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Second Sunday after Holy Cross



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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 Therese of Lisieux~*

Religious Education

Classes are held on Saturdays
September through April

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

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September through April

Second Sunday after Holy Cross

Sat. Sept. 24 at 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

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

+Kim Asiaf Rosenfelt as requested by family

Sun. Sept. 25 at 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+ Deborah Davin Sperre as requested by the family

+ Youseff and Genevieve Feghali as requested by Madeleine Asack and family



Feast of St. Theresa

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

+Intention available

Third Sunday after Holy Cross

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

+ President Cheikh Bachir Gemayel and all the Lebanese Martyrs

St. Theresa Church Festival 2022



Festival Volunteers are needed...

- ◆ If you are able to volunteer to work at the **Festival** on one or more days; speak with Abouna Joseph or Michelle
- ◆ We also need volunteers to help set-up and clean-up.
- ◆ Students that need Community Service for school, please sign up to work the Festival.

*Many hands make light work
You Can Make A Difference!*

Friday, September 30, 2022

Saturday, October 1, 2022

Sunday, October 2, 2022

Ahalan Wa Sahlan!



Novena to St. Theresa: A novena in honor of St. Theresa, the Little Flower, will begin on the following:

Friday, Sept. 30 at 6:00 PM

Saturday, Sept. 24 after 4:00 PM Liturgy

Sunday, Sept. 25 after 10:30 Liturgy

Monday, Sept. 26 at 6:00 PM

Tuesday, Sept. 27 at 6:00 PM

Wednesday, Sept. 28 at 6:00 PM

Thursday, Sept. 29, at 6:00 PM

Friday, Sept. 30 at 6:00 PM

Saturday, Oct. 1, at 3:30 PM followed by
4:00 PM Liturgy.

Feast of St. Theresa

Flowers for the Feast of St. Theresa may be donated in loving memory or in honor of a family member or friend. Please send your donation to the church office along with the name of your loved one so that we can begin to prepare our bulletin in time. God bless



Register Today!

The Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn
Presents

POWER + LOVE
SURVIVOR
OVERCOME YOUR FEARS AND CHALLENGES
SELF - CONTROL

2022 - 2023 MYO Regional Retreats

New England Region St. Anthony of the Desert Fall River, MA Dec. 3, 2022	Mid-Atlantic Region Christian Blue Mountain Retreat Center New Ringgold, PA Nov. 11-13, 2022	Far South Region Pine Lake Retreat Center Groveland, FL Jan. 13 - 15, 2023
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For God did not give us a spirit of fear but rather of power and love and self-control. (2 Tim 1:7)

**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. 9/18/22 \$1,435.00

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.

Religious Education Program 2022-2023

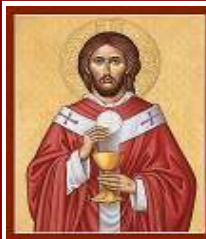


The Religious Education Program at St. Theresa Church is gearing up once again. As you know, our program not only offers a complete catechetical curriculum, but also teaches an appreciation for the Maronite Church and Liturgy. The program team has been at work preparing for the **2022-2023** Religious Education school year. We look forward to having your child participate in our program which will take place **Virtual** once a month on Saturdays from 9:30 AM-11:00 AM.

Registration Forms are posted on the web page of the church, please fill them out and return them as soon as possible.

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:

+Rose Saba
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



Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of :

+Special Intention

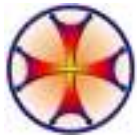
Vigil candles for the Gospel Throne



Vigil candle for the Gospel Throne

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

+Private Intention



Saint Theresa

Maronite Catholic Church



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A Reading from the First Letter of Saint Paul to Corinthians 15:19-34

Brothers and Sisters: If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For, he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. For, 'God has put all things in subjection under his feet.' But when it says, 'All things are put in subjection', it is plain that this does not include the one who put all things in subjection under him. When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who put all things in subjection under him, so that God may be all in all. Otherwise, what will those people do who receive baptism on behalf of the dead? If the dead are not raised at all, why are people baptized on their behalf? And why are we putting ourselves in danger every hour? I die every day! That is as certain, brothers and sisters, as my boasting of you a boast that I make in Christ Jesus our Lord. If with merely human hopes I fought with wild animals at Ephesus, what would I have gained by it? If the dead are not raised, 'Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die.' Do not be deceived: 'Bad company ruins good morals.' Come to a sober and right mind and sin no more; for some people have no knowledge of God. I say this to your shame. **Praise be to God always.**

