



Saint Theresa Maronite Church

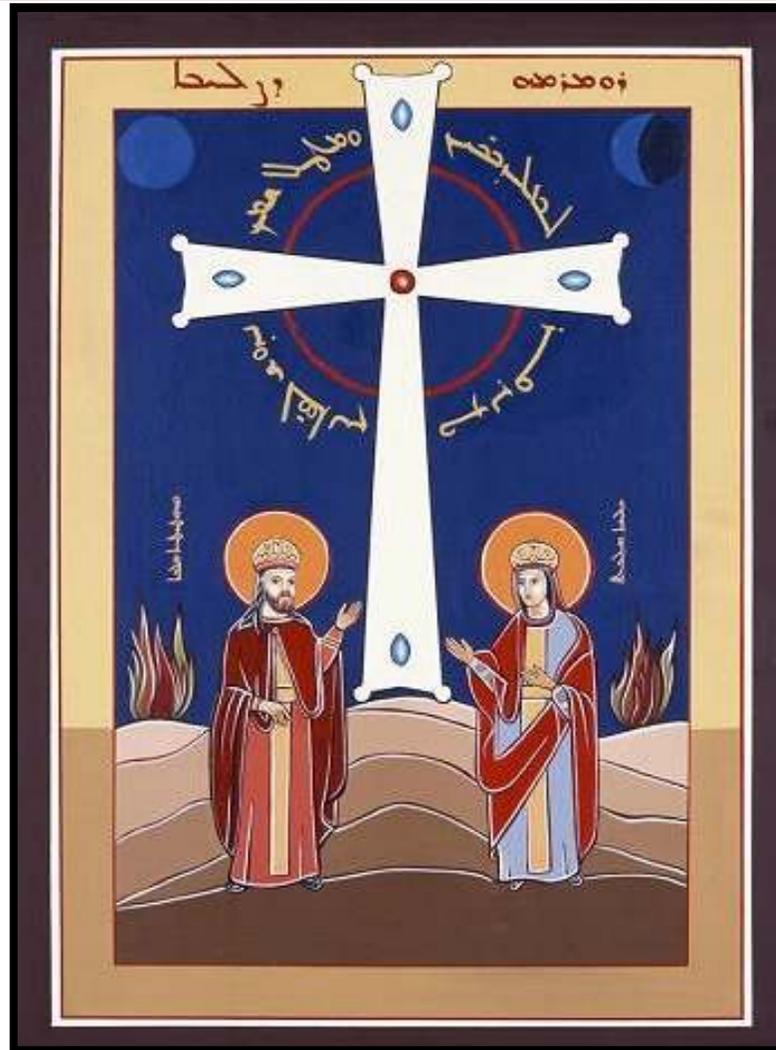
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Exaltation of the Holy Cross

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Exaltation of the Holy Cross



The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

1Corinthians 1: 18

Liturgy Schedule

The Holy Mysteries are celebrated:

Saturdays: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 10:30 AM

Holy Days: 7:00 PM

Daily Liturgy: To be announced

Arabic Liturgy : To be announced

Holy Mystery of Reconciliation

The sacrament of Reconciliation is available by appointment.

Ministry of 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 Mystery of Crowning

Please consult with the pastor to make arrangements at least 6 months in advance of proposed date in order to avoid difficulty in scheduling



*"My mission - to make God loved - will begin after my death.
I will spend my heaven doing good on earth.
I will let fall a shower of roses."
~Saint Theresa of Lisieux~*

Religious Education

Classes are held on Saturdays
September through April

Holy Mysteries of Baptism and Chrismation

Please make arrangements with the pastor at least one month in advance. Sponsors must meet particular requirement of church law; parents must consult with the pastor before inviting someone to serve as a sponsor. To schedule your baptism call the church office.

Adoration

You are invited to spend some time before our Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament to grow in faith and love.

