

Sunday of the Faithful Departed

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"FATHER ABRAHAM, HAVE MERCY ON ME, AND SEND LAZARUS TO DIP THE TIP OF HIS FINGER IN WATER AND COOL MY TONGUE; FOR I AM IN AGONY IN THESE FLAMES."

LUKE: 16:24

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Sat. Feb. 3 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Sarkis Daiif, his wife Maria and their son Semaan

Sun. Feb. 4 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

40 Day Memorial for + Michel Saba Massoud as requested by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Saab and family



Feast of St. Maron / Holy Day of Obligation

Friday, Feb. 9 @ 7:00 PM Liturgy

Sunday of the Entrance into Lent /Cana Sunday

Sat. Feb. 10 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Elias Nader and Maher Harb as requested by the family

Sun. Feb. 11 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Boutrossieh Nessralla as requested by Youseff Nessralla and family



For the Month of February

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

+Paul and Trenetta Saba, son William by

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Daaboul

Vigil candle for the Gospel Throne is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
+Peter Asiaf, Jr. and Leo and Alice Smith, Son John, and
Cousin Peter Smith by MaryAnn Asiaf

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

+Mr. and Mrs. Fred George, Sr. and family by

Mrs. Maryann Nessralla and family

Vigil candle for Shrine of St. Theresa is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of

+Special Intention



Lectors' Schedule

Saturday, Feb. 3, 2018

Thomas

Sunday, Feb. 4, 2018

English: Sandra

Arabic: Rouhana

The Holy Mysteries are celebrated: Saturdays at 4:00 PM; Sundays at 10:30 AM; 7:00 PM Holydays



Holy Mystery of Reconciliation: Please Note: The sacrament of Reconciliation is available one hour before each Liturgy. And, is 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.



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



Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

رسالة القديس بولس الأولى إلى أهل تسالونيقي

يا إخوتي، أمّا الأزمنة والأوقات، أيها الإخوة، فلا حاجة بكم أن يكتب إليكم في شأنها؛ لأنكم تعلمون جيدًا أن يوم الرب يأتي كالسارق ليلاً. فحين يقولون: سلام وأمن! حينئذ يدهمهم الهلاك وهم المخاض للحبلى، ولا يفطنون. أمّا أنتم، أيها الإخوة، فليستم في ظلمة ليفاجئكم ذلك اليوم كالسارق. فأنتم كلكم أبناء النور، وأبناء النهار؛ ولستنا أبناء الليل ولا أبناء الظلمة. إذا فلا تنم كسائر الناس، بل لستهمر ونصح؛ لأن الذين ينامون ففي الليل ينامون، والذين يسكرون ففي الليل يسكرون. أمّا نحن أبناء النهار، فلنصح لابسين درع الإيمان والمحبة، ووضعين خوذة رجاء الخلاص. فإن الله لم يجعلنا للغضب، بل لإخراز الخلاص بربنا يسوع المسيح، الذي مات من أجلنا، لنحيا معه ساهرين كمن نائمون. فإذ لك شجعوا بعضكم بعضاً، ولينين الواحد الآخر، كما أنتم فاعلون.

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

'There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames." But Abraham said, "Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us." He said, "Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house for I have five brothers that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment." Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them." He said, "No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent." He said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

