



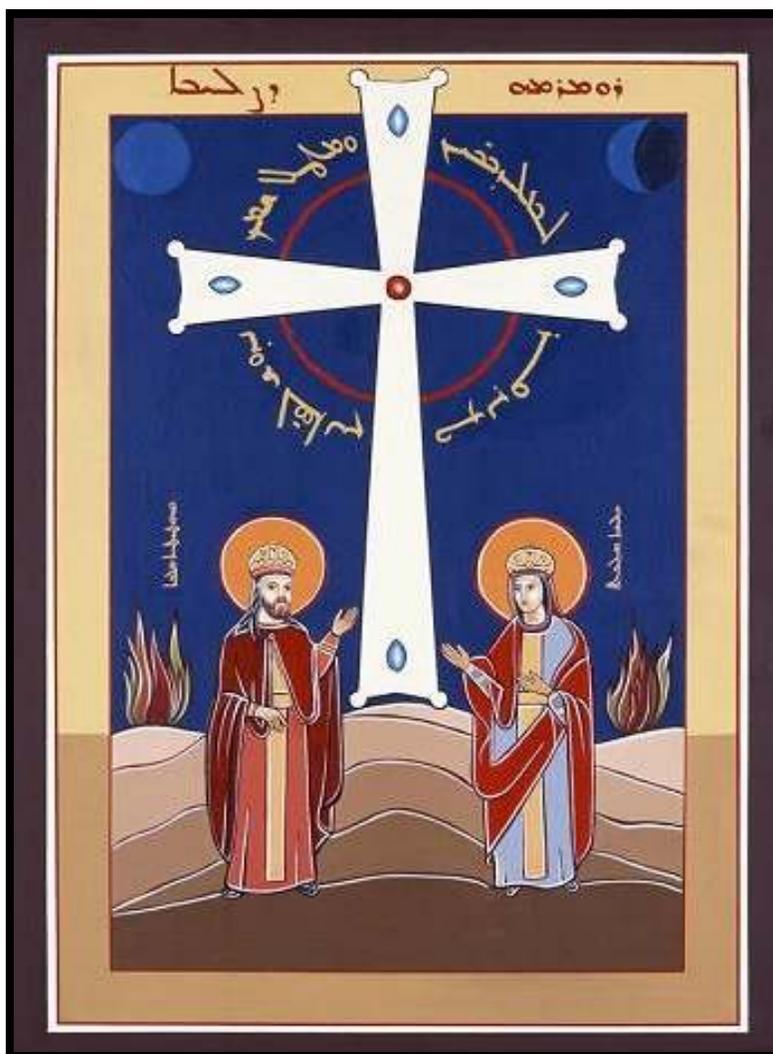
Saint Theresa Maronite Church

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Seventeenth Sunday of Pentecost



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The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

1Corinthians 1: 18

September 11-12, 2021

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Liturgy Schedule

The Holy Mysteries are celebrated:

Saturdays: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 10:30 AM

Doors open one hour before each Liturgy

Holy Days: 7:00 PM

Daily Liturgy: Wednesday-Friday 7:00PM

Arabic Liturgy on Fridays -7:00 PM

Holy Mystery of Reconciliation

The sacrament of Reconciliation is available one hour before each Liturgy. And, is available any time on request.

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
9:00 AM—12:00 Noon

Holy Mysteries of Baptism and Chrismation

Please make arrangements with the pastor at least one month in advance. Sponsor 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

"Do you realize that Jesus is there in the tabernacle expressly for you - for you alone? He burns with the desire to come into your heart...don't listen to the demon, laugh at him, and go without fear to receive the Jesus of peace and love..." ~St. Theresa of Lisieux~

Please Note: Eucharistic Adoration and Liturgy takes place on

Thursday Evenings. Doors open at 6:00PM.

