



# Saint Theresa Maronite Church

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*Administrator*

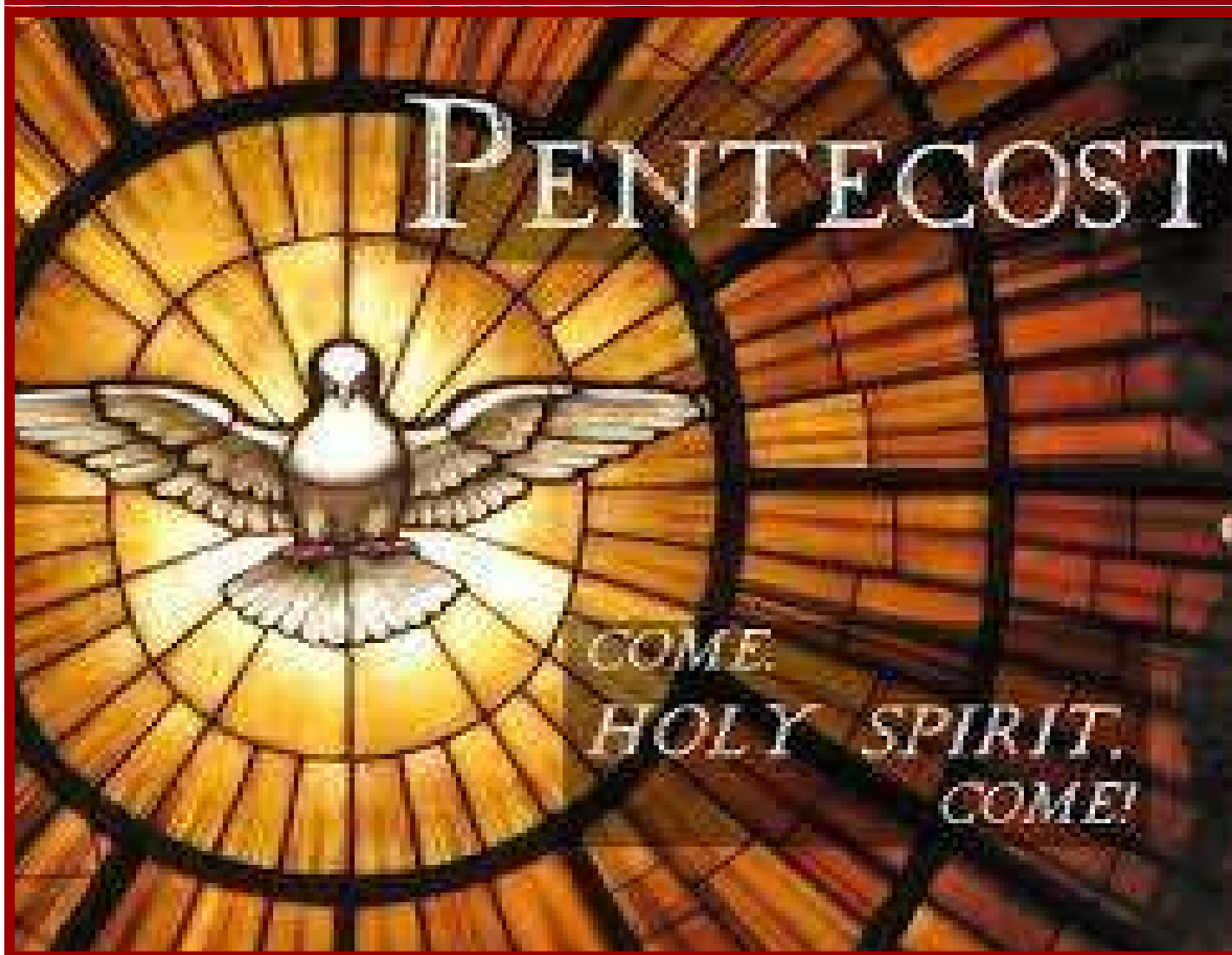
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May 27-28, 2023



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## Pentecost Sunday



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### 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

### Holy Mystery of Reconciliation

The sacrament of Reconciliation is available by appointment.

