

Saint Theresa Maronite Church

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Second Sunday of the Resurrection

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JESUS CAME AND STOOD AMONG THEM AND SAID, 'PEACE BE WITH YOU.'

JOHN 20: 26

Second Sunday of the Resurrection

Sat. April 22 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Joseph and Lorice Hashem, son Steven as requested by the family

Sun. April 23 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Halim Sadaka as requested by the family



Third Sunday of the Resurrection

Sat. April 29 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+William McPherson as requested by Michael Mather, Sr.

Sun. April 30 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

40 Day Memorial for +Antoine George Abouzeid as requested by the family



For the Month of April

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

+*Boutros and Amira Estephan* by *George El Khoury and Jeymie Ayoub*

Vigil candle for the Gospel Throne is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of

+*Estephan Estephan, Bassil Estephan and his wife Milia* by *Mr. and Mrs. George Ayoub*

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

+*Tofie and Theresa Samia, son John* by the family

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*



Lectors' Schedule

Saturday, April 22, 2017

English: Thomas

Sunday, April 23, 2017

English: Sandra M.

Arabic: Marina

The Holy Mysteries are celebrated:

Saturdays at 4:00 PM; Sundays at 10:30 AM; 7:00 PM Holydays

Holy Mystery of Reconciliation: 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

Reading:2 Corinthians 5:11-21

Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الثانية إلى أهل قورنثوس

يا إخواني، بما أننا نعرف مخافة الرب، نحاول أن نفتح الناس. ونحن معزوفون لدى الله، ولكي أمل أن نكون معزوفين أيضاً في ضمائرهم. ولأننا نعود فتوصيكم بأنفسنا، بل نعطيك فرصة للافتخار بنا تجاه الذين يفتخرون بالمظهر لا بما في القلب. فإن كنا مجانين فله، وإن كنا عقلاء فلاجلكم؛ إن محبة المسيح تأسرتنا، لأننا أدركنا هذا، وهو أن واحداً مات عن الجميع، فالجميع إذا ماتوا. لقد مات عن الجميع، لكي لا يحيا الأحياء من بعد لأنفسهم، بل للذي مات عنهم وقام من أجلهم. إذا فمئذ الآن نحن لا نعرف أحداً معرفة بشرية، وإن كنا قد عرفنا المسيح معرفة بشرية، فالآن ما عدنا نعرفه كذلك. إذا، إن كان أحد في المسيح فهو خلق جديد: لقد زال القديم، وصار كل شيء جديداً. وكل شيء هو من الله، الذي صالحنا مع نفسه بالمسيح، وأعطانا خدمة المصالحة؛ لأن الله صالح العالم مع نفسه بالمسيح، ولم يحاسب الناس على زلاتهم، وأودعنا كلمة المصالحة. إذا فنحن سفراء المسيح، وكأن الله نفسه يدعوك بواسطتنا. فنسألكم باسم المسيح: تصالحوا مع الله! إن الذي ما عرف الخطيئة، جعله الله خطيئة من أجلنا، لنصير نحن فيه بر الله.



Gospel: John 20:26-31

A week later his disciples were again in the house and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.' Now, Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

من إنجيل القديس يوحنا

بعد ثمانية أيام، كان تلاميذ يسوع ثانية في البيت، وثوما معهم. جاء يسوع، والأبواب مغلقة، فوقف في الوسط وقال: "السلام لكم!". ثم قال لثوما: "هات إصبعك إلى هنا، وأنظر يدي. وهات يدك، وضعها في جبتي. ولا تكن غير مؤمن بل كن مؤمناً!". أجاب ثوما وقال له: "ربي وإلهي!". قال له يسوع: "لأنك رأيتني آمنت؟ طوبى لمن لم يروا وآمنوا!". وصنع يسوع أمام تلاميذه آيات أخرى كثيرة لم تدون في هذا الكتاب. وإنما دونت هذه لكي تؤمنوا أن يسوع هو المسيح ابن الله، ولكي تكون لكم، إذا آمنتم، الحياة باسمه.

**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:** 4/16/17 \$2,145.00, 4/12/17 Rite of the Lamp \$300.00, 4/13/17 Holy Thursday \$490.00, 4/14/17 Holy Land Good Friday Collection Forwarded to the Eparchy \$738.00, 4/14/17 Lenten Supper \$1,620.00



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

Eucharistic Adoration Invitation to Adore Jesus in the Blessed Eucharist.



Adoration

You are invited to spend sometime before our Lord Jesus in the Blessed Eucharist to grow in faith and love of our Lord. How awesome is this gift in which Jesus our Lord and God is present here in the Eucharist. How awesome our Lord is to give us this way to approach our living God. What will keep you away from the gift of our Lord who awaits you to spend a little time adoring him in the Eucharist. **Liturgy will take place at 7:30 PM followed by Eucharistic Adoration at 8:00 PM on Fridays.**



Religious Education Calendar

Sun. April 23 Class 22
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BIBLE STUDY

Please join Abouna Joseph for Bible Study on **Saturday, April 29, 2017** in the church hall following the 4:00PM Liturgy. Everyone is welcomed. Ahalan Wa Sahlan!



We're Searching for VOLUNTEERS

WE NEED YOUR HELP !

Coffee Hour Volunteers

If you are able to lend a hand on sponsoring a Sunday Morning Coffee Hour, Please see Abouna.



Antonine Sisters

*Vocation discernment
for young women 15 years and older*



Come & see Go & tell

- Come, discover God's plan for you
- Come, experience prayer life
- Come, learn about the Antonine Sisters' ministry
- Go and tell, the joy of living together

**The program starts Friday May 19 @ 6:30 PM
until Sunday May 21 @ noon 2017**

For more information, call Sr Jinane at: 330-388-8891/330-538-9822
or send an email at antoninesisters@aol.com
Visit us on: www.facebook.com/antoninesistersusa
Please RSVP before Friday, May 4th 2017
Address: 2675 North Lipkey Road-North Jackson, Ohio 44451

OUR LADY-OF-THE CEDARS
Lebanese Festival
61 Rockwood Street - Jamaica Plain, MA • 617-522-0225

Three Days of Entertainment

Friday May 26, from 6 - 11	Saturday May 27, from 3 - 11 Live band & DJ	Sunday May 28, from 12 - 6
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Mitchell Kaitunas **Marwan Zghaib and Roy Chahwan**

Chicken Kebab, Falafel, Beef Kebab, Falafel, Hamburger, Kofta Kebab, Falafel, Hummus, Falafel, Tabouli, Full Bar, Lebanese Coffee, Arak, Kibby Nayyeh, Popcorn, Hotdog

**Raffle: (1) \$1000 in CASH - (2) More than \$2000 in Value Prizes
Gift Certificates and Gift Baskets**

FREE Parking - Hellenic College: 50 Goddard Street, Brookline and The Park School: 171 Goddard Street, Brookline.
Free shuttle from-and-to-the church • Valet parking available
— You cannot bring food or drink —



On the occasion of the Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord

It is the pleasure of the group

"Remember me in Your Kingdom"

to invite you to participate in the annual liturgy celebration
with all its members of the Churches in Massachussets and Connecticut.

Sunday April 23, 2017 at 10:30 a . m .

**At Saint Theresa Church
Located 343 North main street
Brockton, MA 02301**

Please join us in prayer for the repose of the souls of the deceased
Your participation delights us.

Following Liturgy refreshments will be served.