Gospel: Matthew 24:1-14

As Jesus came out of the temple and was going away, his disciples came to point out to him the buildings of the temple. Then he asked them, 'You see all these, do you not? Truly I tell you, not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.' When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, 'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?' Jesus answered them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. For many will come in my name, saying, "I am the Messiah!" and they will lead many astray. And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars; see that you are not alarmed; for this must take place, but the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places: all this is but the beginning of the birth pangs. 'Then they will hand you over to be tortured and will put you to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of my name. Then many will fall away, and they will betray one another and hate one another. And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray. And because of the increase of lawlessness, the love of many will grow cold. But anyone who endures to the end will be saved. And this good news of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the world, as a testimony to all the nations; and then the end will come.



فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الرسول الأولى إلى أهل كورنثوس

يا إِخْوَتِي، إِنَّ كُنَّا نَرْجُو الْمَسِيحَ فِي هَذِهِ الْحَيَاةِ وَحَسَبُ، فَتَحْنُ أَشَقَى النَّاسِ أَجْمَعِينَ! وَالْحَالُ أَنَّ الْمَسِيحَ قَامَ مِنْ بَيْنِ الْأَمْوَاتِ، وَهُوَ بَاكُورَةُ الرَّاقِدِينَ. فِيمَا أَنَّ الْمَوْتَ كَانَ بِوَاسِطَةِ إِنْسَانٍ، فَبِوَاسِطَةِ إِنْسَانٍ أَيْضًا تَكُونُ قِيَامَةُ الْأَمْوَاتِ. فَكَمَا أَنَّهُ فِي آدَمَ يَمُوتُ الْجَمِيعُ، كَذَلِكَ فِي الْمَسِيحِ سَيَحْيَا الْجَمِيعُ، كُلُّ وَاحِدٍ فِي رُتْبَتِهِ: الْمَسِيحُ أَوَّلًا، لِأَنَّهُ الْبَاكُورَةُ، ثُمَّ الَّذِينَ هُمْ لِلْمَسِيحِ، عِنْدَ مَجِيئِهِ. وَبَعْدَ ذَلِكَ تَكُونُ النَّهَائِيَّةُ، حِينَ يُسَلِّمُ الْمَسِيحُ الْمَلِكُ إِلَى اللَّهِ الْآبِ، بَعْدَ أَنْ يَكُونَ قَدْ أَبْطَلَ كُلَّ رِئَاسَةٍ وَكُلَّ سُلْطَانٍ وَقُوَّةٍ، لِأَنَّهُ لَا بُدَّ لِلْمَسِيحِ أَنْ يَمْلِكَ، إِلَى أَنْ يَجْعَلَ اللَّهُ جَمِيعَ أَعْدَائِهِ تَحْتَ قَدَمَيْهِ. وَآخِرُ عَدُوٍّ يُبْطَلُ هُوَ الْمَوْتُ. لَقَدْ أَخْضَعَ اللَّهُ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ تَحْتَ قَدَمَيْهِ. وَحِينَ يَقُولُ الْكِتَابُ: «أَخْضَعَ لَهُ كُلُّ شَيْءٍ»، فَمِنَ الْوَاضِحِ أَنَّهُ يَسْتَنْتِجِي اللَّهُ الَّذِي أَخْضَعَ لَهُ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ. وَمَتَى أَخْضَعَ لِلْآبِ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ، فَحِينَئِذٍ يَخْضَعُ الْآبِ نَفْسَهُ لِلَّذِي أَخْضَعَ لَهُ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ، حَتَّى يَكُونَ اللَّهُ الْكُلُّ فِي الْكُلِّ. وَإِلَّا فَمَاذَا يَفْعَلُ الَّذِينَ يَتَعَمَّدُونَ مِنْ أَجْلِ الْأَمْوَاتِ؟ إِنْ كَانَ الْأَمْوَاتُ لَا يَقُومُونَ أَبَدًا، فَلِمَاذَا يَتَعَمَّدُونَ مِنْ أَجْلِهِمْ؟ وَنَحْنُ، فَلِمَاذَا نَعْرِضُ أَنْفُسَنَا كُلَّ سَاعَةٍ لِلْخَطَرِ؟ أَقْسِمُ، أَيُّهَا الْإِخْوَةَ، بِمَا لِي مِنْ فَخْرٍ بِكُمْ فِي الْمَسِيحِ يَسُوعَ رَبِّنَا، أَنِّي أَوَاجُهُ الْمَوْتُ كُلَّ يَوْمٍ. إِنْ كُنْتُ صَارَعْتُ الْوُحُوشَ فِي أَفْسُسَ، لِغَايَةِ بَشَرِيَّةٍ، فَأَيُّ نَفْعٍ لِي؟ وَإِنْ كَانَ الْأَمْوَاتُ لَا يَقُومُونَ، فَلِنَأْكُلْ وَنَشْرَبْ، لِأَنَّنَا عَدَا سَنَمُوتُ! لَا تَضِلُّوا! إِنَّ الْمَعَاشِرَاتِ السَّيِّئَةَ تُفْسِدُ الْأَخْلَاقَ السَّالِمَةَ! أَيْقِظُوا قُلُوبَكُمْ بِالنَّفْوَى، وَلَا تَخْطُأُوا، فَإِنَّ بَعْضًا مِنْكُمْ يَجْهَلُونَ اللَّهَ! أَقُولُ هَذَا لِإِخْبَالِكُمْ!

