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Hosanna Sunday

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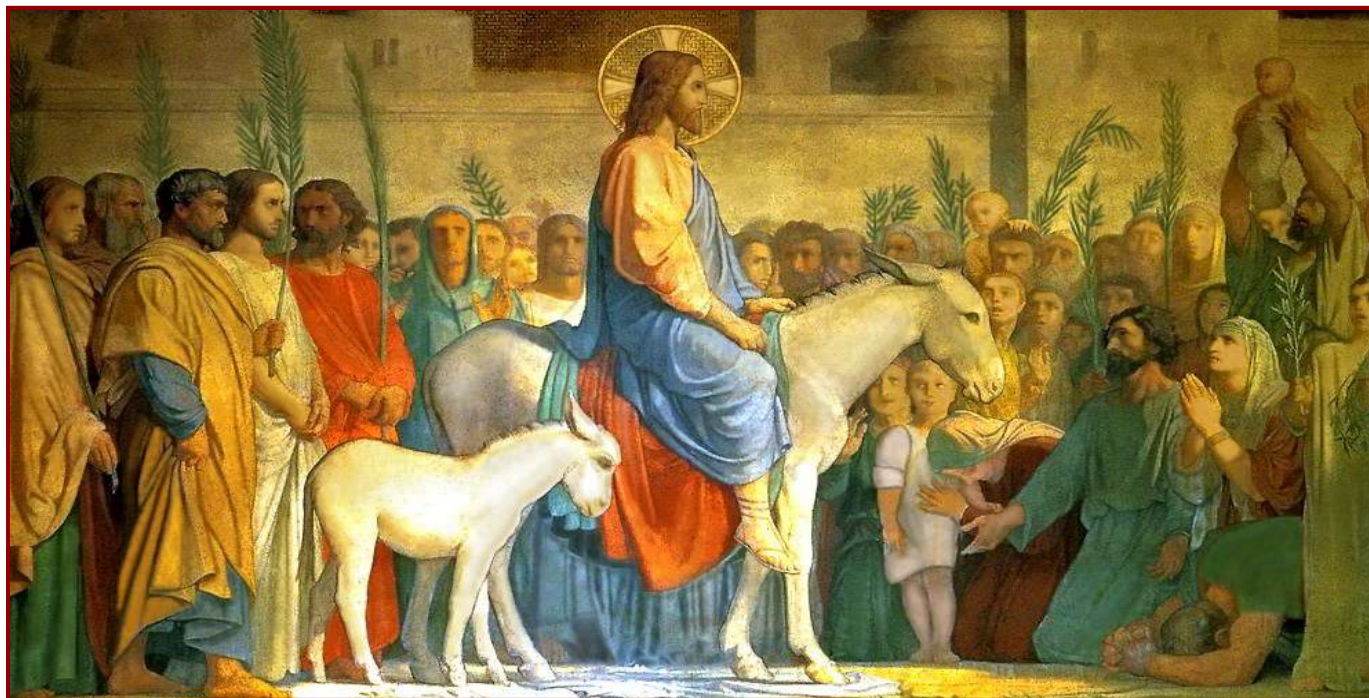
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“HOSANNA! BLESSED IS THE ONE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD”

JOHN 12:13

The Holy Mysteries are celebrated: Saturdays at 4:00 PM; Sundays at 10:30 AM; 7:00 PM Holydays



Holy Mystery of Reconciliation: Please Note: The sacrament of Reconciliation is available one hour before each Liturgy. And, is available any time on request.

Ministry to 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 Mysteries of Baptism and Chrismation: 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.

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 any difficulty in scheduling.



Welcome New Parishioners: If you are new to our parish, please fill out a registration form, which may be found on the table in the lobby of the church, and return it to us, so you may be added to our mailing and email list. We extend a warm welcome to you and your family to our parish family.

Hosanna Sunday Vigil / Blessing of Palms
Sat. March 24 at 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Madelyn Venti as requested by the Maryann, Freddy, Linda, Michael and Tommy Mather

Hosanna Sunday
Blessing of Palms & Festival Procession



Procession of the Palms

Sun. March 25 at 10:30 AM Liturgy celebrated for:

All Children of the Parish

+All Living and Deceased members of the Noor-el-Deen Family as requested by the family



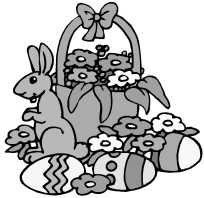
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at 7:00 PM Vigil Liturgy —In English

+ St. Theresa Parish Family

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at 11:00 PM Vigil Liturgy —In Arabic

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Sunday, April 1, 2018 The Glorious Resurrection
at 10:30 AM Liturgy celebrated for
+ St. Theresa Parish Family



Blessing of the Easter Baskets



For the Month of March

Bread & wine for the Holy Gifts are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
+Samir Chiban by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sayah

Vigil candle for the Gospel Throne is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
+Louis and Mary Stevens and
+William and Catherine Hansbury by the family

Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
+Alan J. Poirier by Donna Poirier

Vigil candle for Shrine of St. Theresa is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
+Special Intention



Lectors' Schedule

Saturday, March 24, 2018

Cauna

Sunday, March 25, 2018

English: Philip

Arabic: Malek

Reading: Philippians 1:1-13

Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, to all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that on the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God. I want you to know, beloved, that what has happened to me has actually helped to spread the gospel, so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to everyone else that my imprisonment is for Christ.

