



Saint Theresa Maronite Church

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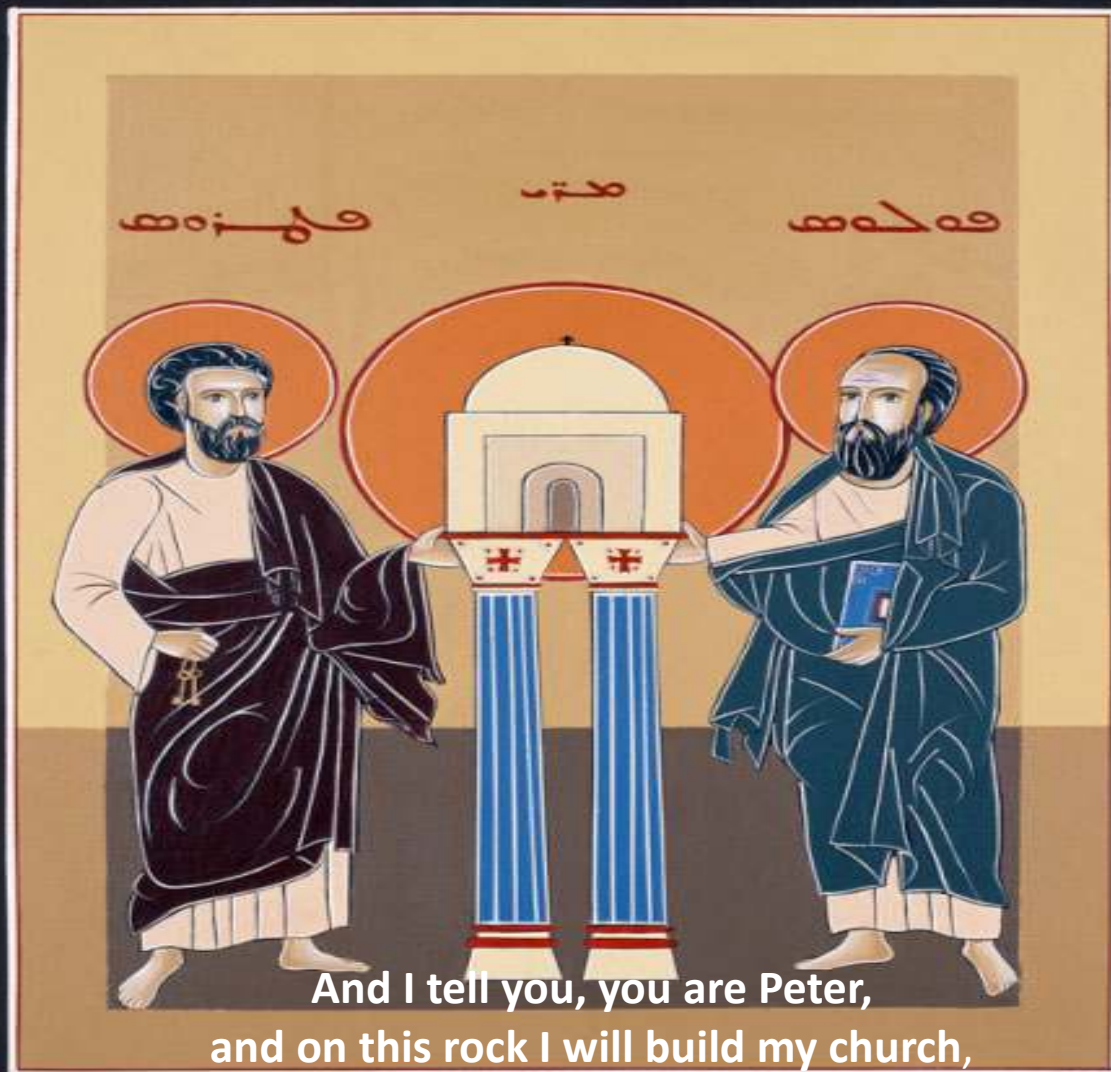
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June 24-25, 2023



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Feast of Saints Peter and Paul



