



Our Lady of Purgatory



Maronite Catholic Church

June 11-12, 2022

SEASON OF THE GLORIOUS PENTECOST SUNDAY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

Trinity Sunday, a moveable feast also known as Holy Trinity Sunday, is celebrated a week after Pentecost Sunday in honor of the most fundamental of Christian beliefs—belief in the Holy Trinity. We can never fully understand the mystery of the Trinity, but we can sum it up in the following formula: God is three Persons in one Nature. The three Persons of God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—are all equally God, and They cannot be divided.

History

As Fr. John Hardon points out in his *Modern Catholic Dictionary*, the origins of the celebration of Trinity Sunday go all the way back to the

Arian heresy of the fourth century. Arius believed that Christ was a created being, and in denying the divinity of Christ, he denied that there are three Persons in God. Arius' chief opponent, Athanasius, upheld the orthodox doctrine that there are three Persons in one God, and the orthodox view prevailed at the Council of Nicaea, from which we get the Nicene Creed, recited in most Christian churches every Sunday. (The Council of Nicaea also gives us a wonderful example of how a real bishop deals with a heretic; see my biography of Saint Nicholas of Myra for the whole story.)

To stress the doctrine of the Trinity, other Fathers of the Church, such as St. Ephrem the Syrian, composed prayers and hymns that were recited in the Church's liturgies and on Sundays as part of the Divine Office, the official prayer of the Church. Eventually, a special version of this office began to be celebrated on the Sunday after Pentecost, and the Church in England, at the request of St. Thomas à Becket (1118-1170), was granted permission to celebrate Trinity Sunday. The celebration of Trinity Sunday was made universal by Pope John XXII (1316-34).

For many centuries, the Athanasian Creed, traditionally ascribed to Saint Athanasius, was recited at Mass on

Trinity Sunday. While seldom read today, this beautiful and theologically rich exposition of the doctrine of the Holy Trinity can be read privately or recited with your family to revive this ancient tradition.

http://catholicism.about.com/od/holydaysandholidays/p/Trinity_Sunday.htm

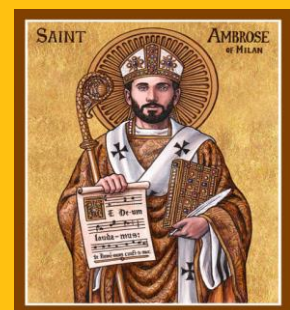
CALLING ALL GRADUATES

Please inform the office if your child(ren) are graduating from High School or College this year. We would like to acknowledge them and offer a special Liturgy in their honor. Please let me know what High School they graduated from and what college they will be attending. Congratulations to all of our graduates.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“No one heals himself by wounding another.”

Saint Ambrose



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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



Tuesday, June 14, we will gather for Eucharistic Adoration at 6:00 PM. This is an opportunity to spend some time with Jesus and ask for His help. Mark your calendars and please join us for this beautiful service.

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR MAHRAJAN

Dear Parishioners of OLOP:

The date is set for our Annual Mahrajan. We will begin the summer festivities in the New England area on Friday, June 24 and Saturday, June 25, 2022, on the grounds of OLOP. By having the festival at the beginning of the summer, we are hoping that more people will be ready to get out and enjoy our food, entertainment, and culture. Schools are getting out this week which will also add to the celebration of the beginning of Summer break. Please mark your calendars. May this festival continue to grow bigger and better every year.

NEEDS LIST FOR FESTIVAL

- 6 Large Bottles Tonic Water
- 6 Large Bottles Club Soda
- 3 Bottles Cranberry Juice
- 3 Gallons Orange Juice
- 10 Cases Coke
- 4 Cases 7UP
- 4 Cases Diet Coke
- 3 Cases Ginger Ale
- 2 Cases Orange Soda
- 20 Cases 16 oz. Water Bottles

Anyone who would like to donate any of these items, you may bring them to the rectory basement the week of the festival. Thank you for your help and generosity.

FESTIVAL PREP DAYS

We are asking for your help in preparing desserts and food for the festival. Below is a list of dates. I hope many of you will be able to come and help.

