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Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith!
Matthew 15: 27

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

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

"Do you realize that Jesus is there in the tabernacle expressly for you - for you alone? He burns with the desire to come into your heart...don't listen to the demon, laugh at him, and go without fear to receive the Jesus of peace and love..." ~St. Theresa of Lisieux~

Please Note: Eucharistic Adoration takes place on

To be announced.

MYO—MYA

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September through April

Twelfth Sunday of Pentecost

Sat. Aug. 20 at 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Robert Cavicchio as requested by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Magner

Sun. Aug. 21 at 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Boutrossieh Nesseralla as requested by Youseff Nesseralla and family



Thirteenth Sunday of Pentecost

Sat. Aug. 27 at 4:00 PM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Carol Murray as requested by Mr. and Mrs. Paul Magner

Sun. Aug. 28 at 10:30 AM Liturgy Celebrated for:

+Intention Available

Dear Parishioners of Saint Theresa Church:

There have been many inquiries regarding this year's Lebanese Festival. An initial planning meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, **August 25th, at 6:00PM** in the church hall. I strongly encourage all of our parishioners who are interested in planning, organizing and volunteering for this event to attend the meeting on the 25th.

If you are interested in volunteering for the festival but are unable to attend the meeting, please call me at 1-978-457-5889. I look forward to seeing many of you on August 25th.

*Thank you and blessings to all.
Father Joseph Abisaad*

News from Our Sister Parishes

St. Antony of the Desert Church

300 North Eastern Ave.

Fall River, MA 02723

Will host their Annual Lebanese Food Festival on Friday, August, 26th from 5:00 PM-11:00 PM, Saturday, August 27th, from 12:00 Noon-11:00 PM, Sunday, August 28th from 11:00 AM -7:00 PM.

There will be food, live music, games, dancing, and more! Free Admission .

St. Antony Maronite Church

145 Amesbury Street

Lawrence, MA 01841

*"The Maronite community of St. Anthony in Lawrence cordially invites everyone to join them as they celebrate their **50th Annual Mahrajan** to be held on Friday, September 2nd from 6pm – 1am; Saturday, September 3rd from 5pm-2am; and Sunday, September 4th from noon - midnight. There will be food, live music, games, dancing, and more! Free Admission for All!!"*



**TIME, TALENT & TREASURE
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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. 8/14/22 \$910.00

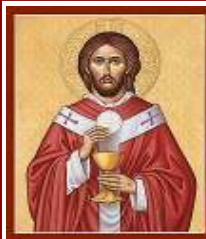
Prayer for Spiritual Communion

O Divine Ocean of Mercy and Compassion, be with us in our time of trial and difficulties. Today I make an act of spiritual communion with you, the Life-Giving Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. At this time I am not able to receive the sacred body and blood of my Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ, but I choose to live in union with him and in the unity of the Holy Spirit. I offer my day, my daily life, my joys and sorrows to you, for those around me, and for the whole world. Be with us O life-giving Triune God, for we know that nothing in this world has power over us. O Lover of all people, have mercy on us and on the whole world.



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:

*+John E. Samia, Jr.
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:

*+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 :

*+Nacklie and Marie Nessralla
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 :

*+Eva Abourjaily
by the family*

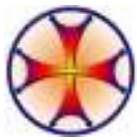
Vigil candles for the Gospel Throne



Vigil candle for the Gospel Throne

is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of:

+Farah Farah



Saint Theresa

Maronite Catholic Church



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A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians 3:1-13

Brother and Sisters: This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations, this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel, I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so, that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him. I pray therefore that you may not lose heart over my sufferings for you; they are your glory. **Praise be to God always!**

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, 'Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon. But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, 'Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us. 'He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. 'But she came and knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, help me.' He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.



فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الرسول إلى أهل أفسس

يا إِخْوَتِي، أَنَا بُولُسُ، أَسِيرَ الْمَسِيحِ يَسُوعَ مِنْ أَجْلِكُمْ، أَيُّهَا الْأُمَّمُ... إِنْ كُنْتُمْ

