



ST. THERESA

MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH



SEASON OF THE HOLY CROSS

Fifth Sunday after Holy Cross

الأحد الخامس بعد عيد الصليب

October 18-19, 2025



“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.” – ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

OUR CHURCH

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OUR INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

5th Sunday after Holy Cross

[St. Luke the Evangelist]

4:00 PM: +Geraldine George as requested
by Manthala George, Jr. and family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

5th Sunday after Holy Cross

*[St. Aaron of Antioch, Sts. John de Brebeuf,
Isaac Jogues, and Companions]*

**10:30 AM: +Edward Joseph and +Gerges
Matta** as requested by the family

**PLEASE NOTE: LITURGIES AND ADORATION
FOR THIS WEEK ARE CANCELLED**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

Sunday of Christ the King

[St. Chrysanthus and His Wife Daria]

**4:00 PM: 40 Day Memorial for +Eleanor
Samia** as requested by the family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26

Sunday of Christ the King

[St. Demetris]

**10:30 AM: +Chafic, Halloun and Theresa
Saade** as requested by the family



Let us pray for our loved ones and the
intentions of our hearts. Contact the parish
office to schedule a liturgy intention.

OUR LITURGICAL LIFE

DIVINE LITURGIES

SATURDAY 4:00PM
SUNDAY 10:30AM
TUESDAY 9:00AM
WEDNESDAY 9:00AM
THURSDAY 9:00AM

CONFESSION

TUESDAY 8:15AM – 8:45AM
WEDNESDAY 8:15AM – 8:45AM
THURSDAY 8:15AM – 8:45AM
11:00AM - 12:00PM

***ALSO AVAILABLE
BY APPOINTMENT**

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



**THURSDAY
AFTER LITURGY
UNTIL 12:00PM
NOON**

BAPTISM

Please make arrangements with the Pastor at **least one (1) month** in advance. Godparents must meet requirements of church law. To discuss and to schedule a baptism, please contact the parish office.

MARRIAGE

Please consult with the Pastor to make arrangements at **least six (6) months** in advance of proposed date. To discuss and to schedule a marriage, please contact the parish office.

FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

BREAD & WINE

IN LOVING MEMORY OF **+BOLUS AND ROSE SABA AND ALL
DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY**
AS OFFERED BY DOTTIE SABA

VIGIL CANDLE FOR THE SHRINE OF ST. THERESA

IN LOVING MEMORY OF **+GERALDINE GEORGE** AS OFFERED BY
MANTHALA GEORGE, JR. AND FAMILY

SANCTUARY CANDLE FOR THE TABERNACLE

IN LOVING MEMORY OF **+ROSE SABA**
AS OFFERED BY THE FAMILY

VIGIL CANDLE FOR THE BLESSED MOTHER

IN LOVING MEMORY OF **+PAULETTE ABOURJAILY**
AS OFFERED BY THE FAMILY

VIGIL CANDLE FOR THE GOSPEL THRONE

IN LOVING MEMORY OF **+ALL DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE ASACK
AND FEGHALI FAMILIES**
AS OFFERED BY MADELINE AND JOYCE ASACK

LECTORS

SATURDAY, OCT. 18
ENGLISH: RACHEL

SUNDAY, OCT. 19
ENGLISH: YOUHANNA
ARABIC: SOLANGE

ALTAR SERVERS

SATURDAY, OCT. 18
CHARBEL S.

SUNDAY, OCT. 19
DANIEL Z.
MARTIN B.
CHARBEL C.
ALEX S.

SATURDAY, OCT. 25
VOLUNTEERS

SUNDAY, OCT. 26
MARVIN G.
MATHEO G.
ELIE G.

OUR OFFERING

SATURDAY -10/11/25	\$70.00
SUNDAY - 10/12/25	\$564.00
Online Giving 10/12/25	\$50.00
Mail In Donation 10/12/25	\$150.00
Candles 10/15/25	\$135.00
TOTAL WEEKLY OFFERING	\$969.00
WEEKLY OPERATIONAL EXPENSES	\$3,400.00
DEFICIT	\$2,431.00

ONLINE GIVING

SCAN ME



EVERY WEEK, WE HAVE
A DEFICIT.

PLEASE CONSIDER
INCREASING YOUR
WEEKLY
CONTRIBUTION:

\$1 → \$5
\$5 → \$10
\$10 → \$20

ONLINE GIVING

WITH OUR NEW ONLINE GIVING
PORTAL, YOU CAN SET UP RECURRING
DONATIONS. SET IT AND FORGET IT!
YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT
BRINGING CASH OR CHECK.