*"Your heart is made to love Jesus, to love Him passionately; pray so that the beautiful years of your life may not pass by in chimerical fears."
Saint Theresa of Lisieux*

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
First Thursday of the month from
6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

MYO—MYA

MYO—MYA meet
September through April

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Sat. Sept. 10 at 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Rose Saba as requested by the family

Sun. Sept. 11 at 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Peter L. Asack, Sr. as requested by family and friends



First Sunday after Holy Cross

Sat. Sept. 17 at 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Intention available

Sun. Sept. 18 at 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

40 Day Memorial for + Peter Ghannam as requested by the family

Please Note: The Main Celebrant will be Abbot Maroun Abou Jaoude from Lebanon

St. Theresa Church Festival 2022



Festival Volunteers are needed...

- ◆ If you are able to volunteer to work at the **Festival** on one or more days; speak with Abouna Joseph or Michelle Nessralla.
- ◆ We also need volunteers to help set-up and clean-up.
- ◆ Students that need Community Service for school, please sign up to work the Festival.

*Many hands make light work
You Can Make A Difference!*

Friday, September 30, 2022

Saturday, October 1, 2022

Sunday, October 2, 2022

Ahlan Wa Sahlan!

News from Our Sister Parishes

St. George Maronite Church 1493 Cranston Street Cranston, RI

St. George Maronite Church will hold their Annual Festival on Friday, Sept. 16, from 5PM-11PM, Saturday, Sept. 17, from 3PM-11PM, and Sunday, Sept. 18 from 11:30AM-5PM. There will be food, live music and dancing. Rain or Shine ! Free Admission.

St. George Maronite Church 15 Chapel St. Dover, NH

St. George Maronite Church will hold their 2 Annual Lebanese Fair on Sunday, Sept. 18, from 12:00 Noon-5:00PM. There will be food, Lebanese desserts, raffles. Rain or Shine ! Free Admission

Second Collection

Catholic University of America

Collection: This collection provides funding for academic scholarships at Catholic University this collection is to be taken on **Sept. 10-11, 2022**. This collection does not remain in the parish it is forwarded to the Eparchy for its proper distribution. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated as we extend a helping hand to our brothers and sisters in Christ.

**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. 9/4/22 \$1,226.00

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

O Divine Ocean of Mercy and Compassion, be with us in our time of trial and difficulties. Today I make an act of spiritual communion with you, the Life-Giving Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. At this time I am not able to receive the sacred body and blood of my Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ, but I choose to live in union with him and in the unity of the Holy Spirit. I offer my day, my daily life, my joys and sorrows to you, for those around me, and for the whole world. Be with us O life-giving Triune God, for we know that nothing in this world has power over us. O Lover of all people, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Religious Education Program 2022-2023

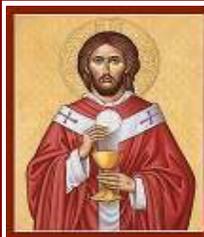


The Religious Education Program at St. Theresa Church is gearing up once again. As you know, our program not only offers a complete catechetical curriculum, but also teaches an appreciation for the Maronite Church and Liturgy. The program team has been at work preparing for the **2022-2023** Religious Education school year. We look forward to having your child participate in our program which will take place **Virtual** once a month on Saturdays from 9:30 AM-11:00 AM.

**Registration Day /
First In Person Class
Saturday, September 17, 2022
From 9:30 AM- 12:00 Noon**

For the Month of September

Bread and Wine



Bread & wine for the Holy Gifts are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:

+Peter G. Asiaf, Jr.

by Maryann Asiaf

Vigil Candle for the Blessed Mother



Vigil candle for the Blessed Mother is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:

+Rose Saba
by the family

Vigil Candle for the Shrine of St. Theresa



Vigil candle for Shrine of St. Theresa

is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of :

+Nacklie and Marie Nessralla
by the family

Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle



Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of :

+Special Intention

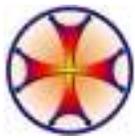
Vigil candles for the Gospel Throne



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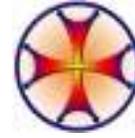
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+Private Intention