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LIGHT OF LIFE (LOL)
BIBLE CAMP 2023
@NAM CONVENTION
 HOSTED BY ST. ANTHONY OF THE DESERT PARISH

Activities

- Crafts & Games
- Saint stories & Prayer
- Tee shirts, Snacks & More

Contact Us

- No Cost this year
- Contact Sr. Maria Marie 202-213-7780
- stiber@marastheparish.org

Dates & Address

- Friday July 7 & Saturday July 8
- 9:00-12:00pm
- Rhode Island Convention Center Providence RI

Registration

- Open to children ages 5-12
- [Click here to Register](#)
- Register by no later than June 28

Presented by THE ARCHDIOCESE OF PROVIDENCE AND BOSTON

Young Adult Retreat

"Unbind him and let him go"

John 11:44

Retreat Info
 Cost: Free
 7/15/23
 11:30 am - 5:00 pm
 Divine Liturgy 5:00 pm

Our Lady of the Cedars of Lebanon
 61 Rockwood St,
 Jamaica Plain, MA
 02130

Join us for this Young Adult retreat as we embrace the transforming and healing power of the Gospel that calls all of us to be true disciples of Jesus. Schedule includes lunch, testimonies from witnesses, adoration and confession & more.



Scan QR code to register!
 For any questions contact
 Mark Farah (617) 794-2393



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



*"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~*

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.

Holy Mystery of Reconciliation

The sacrament of Reconciliation is available by appointment.

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 Therese of Lisieux

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

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.

Religious Education

Classes are held on Saturdays
 September through April
 For registration please see
 Mirna Issa

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

MYO—MYA

MYO—MYA meet
 September through April

Feast of Saints Peter and Paul

Sat. June 24 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Hameed and Catherine Macary and +Nossif and Cauna Assif
as requested by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Magner

Sun. June 25 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+George S. Asack, Sr. as requested by Madeleine Asack and family



Sixth Sunday of Pentecost

Sat. July 1 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+For the souls of Remember Me In Your Kingdom

+Selma Mowad as requested by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Magner

Sun. July 2 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Intention available on request

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Lectors' Schedule

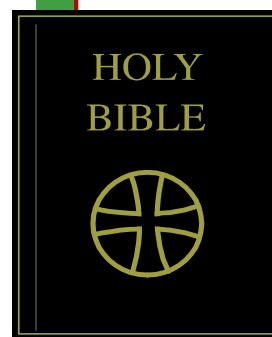
Saturday, June 24, 2023

English: Michelle

Sunday, June 25, 2023

English: Philip N.

Arabic: Rima



Coffee Hour Volunteers

If you are able to lend a hand in sponsoring a Sunday Morning Coffee Hour the following dates are available.

Sunday, June 25—Mr. & Mrs. Elias Brassitos

Sunday, July 2—Open

Sunday, July 9—Open

Sunday, July 16—Open

Sunday, July 23—Open

Sunday, July 30—Open

Kindly, let us know which Sunday you are offering. The sign up sheet is in the back of the church. God bless



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Date

AMERICA'S
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WHITING, NJ

NEW ENGLAND
MID-ATLANTIC EAST
MID-ATLANTIC WEST
EPARCHIAL
RETREAT

OCTOBER 27-29

2023

DETAILS &
REGISTRATION
INFORMATION
TO FOLLOW

Weekly Collections

	Amount
Saturday 6/18/23	\$ 153.00
Sunday 6/18/23	\$495.62
Mail In Donations	\$400.00
Total	\$1,048.62
Operational Expenses Needed weekly	\$ 3,400.00
Deficit	-(\$2,351.38)

Second Collection

Per directive of the Eparchy there will be a second collection for **Peter's Pence the Holy Father's** collection on **June 24-25, 2023**. The entire collection is sent to the Holy Father to assist him with emergency financial assistance to aid the most needy throughout the world. This collection is sent to the Eparchy for its proper distribution. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

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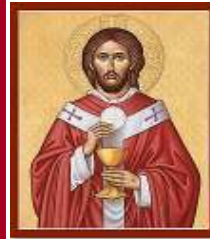
SAINT THERESA CHURCH

