

Our Lady of Purgatory

Maronite Catholic Church



October 2-3, 2021

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER HOLY CROSS

MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY



The month of October (Overview - Calendar) is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. According to an account by fifteenth-century Dominican, Alan de la Roch, Mary appeared to St. Dominic in 1206 after he had been praying and doing severe penances because of his lack of success in combating the Albigensian heresy. Mary praised him for his valiant fight against the heretics and then gave him the Rosary as a mighty weapon, explained its uses and efficacy, and told him to preach it to others.

"Since the prayers of the Rosary come from such excellent sources — from Our Lord Himself, from inspired Scripture, and from the

Church—it is not surprising that the Rosary is so dear to our Blessed Mother and so powerful with heaven.

"If we consider the power of the Rosary as seen in its effects, we find a great abundance of proofs of its wonderful value. Many are the favors granted to private individuals through its devout recitation: there are few devoted users of the Rosary who cannot testify to experiencing its power in their own lives. If we turn to history, we see many great triumphs of the Rosary. Early tradition attributes the defeat of the Albigensians at the Battle of Muret in 1213 to the Rosary. But even those who do not accept this tradition will admit that St. Pius V attributed the great defeat of the Turkish fleet on the first Sunday of October, 1571, to the fact that at the same time the Rosary confraternities at Rome and elsewhere were holding their processions. Accordingly, he ordered a commemoration of the Rosary to be made on that day. Two years later, Gregory XIII allowed the celebration of a feast of the Rosary in churches having an altar dedicated to the Rosary. In 1671, Clement X extended the feast to all Spain. A second great victory over the Turks, who once, like the Russians, threatened the ruin of Christian civilization, occurred on August 5, 1716, when Prince Eugene defeated them at Peterwardein in Hungary.

Thereupon Clement XI extended the feast of the Rosary to the whole Church.

"Today, when dangers far greater than those of the ancient Turks threaten not only Christianity but all civilization, we are urged by our Blessed Mother to turn again to the Rosary for help. If men in sufficient numbers do this, and at the same time carry out the other conditions that she has laid down, we have the greater reason for confidence that we will be delivered from our dangers." — Mary in our Life by Fr. William G. Most

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"The Rosary is the most beautiful and richest of all prayers to the Mediatrix of all grace; it is the prayer that touches most the heart of the Mother of God. Say it each day."

Pope Saint Pius X



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WITH PRAYERFUL CONDOLENCES

It is with a heavy and grateful heart that I announce the passing of Abbot Emeritus William Driscoll, the founder of the Most Holy Trinity Monastery in Petersham, Massachusetts. Abbot Driscoll served as Abbot of the Monastery for over 40 years and has gathered more than 17 monks to the order. Abbot Driscoll passed away peacefully surrounded by his brothers in Christ. We thank God for his calling and prayers for all of us throughout his life. May Almighty God welcome His good and faithful servant into His kingdom and may his soul rest in peace. Allah yerhammo.

FR. VINCENT OUT OF TOWN

Fr. Vincent will be out of town Monday through Friday, October 4-8, 2021. For any emergencies, please contact me via cell phone.

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNS FOR....

This week the sanctuary candle burns for the soul of Charbel Baroody requested by Mae Dickinson. May his soul rest in peace.

Anyone who would like to offer the sanctuary candle for a loved one or special intention, this will be offered each week. An offering of a \$10.00 donation is appreciated.

PASTORAL VISIT FROM BISHOP GREGORY

We are happy to announce that Bishop Gregory will be visiting our parish October 23-24, 2021. We will celebrate Divine Liturgy on Saturday, October 23, at 4:30 PM, and then we will attend the Hafli in Fall River, MA, at Saint Anthony Church. On Sunday, October 24, we will celebrate Divine Liturgy at 10:30 AM. Immediately following Divine Liturgy, we will host Bishop Gregory at the Wamsutta Club located at 427 County Street, New Bedford, Massachusetts. There will be no charge for this event, however, if anyone would like to make a donation towards this, that is always appreciated.

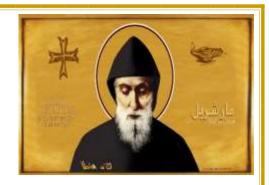
I do ask anyone who plans to attend to RSVP to Fr. Vincent at the Church office at 508-996-8934, or via email at ourladyofpurgatory@verizon.net. This way we can plan accordingly. I hope all of you will be able to join us in welcoming Bishop Gregory and to be together as a community of faith. God bless you.

WINE AND HOST OFFERINGS

The altar bread and wine for the month of October are offered for the souls of George and Annie Abraham and Melanie Abraham Gartin requested by Beatrice Long. May their souls rest in peace.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Octavia David, Kenza Sellami, Jacob Rego, Amal Assaf, Peter Helmer, Denise Magaletta, Fernanda Thomas, Leo and Ida Roderick, Theresa John, Laurette BouRamia, Annie Peter, Jeannie Francis, Mariam David, Norma Thomas, Zita Drouin, Lucienne Rodrigues, Ed Da Rocha, Edmond Salameh, and Alice Daher. If anyone is missing from this list, please contact the Church office.

