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Tenth Sunday of Pentecost

Matthew 12:22-32

*Jesus Warns of Blasphemy
against the Holy Spirit*

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SAVE THE DATE

St. Anthony of the Desert Church
300 N. Eastern Avenue, Fall River, MA

Lebanese Mahrajan Food Festival

Fri, Aug 4th ~ 5pm to 10pm
Sat, Aug 5th ~ Noon to 11pm
Sun, Aug 6th ~ 11am to 5pm

D. J. and Live Entertainment

Authentic Lebanese Food and Pastry
Alcoholic Beverages
Hookah
Fun For The Whole Family
Dancing and so much more!

Facebook: St. Anthony of the Desert Maronite Catholic Church
Website: <http://www.stanthonyfallriver.com>
Phone: 401-479-7333

5th ANNUAL LEBANESE MAHRAJAN

ST. ANTHONY MARONITE CHURCH, LAWRENCE, MA

LABOR DAY WEEKEND
Home-made Lebanese Food and Pastry, Hookah, Raffles, Arts and Crafts, Souvenirs, Folkloric Dance and Belly Dancing, Free Cooking and Belly Dancing Classes, Children Activities.

11 SEP
12 SEP
13 SEP

Fri 5p-10p
Sat 5p-2p
Sun 12p-12a

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

BERNIE YAKH
CHERIE MARJON
GILADA DOBIL

Facebook: [stanthonylawrence](https://www.facebook.com/stanthonylawrence)
Website: www.stanthonylawrence.org
Phone: 779-844-7333

Food, Bar, Live Music, Sqj, Raffles, Dancing

Our Lady Of Purgatory Church

Lebanese Festival

Friday, September 8, 2023 5:00PM - 11:00PM
Saturday, September 9, 2023 12:00PM - 11:00PM

Live Entertainment

Mitchel Katsun & Rami Badr

Money Raffles Prizes
\$1,000 - \$500 - \$200
Drawing Saturday, September 9, 2023 10:30PM

4254 Acushnet Ave, New Bedford, MA 02745

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



*"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~*

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

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 Theresa of Lisieux

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
First Thursday of the month from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Religious Education

Classes are held on Saturdays September through April
For registration please see Mirna Issa

MYO—MYA

MYO—MYA meet September through April

Tenth Sunday of Pentecost

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

+Christine Saad-Keefe as requested by Deacon Brian Dunn

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

+Cynthia Sfeir and +Leila Azar as requested by the family



Transfiguration of Our Lord-Eveleth Sunday of Pentecost

Sat. Aug. 5 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+For the Souls of Remember Me In Your Kingdom

Sun. Aug. 6 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Jeannette Haikal as requested by Madeleine Asack and family

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Lectors' Schedule

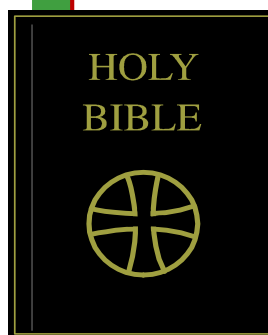
Saturday, July 29, 2023

English: Cauna

Sunday, July 30, 2023

English: Melissa Issa

Arabic: Solange



Coffee Hour Volunteers

If you are able to lend a hand in sponsoring a Sunday Morning Coffee Hour the following dates

are available.

Sunday, July 30–Open

Sunday, Aug. 6–Open

Sunday, Aug. 13–Open

Sunday, Aug. 20–Open

Sunday, Aug. 27–Open

Kindly, let us know which Sunday you are offering. The sign up sheet is in the back of the church. God bless



BASILICA & NATIONAL SHRINE
of Our Lady of Lebanon

**58TH ANNUAL
ASSUMPTION
PILGRIMAGE**

AUGUST 13-15, 2023

"A PILGRIMAGE TO REDISCOVER JESUS
IN THE MOST HOLY EUCHARIST"

2759 North Lipkey Road,
North Jackson, Ohio
For more information visit
[Www.ourladyoflebanonshrine.com](http://www.ourladyoflebanonshrine.com)

Weekly Collections

	Amount
Saturday 7/22/23	\$210.00
Sunday 7/23/23	\$492.00
Venmo	\$85.00
Special Donations 7/23/23	\$100.00
Mail In Donation 7/23/23	\$100.00
Total	\$987.00
Operational Expenses Needed weekly	\$ 3,400.00
Deficit	(-\$2,413.00)

SAVE THE DATE SAINT THERESA CHURCH 2023 ANNUAL LEBANESE FESTIVAL

September 22nd, 23rd, 24th

SAVE THE DATE OCTOBER 5, 2023



Eparchy of Saint Maron
14th Annual Benefit Dinner in New York
The Union League Club
38 East 37th Street, New York, NY
Details to follow



