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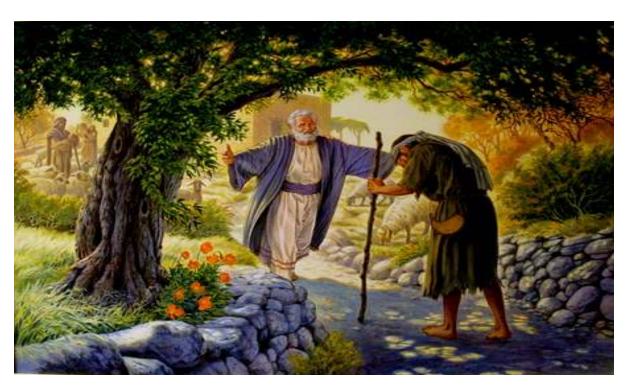
Saint Theresa Maronite Church

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Sunday of the Prodigal Son

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"I WILL GET UP AND GO TO MY FATHER, AND I WILL SAY TO HIM: 'FATHER,
I HAVE SINNED AGAINST HEAVEN AND BEFORE YOU."

LUKE 15

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.

<u>Ministry to the Sick:</u> 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.

<u>Holy Mysteries of Baptism and Chrismation:</u> 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

Sunday of the Prodigal Son

Sat. March 18 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Intention of the celebrant

Sun. March 19 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

40 Day Memorial for +Sousan Kouiek by the family **5th Anniversary of +Isabelle Bethoney** by Margo Asack

Healing of the Paralytic

Sat. March 25 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Intention of the celebrant

Sun. March 26 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Intention of the celebrant



For the Month of March

Bread & wine for the Holy Gifts are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of +Louis and Mary Stevens by the family

Vigil candle for the Gospel Throne is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of +William and Catherine Hansbury by the family

Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of +*Alan J. Poirier* by *Donna M. Poirier*

Vigil candle for Shrine of St. Theresa is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of +**Joseph and Lorice Hashem, son Stephen** by the family



Lectors' Schedule

Saturday, March 18, 2017

Kevin

Sunday, March 19, 2017

English: Mary Anne

Arabic: Sola

في سر القربان ربي معي مدى الأزمان

- يا سرا سامي المقام، يسوع صار طعام، إبن الله في القربان كإله وإنسان - يوم خميس الأسرار، عند آخر النهار، أمام الإثني عشر خبزاً بارك وكسر

- ثم أعطاهم وقال، قولا يسحق الضلال: هذا هو جسدي، خذوا كلوا من يدي

- يسوع ملك المجد مدى الدهر لك الحمد، ليتك ضمن القلوب مِن كل الكون محبوب

Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:5-13

Examine yourselves to see whether you are living in the faith. Test yourselves. Do you not realize that Jesus Christ is in you? Unless, indeed, you fail to pass the test! I hope you will find out that we have not failed. But we pray to God that you may not do anything wrong not that we may appear to have passed the test, but that you may do what is right, though we may seem to have failed. For we cannot do anything against the truth, but only for the truth. For we rejoice when we are weak and you are strong. This is what we pray for, that you may become perfect. So I write these things while I am away from you, so that when I come, I may not have to be severe in using the authority that the Lord has given me for building up and not for tearing down. Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الثانية إلى أهل قورنتس

