُوهُ. ثُمَّ أَرْسَلَ غَيْرَهُمْ كَثِيرِينَ، فَضَرَبُوا  
بَعْضًا، وَقَتَلُوا بَعْضًا.  
وَبَقِيَ لَهُ وَاحِدٌ، هُوَ ابْنُهُ الْحَبِيبُ، فَأَرْسَلَهُ آخِرًا إِلَيْهِمْ وَقَالَ: سَيَهَابُونَ ابْنِي.  
وَلَكِنْ أَوْلَادُ الْكَرَامِيْنَ قَالُوا فِيْمَا بَيْنَهُمْ: هَذَا هُوَ الْوَارِثُ! تَعَالَوْا نَقْتُلْهُ،  
فَيَكُونَ الْمِيرَاثُ لَنَا.  
فَقَبَضُوا عَلَيْهِ، وَقَتَلُوهُ، وَأَخْرَجُوهُ مِنَ الْكَرْمِ.  
فَمَاذَا يَفْعَلُ رَبُّ الْكَرْمِ؟ سَيَأْتِي وَيُهْلِكُ الْكَرَامِيْنَ، ثُمَّ يَسَلِّمُ الْكَرْمَ إِلَى  
آخَرِينَ.  
أَمَّا قَرَأْتُمْ هَذِهِ الْآيَةَ: الْحَجَرُ الَّذِي رَذَلَهُ الْبَنَّاؤُونَ هُوَ صَارَ رَأْسَ الزَّاوِيَةِ؛  
مِنْ لَدُنِ الرَّبِّ كَانَ هَذَا، وَهُوَ عَجِيبٌ فِي عُيُونِنَا؟»  
وَكَانُوا يُحَاوِلُونَ أَنْ يُمَسِّكُوهُ، لِأَنَّهُمْ أَدْرَكُوا أَنَّهُ قَالَ هَذَا الْمَثَلَ عَلَيْهِمْ.  
وَلَكِنَّهُمْ خَافُوا مِنَ الْجَمْعِ، فَتَرَكَوْهُ وَمَضُوا.

**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: 9/4/16 \$1,186.00

**Second Collection:** Per Directive of the Eparchy of St. Maron, there will be a second collection taken this weekend, September 10-11, 2016 for the Catholic University of America. This collection will provide funding for academic scholarships at CUA. Our own seminarians are given 50% discount in tuition. This collection is forwarded to the Eparchy for proper distribution.



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



**The Religious Education Program at St. Theresa Church** is gearing up once again. As you know, our program not only offers a complete catechetical curriculum, but also teaches an appreciation for the Maronite Church and Liturgy. The program team has been at work preparing for the 2016-2017 Religious Education school year. We look forward to seeing you here at St. Theresa Church and having your child participate in our program. **Registration Day and First Day of Class** will be on **Sunday, September 11, 2016.** God bless

**Arabic Classes:** Ahlan Wa Sahlan! Abouna Joseph will be offering Arabic classes beginning on **Sunday, November 6, 2016** at 9:30AM for students in Grades One—High School. Please see Abouna for Arabic class registration. God bless

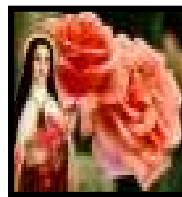


**Please join us....** for Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall each Sunday following Divine Liturgy. Visit with family and friends.

**40<sup>th</sup>** You are cordially invited to attend the **40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination of Monsignor David M. George** will take place on **Sunday, October 2, 2016** at Saint Anthony Maronite Church, 375 Island Pond Road in Springfield, MA. Liturgy of Thanksgiving will be at 2:00PM followed by a reception at Cedars Hall (*adjacent to the church*). If you are interested in attending please call the church office 508-586-1428 no later than September 21, 2016, so we may give Monsignor a count as to how many will attend.

**50<sup>th</sup>** **SAVE THE DATE:** On **Friday, October 7, 2016**, the Eparchy of St. Maron will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the presence of a Maronite Bishop in the United States. A Divine Liturgy will be held at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Lebanon at 6:00 pm, followed by a banquet to be held at the New York Marriott at Brooklyn Bridge at 8:00 pm. Lodging for this celebration is also at the New York Marriot at Brooklyn Bridge, located at 333 Adams Street, Brooklyn NY. A special rate of \$269/night for single or double occupancy is available from October 6th through October 9th. Deadline for reservations at this price is September 16, 2016. For reservations call (877) 303 0104, using the Group name: Lady of Lebanon or online at: <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/ladyoflebanon>.