Saint Theresa

Maronite Catholic Church



Feast of the Holy Cross

September 10-11, 2022

A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans 13: 8-14

Brothers and Sisters: Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not unraveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. **Praise be to God always.**

Gospel: Luke 10: 25-37

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will Live.' But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbor?' Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denary, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend. "Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'



فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الرسول إلى أهل روما

يا إخوتي: لا يَكُنْ عَلَيْكُمْ لِأَحَدٍ دِينٌ إِلَّا حُبُّ بَعْضِكُمْ لِبَعْضٍ. فَمَنْ أَحَبَّ غَيْرَهُ أَتَمَّ الشَّرِيعَةَ؛ لِأَنَّ الْوَصَايَا: "لا تَزْنِ! لا تَقْتُلْ! لا تَسْرِقْ! لا تَشْتَهَ!"، وَأَيَّ وَصِيَّةٍ أُخْرَى، تَخْتَصِرُهَا هَذِهِ الْكَلِمَةُ: "أَحِبُّ قَرِيبَكَ كَنَفْسِكَ". إِنَّ الْمَحَبَّةَ لَا تَصْنَعُ بِالْقَرِيبِ شَرًّا؛ إِذَا فَالْمَحَبَّةُ هِيَ كَمَالُ الشَّرِيعَةِ. وَإِنَّكُمْ لِعَالَمُونَ فِي أَيِّ وَقْتٍ نَحْنُ: لَقَدْ حَانَتِ السَّاعَةُ لِتَسْتَيْفِظُوا مِنَ النَّوْمِ! لِأَنَّ الْخَلَّاصَ أَقْرَبُ إِلَيْنَا الْيَوْمَ مِمَّا كَانَ يَوْمَ آمَنَّا. لَقَدْ تَنَاهَى اللَّيْلُ وَأَقْتَرَبَ النَّهَارُ. إِذَا فَلْنَطْرَحْ أَعْمَالَ الظُّلْمَةِ، وَنَلْبَسْ أَسْلِحَةَ النُّورِ. وَنُنْسَلِكُ سُلُوكًا لَاتِقًا كَمَا فِي وَضْحِ النَّهَارِ، لَا فِي الْفُصُوفِ وَالسُّكْرِ، وَلَا فِي الْفُجُورِ وَالْفَحْشَاءِ، وَلَا فِي الْخِصَامِ وَالْحَسَدِ، وَلَا تَهْتَمُّوا بِالْجَسَدِ لِقَضَاءِ شَهَوَاتِهِ، بَلِ الْبَسُوا الرَّبَّ يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحَ!