يا إخوتي، إِخْتَبِرُوا أَنْفُسكُم، هَلْ أَنْتُم رَاسِخُونَ في الإِيْمَان. إِمْتَجِنُوا أَنْفُسكُم. أَلا تَعْرِفُونَ أَنَّ المَسِيحَ يَسُوعَ فِيكُم؟ إِلاَّ إِذَا كُنْتُم مَرْفُوضِين! فأَرْجُو أَنْ تَعْرِفُوا أَنّنا نَحْنُ لَسْنا مَرْفُوضِين! ونُصلِّي إلى اللهِ كَيْ لا تَفْعَلُوا أَيَّ شَرّ، لا لِنَظْهَرَ نَحْنُ مَقْبُولِين، بَلْ لِكَي تَفْعَلُوا أَيَّ شَرّ، لا لِنَظْهَرَ نَحْنُ مَقْبُولِين، بَلْ لِكَي تَفْعَلُوا أَنْتُمُ الخَيْر، ونَكُونَ نَحْنُ كَأَنّنا مَرْفُوضُون! فَإِنّنا لا نَسْتَطِيعُ أَنْ تَفْعَلَ شَيْئًا ضِدَّ الحَقّ، بَلْ لأَجْلِ الحَقّ! أَجَلْ، إِنّنا لا نَفْرَحُ عِنْدَما نَكُونُ نَحْنُ ضُعْفَاء، وتكُونُونَ أَنْتُم أَقْوِياء. مِنْ أَجْلِ هَذَا أَيْضًا نُصلِي لِكَي تَكُونُوا كَامِلِين .أَكْتُبُ هَذَا وأَنا عَائِب، هَذَا أَيْضًا نُصلِي لِكَي تكُونُوا كَامِلِين .أَكْتُبُ هَذَا وأَنا عَائِب، للنَّالَا أَعَامِلِكُم لا لِهَدْمِكُم. وبَعْدُ، أَيُهَا الإِخْوَة، إِقْرَحُوا، وَاسْعُوا ليَاللَّا أَعَامِلُكُم بِقَسَاوَةٍ وأَنا حَاضِر، بِالسُّلْطَانِ الَّذِي أَعْطَانِي إِيَّاهُ الرَّبّ، لِبُنْيَانِكُم لا لِهَدْمِكُم. وبَعْدُ، أَيُهَا الإِخْوَة، إِقْرَحُوا، وَاسْعُوا في الرّبّ، لِبُنْيَانِكُم لا لِهَدْمِكُم. وبَعْدُ، أَيُهَا الإِخْوَة، إِقْرَحُوا، وَاسْعُوا في الكَمَال، وتَشَجَعُوا، وكُونُوا عَلى رَأْيٍ وَلحِد، وعِيشُوا في سَلَام، وإلهُ المَحَبَّةِ والسَّلام يَكُونُ مَعَكُم! سَلَمُوا بَعْضُكُم عَلى بَعْضٍ بِقِبْلَةٍ مُقَدَّسَة. جَمِيعُ القِدِيسِينَ يُسَلِّمُونَ عَلَيْكُم. نِعْمَةُ الرَّبُ بعْضُ أَجْمُعِين! بَعْضَ المَسِيح، ومَحَبَّةُ ٱلله، وَشَرَكَةُ الرُّوح القُدُسِ مَعَكُم أَجْمَعِين!



