

# Saint Theresa Maronite Church

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Thirteenth Sunday of Pentecost / Transfiguration of Our Lord

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*"I will let fall from Heaven a Shower of Roses."*

*~Saint Theresa of Lisieux~ "The Little Flower"*



**Transfiguration of Our Lord**

## **The Transfiguration of Our Lord**

**Sat. Aug. 6 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:**

+Intention available

**Sun. Aug. 7 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:**

+Youssef Habshi and his daughter Tania

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## **Fourteenth Sunday of Pentecost**

**Sat. Aug. 13 @ 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:**

+Intention available

**Sun. Aug. 14 @ 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:**

+Intention available

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## **NB: Holy Day of Obligation**

## **The Assumption of the Blessed Mother**

**Monday, Aug. 15 @ 7:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:**

+Isabelle Bethoney by Margo Asack



### **For the Month of August**

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

**Vigil candle for the Gospel Throne** is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
+All deceased members of the Asiatic families by  
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Colanderea

**Sanctuary candle for the Tabernacle** is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
+Special Intention

**Vigil candle for Shrine of St. Theresa** is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
+John E. Samia, Jr. by the family



### **Lectors' Schedule**

**Saturday, August 6, 2016**

Thomas

**Sunday, August 7, 2016**

**English:** Mary Anne

**Arabic:** Lina

### **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: 2 Corinthians 3: 7-17

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.

## رسالة القديس بولس الثانية إلى أهل قورنتس. 7:3-17

يا إخوتي، إذا كانت خدمة الموت، التي نُقِشت حُرُوفها في ألواح من حجر، قد ظهرت في المجد، حتى إن بني إسرائيل لم يقدروا أن ينظروا إلى وجه موسى، بسبب مجد وجهه، مع أنه مجد زائل،

فكيف لا تكون خدمة الروح أكثر مجدًا؟

فإذا كان لخدمة الديونة مجد، فكم بالأحرى توفيقها خدمة البر مجدًا؟

لأن ما كان ذا مجد في الماضي، زال مجده، بالقياس إلى هذا المجد الفائق!

فإذا كان من مجد لما يزول، فأي مجد يكون بالأحرى لما يدوم؟ إذا، بما أن لنا مثل هذا الرجاء، فنحن نتصرف بكثير من الجرأة، ولسنا كموسى الذي كان يضع برقعًا على وجهه، لئلا ينظر بنو إسرائيل إلى نهاية مجد يزول.

ولكن أعميت بصائرهم؛ فإن ذلك البرقع نفسه باقٍ إلى هذا اليوم، عندما يقرأون العهد القديم؛ ولا يكشف عن بصائرهم، لأنه لا يزول إلا بالمسيح!

أجل، إن ذلك البرقع لا يزال حتى اليوم موضوعًا على قلوبهم، عندما يقرأون كتاب موسى.

ولكن عندما يرجعون إلى الرب، ينزع البرقع عن قلوبهم. فإن الرب هو الروح، وحيث يكون روح الرب تكون الحرية.



## Gospel: Mark 9:1-7

And he said to them, 'Truly I tell you, there is 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!'

## إنجيل القديس مرقس 7:1-9

قال الرب يسوع: «ألحق أقول لكم: إن بعضًا من القائمِين هنا لن يدوفوا الموت، حتى يروا ملكوت الله وقد أتى بقوة».

وبعد ستة أيام أخذ يسوع بطرس ويعقوب ويوحنا، وصعد بهم وحدهم إلى جبل عالٍ على أنفراد، وتجلّى أمامهم.

وصارت ثيابه بيضاء ناصعة، حتى ليعجز أي قصارٍ على الأرض أن يبيض مثلها.

وترأى لهم إيليا مع موسى، وكانا يتكلمان مع يسوع. فقال بطرس ليسوع: «رأبي، حسنٌ لنا أن نكون هنا!

فلننصب ثلاث مظال، لك واحدة، ولموسى واحدة، ولإيليا واحدة».

ولم يكن يدري ما يقول، لأن الخوف أعتراهم.

وظهرت غمامة تظللهم، وجاء صوتٌ من الغمامة يقول: «هذا هو ابني الحبيب، فله أسمعوا!».