MYO—MYA

MYO- MYA meet
September through April

Seventeenth Sunday of Pentecost

Sat. Sept. 11 at 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Peter L. Asack, Sr. as requested by the family and friends

+All deceased members of 9/11 attack on the 20th Anniversary

Sun. Sept. 12 at 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Peter L. Asack, Sr. as requested by the family and friends



First Sunday after Holy Cross

Sat. Sept. 18 at 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Leo and Alice Smith, son John, Cousin Peter Smith as requested by Maryann Asiaf

Sun. Sept. 19 at 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Deborah Davin Sperre as requested by the family

40 Day Memorial for +Zakiyeh Wehebe Nasrallah as requested by the family

News from our Sister Parishes

Our Lady of Purgatory Maronite Church

11 Franklin Street, New Bedford, MA 02740

Summer Lebanese Festival

Saturday, September 18, 2021

12:00 Noon—11:00 PM

Featuring George Maalouf and Ensemble

This event features Lebanese Food, Saj, Hookas
Raffles and Money Prizes

Rain or Shine! Seating under the Big Tent.

Free Admission ~ Free Parking



Sunday School
START-UP

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 2021-2022 Religious Education school year. Class Times will be held on Saturdays of each month. Please Note: If the Delta Variant; requires the State to go Virtual during the school year. St. Theresa Church is set up and ready for Virtual lessons to take place. You will be notified. Face Masks are required for in person learning. We look forward to seeing you here at St. Theresa Church and having your child participate in our program.

Registration Day / First Class

Saturday, September 18, 2021

from 10:00 AM—12:00 Noon

Sunday School Teachers are needed!

If, you are interested in volunteering to be a Sunday School Teacher, please contact Abouna or Gordon.

MARONITE MINGLE



OCTOBER 3RD 4-7PM

ALL ARE WELCOME

PRAYER • ICEBREAKER • POTLUCK • DABKE



Where?

Our Lady of the Cedars
61 Rockwood St.
Falmouth Plain, MA 02130

RSVP to Julie

(773)986-9898



**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: 9/5/21 \$ 1,385.00

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

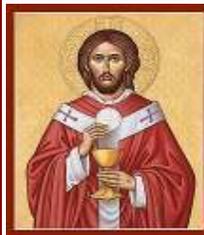
Catholic University of America

Collection: This collection provides funding for academic scholarships at Catholic University this collection is to be taken on **Sept. 11-12, 2021** 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.



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
+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
+Nacklie and Marie Nessralla
by the family

Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle

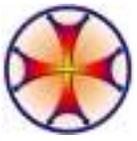


Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
+Rose Saba
by the family

Vigil candles for the Gospel Throne

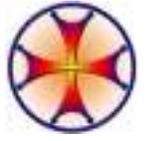


Vigil candle for the Gospel Throne is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
+Eva Abourjaily
by the family



Saint Theresa

Maronite Catholic Church



Seventeenth Sunday of Pentecost

Sept. 11-12, 2021

A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans 13: 8-14

Brothers and Sisters: Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not unraveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Praise be to God always.

Gospel: Luke 10: 25-37

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will Live.' But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbor?' Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity .He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denary, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend. "Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'



فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الرسول إلى أهل روما

يا إخوتي: لا يَكُنْ عَلَيْكُمْ لِأَحَدٍ دِينٌ إِلَّا حُبُّ بَعْضِكُمْ لِبَعْضٍ. فَمَنْ أَحَبَّ غَيْرَهُ أَتَمَّ الشَّرِيعَةَ؛ لِأَنَّ الْوَصَايَا: "لا تَزْنِ! لا تَقْتُلْ! لا تَسْرِقْ! لا تَشْتَهَ!"، وَأَيَّ وَصِيَّةٍ أُخْرَى، تَخْتَصِرُهَا هَذِهِ الْكَلِمَةُ: "أَحِبِّ قَرِيبَكَ كَنَفْسِكَ". إِنَّ الْمَحَبَّةَ لَا تَصْنَعُ بِالْقَرِيبِ شَرًّا؛ إِذَا فَالْمَحَبَّةُ هِيَ كَمَالُ الشَّرِيعَةِ. وَإِنَّكُمْ لِعَالَمُونَ فِي أَيِّ وَقْتٍ نَحْنُ: لَقَدْ حَانَتْ السَّاعَةُ لِتَسْتَيْفِظُوا مِنَ النَّوْمِ! لِأَنَّ الْخَلَّاصَ أَقْرَبُ إِلَيْنَا الْيَوْمَ مِمَّا كَانَ يَوْمَ آمَنَّا. لَقَدْ تَنَاهَى اللَّيْلُ وَأَقْتَرَبَ النَّهَارُ. إِذَا فَلْنَطْرُحْ أَعْمَالَ الظُّلْمَةِ، وَلْنُبْسِ أَسْلِحَةَ النُّورِ. وَلْنَسَلُكْ سُلُوكًا لَاتِقًا كَمَا فِي وَضْحِ النَّهَارِ، لَا فِي الْفُصُوفِ وَالسُّكْرِ، وَلَا فِي الْفُجُورِ وَالْفَحْشَاءِ، وَلَا فِي الْخِصَامِ وَالْحَسَدِ، وَلَا تَهْتَمُّوا بِالْجَسَدِ لِقِضَاءِ شَهَوَاتِهِ، بَلِ الْبَسُوا الرَّبَّ يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحَ!

