



ST. THERESA

MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH



Beginning of the Liturgical Year

Renewal of the Church

تجديد البيعة

November 8-9, 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

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OUR INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Renewal of the Church

[St. Michael the Archangel]

4:00 PM: +Leo and Alice Smith, son John and Cousin Peter Smith as requested by Maryann Asiaf

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9

[St. Matrona of Pamphylia]

Renewal of the Church

10:30 AM: +John Armstead as request by a friend

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

[St. Mennas and His Companions, St. Martin, Bishop of Tours]

9:00 AM: +For all the faithful departed and all deceased members of the Karam families as requested by Paula Karam

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12

[St. Theodore the Studite]

9:00 AM: +For the souls in Purgatory as requested by Mirna Bouramia

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13

[St. John Chrysostom, Doctor of the Church and St. Frances Cabrini]

9:00 AM: + Intention available on request

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FOLLOWING
LITURGY UNTIL 12:00 PM NOON**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Announcement to Zechariah

[Sts. Gurias, Samonas, and Habib the Deacon]

4:00 PM: +Eleanor Samia as requested by Mr. and Mrs. David Samia, Sr.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

[St. Matthew the Evangelist]

Announcement to Zechariah

10:30 AM: +Intention available on request

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 NOVEMBER

BREAD & WINE

IN LOVING MEMORY OF **+JOHN AND AMANDA NESSRALLA**
AS OFFERED BY SHIRLEY, DIANE AND JOYCE

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 **+LAUDY GHAZAL**

VIGIL CANDLE FOR THE BLESSED MOTHER

IN LOVING MEMORY OF **+SPECIAL INTENTION**

VIGIL CANDLE FOR THE GOSPEL THRONE

IN LOVING MEMORY OF **+SPECIAL INTENTION**

USHERS

SUNDAY, NOV. 9
Jacques E., Copal A.
Rizk B., Roukos J.

SUNDAY, NOV. 16
Anthony M., Maurice B.
John M., Rizk B.

LECTORS

SATURDAY, NOV. 8
ENGLISH: HELENA

SUNDAY, NOV. 9
ENGLISH: YOUHANNA
ARABIC: SAIDE

ALTAR SERVERS

SATURDAY, NOV. 8
VOLUNTEERS

SUNDAY, NOV. 9
MARVIN G.
MATHEO G.
ELIE G.

SATURDAY, NOV. 15
VOLUNTEERS

SUNDAY, NOV. 16
DANIEL Z.
MARTIN B.
CHARBEL C.
ALEX S.

OUR OFFERING

SATURDAY - 11/1/25	\$608.00
SUNDAY - 11/2/25	\$1,239.00
DONATIONS RECEIVED	\$2,355.00
TOTAL WEEKLY OFFERING	\$4,202.00
WEEKLY OPERATIONAL EXPENSES	\$4,000.00
PROFIT	\$202.00

ONLINE GIVING

SCAN ME



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.

IF YOU FIND YOURSELF A BIT IRRITATED OR OVERWHELMED, IT'S A SIGN THAT YOU'RE SPENDING LESS TIME WITH **GOD** AND MORE TIME WITH THIS WORLD

EUCCHARISTIC
Adoration
THURSDAYS

9:45AM - NOON

CONFESSIONS

THURSDAYS

11:00AM - NOON



ALL ARE WELCOME



Join The Forty Roses Society

A Special Benefactors Circle at St. Theresa Maronite Catholic Church

🌹 **100 people. \$40 a week. One strong parish.**

St. Thérèse, the Little Flower, promised: *"I will let fall a shower of roses."*
Each gift of **\$40 per week** is a bouquet of roses offered to God through His Church.

Together, **100 bouquets of roses** ensure that:

- 🌹 Our **annual parish expenses are fully covered**
- 🌹 The Divine Mysteries are celebrated with beauty
- 🌹 Our church remains strong for future generations
- 🌹 Our Maronite Catholic heritage flourishes

How it works:

- Commit to \$40 per week (just \$5.70 a day)
- Must enroll once with secure ACH debit (credit card or bank account)
- Your gift is automatic—your impact is eternal

Like the servants who multiplied their **talents**, your gift bears fruit for the Kingdom.

