



Saint Theresa Maronite Church

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'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.'

John 21:17

Fourth Sunday of the Resurrection

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What guidelines do parishioners need to observe while in church?

- ◆ **Social Distancing:** Parishioners **who are not part** of the same immediate household are asked to be seated 6 feet apart. Members of the same immediate household are permitted to sit together and less than 6 feet apart.
- ◆ **Face Coverings:** **ALL** attendees **must wear face covering or masks** in accordance with **COVID-19 Order No. 31** and the Department of Public Health's Guidance while inside and upon entering and exiting the church.
- ◆ **For Children:** For children who are between the ages 2 and 5, the wearing of a face covering or mask is at the discretion of the child's parent or guardian. Children under the age 2 should not wear a face covering or mask.
- ◆ **Parents:** For the health and safety of others and you please keep your child seated in the pew with you at all times during the Liturgy.
- ◆ **Distribution of Communion:** Distribution is by intinction, in the usual way, with as much care as possible.
- ◆ **Cleaning and Disinfecting:** The church will be cleaned and disinfected between each Liturgy. (e.g., pews, doorknobs, bathrooms, and heavy transit areas).

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Liturgy Schedule

The Holy Mysteries are celebrated:

Saturdays: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 10:30 AM

Doors open one hour before each Liturgy

Holy Days: 7:00 PM

Daily Liturgy: Wednesday-Friday 7:00PM

Arabic Liturgy on Fridays -7:00 PM



"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 one hour before each Liturgy. And, it is also available any time upon request.

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 your proposed date in order to avoid conflicts in scheduling.

Adoration

"Do you realize that Jesus is there in the tabernacle expressly for you - for you alone? He burns with the desire to come into your heart...don't listen to the demon; laugh at him, and go without fear to receive the Jesus of peace and love..."
~St. Theresa of Lisieux~

Please Note: Eucharistic Adoration and Liturgy takes place on

Thursday Evenings. Doors open at 6:00PM.

Religious Education

Classes are held on Saturdays
September through April
9:00 AM—12:00 Noon

MYO—MYA

MYO- MYA meet
September through April

Fifth Sunday of the Resurrection / Our Lady of Lebanon



Sat. May 1 at 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Peter G. Asiaf, Jr. as requested by Maryann Asiaf
+Joan Colandrea as requested by the family

Sun. May 2 at 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Intention Available upon request



Sixth Sunday of the Resurrection

Sat. May 8 at 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+All deceased members of the Bolus Saba family as requested Eleanor and Diane Samia

Sun. May 9 at 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+All living and deceased Mothers' of the Parish

+Miriam Moses, Margo Asack, Isabelle Bethoney as requested by family and friends



Dear Friends in Christ:

I hope you are well during these challenging times.

Like last year, this year's Benefit for the Eparchy of Saint Maron will be a **Virtual Event**. I hope you will join us for this very special celebration on Thursday, October 7, 2021, at 7:00PM Eastern Time.

Over the years, this benefit has provided significant financial support to educate seminarians, help parishes and missions, and assist retired priests and ministries of the Eparchy. As in past years, a portion of the proceeds will be dedicated to help the Church in Lebanon, which continues to be of significant importance this year.

I hope you will consider supporting the Eparchy's Benefit this year.

Thank you again for helping us make a difference in the life of the Maronite Church and the world, both at home and abroad. I hope to "see" you on October 7.

May God bless you for your generosity!

+Gregory



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Please Do Not Use: 343 North Main Street, Brockton, MA, it may be returned to you by the post office. God bless



A scholarship being offered for Eastern Catholics at the Ave Maria University in Florida.

As a further incentive, the University is not requiring the ACT or SAT score, but they need a 3.0 G.P.A (un weighted). We hope some of our young people will consider this.

Here is the link for the website page: <https://avemariauniversity.lpages.co/brilliant-jewel/>

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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. 4/25/21 \$ 1,053.00

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.

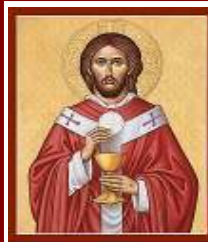
Second Collection

Per Directive of the Eparchy, there will be a second collection taken **the weekend of May 1 -2, 2021**. It is for the **National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon in North Jackson, Ohio**. This collection is used for the needs of the Shrine. This collection is sent directly to the Eparchy for its proper distribution. We thank you in advance for your contribution.



For the Month of April

Bread and Wine



Bread & wine for the Holy Gifts

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

**+All deceased members of the
Blous Saba family**

by the 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:

+Elias and Paulette Abourjaily

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 :

+Peter G. Asiaf, Jr.

by Maryann Asiaf

Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle



Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle

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

+Special Intention

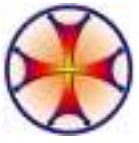
Vigil candles for the Gospel Throne



Vigil candle for the Gospel Throne

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

+Ramona Hashem



Saint Theresa

Maronite Catholic Church



Fifth Sunday of the Resurrection

May 1-2, 2021

A Reading from the Letter Saint Paul to the Ephesians 2:1-10

You were dead through the trespasses and sins in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ by grace you have been saved and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Gospel: John 21:15-19

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, ‘Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?’ He said to him, ‘Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Feed my lambs.’ A second time he said to him, ‘Simon son of John, do you love me?’ He said to him, ‘Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Tend my sheep.’ He said to him the third time, ‘Simon son of John, do you love me?’ Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, ‘Do you love me?’ And he said to him, ‘Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.’ (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, ‘Follow me.’



فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الرسول إلى أهل أفسس

يا إِخْوَتِي، وَأَنْتُمْ، فَقَدْ كُنْتُمْ أَمْوَاتًا بِزَلَّاتِكُمْ وَخَطَايَاكُمْ، الَّتِي سَلَكْتُمْ فِيهَا مِنْ قَبْلِ بِحَسَبِ إِلَهٍ هَذَا الْعَالَمِ، بِحَسَبِ رَئِيسِ سُلْطَانِ الْجَوِّ، أَيْ الرُّوحِ الَّذِي يَعْمَلُ الْآنَ فِي أَبْنَاءِ الْعُصْيَانِ؛ وَمِنْهُمْ نَحْنُ أَيْضًا جَمِيعُنَا قَدْ سَلَكْنَا مِنْ قَبْلِ فِي شَهَوَاتِ إِنْسَانِنَا الْجَسَدِيِّ، عَامِلِينَ بِرَغَبَاتِهِ وَأَفْكَارِهِ، وَكُنَّا بِالطَّبِيعَةِ أَوْلَادَ الْغَضَبِ كَالْبَاقِينَ؛ لَكِنَّ اللَّهَ، وَهُوَ الْغَنِيُّ بِرَحْمَتِهِ، فَلِكثْرَةِ مَحَبَّتِهِ الَّتِي أَحَبَّنَا بِهَا، وَقَدْ كُنَّا نَحْنُ أَيْضًا أَمْوَاتًا بِزَلَّاتِنَا، أَحْيَانًا مَعَ الْمَسِيحِ، وَبِالنَّعْمَةِ أَنْتُمْ مُخَلَّصُونَ؛ وَمَعَهُ أَقَامْنَا وَأَجَلَسْنَا فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ فِي الْمَسِيحِ يَسُوعَ، لِيُظَهَرَ فِي الْأَجْيَالِ الْآتِيَةِ غِنَى نِعْمَتِهِ الْفَائِقَةِ، بِطُفْهِ لَنَا فِي الْمَسِيحِ يَسُوعَ. فَبِالنَّعْمَةِ أَنْتُمْ مُخَلَّصُونَ بِوَسِطَةِ الْإِيمَانِ: وَهَذَا لَيْسَ مِنْكُمْ، إِنَّهُ عَطِيَّةُ اللَّهِ. وَلَا هُوَ مِنَ الْأَعْمَالِ، لِئَلَّا يَفْتَخِرَ أَحَدٌ؛ لِأَنَّنا نَحْنُ صُنْعُهُ، قَدْ خُلِقْنَا فِي الْمَسِيحِ يَسُوعَ لِلْأَعْمَالِ الصَّالِحَةِ، الَّتِي سَبَقَ اللَّهُ فَأَعَدَّهَا لِكِي نَسْلُكَ فِيهَا.

والتسبيح لله دائما

من إنجيل ربنا يسوع المسيح للقديس يوحنا

بَعْدَ الْغَدَاءِ، قَالَ يَسُوعُ لِسِمْعَانَ بُطْرُسَ: «يَا سِمْعَانُ بَنَ يُونَا، أَتُحِبُّنِي أَكْثَرَ مِمَّا يُحِبُّنِي هُوَءَاءُ؟». قَالَ لَهُ: «نَعَمْ، يَا رَبِّ، أَنْتَ تَعْلَمُ أَنِّي أُحِبُّكَ». قَالَ لَهُ يَسُوعُ: «إِزْعَ حُمَلَانِي». قَالَ لَهُ مَرَّةً ثَانِيَةً: «يَا سِمْعَانُ بَنَ يُونَا، أَتُحِبُّنِي؟». قَالَ لَهُ: «نَعَمْ يَا رَبِّ، أَنْتَ تَعْلَمُ أَنِّي أُحِبُّكَ». قَالَ لَهُ يَسُوعُ: «إِزْعَ نِعَاجِي!». قَالَ لَهُ مَرَّةً ثَالِثَةً: «يَا سِمْعَانُ بَنَ يُونَا، أَتُحِبُّنِي؟». فَحَزَنَ بُطْرُسُ، لِأَنَّ يَسُوعَ قَالَ لَهُ ثَلَاثَ مَرَّاتٍ: أَتُحِبُّنِي؟ فَقَالَ لَهُ: «يَا رَبِّ، أَنْتَ تَعْلَمُ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ، وَأَنْتَ تَعْرِفُ أَنِّي أُحِبُّكَ». قَالَ لَهُ يَسُوعُ: «إِزْعَ خِرَافِي! أَلْحَقَّ أَلْحَقَّ أَقُولُ لَكَ: حِينَ كُنْتَ شَابًّا، كُنْتَ تَشُدُّ حِرَامَكَ بِيَدَيْكَ وَتَسِيرُ إِلَى حَيْثُ تُرِيدُ. وَلَكِنْ حِينَ تَشِيخُ، سَتَنْبَسُطُ يَدَيْكَ وَآخَرُ يَشُدُّ لَكَ حِرَامَكَ، وَيَذْهَبُ بِكَ إِلَى حَيْثُ لَا تُرِيدُ». قَالَ يَسُوعُ ذَلِكَ مُشِيرًا إِلَى الْمِيْتَةِ الَّتِي سَيَمَجِدُ بِهَا بُطْرُسُ اللَّهُ. ثُمَّ قَالَ لَهُ: «إِتْبَعْنِي!».