### 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  
 For registration please see  
 Mirna Issa

### 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.

### 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 Theresa of Lisieux*

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

### MYO—MYA

MYO—MYA meet  
 September through April



## **Pentecost Sunday**

**Sat. May 27 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:**

+Teffaha and Emile Haddad, Theresa Asacker, and Angelina Kamel, Joseph Lattouf, Richard Huet as requested by Mr. and Mrs. George Haddad

**Sun. May 28 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:**

Honoring the Parish Graduates

**Wednesday May 31 @ 7:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:**

Memorial for + Mrs. Samira Daiif  
(Mother of Abouna Joseph Daiif who will be the main celebrant)



## **Sunday of the Most Holy Trinity**

**Sat. June 3 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:**

+For the souls of Remember Me In Your Kingdom  
1 Year Memorial for +Lieutenant James Baroud as requested by the family

**Sun. June 4 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:**

40 Day Memorial for +Jeannette Haikal as requested by the family

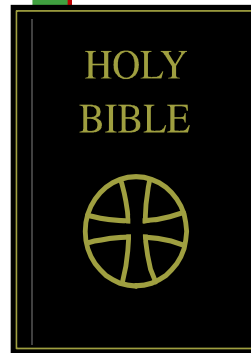
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## **Lectors' Schedule**

**Saturday, May 27, 2023**

**English:** Michelle

**Sunday, May 21, 2023**

**English:** Philip N.

**Arabic:** Leila N.

## **Second Collection**

**May 27-28, 2023**

### **Catholic Communication Campaign**

This collection was established by the USCCB, and 50% of this collection is sent to them for national Catholic television, radio and other media, and 50% is retained by our Eparchy for the Maronite Voice and any other communication needs they may have. This collection does not stay in the parish it is sent to the Eparchy for its proper distribution.

## Weekly Collections

	Amount
Saturday 5/20/23	\$ 190.00
Sunday 5/21/23	\$ 562.00
Donation 5/20/23	\$ 400.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,152.00</b>
<b>Operational Expenses Needed weekly</b>	<b>\$ 3,400.00</b>
<b>Deficit</b>	<b>-( \$ 2,248.00)</b>

### Members of St. Theresa Church Stewardship -Building Committee

George Lattouf  
Joyce Nessralla  
Shirley Asack Younes

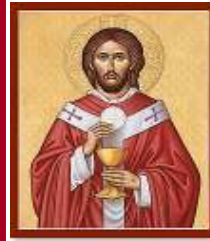
### Members of St. Theresa Church Parish Council

Copal Awad  
Solange Badran  
Randa El Hayek  
Salma Haikal  
Mirna Issa  
Hanne Nessralla  
Alison Farah Saade  
George Matta



## For the Month of May

### 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 :

**+Bolus and Rose Saba**

*by the family*

### Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle



#### **Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle**

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

**+Malek El Hayek**

### Vigil candles for the Gospel Throne



#### **Vigil candle for the Gospel Throne**

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

**+ Private Intention**



**CLASS OF**  
**2023**

### **Our High School Graduates**

**Kevin Alumssquaoui-Bridgewater Raynham High School;** he will be attending University of Massachusetts Dartmouth majoring in Business.

**Abigail Asiaf-Boston Latin Academy;** she will be attending University of North Carolina at Wilmington majoring in Marine Biology.

**Sam Berkachi-Silver Lake High School;** he will be attending Curry College majoring in Exercise Science.

**Marie Chahine-Weymouth High School.**

**Patrick Chahine-Weymouth High School.**

**Sarah El Hayek-Oliver Ames High School;** she will be attending University of Miami majoring in Biology.

**Melissa Issa-Silver Lake High School;** she will be attending University of Connecticut majoring in Neurobiology.

**Michael Issa-Silver Lake High School;** he will be attending Suffolk University majoring in Political Science with a Pre-Law Track.

**Peter Souaiden-Foxborough High School;** he will be attending Bridgewater State majoring in Management Science.

### **Our College / University Graduates**

**Theresa Awad-Brockton Hospital School of Nursing** with a Degree in Nursing.

**Tanya Badran-University Massachusetts of Boston** with a Bachelors Degree in Biology.

**Charbel El Helou-Regis College** with a Bachelors Degree in Biology Pre-Med; he will be attending Boston University for his Masters.

**Shanelle Fakhri-University of Massachusetts Amherst** with a Bachelors Degree in Biochemistry Molecular Biology.

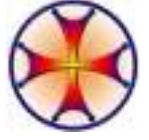
**Justin Sayah-Boston University** with a Bachelor of Science Degree and Masters Degree in Computer Science.

**Alexandra Younes-Boston College** with a Bachelor of Arts in International Studies; she will be pursuing a Juris Doctor (JD) at Boston College Law School.