2023 ANNUAL LEBANESE FESTIVAL

September 22nd, 23rd, 24th

For the Month of June

Bread and Wine



Bread & wine for the Holy Gifts

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

+George S. Asack, Sr.

by Madeleine Asack and family

Vigil Candle for the Blessed Mother



Vigil candle for the Blessed Mother

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

+Naja and Samera Nessralla

by Mr. and Mrs. Mansur Nessralla and 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 :

+Therese and Tannous Matta Saade

by Mr. and Mrs. George Saade

Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle



Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle

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

+Alice and Tanios Farah

by Mr. and Mrs. George Saade

Vigil candles for the Gospel Throne



Vigil candle for the Gospel Throne

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

Open



Saint Theresa

Maronite Catholic Church



Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul

June 24-25, 2023

A Reading from the Second Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians: 11:21-30

Brothers and Sisters: To my shame, I must say, we were too weak for that! But whatever anyone dares to boast of I am speaking as a fool I also dare to boast of that. Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they descendants of Abraham? So am I. Are they ministers of Christ? I am talking like a madman I am a better one: with far greater labors, far more imprisonments, with countless floggings, and often near death. Five times I have received from the Jews the forty lashes minus one. Three times I was beaten with rods. Once I received a stoning. Three times I was shipwrecked; for a night and a day I was adrift at sea; on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from bandits, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brothers and sisters; in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, hungry and thirsty, often without food, cold and naked. And, besides other things, I am under daily pressure because of my anxiety for all the churches. Who is weak, and I am not weak. Who is made to stumble, and I am not indignant. If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness. **Praise be to God always.**

Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, ‘Who do people say that the Son of Man is?’ And they said, ‘Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.’ He said to them, ‘But who do you say that I am?’ Simon Peter answered, ‘You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.’ And Jesus answered him, ‘Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.’ Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.



فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الرسول الثانية

إلى أهل كورنثوس

يا إخوتي، أَقُولُ وَأَحْجَلُ، كَمَا لَوْ كُنَّا ضَعَفَاءَ! وَأَقُولُ كَجَاهِلٍ: إِنَّ كُلَّ مَا يَجْرُؤُ عَلَيْهِ هَؤُلَاءِ، أَجْرُؤُ عَلَيْهِ أَنَا أَيْضًا: أَهْمُ عِبْرَانِيُّونَ؟ أَنَا أَيْضًا عِبْرَانِيٌّ! أَهْمُ إِسْرَائِيلِيُّونَ؟ أَنَا أَيْضًا إِسْرَائِيلِيٌّ! أَهْمُ نَسْلُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ؟ أَنَا أَيْضًا نَسْلُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ! أَهْمُ خُدَّامُ لِلْمَسِيحِ؟ أَقُولُ كَمَنْ فَقَدَ صَوَابَهُ: أَنَا أَكْثَرُ! فِي الْأَتْعَابِ أَكْثَرُ! فِي السُّجُونِ أَكْثَرُ! فِي الضَّرَبَاتِ أَكْثَرُ جِدًّا! فِي أخطَارِ الْمَوْتِ أَكْثَرُ بِمَرَّاتٍ كَثِيرَةٍ! تَلَقَّيْتُ الْجَلْدَ مِنَ الْيَهُودِ خَمْسَ مَرَّاتٍ، كُلَّ مَرَّةٍ أَرْبَعِينَ جَلْدَةً إِلَّا وَاحِدَةً! ضَرَبْتُ بِالْعِصِيِّ ثَلَاثَ مَرَّاتٍ! رُجِمْتُ مَرَّةً وَاحِدَةً! انْكَسَرَتْ بِي السَّفِينَةُ ثَلَاثَ مَرَّاتٍ! قَضَيْتُ فِي عُرْضِ الْبَحْرِ لَيْلَةً وَنَهَارًا! قُمتُ بِأَسْفَارٍ كَثِيرَةٍ، كُنْتُ فِي أخطَارٍ مِنَ الْأَنْهَارِ، أخطَارٍ مِنَ اللَّصُوصِ، أخطَارٍ مِنْ أُمَّتِي، أخطَارٍ مِنَ الْأُمَمِ، أخطَارٍ فِي الْمَدِينَةِ، أخطَارٍ فِي الصَّخْرَاءِ، أخطَارٍ فِي الْبَحْرِ، أخطَارٍ بَيْنَ الْإِخْوَةِ الْكَذِبَةِ! عَانَيْتُ التَّعَبَ، وَالْكَدَّ، وَالسَّهَرَ مَرَّاتٍ كَثِيرَةٍ، وَالْجُوعَ، وَالْعَطَشَ، وَالصَّوْمَ مَرَّاتٍ كَثِيرَةٍ، وَالْبَرْدَ، وَالْحَرَّ! أَضِيفُ إِلَى ذَلِكَ، مَا عَلَيَّ مِنَ الْأَعْبَاءِ كُلِّ يَوْمٍ، وَالْأَهْتِمَامَ بِجَمِيعِ الْكَنَائِسِ! مَنْ يَضْعُفُ وَلَا أضعُفُ أَنَا؟ وَمَنْ يَقَعُ فِي الْخَطِيئَةِ وَلَا أَحْتَرِقُ أَنَا؟ وَإِنْ كَانَ لَا بُدَّ مِنَ الْأَفْتِيخَارِ، فَأَنَا أَفْتَخِرُ بِأَوْهَانِي!