NEW ENGLAND
MID-ATLANTIC EAST
MID-ATLANTIC WEST
**EPARCHIAL
RETREAT**

Save THE Date

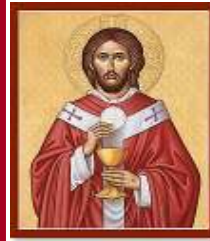
OCTOBER 27-28
2023

AMERICA'S
KESWICK
WHITING, NJ

DETAILS &
REGISTRATION
INFORMATION
TO FOLLOW

For the Month of July

Bread and Wine



Bread & wine for the Holy Gifts are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:
*+Nacklie and Marie Nessralla
by the family*

Vigil Candle for the Blessed Mother



Vigil candle for the Blessed Mother is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:
*+Mr. and Mrs. Manthala George, Sr.
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:
*+Geraldine George
by Manthala George, Jr. and family*

Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle



Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:
*+Dr. William, Abraham, Joseph,
Michael and Margaret George
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:
*+Mary George Davin, daughter Deborah Sperre, and
Lee George Roukous
by the family*



Saint Theresa

Maronite Catholic Church



Tenth Sunday of Pentecost

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A Reading from the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians 12:1-11

Brothers and Sisters: Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. **Praise be to God always.**

Gospel: Matthew 12:22-32

Then they brought to him a demoniac who was blind and mute; and he cured him, so that the one who had been mute could speak and see. All the crowds were amazed and said, 'Can this be the Son of David?' But when the Pharisees heard it, they said, 'It is only by Beelzebul, the ruler of the demons that this fellow casts out the demons.' He knew what they were thinking and said to them, 'Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and no city or house divided against itself will stand. If Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself; how then will his kingdom stand? If I cast out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your own exorcists cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges. But if it is by the Spirit of God that I cast out demons, and then the kingdom of God has come to you. Or how can one enter a strong man's house and plunder his property, without first tying up the strong man? Then indeed the house can be plundered. Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters. Therefore I tell you, people will be forgiven for every sin and blasphemy, but blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven. Whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, either in this age or in the age to come.



فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الرسول الأولى إلى أهل كورنثوس

يا إخوتي : أمّا في شأنِ المَوَاهِبِ الرُّوحِيَّةِ، أَيُّهَا الإِخْوَةُ، فلا أريدُ أَنْ تَكُونُوا جَاهِلِينَ. تَعَلَّمُونَ أَنَّكُمْ، عِنْدَمَا كُنْتُمْ وَتَّيِّبِينَ، كُنْتُمْ تَتَقَادُونَ مُنْجَرِفِينَ إِلَى الأَوْثَانِ البُكْمِ. لِذَلِكَ أُعَلِّمُكُمْ أَنَّهُ مَا مِنْ أَحَدٍ يَنْطِقُ بِرُوحِ اللهِ، وَيُكِنُّهُ أَنْ يَقُولَ: «يَسُوعُ مَحْرُوم!»؛ وَلَا أَحَدٌ يَقْدِرُ أَنْ يَقُولَ: «يَسُوعُ رَبٌّ!» إِلَّا بِالرُّوحِ القُدُسِ. إِنَّ المَوَاهِبَ الرُّوحِيَّةَ عَلَى أَنْوَاعٍ، لِكِنَّ الرُّوحِ وَاحِدٍ؛ وَالخِدْمَ عَلَى أَنْوَاعٍ، لِكِنَّ الرَّبِّ وَاحِدٍ؛ وَالأَعْمَالَ القَدِيرَةَ عَلَى أَنْوَاعٍ، لِكِنَّ اللهَ وَاحِدٍ، وَهُوَ يَعْمَلُ فِي الجَمِيعِ كُلِّ شَيْءٍ. وَكُلُّ وَاحِدٍ يُعْطَى مَوْهَبَةً يَتَجَلَّى الرُّوحُ فِيهَا مِنْ أَجْلِ الخَيْرِ العَامِ. فوَاحِدٌ يُعْطَى بِالرُّوحِ كَلَامَ الحِكْمَةِ، وَآخَرُ كَلَامَ المَعْرِفَةِ، وَفَقًّا لِلرُّوحِ عَيْنِهِ؛ وَآخَرُ مَوَاهِبَ الشِّفَاءِ فِي الرُّوحِ الوَاحِدِ؛ وَآخَرُ الأَعْمَالَ القَدِيرَةَ، وَآخَرُ النُّبُوءَةَ، وَآخَرُ تَمْيِيزَ الأَرْوَاحِ، وَآخَرُ أَنْوَاعَ الأَلْسُنِ، وَآخَرُ تَرْجَمَةَ الأَلْسُنِ. كُلُّ هَذَا يَعْمَلُهُ الرُّوحُ الوَاحِدُ عَيْنُهُ، مُورِّعًا لِكُلِّ وَاحِدٍ مَوَاهِبَهُ كَمَا يَشَاءُ.

