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# Saint Theresa Maronite Church

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Third Sunday After Holy Cross / Feast of St. Theresa

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"| will let fall from Heaven a Shower of Roses." ~Saint Theresa of Lisieux~ "The Little Flower"



## Third Sunday after Holy Cross / Feast of St. Theresa

#### Sat. Oct. 1 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

**+Geraldine George** as req. by the family

#### Sun. Oct. 2 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Boutrosieh Nessralla and all deceased members of the Kreidy family as req. by the family

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## **Fourth Sunday after Holy Cross**

#### Sat. Oct. 8 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+James and Malvina Samia, sons Henry, Asife, daughter Mary and Albert Saba as req. by the family Sun. Oct. 9 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

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**40 Day Memorial for + Lea Merhej** as req. by the family



#### For the Month of October

**Bread & wine for the Holy Gifts** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of +Peter L. Asack, Sr. by Margo Asack

**Vigil candle for the Gospel Throne** is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of +Bolus and Rose Saba, all deceased members of the Saba families by Eleanor and Diane Samia

**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 +*Geraldine George* by Manthala George, Jr. and family



#### **Lectors' Schedule**

**Saturday, Oct. 1, 2016** 

**Thomas** 

**Sunday, Oct. 2, 2016** 

**English:** Mary Anne

Arabic: Lina

#### 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.

<u>Ministry to the Sick:</u> 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.

<u>Holy Mysteries of Baptism and Chrismation:</u> 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.

<u>Holy Mystery of Crowning:</u> 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: Philippians 3:17-21 4:1

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation so that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

# رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل فيلبّى

يا إخوَتِي، إِقْتَدُوا بِي، وٱنْظُرُوا إلى الَّذِينَ يَسْلُكُونَ على

فَكَثِيرٌ مِنْ أُولِئِكَ الَّذِينَ كُنْتُ أُكَلِّمُكُم عَنْهُم مِرَارًا، وأُكَلِّمُكُم عَنْهُمُ الْآنَ بَاكِيًا، يَسْلُكُونَ كأَعْدَاءٍ لِصَلِيبِ الْمَسِيح، عَنْهُمُ الْآنِينِ الْمَسِيح، أُولئِكَ الَّذِينَ إِلْهُهُم بَطْنُهُم، أُولئِكَ الَّذِينَ إِلْهُهُم بَطْنُهُم، ومَجْدُهُم في عَارِهِم، وفي أُمُورِ الأَرْضَ هُمُّهُم. أَمَّا نَحْنُ فَمَدِينَتُنَا فَي السَّمَاوَات، ومِنْهَا نَتْتَظِرُ الرَّبَّ يَسُوعَ

وهوَ سَيُغَيِّرُ جَسَدَ هَوَانِنَا، فيَجْعَلْهُ على صُورَةِ جَسَدِ مَجْدِه، وَ فْقًا لِعَمَل قُدْرَيِّه، الَّتِي بِهَا يُخْضِعُ لْنَفْسِه كُلَّ شَيء. إِذًا، يَا إِخْوَتِيَ، الَّذِينَ أُحَبُّهُم وأَشَٰثِاقُ إِلَيْهِم، وأَنْثُمَ فَرَحِي وَ إِكْلِيلِي، أَنْبُثُوا هَكَذَا في الرُّبّ، أَيُّهَا الأَحبَّاء

#### Gospel: Matthew 24:23-31

If anyone says to you, "Look! Here is the Messiah!" or "There he is!" do not believe it. For false messiahs and false prophets will appear and produce great signs and omens, to lead astray, if possible, even the elect. Take note, I have told you beforehand. So, if they say to you, "Look! He is in the wilderness", do not go out. If they say, "Look! He is in the inner rooms", do not believe it. For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes as far as the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather. 'Immediately after the suffering of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of heaven will be shaken. Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see "the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven" with power and great glory. And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

# إنجيل القديس متى

قَالَ الربُّ يَسوع: «إِنْ قَالَ لَكُم أَحَد: هُوَذَا المَسِيحُ هُنَا أَوْ هُنَاك!

قلا تصدفوا. فَسَوْفَ يَقُومُ مُسَحَاءُ كَذَبَةٌ وأَنْبِيَاءُ كَذَبَة، ويَأْتُونَ بِآيَاتٍ عَظِيمَةٍ وخَوارِق، لِيُضِلُّوا المُخْتَارِينَ أَنْفُسَهُم، لَو قَدِرُوا. هَا إِنِّي قَدْ أَنْبَأْتُكُم!

فَإِنَّ قَالُّوا لَكُم: هَا هُوَ في البَرِّيَّة! فلا تَخْرُجُوا، أَو: هَا هُوَ في دَأَخِلِ الْبَيْتِ! فَلا تُصَدِّقُوا.