قَدْ سَمِعْتُمْ بِتَدْبِيرِ نِعْمَةِ اللَّهِ الَّتِي وَهَبَتْ لِي مِنْ أَجْلِكُمْ، وَهُوَ أَنِّي بَوَّحِي أُطْلِعْتُ عَلَى السِّرِّ، كَمَا كَتَبْتُ إِلَيْكُمْ بِإِجَازٍ مِنْ قَبْلِ، حِينِيذٍ يُمَكِّنُكُمْ، إِذَا قَرَأْتُمْ ذَلِكَ، أَنْ تُدْرِكُوا فَهْمِي لِسِرِّ الْمَسِيحِ، هَذَا السِّرِّ الَّذِي لَمْ يُعْرَفْ عِنْدَ بَنِي الْبَشَرِ فِي الْأَجْيَالِ الْغَابِرَةِ، كَمَا أُعْلِنُ الْآنَ بِالرُّوحِ لِرُسُلِهِ الْقَدِيسِينَ وَالْأَنْبِيَاءِ، وَهُوَ أَنَّ الْأُمَّمَ هُمْ، فِي الْمَسِيحِ يَسُوعَ، شُرَكَاءُ لَنَا فِي الْمِيرَاثِ وَالْجَسَدِ وَالْوَعْدِ، بِوَاسِطَةِ الْإِنْجِيلِ، الَّذِي صِرْتُ خَادِمًا لَهُ، بِحَسَبِ هِبَةِ نِعْمَةِ اللَّهِ الَّتِي وَهَبَتْ لِي بِفِعْلِ قُدْرَتِهِ؛ لِي أَنَا، أَصْغَرَ الْقَدِيسِينَ جَمِيعًا، وَهَبَتْ هَذِهِ النُّعْمَةَ، وَهِيَ أَنْ أُبَشِّرَ الْأُمَّمَ بِغِنَى الْمَسِيحِ الَّذِي لَا يُسْتَنْقَصِي، وَأَنْ أَوْضِحَ لِلْجَمِيعِ مَا هُوَ تَدْبِيرُ السِّرِّ الْمَكْتُومِ مُنْذُ الدُّهُورِ فِي اللَّهِ الَّذِي خَلَقَ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ، لِكَيْ تُعْرَفَ الْآنَ مِنْ خِلَالِ الْكَنِيسَةِ، لَدَى الرِّئَاسَاتِ وَالسَّلَاطِينِ فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ، حِكْمَةُ اللَّهِ الْمُتَوَّعَةِ، بِحَسَبِ قَصْدِهِ الْأَزَلِيِّ الَّذِي حَقَّقَهُ فِي الْمَسِيحِ يَسُوعَ رَبَّنَا، الَّذِي لَنَا فِيهِ، أَيُّ بِالْإِيمَانِ بِهِ، الْوُصُولُ بِجُرْأَةٍ وَثِقَةٍ إِلَى اللَّهِ. لِذَلِكَ أَسْأَلُكُمْ أَنْ لَا تَضْعُفَ عَزِيمَتُكُمْ بِسَبَبِ الضِّيْقَاتِ الَّتِي أُعَانِيهَا مِنْ أَجْلِكُمْ: إِنَّهَا مَجْدٌ لَكُمْ!

والتسبيح لله دائما

من إنجيل ربنا يسوع المسيح للقديس متى

إِنْصَرَفَ يَسُوعُ إِلَى نَوَاحِي صُورَ وَصَيْدَا، وَإِذَا بِأَمْرَةٍ كَنَعَانِيَّةٍ مِنْ تِلْكَ النُّوَاحِي خَرَجَتْ تَصْرُخُ وَتَقُولُ: "إِرْحَمْنِي، يَا رَبِّ، يَا أَبْنَ دَاوُدَ! إِنَّ ابْنَتِي بِهَا شَيْطَانٌ يُعَذِّبُهَا جِدًّا". فَلَمْ يُجِبْهَا بِكَلِمَةٍ. وَدَنَا تَلَامِيذُهُ فَأَخَذُوا يَتَوَسَّلُونَ إِلَيْهِ قَائِلِينَ: "إِصْرِفْهَا، فَإِنَّهَا تَصْرُخُ فِي إِثْرِنَا!". فَأَجَابَ وَقَالَ: "لَمْ أُرْسَلْ إِلَّا إِلَى الْخِرَافِ الضَّالَّةِ مِنْ بَيْتِ إِسْرَائِيلِ". أَمَّا هِيَ فَاتَّتْ وَسَجَدَتْ لَهُ وَقَالَتْ: "سَاعِدْنِي، يَا رَبِّ!". فَأَجَابَ وَقَالَ: "لَا يَحْسُنُ أَنْ يُؤَخَذَ خُبْرُ الْبَنِينَ، وَيُلْقَى إِلَى جِرَاءِ الْكِلَابِ!". فَقَالَتْ: "تَعَمْ، يَا رَبِّ! وَجِرَاءُ الْكِلَابِ أَيْضًا تَأْكُلُ مِنَ الْفَتَاتِ الْمَتَسَاقِطِ عَن مَائِدَةِ أَرْبَابِهَا". حِينِيذٍ أَجَابَ يَسُوعُ وَقَالَ لَهَا: "أَيُّهَا الْمَرْأَةُ، عَظِيمٌ إِيمَانُكَ! فَلْيُكُنْ لَكَ كَمَا تُرِيدِينَ". وَمِنْ تِلْكَ السَّاعَةِ شُفِيَتْ ابْنَتُهَا.