2ND COLLECTION

OCTOBER 18-19: World Mission Sunday

Established by the USCCB. 91% of this collection goes to Society for the Propagation of the faith, and 9% to Catholic Near East Welfare Association



ALL ARE WELCOME

EUCCHARISTIC

Adoration

THURSDAYS

9:45AM - NOON

CONFESSIONS



THURSDAYS

11:00AM - NOON



EPISTLE READING

A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to Philippians 2:12-18

Brothers and Sisters: Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure. Do all things without murmuring and arguing, so that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, in which you shine like stars in the world. It is by your holding fast to the word of life that I can boast on the day of Christ that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. But even if I am being poured out as a libation over the sacrifice and the offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with all of you and in the same way you also must be glad and rejoice with me. **Praise be to God always.**

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الرسول إلى أهل فيليبي

يا إخواني، إَعْمَلُوا لِخَلَاصِكُمْ بِخَوْفٍ وَرِعْدَةٍ، كَمَا أَطَعْتُمْ دَائِمًا، لَا فِي حُضُورِي فَحَسَبَ، بَلْ بِالْأُخْرَى وَبِالْأَكْثَرِ الْآنَ فِي غِيَابِي. فَإِنَّهُ هُوَ الَّذِي يَجْعَلُكُمْ تُرِيدُونَ وَتَعْمَلُونَ بِحَسَبِ مَرْضَاتِهِ. إِفْعَلُوا كُلَّ شَيْءٍ بِغَيْرِ تَذَمُّرٍ وَجِدَالٍ، لِكَيْ تَصِيرُوا بُسْطَاءَ لَا لَوْمَ عَلَيْكُمْ، وَأَبْنَاءَ لِلَّهِ لَا عَيْبَ فِيكُمْ، وَسَطَ جِيلٍ مُعْوَجٍّ وَمُنْحَرِفٍ، تُضَيُّونَ فِيهِ كَالنُّيِّرَاتِ فِي الْعَالَمِ، مُتَمَسِّكِينَ بِكَلِمَةِ الْحَيَاةِ، لِأَفْتِخَارِي فِي يَوْمِ الْمَسِيحِ، بِأَنِّي مَا سَعَيْتُ وَلَا تَعَبْتُ بَاطِلًا. لَوْ أَنَّ دَمِي يُرَاقُ عَلَى ذَبِيحَةِ إِيْمَانِكُمْ وَخِدْمَتِهِ، لَكُنْتُ أَفْرَحُ وَأَبْتَهِجُ مَعَكُمْ جَمِيعًا. فَأَفْرَحُوا أَنْتُمْ أَيْضًا وَأَبْتَهِجُوا مَعِي.

والتسبيح لله دائماً



2026 Parliamentary Election in Lebanon: The Lebanese government is now seeking all Lebanese abroad to register to vote in the upcoming 2026 parliamentary election. The registration process began on October 2, 2025 and will close on November 20, 2025. The link below issued by the Lebanese government that allows Lebanese expats to log in and input their data to register to vote is:
<https://diasporavote.mfa.gov.lb/>

GOSPEL READING

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

‘Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." But the wise replied, "No! There will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

من إنجيل ربنا يسوع المسيح للقديس متى

قال الرب يسوع: «يُشَبِّه مَلَكُوتُ السَّمَاوَاتِ عَشْرَ عَذَارَى أَخَذْنَ مَصَابِيحَهُنَّ وَخَرَجْنَ إِلَى لِقَاءِ الْعَرِيسِ، خَمْسٌ مِنْهُنَّ جَاهِلَاتٌ، وَخَمْسٌ حَكِيمَاتٌ. فَالْجَاهِلَاتُ أَخَذْنَ مَصَابِيحَهُنَّ وَلَمْ يَأْخُذْنَ مَعَهُنَّ زَيْتًا. أَمَّا الْحَكِيمَاتُ فَأَخَذْنَ زَيْتًا فِي آنِيَةٍ مَعَ مَصَابِيحِهِنَّ. وَأَبْطَأَ الْعَرِيسُ فَتَنَعَسْنَ جَمِيعُهُنَّ، وَرَقَدْنَ. وَفِي مُنْتَصَفِ اللَّيْلِ، صَارَتْ الصَّبِيحَةُ: هُوَذَا الْعَرِيسُ! أَخْرُجُوا إِلَى لِقَائِهِ! حِينَئِذٍ قَامَتْ أُولَئِكَ الْعَذَارَى كُلُّهُنَّ، وَزَيَّنَّ مَصَابِيحَهُنَّ. فَقَالَتِ الْجَاهِلَاتُ لِلْحَكِيمَاتِ: أَعْطِينَا مِنْ زَيْتِكُنَّ، لَأَنْ مَصَابِيحَنَا تَنْطَفِئُ. فَأَجَابَتِ الْحَكِيمَاتُ وَقُلْنَ: قَدْ لَا يَكْفِينَا وَيَكْفِيكُنَّ. إِذْهَبْنَ بِالْأُخْرَى إِلَى الْبَاعَةِ وَابْتَغْنَ لَكُنَّ. وَلَمَّا ذَهَبْنَ لِيَبْتَغْنَ، جَاءَ الْعَرِيسُ، وَدَخَلَتِ الْمُسْتَعِدَّاتُ إِلَى الْعُرْسِ، وَأَغْلَقَ الْبَابَ. وَأَخِيرًا جَاءَتِ الْعَذَارَى الْبَاقِيَاتُ وَقُلْنَ: يَا رَبُّ، يَا رَبُّ، افْتَحْ لَنَا! فَأَجَابَ وَقَالَ: الْحَقُّ أَقُولُ لَكُنَّ، إِنِّي لَا أَعْرِفُكُنَّ! إِسْهَرُوا إِذَا، لِأَنَّكُمْ لَا تَعْلَمُونَ الْيَوْمَ وَلَا السَّاعَةَ.

