



Saint Theresa Maronite Church

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John: 1:38

January 14-15, 2023

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Second Sunday after Epiphany

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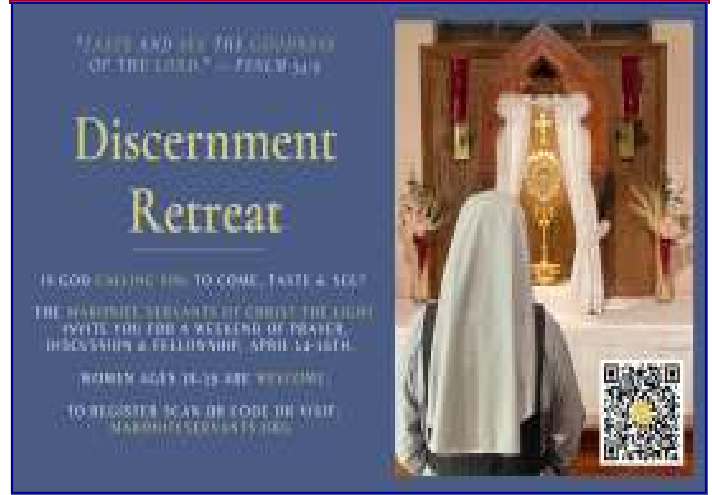
Eparchy Of Saint Maron Of Brooklyn, New York

Maronite Seminary, Washington, DC



Wondering if the Lord is call you to the Maronite Priesthood? Men ages 18-40 are invited for a weekend of fellowship, prayer and discussion on **March 24-26, 2023** at Our Lady Lebanon Maronite Seminary in Washington, DC. For more information please call (202) 723-8831

Maronite Sisters Of Christ the Light



Our Maronite Servant sisters will be hosting a **Discernment Retreat Weekend** for young adult women on **April 14-16, 2023** at their **Mother of the Light Convent** in Dartmouth MA. To learn more about the Sisters' mission in our Eparchy you are welcome to watch and share their Day in the Life video: https://youtu.be/_6S_c24SiPs

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 Therese 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

Second Sunday after Epiphany

Sat. Jan. 14 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Fr. Paul Mouawad by the parish

Sun. Jan. 15 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Moussa and Hana Daher (*Parents of George Daher*) and +Nadia Haikal as requested by family



Third Sunday after Epiphany

Sat. Jan. 21 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Baheja Muqbel

Sun. Jan. 22 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Intention available on request

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, 2023.**



CEMETERY PALM CROSSES

Cost: \$25.00 each

Order Must Be Received By

March 26, 2023

Name: _____

Tel. Number: _____

Number of Palm Crosses Ordered: _____

Total Payment Enclosed: _____

Please make checks payable to:

St. Theresa Church

Please Note: We can not fill orders placed after March 26, 2023. Thank you.

Crosses will be distributed on Sha'NeeNee (Hosanna Sunday) Weekend.

April 1 and April 2, 2023.

Religious Education Program

Saturday, January 21, 2023

In Person Classroom for
Grades PK, K and First Grade

Teacher: Mirna Issa

From 2:00 PM —4:00 PM

Saturday, January 21, 2023

In Person Classroom for
Grade 2

Teacher: Alison Saade

From 2:00 PM —4:00 PM

Saturday, January 21, 2023

Virtual

Grades 3, 4 and 5

Teacher: Sub Deacon A. Gordon McKinnon

From 9:30AM—11:00AM

Join

**BISHOP GREGORY J. MANSOUR
FR. VINCENT FARHAT**

&

OUR LADY OF PURGATORY PARISH

to pray the Rosary

for our faithful departed

EVERY THURSDAY

5:00PM - VIA ZOOM

*May the souls of the
faithful departed
rest in peace*

Meeting ID:
890 3889 9691



Scan the QR code
to join the meeting

**From your computer use the Meeting ID plus
Pass Code 011387**

**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: \$900.00. Parish Building Insurance, paid monthly from Jan. thru Nov: \$970.00. 1/8/23 \$918.00

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.

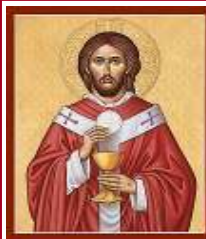
Second Collection

United States Catholic Bishops' Worldwide Charities (*This collection combines the four USCCB collections; Central and Eastern Europe, the Church in Latin America, Catholic Relief Services, and Operation Rice Bowl (which is part of CRS).* The total is divided accordingly. This collection is to be taken on weekend of **January 21—January 22 2023**. This collection does not remain in the parish it is sent to the Eparchy for proper distribution



For the Month of January

Bread and Wine



Bread & wine for the Holy Gifts are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:

+Tofie and Theresa Samia

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:

+All deceased members of the Feghali families

by Madeleine Asack 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 :

+Geraldine George

by Manthala George, Jr. and family

Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle



Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle

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

+Nacklie and Marie Nessralla

by the family

Vigil candles for the Gospel Throne

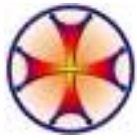


Vigil candle for the Gospel Throne

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

+ John E. Samia, III, and all deceased members of the family

by the family



Saint Theresa

Maronite Catholic Church



Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 14-15, 2023

Book of Jeremiah 1.4-10

Now the word of Lord came to me saying, 'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.' Then I said, 'Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.' But the LORD said to me, 'Do not say, "I am only a boy"; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you, to deliver you, says the LORD.' Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, 'Now I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.'