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: 7/31/16 \$652.00



**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 are in full swing . If you are interested in joining please see Mirna Issa.



**Please join us....** for Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall each Sunday following Divine Liturgy. Visit with family and friends.

**BIBLE STUDY**

Please join Abouna Joseph for Bible Study on *Saturday, August 27, 2016* in the church hall following the 4:00PM Liturgy. We will be studying the Gospel of Luke 15:11-32, The Prodigal Son. Everyone is welcomed. Ahalan Wa Sahlan!

**Thoughts to ponder:**

- ◆ We must seek unity within diversity!
- ◆ Representing God is more important than getting your way!
- ◆ Crying is a way your eyes speak when your mouth can't explain how broken your heart is!



**St. Theresa Church Dabke Troupe** will be hosting a Bake Sale on *Sunday, August 28, 2016* following the 10:30 AM

Liturgy. All proceeds will benefit the **Dabke Troupe** for their costume's for our Festival. If you are able to bake one of your delicious sweets please call *Mirna*. Thank you for your continued support of St. Theresa Church and her programs. Please Join US!



**News from our Sister Parishes**

**Our Lady of the Cedars**

61 Rockwood Street, Jamaica Plain, MA

**Annual Lebanese Festival**

Friday, August 12th from 5:00PM-11:00PM,  
Saturday, August 13th from 4:00PM-11:00PM and  
Sunday, August 14th from 12:00 Noon –4:00PM.  
Featuring *Mitchell Kaltsunas, George Maalouf and DJ-Roy Chahwan*. The event features Lebanese food, Sweets, Children Games and more.

**St. Sharbel Maronite Church**

3679 Providence Road

Newtown Square, PA 19073

**Annual Festival**

Saturday, August 13th and Sunday, August 14th, 2016  
Saturday, Noon to 11PM –Sunday, 12:30 to 9PM  
Featuring George Maamari Band and Live Arabic & English DJ. The event features Lebanese food, Sweets, Children Games and more.

**St. Anthony Maronite Church**

17 Granville Avenue, Danbury, CT

**Annual Lebanese Maharjan**

Friday, August 19th and Saturday, August 20th, 2016  
From 12:00 Noon — 12 Midnight both days  
Featuring Amin Sultan and the Sultan Orchestra.  
The event features Lebanese food, Sweets, Children Games

**Our Lady of the Cedars Melkite Church**

140 Mitchell Street, Manchester, NH

**Annual Maharjan 2016**

Friday, August 19th, from 5PM-10PM  
Saturday, August 20th, 12 Noon-10PM-Sunday August 21st,  
12 Noon-5PM. Featuring George Maalouf & Band. Middle Eastern food, Sweets and Children Games.

**St. Ann Melkite Church**

41 Cross Road, Waterford, CT

**Annual Mahrajan**

**Sunday, August 28, 2016**

Sunday, from 11:00AM —5:00PM  
Featuring Nader Hawa and Ensemble  
Middle Eastern and American Food, Children Activities.  
Special guest: Bishop Nicholas J. Samra