إنجيل القديس لوقا

قال الرب يسوع: «كان رجلٌ غنيٌ يلبس الأزرَّجوانَ والكثانَ النَّاعم، ويتنعم كلَّ يومٍ بأفخرِ الولائم. وكان رجلٌ مسكينٌ اسمه لعازرٌ مطروحاً عند بابِهِ، تكسوه القروح. وكان يشتهي أن يشبع من الفتاتِ المتساقطِ من مائدة الغنيِّ، غيرَ أن الكلاب كانت تأتي فتلحسُ فروجه. ومات المسكينُ فحملته الملائكة إلى حضنِ إبراهيم. ثم مات الغنيُّ ودفن. ورفع الغنيُّ عينيه، وهو في الجحيمِ يقاسي العذاب، فرأى إبراهيم من بعيد، ولعازر في حضنه. فدأى وقال: يا أبت إبراهيم، ارحمني وأرسل لعازر ليبل طرف اصبعه بماء ويبرد لساني، لأنني متوجع في هذا اللهب. فقال إبراهيم: يا أبنِي، تذكر أنك نلت خيراتك في حياتك، ولعازر نال البلاء. والآن هو يتعزى هنا، وأنت تتوجع. ومع هذا كله، فإن بيننا وبينكم هوة عظيمة ثابتة، حتى إن الذين يريدون أن يجتازوا من هنا إليكم لا يستطيعون، ولا من هناك أن يعبروا إلينا. فقال الغنيُّ: أسألك إذا، يا أبت، أن ترسل لعازر إلى بيت أبي، فإن لي خمسة إخوة، ليشهد لهم، كي لا يأتوا هم أيضاً إلى مكان العذاب هذا. فقال إبراهيم: عندهم موسى والأنبياء، فليسمعوا لهم. فقال له إبراهيم: إن كانوا لا يسمعون لموسى والأنبياء، فإنهم، ولو قام واحدٌ من الأموات، لن يفتنعوا!».

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:** 1/28/18 \$2,337.00, **Second Collection Forward to Eparchy** \$292.00



Please Note: Eucharistic Adoration will take place on **Friday, Feb. 2, 2018.** Liturgy will take place at 7:00 PM followed by Eucharistic Adoration. Doors are opened at 6:00 pm.

Coffee Hour Volunteers: If you are able to lend a hand in sponsoring a Sunday morning Coffee Hour please see Abouna. We **NEED** your Help! Thank you.



Religious Education Calendar
Saturday, Feb. 17, 2018
Class 6 from 9:00AM-12:00 Noon



CEMETERY PALM CROSSES

Cost: \$25.00 each
Order Must Be Received By
March 11, 2018

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 11, 2018. Thank you.

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

March 24 and March 25, 2018.

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, 2018.**



Eparchy of Saint Maron of
Brooklyn, New York
Announces Two
Discernment Weekends

How is God calling me to serve through my gifts and talents? What is my mission in the Life of the Church? Am I being called to lay down my life as a Religious to serve God's people? We invite our young and adult men and women between the ages 18-35 to prayerfully consider joining us for the following retreats being offered.

Discernment Weekend: A Discernment Retreat will take place during the weekend of **April 6-8th, 2018** at Mother of the Light Convent in Dartmouth, MA. Share the word with other women who may be interested in learning more about their vocation and calling in life. Please contact Sr. Marla Marie at 202-213-7700, if you have further questions or are interested in attending the retreat.

Discernment Weekend: Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite Seminary will be holding a discernment weekend from **Friday, April 13-to Sunday, April 15, 2018** in Washington, DC. If you know anyone discerning a vocation to the priesthood, or would like to know more, please call Father Dominique Hanna at 404-525-2505.

ST. THERESA CHURCH

LENTEN SCHEDULE 2018



ASH MONDAY February 12, 2018

7:00PM +Service of the Holy Mysteries and Distribution of ASHES

Beginning on Tuesday, February 13, 2018

Liturgy will be celebrated during Lent at 7:00PM

and on Wednesday's during Lent

Doors are opened at 6:00 PM.

Eucharistic

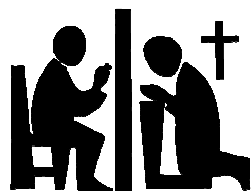


Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration: will take place on Thursday's during Lent. Liturgy will take place at 7:00 PM followed by Eucharistic Adoration. Doors are opened at 6:00 PM.



Service of the Holy Cross: will be celebrated on Fridays during Lent at 7:00PM. Beginning on Friday, February 16, 2018.



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

