



Saint Theresa Maronite Church

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The Transfiguration of Our Lord—Eleventh Sunday of Pentecost



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FREE Admission

All are invited to come and join us
Parties will go on over one or more!
Check the date!

St. Anthony of the Desert Church
300 N. Eastern Avenue, Fall River, MA 02723

Lebanese Mahrajan Food Festival

Friday, August 4th - 5pm to 10pm
Saturday, August 5th - Noon to 11pm
Sunday, August 6th - 11am to 5pm

Authentic Lebanese Food and Pastry



Andre Ibrahim
and Executive
Fri 4pm - 8:00pm
Sat Noon - 8:00pm
Sun 11am - 5pm

GS DJ'S
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Fri 4pm - 8:00pm
Sat Noon - 8:00pm
Sun 11am - 5pm

Fun For The Whole Family

Alcoholic Beverages

Hookah

St. Anthony of the Desert - Lebanese Catholic Church
Website: www.stanthonyfallriver.org
Phone: 508-844-7233

5th ANNUAL LEBANESE MAHRAJAN

ST. ANTHONY MARONITE CHURCH, LAWRENCE, MA

LABOR DAY WEEKEND

Homemade Lebanese Food and Pastry, Hookah, Raffles, Arts and Crafts, Souvenirs, Folkloric Dance and Belly Dancing, Free Cooking and Belly Dancing Classes, Children Activities.

12 SEP
2 SEP
3 SEP

Fri 5p-1a
Sat 5p-2a
Sun 12p-12a



LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

BERNICE YAGHI
CHLOE HADJILAKIS
GAYLEA DOBOSKI

www.stanthonylawrence.org | www.stanthonylawrence.org | 778-844-7233

Food, Bar, Live Music, Sej, Raffles, Dancing

Our Lady Of Purgatory Church

Lebanese Festival

Friday, September 8, 2023
5:00PM - 11:00PM
Live Entertainment

Saturday, September 9, 2023
12:00PM - 11:00PM

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

With Andre G. Abou Sam

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

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



*"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
For registration please see
Mirna Issa

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 Therese of Lisieux

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

MYO—MYA

MYO—MYA meet
September through April

The Transfiguration of Our Lord-Eleventh Sunday of Pentecost

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

+For the Souls of Remember Me In Your Kingdom

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

+Jeannette Haikal as requested by Madeleine Asack and family



Twelfth Sunday of Pentecost

Sat. Aug. 12 at 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Intention available on request

Sun. Aug. 13 at 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Chafic Saade and his daughter Therese Chafic Saade as requested by the family



The Assumption of the Blessed Mother

Vigil Liturgy will be celebrated on Monday, August 14 at 7:00 PM

A Pot Luck Dinner will follow in the Parish Hall. If you are able to participate please see Mirna Issa so that she may coordinate this event.



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@sttheresabrockton



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Lectors' Schedule

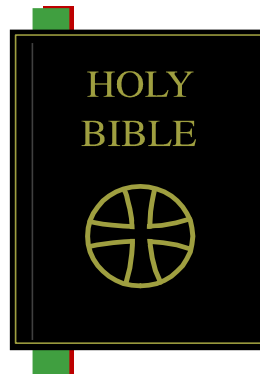
Saturday, August 5, 2023

English: Cauna

Sunday, August 6, 2023

English: Mirna Issa

Arabic: Alison



Coffee Hour Volunteers

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

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



St. Theresa Church Dabke

Troupe: Again, this year at our Festival will be our Dabke Dance Troupe from our students of Religious Education / MYO. **Practice** sessions have started if you are interested in joining please see Mirna Issa.

Ahlan Wa Sahlan!