👉 Be one of the **100 benefactors** who keep St. Theresa's blooming with faith and life.

3 Ways to Join:

- 1) Contact the parish office
- 2) Submit the enrollment form
- 3) Visit sttheresabrockton.org/online-giving to set up your automatic weekly offering (choose '40 Roses Society').



Why are we doing this initiative? Each parish Church is expected to support herself, not only with daily operations but also to sustain herself by creating a savings that future generations can rely on. The primary income of a parish is through her collection basket. Unfortunately, our weekly collections do not allow us to even cover our basic monthly expenses, so there has never been an opportunity for us to save. This initiative calls on those who are able and willing to commit to a slightly larger weekly contribution so that we can ensure our expenses are covered. If we achieve this, then we can rest assured that any future monies received through donations or event profits will go towards *beginning* to build a savings, instead of going to pay bills as it does now.

But I already put in the collection basket each week, does this mean I will need to make two offerings each week? No! Your automatic weekly offering through to the Forty Roses Society is your weekly offering. When the collection basket comes around, you don't need to put anything more in there. The exception to this is if there is a 2nd Collection for a given week, as that is a collection that goes to the Eparchy, Patriarchate, or the Holy See and not to the parish.

If I sign-up through the enrollment form, what happens to the information I provide? After it is processed by the parish office, you receive an email confirmation from the system. The form is then shredded and destroyed for privacy.

What if I can't afford to give \$40 a week as part of this initiative? That is no problem at all! The Lord asks you to come as you are and to give what you are able! When the collection basket comes each week, you make your offering as your circumstances allow. The Forty Roses Society is not an honor society nor does it give anyone special privileges. No one will ever even know who has signed up to it. It is just a special targeted initiative that will help the parish meet her financial needs, with a little extra help from those who are able and willing.

Why does it have to be ACH (auto-debit)? Online-giving is the direction that most Churches are going towards in 2025. With ACH, you are able to set it up and forget about doing it each week. Also, it ensures that when you are unable to make it to Church or are away on vacation, that the Church is still able to pay her expenses.

انضم إلى رابطة الأربعين وردة

رابطة المحسنين المميزين في كنيسة القديسة تريزا المارونية الكاثوليكية

100 شخص. 40 دولارًا في الأسبوع. رعية واحدة قوية.

القديسة تريزا، الزهرة الصغيرة، وعدت: «سأجعل المطر يتساقط من الورود.»
كل عطية بقيمة 40 دولارًا أسبوعيًا هي وردة محبة تُقدّم لله من خلال كنيسته.

معًا، منة وردة تضمن أن:

- تغطي جميع مصاريف الرعية السنوية بالكامل
- نُحتفل الأسرار الإلهية بجمال ووقار
- تبقى كنيستنا قوية للأجيال القادمة
- يزدهر تراثنا الماروني الكاثوليكي

كيف تعمل؟

- التزام بـ 40 دولارًا أسبوعيًا (أي ما يعادل 5.70 دولار يوميًا)
- تسجيل لمرة واحدة عبر اقتطاع تلقائي (بطاقة ائتمان أو حساب مصرفي)
- عطيتك أوتوماتيكية، وأترك أبدي

كما في مثل الوزنات، عطاؤك يُثمر للملكوت.

كن واحدًا من المنة محسن الذين يُيقون كنيسة القديسة تريزا مزدهرة بالإيمان والحياة.

ليش عم نعمل هالمبادرة؟

كل رعية لازم تكون قادرة تعيل حالها، مش بس بالمصاريف اليومية، إنّما كمان يكون عندها شوية مُدّخرات تعتمد عليها الأجيال اللي جاي.

المصدر الأساسي للدخل بالرعية هو سلّة التبرّعات. للأسف، التبرّعات الأسبوعية ما بتكفي حتّى نغطي المصاريف الشهرية الأساسية، وبهالسبب ما فينا نجمّع شي للمستقبل. هالمبادرة بتدعي كل شخص قادر وبيحب يلتزم بمساهمة أسبوعية أكبر شوي، حتّى نضمن إنّو مصاريفنا تنغصّي. وإذا منوصل لهاهدف، منقدر نرتاح ونتأكد إنّو التبرّعات أو الأرباح اللي بتجي من النشاطات رح تروح لمُدّخرات الرعية، مش لتسديد الفواتير متل هلق.

