



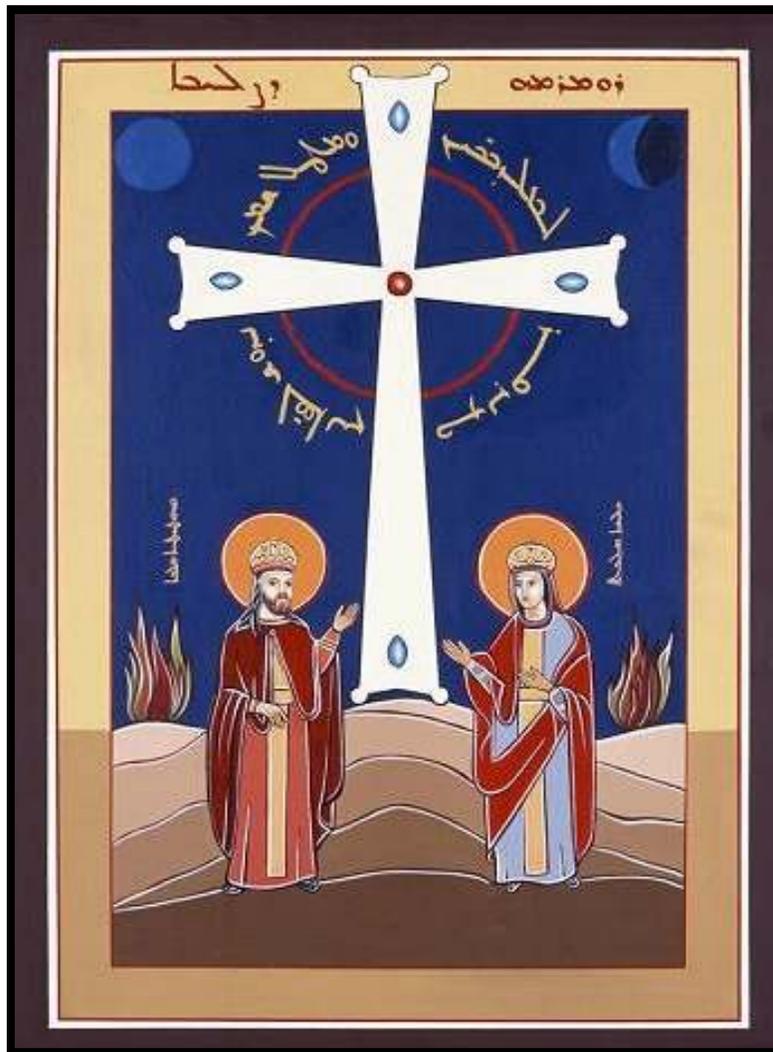
## Saint Theresa Maronite Church

343 North Main Street / PO Box 2567  
Brockton, MA 02305-2567

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Rectory 508-586-1428

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## First Sunday after Holy Cross



Website: [sttheresabrockton.org](http://sttheresabrockton.org)

Facebook: SaintTheresa Brockton

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# First Sunday after Holy Cross



For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve,  
and to give his life a ransom for many.

Mark 10:45

September 18-19, 2021



Issue No. 38

## 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

## Holy Mystery of Reconciliation

The sacrament of Reconciliation is available one hour before each Liturgy. And, is available any time on 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 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  
9:00 AM—12:00 Noon

## Holy Mysteries of Baptism and Chrismation

Please make arrangements with the pastor at least one month in advance. Sponsor 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

"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.

## MYO—MYA

MYO- MYA meet  
September through April

## First Sunday after Holy Cross

Sat. Sept. 18 at 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Leo and Alice Smith, son John, Cousin Peter Smith as requested by Maryann Asiaf

Sun. Sept. 19 at 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Deborah Davin Sperre as requested by the family

40 Day Memorial for +Zakiyeh Wehebe Nasrallah as requested by the family



## Second Sunday after Holy Cross

Sat. Sept. 25 at 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Peter G. Asiaf, Jr. as requested by Maryann Asiaf

+Peter and Margo Asack as requested by family and friends

Sun. Sept. 26 at 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Kim Asiaf Rosenfelt as requested by the family

## News from our Sister Parishes

**Our Lady of Purgatory Maronite Church**  
11 Franklin Street, New Bedford, MA 02740

### Summer Lebanese Festival

Saturday, September 18, 2021

12:00 Noon—11:00 PM

Featuring George Maalouf and Ensemble

This event features Lebanese Food, Saj, Hookas  
Raffles and Money Prizes

Rain or Shine! Seating under the Big Tent.