فَكُمَا أَنَّ البَرْقَ يُومِضُ مِّنَ المَشَارِق، ويَسْطَعُ حَتَّى المَغَارِب، هكَذَا يَكُونُ مَجِيءُ ٱبْنِ الإِنْسَانِ.

حَيْثُ تَكُونُ الْجُثَّةُ هُنَاكَ تَجْتَمِعُ النَّسُورِ. حَيْثُ تَكُونُ الْجُثَّةُ هُنَاكَ تَجْتَمِعُ النَّسُورِ. وحَالاً بَعْدَ ضِيقِ تِلْكَ الإَيَّامِ، أَلشَّمْسُ تُظْلِم، والْقَمَرُ لا يُعْطِي ضَوءَهُ، والنُّجُومُ تَتَسَاقَطُ مِنَ السَّمَاء، وقُوَّاتُ السَّمَاوَ اتِ تَتَزَّعْزَع. وحِينَئِذِ تَظْهَرُ فَي السَّمَاءِ عَلامَةُ ٱبْنِ الإِنْسَانِ، فَتَنْتَحِبُ قَبَائِلُ الْأَرْضِ كُلُّها، وتَّرَى ٱبْنَ الإنْسَانِ آتِيًا عَلَى سُحُبِ السَّمَاءِ بقُدْرَةٍ

وَيُرْسِّلُ مَلاَئِكَتَهُ يَنْفُخُونَ في بُوقٍ عَظِيمٍ، فيَجْمَعُونَ مُخْتَارِيهِ مِنَ السَّمَاوَاتِ إلى أَقَاصِيهَا. الرِّيَاحِ الأَرْبَعِ، مِنْ أَقَاصِي السَّمَاوَاتِ إلى أَقَاصِيهَا.

#### 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: 9/25/16 \$1,266.00



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.

# Friends of the House of Hope Shelter,

**Inc.**, presents The Lebanese film: Stable-Unstable by Abbout Production & MC Distribution, Friday, October 14, 2016, doors open at 7:00PM –Film at 7:30PM at Hellenic College Maliotis Cultural Center, 50 Goddard Avenue, Brookline, MA 02445. Cost is \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. For tickets: visit friendshousehopeshelter@gmail.com or call Jeymie at 857-389-1239 or Camile 617-335-7705.

**Autumn Tea:** Calling all Women! You are cordially invited to attend the Nineteenth Autumn Tea at the home of Audrey Nessralla, 719 West Main Street, Avon, MA 02322 on Sunday,

October 16, 2016 from 2:00 PM —5:00 PM. RSVP to Audrey

**Theresa Church Annual Harvest Brunch** in the Parish Hall on Sunday, October 23, hanksgiving following the 10:30 AM Liturgy. A traditional fall Harvest Menu will be served. Cost is \$15.00 per adult; \$7.00 for children six-ten yrs., children under 5 eat free if accompanied by a paying adult.



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

# It was a Great S-U-C-C-E-S-S!!! Mabrook!!!

**Lebanese Festival:** To all the hard-working parishioners who volunteered their time and talents for the success of the Lebanese Festival we thank you. Let us take a moment and offer our praise to Almighty God for His abundant blessings upon our parish family and Maronite community. Words can never express the gratitude, appreciation and joy that we hold in our hearts for all the efforts expressed in the dedication and love we have for the church. All the credit goes to those who portraying the unity of our Lebanese worked hard in Heritage and what it means to us, to our friends and neighbors. We ask God Almighty, through the intercession of St. Theresa "the Little Flower", to bless each and everyone who made the effort and gave of their time and talents unconditionally. Your contribution and continuous support is greatly appreciated.



Our Congratulations to Miss Mary SUPP Matar on her singing performance at our Festival. We are very proud of you and your accomplishment. You did a super job. May your life always shower you

with great success, vision and wisdom. May God continue to bless you with strength and guidance.

# **St. Theresa Church Dabke Troupe:**

The children stole the show and they were the highlight of the festival. We ask the good Lord through the intercession of St. Theresa to shower them with blessings from above for being instrument of love and care. Give them a big hand for a

job well done. A very special *Thank* You to the Dabke Coach Mirna, and to all of the Dabke Moms who gave of their time in assisting with the group. Congratulations and keep up the good work.