**HOLY DOOR PILGRIMAGE FOR JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY:** During this Jubilee Year of Mercy, Maronites throughout the Eparchy are invited to visit the designated place of pilgrimage with Holy Doors. **OUR LADY OF MERCY, WORCESTER, MA** is our designated place of pilgrimage and your family is invited to walk through the Holy Doors on **Sunday, October 16th** to receive the special blessings of this Jubilee. The day will begin with Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am, followed by refreshments, then a walk through the Holy Doors, into the church for Eucharistic Adoration, and an opportunity for confession, concluding by 1:30 pm.



**Feast of St. Theresa  
Sunday, October 2, at 10:30AM**

Flowers for the Feast of St. Theresa may be donated in loving memory or in honor of a family member or friend. Please send your donation to the church office along with the name of your loved one so that we can begin to prepare our bulletin and order our flowers in time. God bless

# Saint Theresa Church

## Lebanese Festival

September 23<sup>rd</sup> , 24<sup>th</sup> , 25<sup>th</sup> , 2016



### *Homemade Gift Basket Ideas*



## Gift Basket Theme

We are asking for your help in making this year's Basket Raffle our most successful event yet. Many creative baskets have been donated in the past, and we hope you will continue your generosity this year. A significant number of baskets with various themes ranging in price from \$50, \$75 and \$100 are needed. Here are a few ways you can help:

- If you would like to donate any monetary denomination for a theme basket, please make your check payable to **St. Theresa Church**; your basket will have a theme and be displayed for the raffle with your name on it- **[example: donated by...]**. You may drop your donation in the collection box or mail it to St. Theresa Church, PO Box 2567, Brockton, MA 02305-2567, **by September 11, 2016**
- Here are **some ideas** if you would like to design your own theme basket: *Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, Baking, Kitchen, Tea, Coffee, Knitting, Country Jams and Relishes, School Supplies, Tuscany Pasta & Wine, Toys, Lottery, Family Movie Night, Italian Gourmet, Lebanese Gourmet, Children's, Baby, Soup to Nuts, Gifts Certificates are welcome.*

If you need **help** or have any questions, please call Paula at the Church office. **All Theme Baskets are due by September 20, 2016.**

The success of our Theme Basket Raffle depends on your help and generosity. Let's get our collective imaginations and artistic juices flowing to create the best theme baskets yet! And let's spread the word of our Festival to family and friends.

Thank you in advance for your continued support of Saint Theresa Church, our spiritual home, in which we all take great pride.

# Lebanese Food Festival

*"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."*

~Helen Keller~

**Our Annual Lebanese Food Festival** will be held on **Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>**. We are busily planning and preparing for this year's Festival to be the most successful one thus far!

Once again, we are inviting all parishioners and families to join to ensure the success of our Festival. There are so many ways that you can contribute.

**\*Our goal is to have all items donated towards the Festival. The following is a list of items needed. We appreciate any Monetary Donations towards these items that we need to purchase.\***

## Items Needed for Purchase

- Vegetables: 5 bags of onions, 10 boxes of lettuces, 3 boxes of cucumbers, 10 boxes of tomatoes
- Carrots, Peppers, Garlic
- Oil: Vegetable Oil and Cooking Oil
- Feta Cheese, Zaatar, Falafel items, 1 Gallon of Olives, 2 Gallons of Labne, Rice Pilaf, Nuts
- 1 Gallons of Grape leaves
- Water, Soda, Beer, Liquor, Lebanese Coffee
- Arguile: Tobacco, Charcoal
- Propane: Gas for the tanks
- Meat: Beef and Chicken for both Shawarma, Kabobs, and Kafta
- Paper Products: Tablecloth's, Plates, Utensils, Gloves, Trash Bags, Popcorn, Sugar, Salt
- Donation towards the outside Tents, Freezer and Dumpster
- Volunteer to work at the Festival on one or more days; speak with Abouna Joseph or Michelle Nessralla about how you can help.
- Buy a Sponsorship for your Family/Business in loving memory of a deceased family member.
- Offer to take a Lawn Sign and place it in your yard.
- **SPREAD THE WORD** and attend the Festival with your family, friends and relatives! Ahla ou Sahla Feekoon! The more the merrier!