OUR PARISH EVENTS

ORGANIZATION / EVENT	DATE	TIME	DETAILS
Parish Trunk or Treat 	 Sat, October 18	12:00PM-2:00PM	Church Parking Lot
MYO	Fri, October 24	6:30PM-8:30PM	Bowling Night at Kings
Women's Ministry	Sat, October 25	9:45AM-11:45AM	Spiritual Growth Session with Small Group Discussion
"Remember Me In Your Kingdom" Retreat Day	Sat, November 1	10:00AM-4:00PM	Retreat Day and Liturgy
 Religious Education	Sat, November 8	12:45PM-3:30PM	Our Lady of Lourdes
Young Adults (Ages 18-40)	Sun, November 16	7:00PM	Bible Study/Social
Women's Ministry	Fri, November 21	6:30PM-9:30PM	"Paint & Sip Night"
MYO	Sat, November 22	10:00am - 12:00pm	Community Service

Friends of Remember Me In Your Kingdom
Would like you to join us as we celebrate
Our 13th Year Anniversary

When: November 1, 2025

Where: St. Theresa Maronite Catholic Church
 343 N. Main Street, Brockton, MA

- 10:30 AM - Welcome & Registration
 11:00 AM - Opening Prayer & Welcoming Remarks
 11:30 AM - "Praying for Souls of the Faithful Departed"
 By: Fr. Vincent Farhat followed by small group discussion
 12:30 PM - Eucharistic Adoration and Confession
 1:30 PM - Lunch will be provided.
 2:30 PM - "An Understanding of Eternal life"
 By: Fr. Christian Hbaiter followed by small group discussion.
 3:30 PM - Closing Prayer
 4:00 PM - Memorial Mass for Our Deceased



Ouzkourni Fi Malakoutika

Remember Me in Your Kingdom was started in Lebanon, with a mission to pray for the Faithful Departed. 13 years ago, people started to gather and pray for the Faithful Departed in the Boston Area. Since then there are 9 churches that hold monthly memorial masses in Remember Me in Your Kingdom Memory. There are no fees to become a member, if you would like to join please see contact information below.

Friends of Remember Me in Your Kingdom is recognized by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as nonprofit group (IRS nonprofit pending)

There is no admission fee for this event, however pre registration is appreciated for space and food planning. We fundraise twice a year to help defray cost of events, donations are always accepted. For more information you may contact Zeina 781 789 0432—Karen 857 222 9777



Pilgrimage to Lebanon
at the Occasion of
Pope Leo XIV's Visit
with
Bishop A. Elias Zaidan

REQUIREMENTS

- \$1,000 Deposit Required Per Person or registration/space cannot be guaranteed
- Departure from the U.S. on November 25 to arrive in Lebanon by November 26
- Full Pilgrimage amount due by November 1, 2025

TO RESERVE

Call: Ivette Jackson: 323-336-3168
 Jamileh Koury: 818-626-9193
 Email: info@eparchy.org

10 Days - 9 Nights
November 25 to
December 5, 2025
Package includes:

- Stay at 4 Star Hotels
- All Meals and Tips
- Visits to important sites
- English Speaking Guide
- Transportation between sites
- Entrance Fees

\$1,600

FOR DOUBLE OCCUPANCY
 PER PERSON

\$2,200

FOR SINGLE OCCUPANCY
 PER PERSON

Flights to/from the United States to Lebanon
 Round Trip need to be booked separately.

Keep it SIMPLE!:

- Bagels & Cream Cheese
- Danishes
- Muffins
- Croissants
- Manouche (Zaatar / Cheese)
- Sweets or Pastries
- Donuts / Munchkins



UPCOMING COFFEE HOURS

Date	Offered By
Sunday, October 19	Mr. & Mrs. Samir Matta
Sunday, October 26	Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Saade and family

GET CONNECTED

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