والتسبيح لله دائما

من إنجيل ربنا يسوع المسيح للقديس متى

حِينَئِذٍ قَدَّمُوا إِلَى يَسُوعَ مَمْسُوسًا أَعْمَى وَأَخْرَسَ، فَشَفَاهُ، حَتَّى تَكَلَّمَ وَأَبْصَرَ. فَدَهَشَ الجُمُوعُ كُلُّهُمْ وَقَالُوا: "لَعَلَّ هَذَا هُوَ ابْنُ دَاوُدَ؟". وَسَمِعَ الفَرِّيْسِيُّونَ فَقَالُوا: "إِنَّ هَذَا الرَّجُلَ لَا يُخْرِجُ الشَّيَاطِينَ إِلَّا بِبِعْلِ زَبُولَ، رَئِيسِ الشَّيَاطِينِ". وَعَلِمَ يَسُوعُ أَفْكَارَهُمْ فَقَالَ لَهُمْ: "كُلُّ مَمْلَكَةٍ تَنْقَسِمُ عَلَى نَفْسِهَا تَخْرَبُ، وَكُلُّ مَدِينَةٍ أَوْ بَيْتٍ يَنْقَسِمُ عَلَى نَفْسِهِ لَا يَثْبُتُ. فَإِنْ كَانَ الشَّيْطَانُ يُخْرِجُ الشَّيْطَانَ، يَكُونُ قَدْ أَنْقَسَمَ عَلَى نَفْسِهِ، فَكَيْفَ تَثْبُتُ مَمْلَكَتُهُ؟ وَإِنْ كُنْتُ أَنَا بِيَعْلَ زَبُولَ أَخْرِجُ الشَّيَاطِينِ، فَأَبْنَاؤُكُمْ بِمَنْ يُخْرِجُونَهُمْ؟ لِذَلِكَ فَهَمْ أَنْفُسُهُمْ سَيَحْكُمُونَ عَلَيْكُمْ. أَمَّا إِنْ كُنْتُ أَنَا بِرُوحِ اللهِ أَخْرِجُ الشَّيَاطِينِ، فَقَدْ وَاقَاكُمْ مَلَكُوتُ اللهِ. أَمْ كَيْفَ يَقْدِرُ أَحَدٌ أَنْ يَدْخُلَ بَيْتَ القَوِيِّ وَيَنْهَبَ أَمْنِعَتَهُ، إِنْ لَمْ يَرْتَبِطِ القَوِيُّ أَوْلَى، وَحِينَئِذٍ يَنْهَبُ بَيْتَهُ؟ مَنْ لَيْسَ مَعِيَ فَهُوَ عَلَيَّ. وَمَنْ لَا يَجْمَعُ مَعِيَ فَهُوَ يُبَدِّدُ. لِذَلِكَ أَقُولُ لَكُمْ: كُلُّ حَاطِيئَةٍ سَتُعْفَرُ لِلنَّاسِ، وَكُلُّ تَجْدِيفٍ عَلَى الرُّوحِ فَلَنْ يُعْفَرَ. مَنْ قَالَ كَلِمَةً عَلَى ابْنِ الإِنْسَانِ سَيُعْفَرُ لَهُ. أَمَّا مَنْ قَالَ عَلَى الرُّوحِ القُدُسِ فَلَنْ يُعْفَرَ لَهُ، لَا فِي هَذَا الدَّهْرِ، وَلَا فِي الآتِي."

Saint Theresa Church

Lebanese Festival

September 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 2023



Homemade Gift Basket Ideas



Gift Basket Theme

We are asking for your help in making this year's Basket Raffle our most successful event yet. Many creative baskets have been donated in the past, and we hope you will continue your generosity this year. A significant number of baskets with various themes ranging in price from \$75, \$100 and \$150 are needed. Here are a few ways you can help:

- ◆ If you would like to donate any monetary denomination for a theme basket, please make your check payable to **St. Theresa Church**; your basket will have a theme and be displayed for the raffle with your name on it- **[example: donated by...]**. You may drop your donation in the collection box or mail it to St. Theresa Church, PO Box 2567, Brockton, MA 02305-2567, **by September 10, 2023.**
- ◆ Here are **some ideas** if you would like to design your **own** theme basket: *Thanksgiving, Christmas, Baking, Kitchen, Tea, Coffee, Knitting, Country Jams and Relishes, Tuscany Pasta & Wine, Toys, Lottery, Family Movie Night, Italian Gourmet, Lebanese Gourmet, Children's, Baby, Soup to Nuts, Gifts Certificates are welcome.*

If you need **help** or have any questions, please call Paula at the Church office 508-586-1428. **All Theme Baskets are due by September 10, 2023.**

The success of our Theme Basket Raffle depends on your help and generosity. Let's get our collective imaginations and artistic juices flowing to create the best theme baskets yet! And let's spread the word of our Festival to family and friends.