بس أنا بحط بالسلة كل أسبوع، يعني لازم أعطي تبرّعين كل أسبوع؟

أكيد لأ! مساهمتك الأسبوعية التلقائية من خلال **جمعية الأربعين وردة** هي تبرّعك الأسبوعي. يعني لما تمرق السلة، ما في داعي تحط شي ثاني. الاستثناء الوحيد هو إذا في صينية ثانية بهالأسبوع، لأنّها بتروح للأبرشية، أو للبطريركية، أو للكرسي الرسولي، مش للرعية.

إذا سجّلت من خلال استمارة الاشتراك، شو بصير بالمعلومات اللي بعطيها؟

بعد ما المكتب الرعوي يعالج الاستمارة، بيجيك إيميل تأكيد من النظام. بعدين، بتتخزّق الاستمارة وتُتلف حفاظًا على الخصوصية.

وإذا ما بقدر أعطي ٤٠ دولار بالأسبوع بهالمبادرة؟

ما في أي مشكلة! الربّ بيطلب من كل واحد يجي متل ما هو ويعطي قد ما بيقدّر. لما تمرق السلة كل أسبوع، بتحتط تبرّعك حسب ظروفك.

جمعية الأربعين وردة** مش جمعية شرف ولا بتعطي امتيازات خاصة. ما حدا رح يعرف مين مسجّل فيها. هي مجرد مبادرة** محدّدة، الهدف لتساعد الرعية تغطي حاجاتها المالية، بمساعدة إضافية بسيطة من يلي بيقدّر وبيحب.

ليش لازم تكون عبر ال السحب التلقائي؟

التبرّع الإلكتروني صار الاتجاه يلي معظم الكنائس رايحة عليه. من خلال ال ACH، بتقدر ترتّب المساهمة مرّة وحدة وبتنساها، وبتصير كل أسبوع بتنعمل تلقائيًا. وهالطريقة بتضمن إنّو حتى لو ما قدرت تشارك بالقدّاس أو كنت مسافر، الكنيسة بتضل قادرة تدفع مصاريفها بانتظام.



EPISTLE READING

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews 9:11-15

Brothers and Sisters: When Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God! For this reason he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, because a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions under the first covenant.

Praise be to God always.

فصل من الرسالة إلى العبرانيين

يا إِخْوَتِي، أَمَّا الْمَسِيحُ فَقَدْ ظَهَرَ عَظِيمَ أَخْبَارِ الْخَيْرَاتِ الْآتِيَةِ، وَأَجْتَازَ الْمَسْكِنَ الْأَعْظَمَ وَالْأَكْمَلَ، غَيْرَ الْمَصْنُوعِ بِالْأَيْدِي، أَيُّ لَيْسَ مِنْ هَذِهِ الْخَلِيقَةِ، فَدَخَلَ إِلَى قُدُسِ الْأُقْدَاسِ مَرَّةً وَاحِدَةً، لَا بِدَمِ التِّيُوسِ وَالْعُجُولِ، بَلْ بِدَمِهِ هُوَ، فَحَقَّقَ لَنَا فِدَاءً أَبَدِيًّا. فَإِذَا كَانَ رَشَ دَمِ التِّيُوسِ وَالثِّيَرَانِ وَرَمَادِ الْعِجَلَةِ عَلَى الْمُتَجَسِّسِينَ، يُقَدِّسُ أَجْسَادَهُمْ فَيُظَهِّرُهُمْ، فَكَمْ بِالْأُخْرَى دَمُ الْمَسِيحِ، الَّذِي قَرَّبَ نَفْسَهُ لِلَّهِ بِالرُّوحِ الْأَزَلِيِّ قُرْبَانًا لَا عَيْبَ فِيهِ، يُظَهِّرُ ضَمِيرَنَا مِنَ الْأَعْمَالِ الْمَيِّتَةِ، لِنَعْبُدَ اللَّهَ الْحَيَّ! وَلِذَلِكَ فَهُوَ الْوَسِيْطُ لِعَهْدٍ جَدِيدٍ، وَقَدْ صَارَ مَوْتُهُ فِدَاءً لِنَتَعَدِّيَاتِ الْعَهْدِ الْأَوَّلِ، حَتَّى يَنَالَ بِهِ الْمَدْعُوءُونَ وَعَدَ الْمِيرَاثِ الْأَبَدِيِّ.

