



# Our Lady of Purgatory

## Maronite Catholic Church



October 9-10, 2021

### FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER HOLY CROSS

#### THE VIRTUE OF HUMILITY

Do any of us like to be humiliated either in private or in public? I know it is not on the top of my list. To be humiliated means that we are beneath other people; that we have failed in some way or another and that our pride is now at stake. But humility is one of the greatest virtues we can obtain. Humility makes us examine ourselves and to see ourselves and all of our defects, our faults, and our shortcomings. Humility requires us to see ourselves as we truly are and to submit ourselves completely and willingly to God. St. Thomas Aquinas defines humility in the Summa "The virtue of humility", he says, "Consists in keeping oneself within one's own bounds, not reaching out to things above one, but submitting to one's superior." This is humility at its core. When we empty ourselves to God, we begin to understand more and more the need of forgiveness; the understanding of our faults; and the beginning of knowing ourselves with all of our shortcomings and our sinfulness. As St. Bernard has said "He lacks everything who thinks he lacks nothing." All of us need to strive for this virtue of humility and by doing so we not only see our own weaknesses and defects but we will be able to understand other's defects and weaknesses as well. And when

this happens, we become more compassionate and forgiving to others. Humility is key to toward our journey to holiness.

#### WITH PRAYERFUL CONDOLENCES

It is my sad duty to inform you that Farid and Nabila Hawwa passed away in Florida this past week. Farid and Nabila are the parents of Rana Choubah. They are now together in the loving arms of Jesus. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Rana and Halim Choubah and to all of her siblings and family members. We will keep all of them in our prayers. A memorial Liturgy will be scheduled once Rana returns from Florida. May Almighty God welcome Farid and Nabila into His kingdom and may their souls rest in peace. Allah yerhammo.

#### 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](mailto: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.

#### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*"I often thought my constitution would never endure the work I had to do, (but) the Lord said to me: 'Daughter, obedience gives strength.'"*

*St. Teresa of Avila*



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OFFICE HOURS: The Church office will be open Monday through Thursday from 10:00 am until 3:00 pm.



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**ANNUAL LEBANESE HOLIDAY  
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**

**Saturday, November 13, 2021**

10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

**Sunday, November 14, 2021**

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM



**Location:**

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**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 10<sup>th</sup> and October 17<sup>th</sup>. 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.

**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.

**CHRISTMAS BAZAAR  
NOVEMBER 13-14, 2021**

This year's Lebanese Holiday Bazaar is quickly approaching. We are delighted to invite you along with your family and friends to this festive event, which promises to please all who enjoy delicious Lebanese food, desserts, money raffles, and silent auctions.

This year's bazaar will take place on Saturday, November 13, from 10:00 AM- 7:00 PM and Sunday, November 14, from 10:00 AM- 2:00 PM, at the Lebanese Center located at 89 Merrimac Street, New Bedford, Massachusetts.

We are also looking for specialty gift baskets and silent auction items. If you are interested in making a basket or gifting a silent auction gift, please contact Smitty Cabral or Lorraine David

We welcome donations of new items for our caravan auction such as

electronics, housewares, giftware tools, gift cards, sporting event tickets, toys, sporting items, etc. Donations for the cost of food and expenses are also greatly appreciated.

Once again, you may pre-order Kibbee Trays for \$25.00, by calling Hiba Chedid or Fr. Vincent at 508-996-8934. Anyone who would like to volunteer before and during the bazaar, please contact Fr. Vincent, Deacon Jean, or Hiba Chedid. Please pre-order your trays before November 1, 2021.

Please mark your calendars and tell your family and friends to join us on November 13 and 14. May God continue to bless Our lady of Purgatory Church and your families.

**CONFESSION**

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

## LITURGY INTENTIONS

**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 Henry 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.

**Monday, October 11, @ 9:00 AM, (Feast of Pope Saint John XXIII)**

**Tuesday, October 12, @ 9:00 AM, (Feast of Saint Edno)**

**Wednesday, October 13, @ 6:00 PM, (Feast of Saints Carpus and Papyrus and their Companions)**

**Thursday, October 14, @ 9:00 AM, (Feast of Saint Isaiah the Monk) No Liturgy**

**Saturday, October 16, @ 4:30 PM, (Feast of Saint Theresa of Avila)** liturgy is being offered for the souls of Thomas David, Helena and Marianne David requested by Mariam David and family. May their souls rest in peace. Liturgy is being offered for the deceased members of the Kenyon and Daher families requested by their family. May their souls rest in peace.

**Sunday, October 17, @ 10:30 PM, (Feast of Saints Cosmas and Damian)** liturgy is offered for the soul of Joseph Chedid requested by his family. May his soul rest in peace. Liturgy is being offered for the soul of George Moujabber requested by his family. May his soul rest in peace.

## ORDER OF SAINT SHARBEL SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10

The Order of Saint Sharbel is a membership that assists in educating and forming future priests in the Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn. This organization has been vital in continuing our 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.

## 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.

## WELCOME ME INTO YOUR KINGDOM DIVINE LITURGY

We will celebrate Welcome Me Into Your Kingdom Divine Liturgy on **Wednesday, October 20, at 6:00 PM.** Please join us praying for the souls of the faithful departed of our parish and the names in the book of life.

## 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.

## LECTORS FOR OCTOBER 2021

**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)**

## IN OUR PRAYERS

Octavia David, 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.

## WEEK OF OCTOBER 2-3, 2021

<b>Sunday Collection</b>	<b>\$ 1,508.00</b>
<b>Donations</b>	<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>
<b>Bishop's Visit Donations</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>
<b>Candles</b>	<b>\$ 66.00</b>
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Joseph & Marie Kenyon

*How empty life is without you.  
Your Love and Patience has made  
us into who we are today. Your  
Guidance has set our path in life.  
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your voice, seeing your smile and  
hearing your laugh. We Love you  
and miss you even more with each  
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