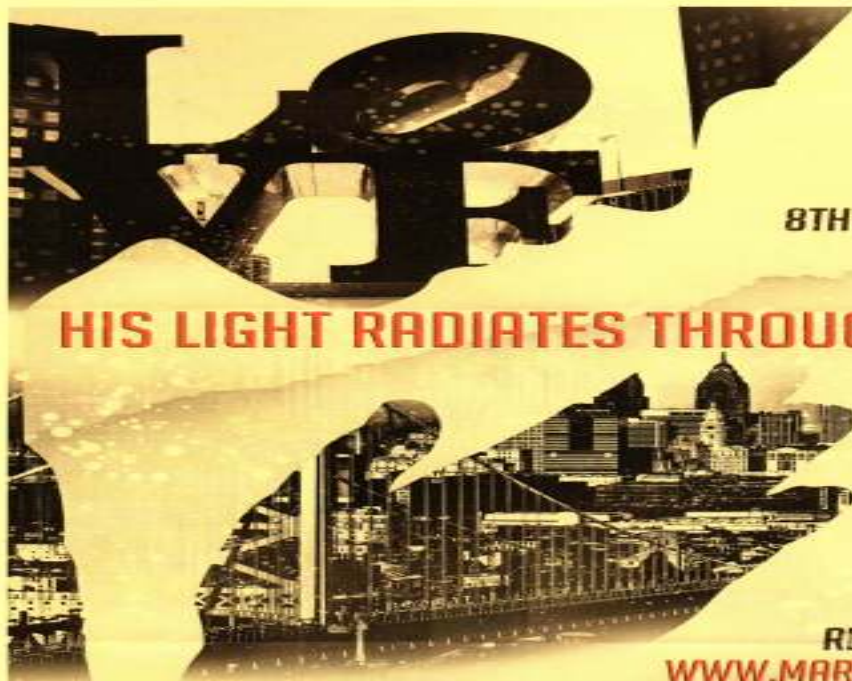
**Save The Date**

**St. Theresa Church Presents Our**

**Annual Lebanese Food Festival**

Friday, September 23, 2016  
Saturday, September 24, 2016  
Sunday, September 25, 2016

**Ahlan Wa Sahlan!**



8TH ANNUAL MYA WORKSHOP

PRESENTS

**HIS LIGHT RADIATES THROUGH OUR MERCY**

**PHILLY, PA**

30TH  
SEPT — 2ND  
OCT

REGISTER ONLINE AT

[WWW.MARONITEYOUNGADULTS.ORG](http://WWW.MARONITEYOUNGADULTS.ORG)

\$250 EARLY REGISTRATION (BEFORE AUG 19TH) | \$275 LATE REGISTRATION (AFTER AUG 19TH)  
\$150 FOR DAY ATTENDEES (NO HOTEL) | ABSOLUTE DEADLINE IS SEPT 2ND

DOUBLE TREE BY HILTON: PHILADELPHIA AIRPORT

**4509 ISLAND AVENUE - PHILADELPHIA, PA 19153**

## 8th Annual MYA Workshop

Philadelphia, PA • September 30 - October 2, 2016

Double Tree by Hilton: Philadelphia Airport • 4509 Island Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19153

### ST. MARON MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

1013 ELLSWORTH STREET

PHILADELPHIA, PA 19147

### Theme: His Light Radiates Through Our Mercy

\$250 early registration (by August 19)  
\$275 late registration (after August 19)  
\$150 for Day Attendees (no hotel)  
Absolute Registration Deadline: Sept 2

On registration, indicate 2 days prior and after if needed for hotel rooms.

Register Online at [www.maroniteyoungadults.org](http://www.maroniteyoungadults.org)

Registration Opens July 6 (first day of NAM)

#### General MYA Mission Statement:

The Maronite Young Adult (MYA) organization is a group of Maronite Catholic disciples who intentionally live the teaching of the Catholic Church and embrace Jesus in their daily lives. By their service, social, and spiritual activities, they seek to live the Gospel of mercy and compassion and grow in their relationship with Jesus and one another.

#### National MYA Board Mission Statement:

The National Maronite Young Adult (MYA) Board seeks to build faith communities through the organization. They are passionate about preserving their Maronite Catholic faith and seek to ignite hearts with love for Jesus. They strive to lead by example in their fidelity to daily prayer and supporting parish MYA activities, retreats, and national workshops.



THE EPARCHY OF SAINT MARON

CELEBRATING

50

YEARS

1966-2016

PLEASE SAVE THIS DATE  
**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2016**  
AND JOIN US FOR THE

**50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF  
THE PRESENCE OF A  
MARONITE BISHOP IN  
THE UNITED STATES**

CATHEDRAL OF OUR LADY OF LEBANON  
BROOKLYN, NY and  
NEW YORK MARRIOTT AT  
BROOKLYN BRIDGE

DETAILS TO FOLLOW

Come and join Bishop Gregory Mansour and  
the entire community at a celebration of the  
50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the presence of a  
Maronite Bishop in the United States

**Friday, October 7, 2016**

6:00 PM DIVINE LITURGY  
CATHEDRAL OF OUR LADY OF LEBANON

8:00 PM BANQUET  
NEW YORK MARRIOTT AT BROOKLYN BRIDGE

Lodging is available at the Marriott

Details to follow via mail, email and at  
[www.stmaron.org](http://www.stmaron.org).



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