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل فيلبّي

يا إخوتي، من بولس وطيموثاوس، عبدَي المسيح يسوع، إلى جميع القديسين في المسيح يسوع، الذين في فيلبّي، مع الأساقفة والشمامسة: الأئمة لكم، والسلام من الله أبينا والرب يسوع المسيح! أشكر إلهي، كلما ذكرتكم، ضارعا بفرح على الدوام في كل صلواتي من أجليكم جميعا، لمشارككم في الإنجيل منذ أول يوم إلى الآن. وإني لواتق أن الذي بدأ فيكم هذا العمل الصالح سيكمله حتى يوم المسيح يسوع. فإنه من العدل أن يكون لي هذا الشعور نحوكم جميعا، لأنني أحملكم في قلبي، أنتم جميعا شركائي في نعمتي، سواء في قيودي أو في دفاعي عن الإنجيل وتبليته، فإن الله شاهد لي كم أشوق إليكم جميعا في أحشاء المسيح يسوع. وهذه صلاتي أن تزداد محبتكم أكثر فأكثر في كل فهم ومعرفة، لتميروا ما هو الأفضل، فنكونوا ألقيا وبغير عثار إلى يوم المسيح، ممتلئين من ثمر البر يسوع المسيح لمجد الله ومدحه. أريد أن تعلموا، أيها الإخوة، أن ما حدث لي قد أدى بالحري إلى نجاح الإنجيل، حتى إن قيودي من أجل المسيح صارت مشهورة في دار الولاية كلها، وفي كل مكان آخر.



Gospel: John 12:12-22


The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, 'Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord the King of Israel!' Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written: 'Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!' His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him. So the crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to testify. It was also because they heard that he had performed this sign that the crowd went to meet him. The Pharisees then said to one another, 'You see, you can do nothing. Look, the world has gone after him!' Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus.


من إنجيل القديس يوحنا


لَمَّا سَمِعَ الْجَمْعُ الْكَثِيرَ، الَّذِي أَتَى إِلَى الْعِيدِ، أَنَّ يَسُوعَ آتٍ إِلَى أُورَشَلِيمَ، حَمَلُوا سَعَفَ النَّخْلِ، وَخَرَجُوا إِلَى مُلَاقَاتِهِ وَهُمْ يَصْرُخُونَ: "هُوشَعْنَا! مُبَارَكُ الْآتِي بِاسْمِ الرَّبِّ، مَلِكِ إِسْرَائِيلَ". وَوَجَدَ يَسُوعُ جَحْشًا فَرَكِبَ عَلَيْهِ، كَمَا هُوَ مَكْتُوبُ: "لَا تَخَافِي، يَا ابْنَةُ صِهْيُونِ، هُوَذَا مَلِكُكَ يَأْتِي رَاكِبًا عَلَى جَحْشٍ أَبْنِ أَتَانَ". وَمَا فَهَمَ تَلَامِيذُهُ ذَلِكَ، أَوَّلَ الْأَمْرِ، وَلَكِنَّهُمْ تَذَكَّرُوا، حِينَ مُجِدَّ يَسُوعَ، أَنَّ ذَلِكَ كُتِبَ عَنْهُ، وَأَنَّهُمْ صَنَعُوهُ لَهُ. وَالْجَمْعُ الَّذِي كَانَ مَعَ يَسُوعَ، حِينَ دَعَا لِعَازَرَ مِنَ الْقَبْرِ وَأَقَامَهُ مِنْ بَيْنِ الْأَمْوَاتِ، كَانَ يَشْهَدُ لَهُ. مِنْ أَجْلِ هَذَا أَيْضًا لِقَاءَهُ الْجَمْعَ، لِأَنَّهُمْ سَمِعُوا أَنَّهُ صَنَعَ تِلْكَ الْآيَةَ. فَقَالَ الْفَرِيسِيُّونَ بَعْضُهُمْ لِبَعْضٍ: "انظُرُوا: إِنَّكُمْ لَا تَتَفَعَّلُونَ شَيْئًا! هَا هُوَ الْعَالَمُ قَدْ ذَهَبَ وَرَاءَهُ!" وَكَانَ بَيْنَ الصَّاعِدِينَ لِيَسْجُدُوا فِي الْعِيدِ، بَعْضُ الْيُونَانِيِّينَ. فَدَنَا هَؤُلَاءِ مِنْ فِيلِيبُّسَ الَّذِي مِنْ بَيْتِ صَيْدَا الْجَلِيلِ، وَسَأَلُوهُ قَائِلِينَ: "يَا سَيِّدَ، نُرِيدُ أَنْ نَرَى يَسُوعَ". فَجَاءَ فِيلِيبُّسُ وَقَالَ لَأَنْدَرَاوُسَ، وَجَاءَ أَنْدَرَاوُسُ وَفِيلِيبُّسُ وَقَالَا لِيَسُوعَ.