والتسبيح لله دائما

من إنجيل ربنا يسوع المسيح للقديس لوقا

إِذَا عَالِمٌ بِالنُّورَةِ قَامَ يُجَرِّبُ يَسُوعَ قَائِلًا: "يَا مُعَلِّمُ، مَاذَا أَعْمَلُ لِأَرِثَ الْحَيَاةَ الْأَبَدِيَّةَ؟" فَقَالَ لَهُ: "مَاذَا كُتِبَ فِي النُّورَةِ؟ كَيْفَ تَقْرَأُ؟" فَقَالَ: "أَحِبِّ الرَّبَّ إِلَهَكَ مِنْ كُلِّ قَلْبِكَ، وَكُلِّ نَفْسِكَ، وَكُلِّ فُؤُوتِكَ، وَكُلِّ فِكْرِكَ، وَأَحِبِّ قَرِيبَكَ كَنَفْسِكَ". فَقَالَ لَهُ يَسُوعُ: "بِالصَّوَابِ أَجَبْتَ. إِفْعَلْ هَذَا فَتَحْيَا". أَمَّا هُوَ فَأَرَادَ أَنْ يُبَيِّرَ نَفْسَهُ، فَقَالَ لِيَسُوعَ: "وَمَنْ هُوَ قَرِيبِي؟". فَأَجَابَ يَسُوعُ وَقَالَ: "كَانَ رَجُلٌ نَازِلًا مِنْ أُورُشَلِيمَ إِلَى أَرِيحَا، فَوَقَعَ فِي أَيْدِي اللُّصُوصِ، وَعَرَّوهُ، وَأَوْسَعُوهُ ضَرْبًا، وَمَضُوا وَقَدْ تَرَكَوهُ بَيْنَ حَيٍّ وَمَيِّتٍ. وَصَدَفَ أَنَّ كَاهِنًا كَانَ نَازِلًا فِي تِلْكَ الطَّرِيقِ، وَرَأَهُ، فَمَالَ عَنْهُ وَمَضَى. وَمَرَّ أَيْضًا لَأَوِيٌّ بِذَلِكَ الْمَكَانِ، وَرَأَهُ، فَمَالَ عَنْهُ وَمَضَى. وَلَكِنَّ سَامِرِيًّا مُسَافِرًا مَرَّ بِهِ، وَرَأَهُ، فَتَحَنَّنَ عَلَيْهِ، وَدَنَا مِنْهُ، وَضَمَدَ جِرَاحَهُ، سَاكِبًا عَلَيْهَا زَيْتًا وَخَمْرًا. ثُمَّ وَضَعَهُ عَلَى دَابَّتِهِ، وَدَهَبَ بِهِ إِلَى الْفُنْدُقِ، وَأَعْتَنَى بِهِ. وَفِي الْغَدِ، أَخْرَجَ دِينَارَيْنِ وَأَعْطَاهُمَا لِصَاحِبِ الْفُنْدُقِ، وَقَالَ لَهُ: إِعْتَنِ بِهِ، وَمَهْمَا أَنْفَقْتَ فَأَنَا أُوْفِيكَ عِنْدَ عَوْدَتِي. فَمَا رَأَيْكَ؟ أَيُّ هَؤُلَاءِ الثَّلَاثَةِ كَانَ قَرِيبَ ذَلِكَ الرَّجُلِ الَّذِي وَقَعَ فِي أَيْدِي اللُّصُوصِ؟" فَقَالَ: "الَّذِي صَنَعَ إِلَيْهِ الرَّحْمَةَ". فَقَالَ لَهُ يَسُوعُ: "إِذْهَبْ، وَأَصْنَعْ أَنْتَ أَيْضًا كَذَلِكَ".