## St. Theresa Maronite Catholic Church

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*"I will let fall from Heaven a Shower of Roses."  
- St. Theresa of Lisieux, 'The Little Flower' -*

### Saint Theresa Church Lebanese Festival 2016

August 12, 2016

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Saint Theresa Church:

Saint Theresa Maronite Catholic Church is proudly sponsoring our eighth annual **Lebanese Festival** on Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. This festival is a major fundraiser for our parish, and we look forward to showcasing the food, music and dance of our Lebanese heritage to our many expected visitors and guests. Past years' festivals were well-attended and highly publicized events, drawing thousands of guests and visitors including city and regional dignitaries and business leaders, area clergy, residents of the Greater Brockton area, and fellow parishioners from across the diocese.

As part of our fundraising efforts, **Sponsorship Banners** advertising businesses or in honor of loved ones will once again be made available to our parishioners, friends and supporters. Purchasing a sponsorship banner provides an excellent opportunity for each of us to financially support our beautiful church of Saint Theresa. Each banner will be uniquely designed. Please complete the attached form entitled **2016 Sponsorship Banners** and return it to Saint Theresa Church by **Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>**.

We greatly appreciate your generosity in making this annual fundraiser a successful one. Please make your checks payable to "**Saint Theresa Church**" and write **Sponsorship Banners** in the space marked **Memo**. Donations of \$250.00 or more will be acknowledged with a tax-deductible letter required by the Internal Revenue Service. Kindly mail your donation sponsorship form to **Saint Theresa Church, PO Box 2567, Brockton, MA 02305-2567**. Also, feel free to place your envelope with payment and completed form in the collection basket.

I thank you for your generosity and kindness. May God bless you and your family!

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Joseph". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above the printed name of the signatory.

Father Joseph Daiif and the Festival Committee



**Saint Theresa Church Lebanese Festival  
September 23, 24 and 25, 2016  
Sponsorship Banners**

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City, State Zip Code

**STEP ONE :** Select Banner Type. I would like a banner with the name of:

\_\_\_ My Business/Corporation \_\_\_ My Family Name \_\_\_ My Deceased Loved One

**STEP TWO:** I would like my banner to read: (Please print legibly)

Line One \_\_\_\_\_

Line Two \_\_\_\_\_

Line Three \_\_\_\_\_

**STEP THREE:** Select Banner Size (Please Choose one)

___ White Diamond Sponsorship	(12' X 2 ½')	Vinyl Banner	\$10,000.00
___ Chrystal Sponsorship	(10' X 2 ½')	Vinyl Banner	\$5,000.00
___ Diamond Sponsorship	(8' X 2 ½')	Vinyl Banner	\$2,000.00
___ Platinum Sponsorship	(6' X 2 ½')	Vinyl Banner	\$1,000.00
___ Gold Sponsorship	(4' X 2 ½')	Vinyl Banner	\$500.00
___ Silver Sponsorship	(3' X 1.6')	Vinyl Banner	\$250.00

**STEP FOUR:** Return this completed form with full payment by Sunday, September 11, 2016

**Saint Theresa Church  
PO Box 2567 Brockton, MA 02305-2567**

**We thank you for your ongoing support and generosity! God Bless You!!**

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## LEBANESE

## FESTIVAL

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**FRIDAY, 9/23**  
12 NOON - MIDNIGHT

JAD RAHME  
MITCHELL KALTSUNAS  
MARY MATAR  
GABE ELMASSIH

**SATURDAY, 9/24**  
11:00 AM - 1:00AM

ASSAAD HASSAN  
MITCHELL KALTSUNAS  
MARY MATAR  
GABE ELMASSIH

**SUNDAY, 9/25**  
NOON - 7:00PM

JAD RAHME  
MITCHELL KALTSUNAS  
MARY MATAR  
GABE ELMASSIH  
NICK YOUSSEF



Singer ASSAAD HASSAN



Singer

MARY MATAR



Singer

MITCHELL KALTSUNAS



Singer JAD RAHME

Kebbe - Sweets  
Maccaroun



Tabouli



Comedian  
NICK YOUSSEF



DJ  
GABE ELMASSIH

كبة - مناقيش خبز صاج  
لبنة - حلويات - معكرون



Falafel



Sajj



Shawarma



Beef & Chicken Kabob



Kafta



Spinach Pie



Grape Leaves



Hummos



Lebanese Coffee



Baklava



Nammoura



Hot Dogs



Hamburgers



Full Liquor • Cash Bar



Parking is Available  
at the AMR Ambulance Center  
and the Angelo School

### Daily Raffles

Promote Your Business By Donating  
To Saint Theresa Festival Sponsorship Banners

**Call Church Office @ 508-586-1428**

**NO OUTSIDE FOOD, DRINKS OR ARGUILE**

St. Theresa  
Dabke Group