Free Admission ~ Free Parking



Sunday School  
START-UP

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 2021-2022 Religious Education school year. Class Times will be held on Saturdays of each month. Please Note: If the Delta Variant; requires the State to go Virtual during the school year. St. Theresa Church is set up and ready for Virtual lessons to take place. You will be notified. Face Masks are required for in person learning. We look forward to seeing you here at St. Theresa Church and having your child participate in our program.

**Registration Day / First Class**

**Saturday, September 18, 2021**

**from 10:00 AM—12:00 Noon**

## Sunday School Teachers are needed!

If, you are interested in volunteering to be a Sunday School Teacher, please contact Abouna or Gordon.

## MARONITE MINGLE



OCTOBER 3RD 4-7PM

ALL ARE WELCOME

PRAYER • ICEBREAKER • POTLUCK • DABKE



Where?

Our Lady of the Cedars  
61 Rockwood St.  
Falmouth Plain, MA 02740

RSVP to Julie

(773)986-9898



**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:** 9/12/21 \$ 1,068.00, Catholic University Forwarded \$355.00

**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

**SAVE THE DATE – OCTOBER 7, 2021**

Please join Bishop Gregory Mansour and friends

for the

Twelfth Annual Benefit Event  
of the

Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn

A virtual event via Zoom



This benefit will help strengthen our Eparchy in its service to its people here and for the vulnerable in Lebanon.

We gratefully honor and recognize the many dedicated people and organizations who serve and support the people and country of Lebanon during these difficult times.

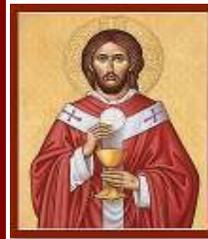
Details to follow.

EPARCHY OF SAINT MARON OF BROOKLYN

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**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

**+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

**+Nacklie and Marie Nessralla**

*by the family*

**Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle**



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

**+Rose Saba**

*by the family*

**Vigil candles for the Gospel Throne**

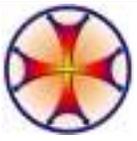


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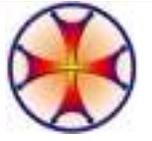
**+Eva Abourjaily**

*by the family*



# **Saint Theresa**

## **Maronite Catholic Church**



**First Sunday after Holy Cross**

**Sept. 18-19, 2021**

### **A Reading from the Second Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy 2:1-10**

**Brothers and Sisters:** Be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus; and what you have heard from me through many witnesses entrust to faithful people who will be able to teach others as well. Share in suffering like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No one serving in the army gets entangled in everyday affairs; the soldier's aim is to please the enlisting officer. And in the case of an athlete, no one is crowned without competing according to the rules. It is the farmer who does the work who ought to have the first share of the crops. Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in all things. Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

**Praise be to God always.**

### **Gospel: Mark 10:35-45**

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, 'Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.' And he said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' And they said to him, 'Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.' But Jesus said to them, 'You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?' They replied, 'We are able.' Then Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.' When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their ruler's lord it over them and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man; came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.'



## فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الرسول الثانية

### إلى تلميذه تيموتاوس

يا إخواني، وأنت، يا أبنائي، تشدد بالنعمة التي في المسيح يسوع. وما سمعته مني بحضور شهود كثيرين، استودعه أناسا أمثاء، جديرين هم أيضا بأن يعلموا غيرهم. شاركني في احتمالات المشقات كجندي صالح للمسيح يسوع. وما من جندي ينهمك في الأمور المعيشية، إذا أراد أن يرضي من جنده. ومن يصارع لا ينال إكليلًا إلا إذا صارع بحسب الأصول. والحارث الذي يتعب له الحق بالنصيب الأول من الثمر. تأمل في ما أقول: والرب سيعطيك فهمًا في كل شيء! تذكر يسوع المسيح الذي قام من بين الأموات، وهو من نسل داود، بحسب إنجيلي، الذي فيه احتمل المشقات حتى القيود كمجرم، لكن كلمة الله لا تقيد. لذلك أصبر على كل شيء من أجل المختارين، ليحصلوا هم أيضًا على الخلاص في المسيح يسوع مع المجد الأبدي.