Second Letter to the Corinthians 4.5-15

For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness'. Who has shone in our hearts to give the light of knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body of the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you. But just as have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture 'I believed and I spoke' we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Saint John 1.35-42

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

الأحد الثاني بعد الدنح: إعلان سرّ المسيح للرسل

سفر ارميا 10:4-10

فَكَانَتْ كَلِمَةُ الرَّبِّ إِلَيَّ قَائِلًا: قَبْلِ أَنْ أَصَوِّرَكَ فِي الْبَطْنِ عَرَفْتُكَ وَقَبْلَ أَنْ تَخْرُجَ مِنَ الرَّحِمِ قَدَسْتُكَ وَجَعَلْتُكَ نَبِيًّا لِلْأُمَّمِ. فَقُلْتُ: «أَهْ أَيُّهَا السَّيِّدُ الرَّبُّ هَاءِنْدَا لَا أَعْرِفُ أَنْ أَتَكَلَّمَ لِأَيِّ وَادٍ». فَقَالَ لِي الرَّبُّ: «لَا تَقُلْ إِنِّي وَادٌ فَإِنَّكَ لِكُلِّ مَنْ أَرْسَلْتُكَ لَهُ تَذَهَبُ وَكُلُّ مَا أَمُرُكَ بِهِ تَقُولُ. لَا تَخَفْ مِنْ وُجُوهِهِمْ فَإِنِّي أَنَا مَعَكَ لِأَتَقَدِّكَ، يَقُولُ الرَّبُّ. ثُمَّ مَدَّ الرَّبُّ يَدَهُ وَلَمَسَ فَمِي وَقَالَ لِي الرَّبُّ: هَاءِنْدَا قَدْ جَعَلْتُ كَلَامِي فِي فَمِكَ. أَنْظُرْ، إِنِّي أَقَمْتُكَ الْيَوْمَ عَلَى الْأُمَّمِ وَعَلَى الْمَمَالِكِ لِتَقْلَعَ وَتَهْدِمَ وَتُهْلِكَ وَتَنْقُضَ وَتَبْنِي وَتَعْرِسَ.

رسالة القديس بولس الثانية إلى أهل كورنثس 4:5-15

يَا إِخْوَتِي، نَحْنُ لَا نُبَشِّرُ بِأَنْفُسِنَا، بَلْ نُبَشِّرُ بِيَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحِ رَبًّا، وَبِأَنْفُسِنَا عَبِيدًا لَكُمْ مِنْ أَجْلِ يَسُوعَ؛ لِأَنَّ اللَّهَ الَّذِي قَالَ: «لِيُشْرِقَ مِنَ الظُّلْمَةِ نُورٌ!»، هُوَ الَّذِي أَشْرَقَ فِي قُلُوبِنَا، لِئَسْتَنِيرَ فَتَعْرِفَ مَجْدَ اللَّهِ الْمُتَجَلِّي فِي وَجْهِ الْمَسِيحِ. وَلَكِنَّا نَحْمِلُ هَذَا الْكَنْزَ فِي آيَةٍ مِنْ خَزَفٍ، لِيُظْهَرَ أَنَّ تِلْكَ الْقُدْرَةَ الْفَائِقَةَ هِيَ مِنَ اللَّهِ لَا مِنَّا. يُضَيِّقُ عَلَيْنَا مِنْ كُلِّ جِهَةٍ وَلَكِنَّا لَا نُسْحَقُ، نَحْتَارُ فِي أَمْرِنَا وَلَكِنَّا لَا نِيَأَسُ، نُضْطَهُدُ وَلَكِنَّا لَا نُهْمَلُ، نُنبِذُ وَلَكِنَّا لَا نَهْلِكُ، وَنَحْمِلُ فِي جَسَدِنَا كُلِّ حِينٍ مَوْتَ يَسُوعَ، لِكَيْ تَظْهَرَ حَيَاةُ يَسُوعَ أَيْضًا فِي جَسَدِنَا؛ فَإِنَّمَا نَحْنُ الْأَحْيَاءُ نُسَلِّمُ دَوْمًا إِلَى الْمَوْتِ، مِنْ أَجْلِ يَسُوعَ، لِكَيْ تَظْهَرَ حَيَاةُ يَسُوعَ أَيْضًا فِي جَسَدِنَا الْمَائِتِ. فَالْمَوْتُ يَعْمَلُ فِيْنَا، وَالْحَيَاةُ تَعْمَلُ فِيكُمْ. وَلَكِنْ بِمَا أَنَّ لَنَا رُوحَ الْإِيمَانِ عَيْنَهُ، كَمَا هُوَ مَكْتُوبُ: «أَمَنْتُ، وَلِذَلِكَ تَكَلَّمْتُ»، فَنَحْنُ أَيْضًا نُؤْمِنُ، وَلِذَلِكَ نَتَكَلَّمُ. وَنَحْنُ نَعْلَمُ أَنَّ ذَلِكَ الَّذِي أَقَامَ الرَّبُّ يَسُوعَ، سَيُقِيمُنَا نَحْنُ أَيْضًا مَعَ يَسُوعَ، وَيَجْعَلُنَا وَإِيَّاكُمْ فِي حَضْرَتِهِ. فَكُلُّ شَيْءٍ هُوَ مِنْ أَجْلِكُمْ، لِكَيْ تَكْثُرَ النِّعْمَةُ، فَيَفِيضَ الشُّكْرُ فِي قُلُوبِ الْكَثِيرِينَ لِمَجْدِ اللَّهِ.

انجيل القديس يوحنا 1:35-42

فِي الْعَدِّ أَيْضًا كَانَ يُوحَنَّا وَقَفًّا هُوَ وَأَتْنَانُ مِنْ تَلَامِيذِهِ. وَرَأَى يَسُوعَ مَارًّا فَحَدَّقَ إِلَيْهِ وَقَالَ: «هَذَا هُوَ حَمَلُ اللَّهِ». «وَسَمِعَ التِّلْمِيذَانِ كَلَامَهُ، فَتَبِعَا يَسُوعَ. وَالتَّفَتَّ يَسُوعَ، فَرَأَهُمَا يَتَّبِعَانِهِ، فَقَالَ لَهُمَا: «مَاذَا تَطْلُبَانِ؟» «قَالَا لَهُ: «رَبِّبِي، أَيَّ يَا مُعَلِّمَ، أَيْنَ تَقِيمُ؟» «قَالَ لَهُمَا: «تَعَالِيَا وَأَنْظُرَا». «فَدَهَبَا وَنَظَرَا أَيْنَ يَقِيمُ. وَأَقَامَا عِنْدَهُ ذَلِكَ الْيَوْمَ، وَكَانَتِ السَّاعَةُ نَحْوَ الرَّابِعَةِ بَعْدَ الظُّهْرِ. وَكَانَ أَنْدَرَاوُسُ أَخُو سِمْعَانَ بُطْرُسَ أَحَدَ التِّلْمِيذَيْنِ، اللَّذَيْنِ سَمِعَا كَلَامَ يُوحَنَّا وَتَبِعَا يَسُوعَ. وَلَقِيَ أَوْلَاهُ أَخَاهُ سِمْعَانَ، فَقَالَ لَهُ: «وَجَدْنَا مَسِيحًا، أَيَّ الْمَسِيحِ». «وَجَاءَ بِهِ إِلَى يَسُوعَ، فَحَدَّقَ يَسُوعَ إِلَيْهِ وَقَالَ: «أَنْتَ هُوَ سِمْعَانُ بَنُ يُونَا، أَنْتَ سَتُدْعَى كَيْفَا، أَيَّ بُطْرُسَ الصَّخْرَةَ.»

Other Events

SAINT THERESA MARONITE CHURCH
BROCKTON, MA

Save The Date

Saturday
April 15, 2023

Annual Hafli

Location to be determined




**Celebrating
St. Maron
Feast**


Saturday, February 11
Our Lady of the Cedars Hall
 61 Rockwood Street
 Jamaica Plain 02130

Full Buffet Dinner
 Catered by Manuel Sarkis

Entertainment
 with
 Singer Nadime Abo Rejaily
 & DJ Gabriel Massih




DOORS OPEN @ 6:30 PM
DINNER @ 7:30 PM
TICKETS \$70 VIP \$90

For Tickets & Info text:
 Tony Saroufim: (617) 407-2841
 Majed Daher: (617) 230-6730

Our Lady of Purgatory Church

**Saint Maron's
Feast Day Hafli**

Saturday, February 4, 2023

at

Our Future Home
(Formerly Our Lady of Fatima Church)
4256 Acushnet Ave., New Bedford, MA, 02745

Cash Bar & Mezza
@ 7:30 PM

Dinner Served
@ 8:30 PM

Dance Floor Seating: \$85.00
General Seating: \$75.00
Children (12-17): \$40.00
Children (under 12yrs.): No Charge

For Ticket Sales Contact:
Church Office: (508) 996-8934
Sousou Maalouf: (508) 916-1523

Live Entertainment by
Ayad Atallah
&
Bachir Khoury Band



SAINT ANTHONY MARONITE CHURCH
PRESENTS

**THE STAR
GHADA**

**THE VIOLIN MASTER
LEBEN**


**DERBAS
AND ENSEMBLE**

**WITH
DJ ROY**

SATURDAY MUSIC PERFORMANCE
FEB 18, 2023 **TICKETS 75\$**
DINNER INCLUDED

DOORS OPEN AT 8 PM

LOCATION: CEDARS OF LEBANON HALL, 145 AMESBURY STREET, LAWRENCE, MA
 For Reservation: Nadine (603) 845-8967 / Natalie (978) 697-9374
 Mouris (603) 235-5031 / Wissam (978) 853-5145