والتسبيح لله دائما

من إنجيل ربنا يسوع المسيح للقديس لوقا

إِذَا عَالِمٌ بِالنُّورَةِ قَامَ يُجَرِّبُ يَسُوعَ قَائِلًا: "يَا مُعَلِّمُ، مَاذَا أَعْمَلُ لِأَرِثَ الْحَيَاةَ الْأَبَدِيَّةَ؟" فَقَالَ لَهُ: "مَاذَا كُتِبَ فِي النُّورَةِ؟ كَيْفَ تَقْرَأُ؟" فَقَالَ: "أَحِبُّ الرَّبَّ إِلَهَكَ مِنْ كُلِّ قَلْبِكَ، وَكُلِّ نَفْسِكَ، وَكُلِّ قُدْرَتِكَ، وَكُلِّ فِكْرِكَ، وَأَحِبُّ قَرِيبَكَ كَنَفْسِكَ". فَقَالَ لَهُ يَسُوعُ: "بِالصَّوَابِ أَحْبَبْتَ. إِفْعَلْ هَذَا فَتَحْيَا". أَمَّا هُوَ فَأَرَادَ أَنْ يُبَيِّرَ نَفْسَهُ، فَقَالَ لِيَسُوعَ: "وَمَنْ هُوَ قَرِيبِي؟". فَأَجَابَ يَسُوعُ وَقَالَ: "كَانَ رَجُلٌ نَازِلًا مِنْ أُورُشَلِيمَ إِلَى أَرِيحَا، فَوَقَعَ فِي أَيْدِي اللُّصُوصِ، وَعَرَّوهُ، وَأَوْسَعُوهُ ضَرْبًا، وَمَضُوا وَقَدْ تَرَكَوهُ بَيْنَ حَيٍّ وَمَيِّتٍ. وَصَدَفَ أَنْ كَاهِنًا كَانَ نَازِلًا فِي تِلْكَ الطَّرِيقِ، وَرَأَهُ، فَمَالَ عَنْهُ وَمَضَى. وَمَرَّ أَيْضًا لَاطِيٌّ بِذَلِكَ الْمَكَانِ، وَرَأَهُ، فَمَالَ عَنْهُ وَمَضَى. وَلَكِنَّ سَامِرِيًّا مُسَافِرًا مَرَّ بِهِ، وَرَأَهُ، فَتَحَنَّنَ عَلَيْهِ، وَدَنَا مِنْهُ، وَضَمَدَ جِرَاحَهُ، سَاكِبًا عَلَيْهَا زَيْتًا وَخَمْرًا. ثُمَّ وَضَعَهُ عَلَى دَابَّتِهِ، وَذَهَبَ بِهِ إِلَى الْفُنْدُقِ، وَأَعْتَتَى بِهِ. وَفِي الْغَدِ، أَخْرَجَ دِينَارَيْنِ وَأَعْطَاهُمَا لِصَاحِبِ الْفُنْدُقِ، وَقَالَ لَهُ: إِعْتَنِ بِهِ، وَمَهْمَا أَنْفَقْتَ فَأَنَا أُوفِيكَ عِنْدَ عَوْدَتِي. فَمَا رَأَيْكَ؟ أَيُّ هَؤُلَاءِ الثَّلَاثَةِ كَانَ قَرِيبَ ذَلِكَ الرَّجُلِ الَّذِي وَقَعَ فِي أَيْدِي اللُّصُوصِ؟" فَقَالَ: "الَّذِي صَنَعَ إِلَيْهِ الرَّحْمَةَ". فَقَالَ لَهُ يَسُوعُ: "إِذْهَبْ، وَأَصْنَعْ أَنْتَ أَيْضًا كَذَلِكَ".

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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 2022

August 31, 2022

Dear Sponsors of Saint Theresa Church:

Greetings to you from our Parish Family!

Saint Theresa Maronite Catholic Church is proudly sponsoring our annual **Lebanese Festival** on **Friday, September 30th, Saturday, October 1st, and Sunday, October 2nd**. This festival is a major fundraiser for our parish, and we take pride in 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 and fellow parishioners from across the area.

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 **2022 Sponsorship Banners** and return it to Saint Theresa Church by **Sunday, September 18th**, to ensure **your banner will be included in our PowerPoint presentation.**

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,
Father Joseph Abisaad and the Festival Committee



Saint Theresa Church Lebanese Festival

September 30th, October 1st, October 2nd, 2022

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')	On Screen Banner	\$10,000.00
___ Crystal Sponsorship	(10' X 2 ½')	On Screen Banner	\$5,000.00
___ Diamond Sponsorship	(8' X 2 ½')	On Screen Banner	\$2,000.00
___ Platinum Sponsorship	(6' X 2 ½')	On Screen Banner	\$1,000.00
___ Gold Sponsorship	(4' X 2 ½')	On Screen Banner	\$500.00
___ Silver Sponsorship	(3' X 1.6')	On Screen Banner	\$250.00

STEP FOUR: PLEASE return this completed form with full payment by Sunday, September 18, 2022 to ensure your banner will be included in our PowerPoint Presentation.

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PO Box 2567, Brockton, MA 02305-2567

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

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