والتسبيح لله دائما

GOSPEL READING

Gospel: John 10:22-42

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.' The Jews took up stones again to stone him. Jesus replied, 'I have shown you many good works from the Father. For which of these are you going to stone me?' The Jews answered, 'It is not for a good work that we are going to stone you, but for blasphemy, because you, though only a human being, are making yourself God.' Jesus answered, 'is it not written in your law, "I said; you are gods"? If those to whom the word of God came were called "gods" and the scripture cannot be annulled can you say that the one whom the Father has sanctified and sent into the world is blaspheming because I said, "I am God's Son"? If I am not doing the works of my Father, then do not believe me. But if I do them, even though you do not believe me, believe the works, so that you may know and understand that the Father is in me and I am in the Father.' Then they tried to arrest him again, but he escaped from their hands. He went away again across the Jordan to the place where John had been baptizing earlier, and he remained there. Many came to him, and they were saying, 'John performed no sign, but everything that John said about this man was true.' And many believed in him there.

من إنجيل ربنا يسوع المسيح للقديس يوحنا

حَانَ عِيدُ التَّجْدِيدِ فِي أُورَشَلِيمَ، وَكَانَ فَضْلُ الشِّتَاءِ. وَكَانَ يَسُوعُ يَتَمَشَّى فِي الْهَيْكَلِ، فِي رِوَاقِ سُلَيْمَانَ. فَأَحَاطَ بِهِ الْيَهُودُ وَأَخَذُوا يَقُولُونَ لَهُ: "إِلَى مَتَى تُبْقِي نَفُوسَنَا حَائِرَةً؟ إِنْ كُنْتَ أَنْتَ الْمَسِيحُ، فَقُلْ لَنَا صَرَاحَةً." أَجَابَهُمْ يَسُوعُ: "قُلْتُ لَكُمْ، لَكِنَّكُمْ لَا تُؤْمِنُونَ. الْأَعْمَالُ الَّتِي أَعْمَلُهَا أَنَا بِاسْمِ أَبِي هِيَ تَشْهَدُ لِي. لَكِنَّكُمْ لَا تُؤْمِنُونَ، لِأَنَّكُمْ لَسْتُمْ مِنْ خِرَافِي. خِرَافِي تَسْمَعُ صَوْتِي، وَأَنَا أَعْرِفُهَا، وَهِيَ تَتَّبِعُنِي. وَأَنَا أُعْطِيهَا حَيَاةً أَبَدِيَّةً، فَلَنْ تَهْلِكَ أَبَدًا، وَلَنْ يَخْطِفَهَا أَحَدٌ مِنْ يَدِي. أَبِي الَّذِي أُعْطَانِي إِيَّاهَا هُوَ أَعْظَمُ مِنَ الْكُلِّ، وَلَا يَقْدِرُ أَحَدٌ أَنْ يَخْطِفَهَا مِنْ يَدِ الْآبِ. أَنَا وَالآبُ وَاحِدٌ." فَأَخَذَ الْيَهُودُ، مِنْ جِدِيدٍ، حِجَارَةً لِيَرْجُمُوهُ. قَالَ لَهُمْ يَسُوعُ: "أَعْمَالًا حَسَنَةً كَثِيرَةً أَرَيْتُكُمْ مِنْ عِنْدِ الْآبِ، فَلَايَ عَمَلٍ مِنْهَا تَرْجُمُونِي؟" أَجَابَهُ الْيَهُودُ: "لَا لِعَمَلٍ حَسَنٍ نَرْجُمُكَ، بَلْ لِيَتَجَدَّيْفَ. لِأَنَّكَ، وَأَنْتَ إِنْسَانٌ، تَجْعَلُ نَفْسَكَ إِلَهًا." أَجَابَهُمْ يَسُوعُ: "أَمَّا كُتِبَ فِي تَوْرَاتِكُمْ: أَنَا قُلْتُ إِنَّكُمْ آلِهَةٌ؟ فَإِذَا كَانَتِ التَّوْرَةُ تَدْعُو إِلَهَةً أَوْلِيكَ الَّذِينَ صَارَتْ إِلَيْهِمْ كَلِمَةُ اللَّهِ، وَلَا يُمْكِنُ أَنْ يُنْقَضَ الْكِتَابُ، فَكَيْفَ تَقُولُونَ لِي، أَنَا الَّذِي قَدَّسَهُ الْآبُ وَأَرْسَلَهُ إِلَى الْعَالَمِ: أَنْتَ تُجَدِّفُ! لِأَنِّي قُلْتُ: أَنَا ابْنُ اللَّهِ؟ إِنْ كُنْتُ لَا أَعْمَلُ أَعْمَالَ أَبِي، فَلَا تُصَدِّقُونِي، أَمَّا إِذَا كُنْتُ أَعْمَلُهَا، وَإِنْ كُنْتُمْ لَا تُصَدِّقُونِي، فَصَدِّقُوا هَذِهِ الْأَعْمَالَ، لِكَيْ تَعْرِفُوا وَتُؤْمِنُوا أَنَّ الْآبَ فِيَّ وَأَنِّي فِي الْآبِ." فَحَاوَلُوا مِنْ جَدِيدٍ أَنْ يَقْبِضُوا عَلَيْهِ، فَأَفْلَتَ مِنْ يَدِهِمْ. وَعَادَ يَسُوعُ إِلَى عَبْرِ الْأَرْضِ، إِلَى حَيْثُ كَانَ يُوحِنَا يَعْمَدُ مِنْ قَبْلُ، فَأَقَامَ هُنَاكَ. وَأَتَى إِلَيْهِ كَثِيرُونَ وَكَانُوا يَقُولُونَ: "لَمْ يَصْنَعْ يُوحَنَّا أَيَّ آيَةٍ، وَلَكِنْ، كُلُّ مَا قَالَهُ فِي هَذَا الرَّجُلِ كَانَ حَقًّا." فَأَمَنَ بِهِ هُنَاكَ كَثِيرُونَ.

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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
Religious Education	Sat, December 6	12:45PM-3:30PM	St. Theresa Church
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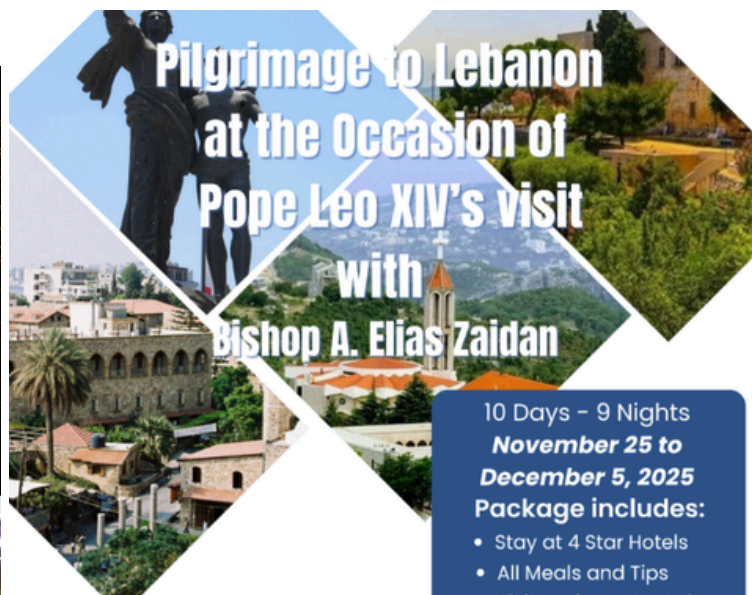


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