والتسبيح لله دائما

من إنجيل ربنا يسوع المسيح للقديس متى

خَرَجَ يَسُوعُ مِنَ الْهَيْكَلِ وَمَضَى. فَدَنَا مِنْهُ تَلَامِيذُهُ يُلْفِتُونَ نَظْرَهُ إِلَى أُنْبِيَةِ الْهَيْكَلِ. فَأَجَابَ وَقَالَ لَهُمْ: "أَلَا تَنْظُرُونَ هَذَا كُلَّهُ؟ أَلَحَقَّ أَقُولُ لَكُمْ: لَنْ يُتْرَكَ هُنَا حَجَرٌ عَلَى حَجَرٍ إِلَّا وَيُنْقَضُ". وَفِيمَا هُوَ جَالِسٌ عَلَى جَبَلِ الزَيْتُونِ، دَنَا مِنْهُ التَّلَامِيذُ عَلَى أَنْفِرَادٍ قَائِلِينَ: "قُلْ لَنَا مَتَى يَكُونُ هَذَا، وَمَا هِيَ عَلَامَةُ مَجِيئِكَ وَنِهَائَةِ الْعَالَمِ؟". فَأَجَابَ يَسُوعُ وَقَالَ لَهُمْ: "إِحْذَرُوا أَنْ يُضِلَّكُمْ أَحَدٌ! فَكَثِيرُونَ سَيَأْتُونَ بِأَسْمِي قَائِلِينَ: "أَنَا هُوَ الْمَسِيحُ! وَيُضِلُّونَ الْكَثِيرِينَ. وَسَوْفَ تَسْمَعُونَ بِحُرُوبٍ وَبِأَخْبَارِ حُرُوبٍ، أَنْظَرُوا، لَا تَزْتَعِبُوا! فَلَإِنَّ بَدَأَ أَنْ يَحْدُثَ هَذَا. وَلَكِنْ لَيْسَتْ النَّهَائِيَّةُ بَعْدَ! سَتَقُومُ أُمَّةٌ عَلَى أُمَّةٍ، وَمَمْلَكَةٌ عَلَى مَمْلَكَةٍ، وَتَكُونُ مَجَاعَاتٌ وَزَلَزِلٌ فِي أَمَاكِنَ شَتَّى، وَهَذَا كُلُّهُ أَوَّلُ الْمَخَاضِ. حِينَئِذٍ يُسَلِّمُوكُمْ إِلَى الضِّيقِ، وَيَقْتُلُوكُمْ، وَيُبَغِضُوكُمْ جَمِيعُ الْأُمَمِ مِنْ أَجْلِ أَسْمِي. وَحِينَئِذٍ يَرْتَدُّ الْكَثِيرُونَ عَنِ الْإِيمَانِ، وَيُسَلِّمُ بَعْضُهُمْ بَعْضًا، وَيُبَغِضُ بَعْضُهُمْ بَعْضًا. وَيَقُومُ أَنْبِيَاءُ كَذِبَةٌ كَثِيرُونَ وَيُضِلُّونَ الْكَثِيرِينَ. وَلِكثَرَةِ الْإِثْمِ تَقْتَرُ مَحَبَّةُ الْكَثِيرِينَ. وَمَنْ يَصْبِرُ إِلَى النَّهَائِيَّةِ يَخْلُصُ. وَيُكْرَزُ بِإِنْجِيلِ الْمَلَكُوتِ هَذَا فِي الْمَسْكُونَةِ كُلِّهَا شَهَادَةً لِجَمِيعِ الْأُمَمِ، وَحِينَئِذٍ تَأْتِي النَّهَائِيَّةُ".