Gospel: Luke 15:11-32

مِنْ إِنْجِيلِ القِدِّيسِ لوقا

قَالَ الرَبُّ يَسُوع: "كانَ لِرَجُلِ ٱبْنَان. فَقالَ أَصْغَرُهُمَا لأَبيه: يَا أَبي، أَعْطِنِي حِصَّتِي مِنَ المِيرَاتْ. فَقَسَمَ لَهُمَا تُرْوتَهُ. وَبَعْدَ أَيَّامِ قَلِيلَة، جَمَعَ الأَبْنُ الأَصْغَرُ كُلَّ حِصَّتِهِ، وسَافَرَ إلى بَلَدِ بَعِيد. وَهُنَاكَ بَدَّدَ مَالَهُ في حَيَاةِ الطَّيْشِ. وَلَمَّا أَنْفَقَ كُلَّ شَيء، حَدَثَتُ في ذلِكَ البَلَدِ مَجَاعَةٌ شَدِيدَة، فَبَدَأً يُحِسُّ بالعَوَز. فَذَهَبَ وَلَجَأً إلى وَاحِدٍ مِنْ أَهْلِ ذلِكَ البَلَد، فَأَرْسَلَهُ إِلَى حُقُولِهِ لِيَرْعَى الْخَنَازِيرِ . وَكَانَ يَشْتَهِى أَنْ بَمْلاً جَوْفَهُ مِنَ الخَرُوبِ الَّذي كَانَتِ الخَنَازيرُ تَأْكُلُهُ، وَلا يُعْطِيهِ مِنْهُ أَحَد. فَرَجَعَ إلى نَفْسِهِ وَقَال: كَمْ مِنَ الأُجَرَاءِ عِنْدَ أَبِي، يَفْضُلُ الخُبْزُ عَنْهُم، وَأَنا ههُنَا أَهْلِكُ جُوعًا! أَقُومُ وَأَمْضي إلى أَبِي وَأَقُولُ لَهُ: يَا أَبِي، خَطِئْتُ إلى السَّمَاءِ وَأَمَامَكَ. وَلا أَسْتَحِقُّ بَعْدُ أَنْ أَدْعَى لَكَ ٱبْنًا. فَٱجْعَلْنِي كَأَحَدِ أُجَرَائِكَ! فَقَامَ وَجَاءَ إلى أَبِيه. وفِيمَا كَانَ لا يَزَالُ بَعِيدًا، رَآهُ أَبُوه، فَتَحَنَّنَ عَلَيْه، وَأَسْرَعَ فَأَلْقَى بِنَفْسِهِ عَلى عُنُقِهِ وَقَبَّلَهُ طَوِيلاً. فَقالَ لَهُ ٱبنُهُ: يَا أَبِي، خَطِئْتُ إلى السَّمَاءِ وَأَمَامَكَ. وَلا أَسْتَحِقٌ بَعْدُ أَنْ أُدْعَى لَكَ ٱبْنًا... فَقالَ الأَبُ لِعَبيدِهِ: أَسْرِعُوا وَأَخْرِجُوا الحُلَّةَ الفَاخِرَةَ وَأَلْبسُوه، وٱجْعَلُوا في يَدِهِ خَاتَمًا، وفي رجْلَيْهِ حِذَاء، وَأَتُوا بِالعِجْلِ المُسمَّن وٱذْبَحُوه، وَلْنَأْكُلْ وَنَتَنَعَّمْ! لأَنَّ ٱبْنِيَ هذَا كَانَ مَيْتًا فَعَاش، وَضَائِعًا فَوُجِد. وَبَدَأُوا يَتَنَعَّمُون. وكانَ ٱبنئهُ الأَكْبَرُ في الحَقْل. فَلَمَّا جَاءَ وٱقْتَرَبَ مِنَ البَيْت، سَمِعَ غِنَاءً وَرَقْصًا. فَدَعا وَاحدًا مِنَ الغِلْمَانِ وَسَأَلَهُ: مَا عَسَى أَنْ بِكُونَ هذَا؟ فَقالَ لَهُ: جَاءَ أَخُوك، فَذَبَحَ أَبُوكَ العِجْلَ المُسمَّن، لأَنَّهُ لَقِيَهُ سَالِمًا. فَغَضِبَ وَلَمْ يُرِدْ أَنْ يَدْخُل. فَخَرَجَ أَبُوهُ يَتَوَسَّلُ إلَيْه. فَأَجَابَ وقَالَ لأَبيه: هَا أَنا أَخْدُمُكَ كُلَّ هِذِهِ السِّنين، وَلَمْ أُخَالِفْ لَكَ يَوْمًا أَمْرًا، وَلَمْ تُعْطِنِي مَرَّةً جَدْيًا، لأَتَنَعَّمَ مَعَ أَصْدِقَائِي. ولكِنْ لَمَّا جَاءَ ٱبْنُكَ هذَا الَّذِي أَكَلَ ثَرْوَتَكَ مَعَ الزَّوَانِي، ذَبَحْتَ لَهُ العِجْلَ المُسمَّن! فقالَ لَهُ أَبُوه: يَا وَلَدِي، أَنْتَ مَعِى في كُلِّ حِين، وَكُلُّ مَا هُوَ لِي هُوَ لَكَ .ولكِنْ كانَ يَنْبَغِي أَنْ نَتَتَعَّمَ وَنَفْرَح، لأَنَّ أَخَاكَ هذَا كانَ مَيْتًا فَعَاش، وَضَائِعًا فَوُجد".

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**: 3/12/17 \$ 1,190.00, Bishop's

Appeal: \$1,485.00 to date, Quota: \$3,500.00



Welcome New Parishioners: If you are new to our parish, please fill out a registration MEMBERS 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 Invitation to Adore Jesus in the Blessed Eucharist. You are invited to spend sometime before our Lord Jesus in the Blessed Eucharist to grow in faith and love of our Adoration 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

Liturgy will take place at 7:30 PM followed by **Eucharistic Adoration at 8:30 PM on Thursdays.**



spend a little time adoring him in the Eucharist.

Service of the Holy Cross: will be celebrated on Fridays during Lent at 7:00PM.

St. Theresa Church: MYO Grow [Maronite Youth Organization] will meet on Friday, March 17, 2017 at **5:03PM** followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00 PM. Please plan on joining us.



Please join Abouna Joseph for Bible Study on Saturday, March 25, 2017 in the church hall following the 4:00PM Liturgy. Everyone is welcomed. Ahalan Wa Sahlan!

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 reinstituted 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, 2017.**

Call to the Order of Deacon for Brian M. Dunn. You are cordially invited to Imposition of Hands, will take place on Saturday, May 13, 2017 at 10:00 AM, Saint Anthony of the Desert Maronite Church, 300 North Eastern Ave., Fall River, MA. reception will follow in the Church Hall, if you are interested in attending the Ordination of Brian please RSVP by May 1, 2017 to Theresa Galib at 508-674-2036.



National Apostolate Maronites: Proudly NATIONAL APOSTOLATE OF MARIONETES Announces their Scholarship Program for Scholarships / Lebanon 2017-2018. USA Scholarships-Semester Abroad. For more information applications and visit. www.namnews.org, email: o r nam@namnews.org, or call NAM at 1-914-964-3070. Application Deadline: May 15, 2017