Weekly Collections

	Amount
Saturday 7/29/23	\$60.00
Sunday 7/30/23	\$827.00
Mail In Donation 7/31/23	\$200.00
Memory Donation 7/30/23	\$150.00
Total	\$1,237.00
Operational Expenses Needed weekly	\$ 3,400.00
Deficit	(-\$2,163.00)



With gratitude to God for His abundant blessings, we cordially invite you to join us in celebrating the

First Profession of Vows of

Sister Emily Mary Lattouf

as a Maronite Servant of Christ the Light
The profession will take place within the
Divine Liturgy celebrated by

His Excellency Gregory John Mansour
Bishop of the Eparchy Of Saint Maron

at Saint Anthony of the Desert Church
300 North Eastern Avenue, Fall River, Massachusetts
at six o'clock in the evening on

Thursday, September 7, 2023
Vigil of the Birth of the Blessed Virgin

A reception will follow in Saint Sharbel Hall.

R.S.V.P. by August 28
to Sister Marla Marie via email:

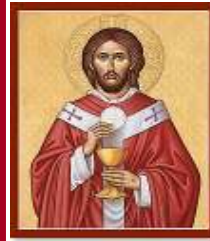
Email: sister@maroniteservants.org -or- Telephone: 508/996-1753

If you are unable to attend and would like to offer a donation to support the sisters, please remit to: Maronite Servants, at 856 Tucker Road, Dartmouth MA 02747. Or via PayPal on our website: maroniteservants.org or Venmo @ MaroniteServants



For the Month of August

Bread and Wine



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

+Laudy Ghazal
by Mr. and Mrs. Roukoz Joumaa

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 :

+Eva Abourjaily
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 :

+Tofie and Theresa Samia
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:

+Laudy Ghazal
by Mr. and Mrs. Roukoz Joumaa



Saint Theresa

Maronite Catholic Church



Transfiguration of Our Lord-Eleventh Sunday of Pentecost

Aug. 5-6, 2023

A Reading from the Second Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians 3:7-17

Brothers and Sisters: If the ministry of death, chiseled in letters on stone tablets, came in glory so that the people of Israel could not gaze at Moses' face because of the glory of his face, a glory now set aside, how much more will the ministry of the Spirit come in glory? For if there was glory in the ministry of condemnation, much more does the ministry of justification abound in glory! Indeed, what once had glory has lost its glory because of the greater glory; for if what was set aside came through glory, much more has the permanent come in glory! Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. **Praise to God always.**

Gospel: Mark 9: 1-7

And he said to them, 'Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see that the kingdom of God has come with power.' Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!'

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الرسول الثانية إلى أهل كورنثس