**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:** 3/18/18, \$908.00, Bishop's Appeal to date: \$2,820.00, Quota for St. Theresa Church \$3,500.00

 **Please Note:** Eucharistic Adoration will take place on Thursdays during Lent. And, every Tuesday The Sodality of the Heart of Jesus will pray the Rosary at **6:30 PM.** Liturgy will take place at 7:00 PM. Doors are opened at 6:00 pm.

 **Coffee Hour Volunteers:** If you are able to lend a hand in sponsoring a Sunday morning Coffee Hour please see Abouna. We **NEED** your Help! Thank you.

 **We Are Searching for Volunteers** 12 Apostles are needed to participate in the **Holy Thursday Liturgy on March 29,** of the washing of the feet. Please see **Abouna** if you are able to be an Apostle, In the remembrance of this humble act of Jesus.

Great Friday Holy Land Collection: The **Holy See** has asked that the entire Church, including the Eastern Catholic Churches, support the holy places where Our Lord was born, died, buried and rose from the dead. This collection also supports the work of the Maronite Eparchy in the Holy Land, Haifa. This special collection will be taken will be taken on **Great Friday, March 30, 2018.** 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.

Upcoming Second Collection: Per Directive of the Eparchy, there will be a second collection taken **the weekend of March 31, April 1, 2018.** For the pastor's Easter gift. We thank you in advance for your contribution.

St. Theresa Church is sponsoring their traditional **Lenten Supper** in the Parish Hall following the 7:00PM Burial Service of Our Lord on **Friday, March 30, 2018.** *Cost is \$15.00 per adult; \$7.00 for children 5-10 yrs. [Please see Audrey or Mirna for donations towards the event]*

Lebanon American National Club Scholarship Application: The Lebanon American National Club was organized in April 1933 in order to promote and encourage the progress and social welfare of Lebanese Americans in the greater Brockton area. In order to fulfill that promise, LANC, has reinstated its annual Scholarship Program and will award a scholarship in the amount of \$2,000.00. **Eligibility Requirements:** The candidate must be a graduating high school senior, of Lebanese birth or descent, accepted at an accredited college, university or other approved post-graduate program. If the father's name is not of Lebanese descent, please give mother's maiden name. Scholarship will be awarded based on character, academic performance and financial need. Some consideration will be given to applicants with relatives who are or have been members of the Lebanon American National Club or its Auxiliary. The application forms are available at Brockton High School guidance office, St. Theresa Church, or directly from any LANC member. All applications must be returned **No later than April 1, 2018.**


NATIONAL APOSTOLATE OF MARONITES
National Apostolate of Maronites: Proudly Announces their Scholarship Program for 2018. USA Scholarships / Lebanon Scholarships-Semester Abroad. For more information and applications visit, www.namnews.org, or email: nam@namnews.org, or call NAM at 1-914-964-3070. **Application Deadline: May 15, 2018.**

**Blessed is the
one who comes
in the name
of the LORD.**

Psalm 118.25



Holy Week Events

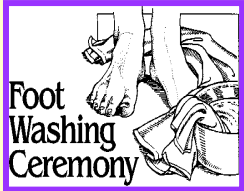
Please Note: The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is available one hour before each Service. And, is available any time on request. Doors are open at 6:00PM each evening.

Monday March 26, 2018 at 7:00PM Stations of the Cross

Tuesday March 27, 2018 at 7:00PM Stations of the Cross



Wednesday March 28, 2018 at 7:00PM Ritual of the Lamp



March 29, 2018 Thursday of the Holy Mysteries
at 7:00PM Service of the Mysteries and Washing of the Feet

Prayer Vigil Before the Blessed Sacrament from 8:30PM—11:30PM



March 30, 2018 Great Friday of the Crucifixion Anaphora of the
Signing of the Chalice

Great Friday of the Crucifixion The Burial Service of Our Lord at 7:00PM

Note: Please bring fresh cut flowers to place in the shroud of Our Lord.

Followed by St. Theresa Church Traditional Lenten Supper in the Parish Hall
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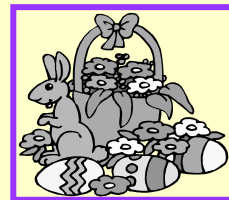


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at 7:00PM Vigil Liturgy —In English

March 31, 2018 Saturday, The Glorious Resurrection
at 11:00 PM Vigil Liturgy—In Arabic

April 1, 2018 Sunday, The Glorious Resurrection
at 10:30AM Liturgy

Blessing of Easter Baskets



April 3, 2018 Tuesday, The Feast of Annunciation to the Virgin Mary
at 7:00PM Liturgy