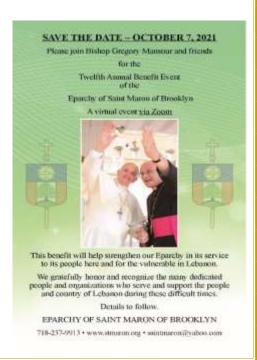


ORDER OF SAINT SHARBEL SUNDAY- OCTOBER 10, 2021

The Order of Saint Sharbel is a membership that assists in educating and forming future priests in the Eparchy of Saint Maron Brooklyn. This organization has been vital in continuing Maronite Church in the United States. I ask you to please consider becoming a member of the Order of Saint Sharbel so that we may always have vocations to serve our communities. Membership forms may be found at the entrance of the Church. Thank you for your consideration and support of this mission.

CONFESSION

Please know that confession is available before liturgies. You may also call to set up an appointment.



LITURGY INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 2, @ 4:30 PM, (Feast of Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus and Sts. Cyprian and Justina) liturgy is being offered for the souls of Sarkees and Frousena Peters and deceased members of their family requested by Joanne, Lorraine, and Anthony David. May their souls rest in peace.

Sunday, October 3, @ 10:30 PM, (Feast Saint Mother Theodore Guerin) liturgy is offered for the soul of Nan Farhat requested by Matthew and Cathy Thomas and family. May her soul rest in peace. Liturgy is being offered for the soul of Shirley David requested by her family (FM). May her soul rest in peace.

Monday, October 4, @ 9:00 AM, (Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) No Liturgy

Tuesday, October 5, @ 9:00 AM, (Feast of Saint Paul the Simple) No Liturgy

Wednesday, October 6, @ 6:00 PM, (Feast of Saint Thomas) No Liturgy

Thursday, October 7, @ 9:00 AM, (Feast of Saints Sarkis & Bacchus) No Liturgy

Saturday, October 9, @ 4:30 PM, (Feast of Saint James, Brother of the Lord) liturgy is being offered for the soul of Michael J. David requested by the Macedo Family (FM). May his soul rest in peace. Liturgy is being offered for the souls of Hardy and Jesse Moreno requested by Subdeacon Joseph Abraham and Carol Ann Maslanka. May their souls rest in peace.

Sunday, October 10, @ 10:30 AM, (Feast of Saints Eulampius, Eulampia and Companions) liturgy is being offered for the soul of Selma Joseph by her family (FM). May her soul rest in peace.



SNIP, CLIP, AND PRAY FUNDRAISING SUNDAYS

What better way to pray than to have your hair cut, dried, and styled before or after Sunday Divine Liturgy. Charbel Chedid has offered his talents by offering haircuts to the ladies of Our Lady of Purgatory Church on Sunday, October 10th and October 17th. All proceeds will be donated to OLOP for his services. A donation box will be set to the side for your donation to the Church while you enjoy a cut, dry and style.

Charbel asks that you wash your hair the day of your appointment. This will be done in the rectory before Liturgy or during coffee hour. I will be sending an email with the times available as well as a sheet in the rectory basement.

I would like to thank Charbel for sharing his talents with the Church and for donating the proceeds to the Church. The times of appointments will be 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM and 12:00 Noon to 3:00 PM. For these two Sundays, cuts will be available to the women of the parish and when we schedule the next two sessions, we will also include men who would like to have their hair cut. Thank you.

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 25-26, 2021

Sunday Collection	\$ 1,101.00
Festival Raffle	\$ 20.00
Festival Donations	\$ 500.00
Candles	\$ 63.00
Sanctuary Candle	\$ 20.00
Total	\$ 1,704.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS AND GENEROSITY BY SENDING IN YOUR WEELY COLLECTIONS VIA MAIL. THIS HAS BEEN VERY HELPFUL FOR THE CHURCH. GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.

SAINT JOSEPH SODALITY NEWS

Periodically we will be publishing news and coming events from the St. Joseph Sodality. The Sodality is the oldest organization in the Parish, having been founded in 1918. Through their devotion to St. Joseph, Sodality Members seek to emulate the life and faith of St. Joseph, and by doing so, hope to achieve eternal happiness as he did. The Sodality encourages you to consider becoming a member.

October 3, 2021: 10:00 AM Monthly Prayer Service followed by the Communion Breakfast at 11:30 AM after Divine Liturgy.

November 5, 2021: 10:00 Monthly Prayer Service followed by Sodality Business Meeting.

December 6, 2021: 10:00 AM Monthly Prayer Service followed by the Communion Breakfast at 11:30 AM after Divine Liturgy.

LECTORS FOR OCTOBER 2021

Saturday, October 2, Carol Ann Maslanka Sunday, October 3, Joan Mello/Hiba Chedid Saturday, October 9, Rose David Sunday, October 10, Jean Barbour/Jano Baroody Saturday, October 16, Mae Dickinson/Intercessions: Mariam Uwanogho Sunday, October 17, Ann Dupre/Hiba Chedid Saturday, October 23, Rachael Higgins/Intercessions: **Anna Higgins** Sunday, October 24, Mae Dickinson/Gaby Baroody Saturday, October 30, **Smitty Cabral** Sunday, October 31, Joan Mello/Jano Baroody (If you are not able to read on

your given day, please contact

Mae Dickinson)

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