St. Theresa Maronite Catholic Church

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*"I will let fall from Heaven a Shower of Roses."
- St. Theresa of Lisieux, 'The Little Flower' -*

Saint Theresa Church Feast Day Hafli 2021 September 25, 2021 8:00 PM-11:00 PM

*"For to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich"
(Matthew 24: 29a)-*

August 20, 2021

Dear Parishioners/Sponsors/ Friends of Saint Theresa Church:

I hope this message finds you and your family all in good health and doing well; 2021 continues to be a difficult year for so many of our families. Like so many events that typically take place in late summer and early fall, Saint Theresa Church will **NOT** hold the annual Lebanese Festival. Moving forward, our plans are for a **virtual fundraiser and a Hafli to be held on Saturday, September 25, 2021 in the Church Hall**. Seating is limited to **NO** more than **150 people**. Tickets will be on sale soon at \$75.00 Per Person. Doors will open at 7:00 PM and dinner will be served at 8:30 PM.

As part of this year's public acknowledgement of gratitude, Sponsorship Banners advertising businesses or in honor of loved ones will be used in a **PowerPoint presentation** which will be made available to our parishioners, friends and supporters via **social media**. The PowerPoint presentation will also be shown during the Hafli.

Purchasing a sponsorship banner or a donation this year will have an even greater impact, because so many of our families and small businesses are struggling financially; your continued kindness provides much-needed financial support for our beautiful church of Saint Theresa. Please complete the attached form entitled 2021 Sponsorship Banners or Donation and return it to Saint Theresa Church by **September 14, 2021**. We greatly appreciate your generosity in making this annual fundraiser a successful one. Please make your checks payable to "Saint Theresa Church" and write Sponsorship Banners in the space marked **Memo**.

Donations of \$250.00 or more will be acknowledged with a tax-deductible letter required by the Internal Revenue Service. **Kindly mail your donation sponsorship form to Saint Theresa Church, PO Box 2567, Brockton, MA 02305-2567**. Also, feel free to place your envelope with payment and completed form in the collection basket. *Remember what Jesus says 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'* Acts 20:25

At this moment in time, the **MOST** important thing is that all members of our parish family are safe, healthy and continue to be in good spirits.

I thank you for your ongoing commitment and devotion to Saint Theresa Church.

God bless,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph Daiif". The signature is stylized and includes a flourish at the end.

Father Joseph Daiif
Pastor



Saint Theresa Church Virtual Fundraiser Sponsorship Banners

Contact Person _____ Telephone _____

Address _____
Street City, State Zip Code

STEP ONE: Select Banner Type. I would like a banner with the name of:

___ My Business/Corporation ___ My Family Name ___ My Deceased Loved One

STEP TWO: I would like my banner to read: (Please print legibly)

Line One _____

Line Two _____

Line Three _____

STEP THREE: Select Banner Size (Please Choose one)

___ Diamond Sponsorship	(8' X 2 ½')	Vinyl Banner	\$2,000.00
___ Platinum Sponsorship	(6' X 2 ½')	Vinyl Banner	\$1,000.00
___ Gold Sponsorship	(4' X 2 ½')	Vinyl Banner	\$500.00
___ Silver Sponsorship	(3' X 1.6')	Vinyl Banner	\$250.00

STEP FOUR: PLEASE return this completed form with full payment by
September 14, 2021.

Saint Theresa Church
PO Box 2567, Brockton, MA 02305-2567

**We thank you for your ongoing support and generosity!
God Bless You!!**

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Saint Theresa Church Feast Day Hafli

Saturday, Sept, 25th, 2021

8:00 PM-11:00 PM

Doors Open at 7:00 PM

Dinner Served at 8:30 PM

Food ~ Bar ~ Music ~

Hookas ~ Raffles

Tickets are \$75.00 Per Person

Seating is Limited to 150 persons

No Tickets will be sold at the door

**Promote Your Business By Donating To
the Saint Theresa Church**

Sponsorship Banners Virtual Fundraiser

Please Call Church Office for more information

508-586-1428

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