SOME FELL INTO GOOD SOIL, AND WHEN IT GREW, 
IT PRODUCED A HUNDREDFOLD. 

LUKE 8: 8
Thirteenth Sunday of Pentecost
Sat. Aug. 26 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:
+ Intention of the celebrant

Sun. Aug. 27 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:
+Georgette Attieh as requested by the family

Fourteenth Sunday of Pentecost
Sat. Sept. 2 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:
+ Intention of the celebrant

Sun. Sept. 3 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:
+Intention of the celebrant

For the Month of August
Bread & wine for the Holy Gifts are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
+Tofie and Theresa Samia, son John by the family

Vigil candle for the Gospel Throne is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
+Nabih Ayoub by Mr. and Mrs. George Ayoub

Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
+Alexandra El Khoury Nassif by Mr. and Mrs. George Ayoub

Vigil candle for Shrine of St. Theresa is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
+Mr. and Mrs. Manthala George, Sr. and all deceased members of the family by the family

Lectors’ Schedule
Saturday, August 26 , 2017
English: Kevin

Sunday, August 27, 2017
English: Gordon
Arabic: Lena S.

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.

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.
Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:1-11

I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ. I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready, for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarrelling among you, you are not of the flesh, and living according to human inclinations? For when one says, 'I belong to Paul', and another, 'I belong to Apollos', are you not merely human? What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each. I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters has a foundation; and someone else is building on it. For we are God’s servants, working together; you are God’s field, God’s building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ.


Jesus went on through cities and villages, proclaiming and bringing the good news of the kingdom of God. The twelve were with him, as well as some women who had been cured of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out, and Joanna, the wife of Herod’s steward Chuza, and Susanna, and many others, who provided for them out of their resources. When a great crowd gathered and people from town after town came to him, he said in a parable: ‘A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell on the path and was trampled on, and the birds of the air ate it up. Some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered for lack of moisture. Some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew with it and choked it. Some fell into good soil, and it grew, it produced a hundredfold.’ As he said this, he called out, ‘Let anyone with ears to hear listen!’ Then his disciples asked him what this parable meant. He said, ‘To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but to others I speak in parables, so that “looking they may not perceive, and listening they may not understand.”’

‘The parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones on the path are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe only for a while and in time it withers away. As for what fell among thorns, these are the ones who hear; but as they go on their way, they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. But as for that in the good soil, these are the ones who, when they hear the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patient endurance.’
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: 8/20/17, $601.00

Welcome New Parishioners: If you are new to our parish, please fill out a registration 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 extend a warm welcome to you and your family to our parish family.

Please Note: Eucharistic Adoration will take place on Friday, August 25, 2017. Liturgy will take place at 7:00 PM followed by Eucharistic Adoration at 7:30 PM.

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.

Coffee Hour—Help Wanted! If you are able to lend a hand on sponsoring a Sunday Morning Coffee Hour, Please see Abouna.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE III
If anyone knows just cause why Miss Michelle Merhej and Mr. Roy Chahine may not lawfully be joined in Holy Matrimony, he or she is to declare it. This is the Third publication.

News From Our Sister Parishes
St. Anthony Maronite Church in Lawrence, MA, is hosting their Annual Lebanese Mahrajan on Friday, Sept. 1, from 6PM-Midnight, Featuring Andre Keedy and Ensemble, Saturday, Sept. 2, from 5PM-Midnight, Featuring Chadi Naddaf and Ensemble and Sunday, Sept. 3 from Noon —Midnight, Featuring George Maalouf and Ensemble. Free Admission! At 145 Amesbury Street, Lawrence, MA 01841.

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 2017-2018 Religious Education school year. We look forward to seeing you here at St. Theresa Church and having your child participate in our program.

Registration Day / First Class
Sunday, September 10, 2017 at 8:45AM

St. Theresa Church Festival
Sept. 22, 23, 24, 2017

Once again, we are inviting all parishioners and families to join to ensure the success of our Festival. Volunteers are needed to work at the Festival on one or more days; if you are able to lend a helping hand please speak with Abouna Joseph or Michelle Nessralla.
SAINT THERESA CHURCH