يا إِخْوَتِي، إِذَا كَانَتْ خِدْمَةُ الْمَوْتِ، الَّتِي نُفِستْ حُرُوفُهَا فِي أَلْوَاحٍ مِنْ حَجَرٍ، قَدْ ظَهَرَتْ فِي الْمَجْدِ،
حَتَّى إِنَّ بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ لَمْ يَقْدِرُوا أَنْ يَنْظُرُوا إِلَى وَجْهِ مُوسَى، بِسَبَبِ مَجْدِ وَجْهِهِ، مَعَ أَنَّهُ مَجْدٌ زَائِلٌ، فَكَيْفَ لَا تَكُونُ خِدْمَةُ
الرُّوحِ أَكْثَرَ مَجْدًا؟ إِذَا كَانَ لِخِدْمَةِ الدَّيْنُونَةِ مَجْدٌ، فَكَمْ بِالْأَحْرَى تَقُوفُهَا خِدْمَةُ الْبِرِّ مَجْدًا؟ لِأَنَّ مَا كَانَ ذَا مَجْدٍ فِي الْمَاضِي،
زَالَ مَجْدُهُ، بِالْقِيَاسِ إِلَى هَذَا الْمَجْدِ الْفَائِقِ! إِذَا كَانَ مِنْ مَجْدٍ لِمَا يَزُولُ، فَأَيُّ مَجْدٍ يَكُونُ بِالْأَحْرَى لِمَا يَدُومُ؟ إِذَا، بِمَا أَنَّ لَنَا
مِثْلَ هَذَا الرَّجَاءِ، فَنَحْنُ نَتَصَرَّفُ بِكَثِيرٍ مِنَ الْجُرْأَةِ، وَلَسْنَا كَمُوسَى الَّذِي كَانَ يَضَعُ بُرْقَعًا عَلَى وَجْهِهِ، لِئَلَّا يَنْظُرَ بَنُو إِسْرَائِيلَ
إِلَى نِهَآيَةِ مَجْدِ يَزُولِ. وَلَكِنْ أَعْمَيْتُ بَصَائِرَهُمْ؛ فَإِنَّ ذَلِكَ الْبُرْقَعُ نَفْسُهُ بَاقٍ إِلَى هَذَا الْيَوْمِ، عِنْدَمَا يَقْرَأُونَ الْعَهْدَ الْقَدِيمَ؛ وَلَا
يُكْشَفُ عَنْ بَصَائِرِهِمْ، لِأَنَّهُ لَا يَزُولُ إِلَّا بِالْمَسِيحِ! أَجَلٌ، إِنَّ ذَلِكَ الْبُرْقَعُ لَا يَزَالُ حَتَّى الْيَوْمِ مَوْضُوعًا عَلَى قُلُوبِهِمْ، عِنْدَمَا
يَقْرَأُونَ كِتَابَ مُوسَى. وَلَكِنْ عِنْدَمَا يَرْجِعُونَ إِلَى الرَّبِّ، يُنْزَعُ الْبُرْقَعُ عَنْ قُلُوبِهِمْ. فَإِنَّ الرَّبَّ هُوَ الرُّوحُ، وَحَيْثُ يَكُونُ رُوحُ الرَّبِّ
تَكُونُ الْحُرِّيَّةُ.

والتسبيح لله دائما

من إنجيل ربنا يسوع المسيح للقديس مرقس

قَالَ الرَّبُّ يَسُوعُ: "الْحَقُّ أَقُولُ لَكُمْ: إِنَّ بَعْضًا مِنَ الْقَائِمِينَ هُنَا لَنْ يَدُوقُوا الْمَوْتِ، حَتَّى يَرَوْا مَلَكُوتَ اللَّهِ وَقَدْ أَتَى بِقُوَّةٍ". وَبَعْدَ
سِتَّةِ أَيَّامٍ أَخَذَ يَسُوعُ بُطْرُسَ وَيَعْقُوبَ وَيُوحَنَّا، وَصَعِدَ بِهِمْ وَحَدَّاهُمْ إِلَى جَبَلٍ عَالٍ عَلَى أَنْفِرَادٍ، وَتَجَلَّى أَمَامَهُمْ. وَصَارَتْ ثِيَابُهُ
بَيْضَاءَ نَاصِعَةٍ، حَتَّى لَيْعُجُزُ أَيُّ قِصَارٍ عَلَى الْأَرْضِ أَنْ يَبْيِضَ مِثْلَهَا. وَتَرَاءَى لَهُمْ إِبِلِيَّا مَعَ مُوسَى، وَكَانَا يَتَكَلَّمَانِ مَعَ يَسُوعِ.
فَقَالَ بُطْرُسُ لِيَسُوعِ: "رَبِّي، حَسَنٌ لَنَا أَنْ نَكُونَ هُنَا! فَلْنُنْصِبْ ثَلَاثَ مَظَالٍ، لَكَ وَاحِدَةً، وَلِمُوسَى وَاحِدَةً، وَإِبِلِيَّا وَاحِدَةً". وَلَمْ
يَكُنْ يَدْرِي مَا يَقُولُ، لِأَنَّ الْخَوْفَ أَعْتَرَاهُمْ. وَظَهَرَتْ غَمَامَةٌ تَطْلُلُهُمْ، وَجَاءَ صَوْتُ مِنَ الْغَمَامَةِ يَقُولُ: "هَذَا هُوَ ابْنِي الْحَبِيبُ،
فَلَهُ أَسْمَعُوا!".

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.