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

# Flowers in honor of St. Therese "The Little Flower" are given to the glory of God and in Loving Memory of:

All deceased members of the Asiaf family
George Sarkis Asack, Sr.
Youseff and Genevieve Feghali
Marie El Adem
Taminie Hassan
Massod Hassan
All deceased members of St. Theresa Church
Kristen M. Ettenson, granddaughter of
Frederick E. and Rosarina Hassan
Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Hassan

grandson James
Mr. and Mrs. Augustino Madonna
Mr. and Mrs. Michael M. Madonna and granddaughter
Rebecca
Rose and Bolus Saba, all deceased members of the family
Louis and Mary Stevens
James Samia family
Raymond Stulpin Family and Marie Webby
Antonios and Marguerite Wakim

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Madonna, sons Vincent, Arthur and

# Thank you... Thank you... Thank you...

Thank you to everyone who helped in every way imaginable from start to finish to help make our Lebanese Food Festival such a great success! All of your hard work and talents are greatly appreciated!

Abouna Joseph Paula Samia Mr. and Mrs. Copal Awad Joyce Nessralla Michelle Nessralla Mr. and Mrs. Ghazi Saab and family Mr. and Mrs. George Daher Mr. Tom Stevens Rania Miskawi Mr. Peter Akeke Mr. and Mrs. George Lattouf Mr. John Halabi Mr. Saved Halabi Mr. George Homsi Mr. and Mrs. Maroun Saade Salma Haikal Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sayah Mr. and Mrs. George Iyoub

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Wanderlice Abi Aci

Madeline Asack

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Paula Saba Daaboul

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Justin Sayah

Anthony Farah

Ghassan Farah

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**Please Note:** If we missed your name in error kindly let us know.

Once again, thank you to all of those who purchased needed items and made a monetary donation towards the items for the Festival. We appreciate very much your financial support towards St. Theresa Church and her programs. I pray God's blessings on you and your family.



On behalf of St. Theresa Church, I would like to thank all of our sponsors for our Festival. St. Theresa Church could not do what it does without the generous support of a caring community. Once again, thank you for your **Sponsorship** for the Festival.

May God continue to bless you and your families. Abouna Joseph

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# **2016 Festival Report**

<u>Income</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<b>Saturday</b>		<b>Sunday</b>		<u>Total</u>
All Food Sales	\$10, 874.00	\$24,452.00		\$10,783.00		
Raffle	931.00	3,426.00		1,602.00		
Credit Card	476.00	1365.00		410.00		
<b>Monetary Donation</b>	<u>1, 000.00</u>	300.00		1,650.00		
Bar Tip Money				45.00		
Total By Day:	\$13,281.00 +	\$29,543.00	+	\$14,490.00	= Total All 3Days	\$57,314.00
_	Other Income:					<b>0.50</b> 440 00
	Sponsor Banners 137					\$58,410.00
Outstanding Banners						6,400.00
Total Banners						<del>\$64,810.00</del>
Monetary Donations Total Monetary Donations +						\$ 4,215.00
Total Income to date:						\$126,339.00
Expenses						_
Entertainment for all 3 days						\$ 6,550.00
All City Permits						\$ 575.00
Dumpster 30 yard						\$ 365.00
Paper Products						\$ 1,266.38
Food Supplies						\$ 1,440.19
Ad Print-Flyer and Posters						\$ 189.00
Banner Printing  Staples						\$ 2,468.27
Police Detail—3 days						\$ 1,000.00
Dishwashers—3 days 2 shifts 3 girls						\$ 580.00
Bus Boy—2 days						\$ 300.00
Night Security—3 days						\$ 200.00
Clean Portable Restrooms						\$ 430.00
Raffle Items-wireless headphones / BPROSCOM COMBO PACK						\$ 260.29
Tent/ Tables/ Chairs –600 chairs/ 62 round tables/ 40 6ft tables/ Tents						\$ 6,787.45
Starting Bank						<u>\$ 1,300.00</u>

Total Income to date: \$126,3399.00

Total Expenses: — 23,711.58

Total Profit to date: \$102,627.42

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**Total Expenses:** 

"Alone we can do little; together we can do much." ~Helen Keller~







# The Order of St. Sharbel

Membership: Help Us Train the Priests for Tomorrow!

New members to the order of Saint Sharbel are welcome. The seminarians you help today will be the priests of tomorrow who will serve the Maronite Church in America. This wonderful organization plays an important role in helping to pay our seminarian expenses.

Their are two levels of membership, Annual and Perpetual:

**Annual:** To be an Annual member, you must donate \$500 annually or make four equal installments of \$125/ quarter. **Perpetual:** To become a Perpetual member, you must make a one-time donation of \$5,000 to the Order's Endowment Fund. You can also choose to make four equal payments of \$1,250 over a one-year period.

Once your application has been submitted to either the Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn or the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles, the bishop (or his representative) will install you into the Order during Divine Liturgy at your parish or in your region. We thank you for your support!

For more information about the Order of Saint Sharbel and their ministry, or to apply to be a member, please visit the following website: http://www.orderstsharbel.org/membership.html

Also, for your convenience, application forms will be at the back of the church.