# **Saint Theresa**

## **Maronite Catholic Church**



**Pentecost Sunday**

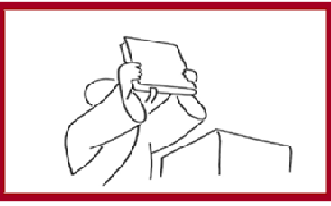
**May 27-28, 2023**

### **A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles Acts 2:1-21**

**Brothers and Sisters:** When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." **Praise be to God always.**

### **Gospel: John 14:15-20**

'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. 'I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father and you in me, and I in you.



## فصل من أعمال الرسل

يا إخوتي، في تمام اليوم الخمسين، كان الرسل معاً في مكانٍ واحدٍ. فحدثت بغتةً دويٌّ من السماء كأنه دويٌّ ريحٍ عاصفةٍ، وملاً كلَّ البيت حيث كانوا جالسين. وظهرت لهم ألسنةٌ منفسمةٌ كأنها من نارٍ، واستقرَّ على كلِّ واحدٍ منهم لسانٌ. وأمتلأوا كلُّهم من الروح القدس، وبدأوا يتكلمون بالسنَّةِ الأخرى، كما كان الروح يؤتيتهم أن ينطقوا. وكان يُقيم في أورشليم يهود، رجالٌ أتقياء من كلِّ أمَّةٍ تحت السماء. فلما حدث ذلك الصوت، احتشد الجمع وأخذتهم الحيرة، لأن كلَّ واحدٍ منهم كان يسمعهم يتكلمون بلغته. فدهشوا وتعجبوا وقالوا: «أليس هؤلاء أمتكلمون جميعهم جليليين؟ فكيف يسمعهم كلُّ واحدٍ منا باللغة التي ولد فيها؟ ونحن فرثيون، وماديون، وعيلاميون، وسكان ما بين النهرين، واليهودية، وكبدوكية، وبُنطس، وآسيا، وفريجية، وبمفيلية، ومصر، ونواحي لبيبة القريبة من فيروان، ورومانيون نزلاء، يهود ومهندون، وكريثيون، وعرب، نسمعهم يتكلمون بالسنتنا عن أعمال الله العظيمة». وكانوا كلُّهم مدُهوشين حائرين يقول بعضهم لبعض: «ما معنى هذا؟». لكن آخرين كانوا يقولون ساخرين: «إنهم قد أمتلأوا سلافة!». فوقف بطرس مع الأحد عشر، ورفع صوته وخاطبهم قائلاً: «أيها الرجال اليهود، ويا جميع المقيمين في أورشليم، ليكن هذا معلوماً عنكم، وأصغوا إلى كلامي. لا، ليس هؤلاء بسكاري، كما تظنون. فالساعة هي التاسعة صباحاً. بل هذا هو ما قيل بيؤييل النبي: ويكون في الأيام الأخيرة، يقول الله، أني أفيض من روجي على كلِّ بشر، فيتنبأ بنوكم وبناتكم، ويرى شبانكم رؤى، ويحلم شيوخكم أحلاماً. وعلى عبدي وإمائي أيضاً أفيض من روجي في تلك الأيام فيتنبأون. وأعمل عجائب في السماء من فوق، وآيات على الأرض من أسفل، دماً وناراً وأعمدة من دخان. وتقلب الشمس ظلاماً والقمرة دماً قبل أن يأتي يوم الرب، اليوم العظيم المجيد. فيكون أن كلَّ من يدعو باسم الرب يخلص.

والتسبيح لله دائماً

## من إنجيل ربنا يسوع المسيح للقديس يوحنا

قال الرب يسوع لتلاميذه: «إن تحبوني تحفظوا وصاياي. وأنا أسأل الآب فيعطيكم برقليطاً آخر مؤيداً يكون معكم إلى الأبد. هو روح الحق الذي لا يقدر العالم أن يقبله، لأنه لا يراه، ولا يعرفه. أما أنتم فتعرفونه، لأنه مقيم عنكم، وهو فيكم.

لن أترككم يتامى. إنني آتي إليكم. عما قليل لن يراي العالم، أما أنتم فترونني، لأنني أنا حي وأنتم ستحيون. في ذلك اليوم تعرفون أنني أنا في أبي، وأنتم فيّ، وأنا فيكم.