LEBANESE FESTIVAL

343 North Main Street • Brockton, MA 02301 • 508-586-1428

FRIDAY, 9/22
3 PM - MIDNIGHT
MITCHELL KALTSUNAS
ANDRE KEEDY

SATURDAY, 9/23
11:00 AM - 1:00 AM
MITCHELL KALTSUNAS
CHADI NADDAF
NICK YOUSSEF

SUNDAY, 9/24
NOON - 6:00PM
MITCHELL KALTSUNAS
ANDRE KEEDY

Singer MITCHELL KALTSUNAS
Singer Chadi Naddaf
Singer Andre Keedy

Kebbe - Sweets
Maccaroun
Tabouli

Comedian
NICK YOUSSEF
DJ
GABE ELMASSIH
Falafel
Sajj
Shawarma Beef & Chicken Kabob
Katta
Spinach Pie
Grape Leaves
Hummus

Lebanese Coffee
Baklava
Nammoura
Hot Dogs
Hamburgers
Full Liquor • Cash Bar

Daily Raffles

Parking is Available
at the AMR Ambulance Center
and the Angelo School

Promote Your Business By Donating
To Saint Theresa Festival Sponsorship Banners

Call Church Office @ 508-586-1428
NO OUTSIDE FOOD, DRINKS OR ARGUILE
Lebanese Food Festival

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."
~Helen Keller~

Our Annual Lebanese Food Festival will be held on Friday, September 22nd, Saturday, September 23rd and Sunday, September 24th. We are busyly planning and preparing for this year’s Festival to be the most successful one thus far!

Once again, we are inviting all parishioners and families to join to ensure the success of our Festival. There are so many ways that you can contribute.

*Our goal is to have all items donated towards the Festival. The following is a list of items needed. We appreciate any Monetary Donations towards these items that we need to purchase.*

Items Needed for Purchase

- Vegetables: 5 bags of onions, 10 boxes of lettuces, 3 boxes of cucumbers, 10 boxes of tomatoes
- Carrots, Peppers, Garlic
- Oil: Vegetable Oil and Cooking Oil
- Feta Cheese, Zaatar, Falafel items, 1 Gallon of Olives, 2 Gallons of Labne, Rice Pilaf, Nuts
- Water, Soda, Beer, Liquor, Lebanese Coffee
- Arguile: Tobacco, Charcoal
- Propane: Gas for the tanks
- Meat: Beef and Chicken for both Shawarma, Kabobs, and Kafta
- Paper Products: Tablecloth’s, Plates, Utensils, Gloves, Trash Bags, Popcorn, Sugar, Salt
- Donation towards the outside Tents, Freezer and Dumpster
- Volunteer to work at the Festival on one or more days; speak with Abouna Joseph or Michelle Nessralla about how you can help.
- Buy a Sponsorship for your Family/Business in loving memory of a deceased family member.
- Offer to take a Lawn Sign and place it in your yard.
- SPREAD THE WORD and attend the Festival with your family, friends and relatives! Ahla ou Sahla Feekoon! The more the merrier!
August 1, 2017

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Saint Theresa Church:

Saint Theresa Maronite Catholic Church is proudly sponsoring our ninth annual Lebanese Festival on Friday, September 22nd, Saturday, September 23rd, and Sunday, September 24th. This festival is a major fundraiser for our parish, and we look forward to showcasing the food, music and dance of our Lebanese heritage to our many expected visitors and guests. Past years’ festivals were well-attended and highly publicized events, drawing thousands of guests and visitors including city and regional dignitaries and business leaders, area clergy, residents of the Greater Brockton area, and fellow parishioners from across the diocese.

As part of our fundraising efforts, Sponsorship Banners advertising businesses or in honor of loved ones will once again be made available to our parishioners, friends and supporters. Purchasing a sponsorship banner provides an excellent opportunity for each of us to financially support our beautiful church of Saint Theresa. Each banner will be uniquely designed. Please complete the attached form entitled 2017 Sponsorship Banners and return it to Saint Theresa Church by Sunday, September 3rd.

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.

I thank you for your generosity and kindness. May God bless you and your family!

Sincerely yours,
Father Joseph Daiif and the Festival Committee
Saint Theresa Church Lebanese Festival
September 22, 23 and 24, 2017
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)

_____ White Diamond Sponsorship (12’ X 2 ½’) Vinyl Banner $10,000.00

_____ Chrystal Sponsorship (10’ X 2 ½’) Vinyl Banner $5,000.00

_____ 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: Return this completed form with full payment by Sunday, September 3, 2017

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

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

PLEASE NOTE: Donations of $250.00 or more will be acknowledged with a tax-deductible letter required by the Internal Revenue Service.