والتسبيح لله دائما

من إنجيل ربنا يسوع المسيح للقديس متى

جَاءَ يَسُوعُ إِلَى نَوَاحِي قَيْصَرِيَّةَ فَبَلِّسَ فَسَأَلَ تَلَامِيذَهُ قَائِلًا: «مَنْ يَقُولُ النَّاسُ إِنِّي أَنَا ابْنُ الْإِنْسَانِ؟». فَقَالُوا: «بَعْضُهُمْ يَقُولُونَ: يُوحَنَّا الْمَعْمَدَانُ؛ وَآخَرُونَ: إِبِلِيَّا؛ وَغَيْرُهُمْ: إِزْمِيَا أَوْ أَحَدُ الْأَنْبِيَاءِ». قَالَ لَهُمْ: «وَأَنْتُمْ مَنْ تَقُولُونَ إِنِّي أَنَا؟». فَأَجَابَ سِمْعَانُ بَطْرُسُ وَقَالَ: أَنْتَ هُوَ الْمَسِيحُ ابْنُ اللَّهِ الْحَيِّ!». فَأَجَابَ يَسُوعُ وَقَالَ لَهُ: «طُوبَى لَكَ يَا سِمْعَانُ بَنَ يُونَا! لِأَنَّهُ لَا لَحْمَ وَلَا دَمَ أَظْهَرَ لَكَ ذَلِكَ، بَلْ أَبِي الَّذِي فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ. وَأَنَا أَيْضًا أَقُولُ لَكَ: أَنْتَ هُوَ بَطْرُسُ، أَيُّ الصَّخْرَةِ، وَعَلَى هَذِهِ الصَّخْرَةِ سَأَبْنِي بَيْعَتِي، وَأَبْوَابُ الْجَحِيمِ لَنْ تَقْوَى عَلَيْهَا. سَأَعْطِيكَ مَفَاتِيحَ مَلَكُوتِ السَّمَاوَاتِ، فَكُلُّ مَا تَرْتِطُهُ عَلَى الْأَرْضِ يَكُونُ مَرْبُوطًا فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ، وَمَا تَحُلُّهُ عَلَى الْأَرْضِ يَكُونُ مَحْلُولًا فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ». حِينئِذٍ أَوْصَى تَلَامِيذَهُ أَلَّا يَقُولُوا لِأَحَدٍ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْمَسِيحُ.

Saint Theresa Church

Lebanese Festival

September 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 2023



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 \$75, \$100 and \$150 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 10, 2023.**
- ◆ Here are **some ideas** if you would like to design your **own** theme basket: *Thanksgiving, Christmas, Baking, Kitchen, Tea, Coffee, Knitting, Country Jams and Relishes, 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 508-586-1428. **All Theme Baskets are due by September 10, 2023.**

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.