## 58TH NATIONAL MARONITE CONVENTION

Sponsored by the National Apostolate of Maronites

### REGISTRATION FORM

Pre-registration Deadline: **Monday, June 5, 2023**

Please complete all information or register online: [www.namnews.org](http://www.namnews.org)

Incomplete forms will not be processed. Please PRINT legibly. You will receive a confirmation via email or mail.

Primary Registrant: *(Please add additional family members on reverse side)*

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

**Check all that apply:**

- NAM Member     NAM Delegate  
 NAM Board     Order of St. Sharbel  
 Conv. Comm.     Child (5-11)  
 Youth (12-18)     Young Adult (18-35)

Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

**PACKAGES ONLY** - Enter number of packages desired and make sure to fill in Grand Total. Daily Workshops are included with any purchase. NAM members whose 2023 dues have been paid will receive \$15 off of the full adult package and \$10 off all other packages. This discount is void after the pre-registration deadline of June 5, 2023. If you wish to pay for your membership with this registration: send a check payable to NAM.

Excursions are additional and not included in packages. Saturday Banquet seating is available on-line or please contact NAM office at 914-964-3070. The "Covenant of Behavior" MUST be completed for all Child and Youth registrants- if not accompanied by parent. See forms on-line. **\*\*YOUTH:** If you are 18 and did not graduate from high school by summer; **YOUNG ADULT:** If you are over 18 and a high school graduate and younger than 35.

### PACKAGE OPTIONS AND PRICING

Package Options  DOES NOT INCLUDE HOTEL ROOMS	Adult and Young Adult 18+ years		Youth 12 - 18 years		Child 5 - 11 years	
	Before 6/5/2023	After 6/5/2023	Before 6/5/2023	After 6/5/2023	Before 6/5/2023	After 6/5/2023
Full: Thursday-Sunday	#____@ \$390	#____@ \$410	#____@ \$380	#____@ \$400	#____@ \$170	#____@ \$190
Weekend: Friday-Sunday	#____@ \$350	#____@ \$370	#____@ \$340	#____@ \$360	#____@ \$150	#____@ \$170
Saturday-Sunday: Entertainment & Dinner (Sunday Brunch included)	#____@ \$250	#____@ \$270	#____@ \$240	#____@ \$260	#____@ \$140	#____@ \$160
Saturday Entertainment Only at 10 PM						#____@ \$175

### EXCURSIONS AND PRICING

Date	Excursions - transportation is included in pricing below where applicable	Time	# of Attendees	Price
Thursday, July 6	Newport, RI — Explore beaches or shopping on famous Thames St. and America's Cup Avenue <i>All ages welcome, cold beverages and snacks provided</i>	11 AM - 6 PM		#____@ \$25
	Newport, RI — Explore the historic Breakers mansion and more <i>All ages welcome, cold beverages and snacks provided</i>	11 AM - 6 PM		#____@ \$45
Friday, July 7	Roger Williams Park — Zoo: Admission <i>Toddlers 1 year and younger are free</i>	12:30 PM - 4:30 PM		#____@ \$45
	Roger Williams Park — Boating: Swan boats, Electric boats, Kayaks, and Pirate Boat <b>*BUS ONLY;</b> All boat rental tickets purchased on site (Avg. Price \$5-\$15 p/p)	12:30 PM - 4:30 PM		#____@ \$25*
	Roger Williams Park — Botanical Center <b>*BUS ONLY;</b> All admission tickets purchased on site (Avg. Price \$2-\$5 p/p)	12:30 PM - 4:30 PM		#____@ \$25*
Saturday, July 8	"Amazement on Tap" with the Bishops at Reiner's Pub with light fare <i>(MYA Only)</i>	2 PM - 4 PM		#____@ \$25
	Providence Walking Tours — Self guided, maps provided	1 PM - 5 PM		FREE

**GRAND TOTAL \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to "NAM Convention" and mail to NAM 2110 Redwood Pl, Canfield, OH 44406  
Do not send cash. If using a Credit Card register online or call 914-964-3070

Omni Hotel Rate is \$189.00 + tax. For Reservations please call 1-402-952-6646 and ask for the National Maronite Convention room block or visit [www.omnihotels.com/hotels/providence/meetings/nam-national-convention-2023-07022023](http://www.omnihotels.com/hotels/providence/meetings/nam-national-convention-2023-07022023)

Reservations must be made no later than **Monday, June 12, 2023**

Please note the nearest airport is TF Green Airport in Warwick, RI.