### من إنجيل ربنا يسوع المسيح للقديس مرقس

دنا من يسوع يعقوب ويوحنا، أبنائي زبدي، وقالوا له: «يا معلم، نريد أن تصنع لنا كل ما نسألك». فقال لهما: «ماذا تريدان أن أصنع لكما؟». قالوا له: «أعطنا أن نجلس في مجدك، واحد عن يمينك، وواحد عن يسارك». فقال لهما يسوع: «إنكما لا تعلمان ما تطلبان: هل تستطيعان أن تشربا الكأس التي أشربها أنا؟ أو أن تتعمدا بالمعمودية التي اتعمد بها أنا؟». قالوا له: «نستطيع». فقال لهما يسوع: «الكأس التي أنا أشربها ستشربانها، والمعمودية التي أنا اتعمد بها ستتعمدان بها. أما الجلوس عن يميني أو عن يساري، فليس لي أن أمنحه إلا للذين أعدد لهم». ولما سمع العشرة الآخرون، بدأوا يعْتَاطون من يعقوب ويوحنا. فدعاهم يسوع إليه وقال لهم: «تعلمون أن الذين يعتبرون رؤساء الأمم يسودونهم، وعظماؤهم يتسلطون عليهم. أما أنتم فليس الأمر بينكم هكذا، بل من أراد أن يكون فيكم عظيمًا، فليكن لكم خادماً. ومن أراد أن يكون الأول بينكم، فليكن عبداً للجميع؛ لأن ابن الإنسان أيضاً لم يأت ليخدم، بل ليخدم، ويبدل نفسه فداءً عن كثيرين».

## 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 Feast Day Hafli 2021 September 25, 2021 8:00 PM-11:00 PM

*"For to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich"  
(Matthew 24: 29a)-*

August 20, 2021

Dear Parishioners/Sponsors/ Friends of Saint Theresa Church:

I hope this message finds you and your family all in good health and doing well; 2021 continues to be a difficult year for so many of our families. Like so many events that typically take place in late summer and early fall, Saint Theresa Church will **NOT** hold the annual Lebanese Festival. Moving forward, our plans are for a **virtual fundraiser and a Hafli to be held on Saturday, September 25, 2021 in the Church Hall**. Seating is limited to **NO** more than **150 people**. Tickets will be on sale soon at \$75.00 Per Person. Doors will open at 7:00 PM and dinner will be served at 8:30 PM.

As part of this year's public acknowledgement of gratitude, Sponsorship Banners advertising businesses or in honor of loved ones will be used in a **PowerPoint presentation** which will be made available to our parishioners, friends and supporters via **social media**. The PowerPoint presentation will also be shown during the Hafli.

**Purchasing a sponsorship banner or a donation** this year will have an even greater impact, because so many of our families and small businesses are struggling financially; your continued kindness provides much-needed financial support for our beautiful church of Saint Theresa. Please complete the attached form entitled 2021 Sponsorship Banners or Donation and return it to Saint Theresa Church by **September 14, 2021**. 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. *Remember what Jesus says 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'* Acts 20:25

At this moment in time, the **MOST** important thing is that all members of our parish family are safe, healthy and continue to be in good spirits.

I thank you for your ongoing commitment and devotion to Saint Theresa Church.

God bless,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph Daiif". The signature is stylized and includes a flourish at the end.

Father Joseph Daiif  
Pastor



## Saint Theresa Church Virtual Fundraiser 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)

___ 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:** PLEASE return this completed form with full payment by  
September 14, 2021.

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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# **Saint Theresa Church Feast Day Hafli**

**Saturday, Sept, 25th, 2021**

**8:00 PM-11:00 PM**

**Doors Open at 7:00 PM**

**Dinner Served at 8:30 PM**

*Food ~ Bar ~ Music ~*

*Hookas ~ Raffles*

**Tickets are \$75.00 Per Person**

**Seating is Limited to 150 persons**

**No Tickets will be sold at the door**

**Promote Your Business By Donating To  
the Saint Theresa Church**

**Sponsorship Banners Virtual Fundraiser**

**Please Call Church Office for more information**

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