- Tuesday, June 14,**
Maamoul Day 10 AM
- Tuesday, June 21,**
Grape Leave Day 10 AM
- Thursday, June 23,**
Set up and Prep Day
- Sunday, June 26,**
Tear Down Day 11:30 AM

We need everyone's help and I ask you to join us for any/all days. Thank you in advance and God bless you.

VOLUNTEERS FOR FESTIVAL

Dear Parishioners of OLOP:

This past week I emailed a sign-up sheet for the summer festival. In order to make this festival a success, I need your help. We will be setting up Thursday afternoon through Friday afternoon. We will also be doing food prep these days. I ask that if you can help with this festival, please fill out this form and let me know what days you can be here and for how long. If it is 2 hours or all day and night, I would appreciate any help you can give. Thank you and God bless all of you.

WISH LIST EQUIPMENT FOR FESTIVAL

Dear Parishioners of OLOP:

Last year's festival was a great success for our Church, both financially and communally. As you may know, we were very fortunate to have Msgr. Jim Root and the parishioners of Saint Anthony of the Desert, who were so gracious and helpful by allowing us to use many pieces of equipment that was needed to make our festival a success.

In an effort to continue the success of our festival, we have come up with a wish list of equipment that will be of great help for the festival and other events we are planning throughout the year. You have all been so generous to the Church and as I share with you our wish list, I want to stress that it is exactly that--- a wish list. If anyone would like to donate towards any of these items, it would be a great help and very much appreciated. All of this is to assist in making our events more successful. Once again, I thank you in advance for all your support and I pray that this year's festival will be filled with much success and pride.

Dough Sheeter for Minooshe	\$ 2,200.00
Bain Marie for Sandwich Station	\$ 600.00
(1) Table Top Food Warmers(each)	\$ 200.00
(2) 6 Ft Gas Grills (each)	\$ 500.00
Food Warmer	\$ 1,500.00
Food Warmer Trays	\$ 400.00

Our Lady Of Purgatory Church
Summer Lebanese Festival
Friday, June 24, 2022 5:00PM - 11:00PM
Saturday, June 25, 2022 12:00PM - 11:00PM
Live Entertainment
Mitchel & Rami Badr
Money Raffles Prizes
\$1,000 - \$500 - \$200
Drawing
Saturday, June 25, 2022 10:30PM
11 Franklin Street, New Bedford, MA 02740

LITURGY INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 11, @ 4:30 PM, (Feast of Saint Bartholomew). Liturgy is being offered for the souls of the deceased members of the Kenyon and Daher families requested by family. May their souls rest in peace. Liturgy is being offered for the soul of Thomas and Ann Moses requested by Subdeacon Joe Abraham and Carol Ann Maslanka. May their souls rest in peace.

Sunday, June 12, @ 10:30 AM, (Feast of Saint Onuphrius). Liturgy is being offered for the soul of Robert Morad requested by Matt and Cathy Thomas and family. May his soul rest in peace. Liturgy is being offered for the soul of Hiam Chaib requested by Gaby and Amal Baroody and family. May her soul rest in peace.

Monday, June 13, @ 9:00 AM, (Feast of Saint Aquilina of Jbeil). Maronite Sisters of Christ the Light convent.

Tuesday, June 14, @ 9:00 AM, (Feast of Saint Elisha the Prophet). Liturgy is being offered for the souls of Alfred Nassr and his mother Afeefy Nassr requested by family (FM). May their souls rest in peace.

Wednesday, June 15, @ 6:00 PM, (Feast of Saint Basil the Great). Liturgy is being offered for the souls of Charles and Anna Lizortt (FM).

Thursday, June 16, @ 7:00 PM, Thursday of The Body of Christ, (Feast of Saint Hosea the Prophet).
Arabic Liturgy.

Saturday, June 18, @ 4:30 PM (Feast of Saint Leontius of Tripoli). Liturgy is being offered for the soul of Walter Chomak requested by Matt, Cathy Thomas and family. May his soul rest in peace. Liturgy is being offered for the souls of Joseph and Marie Kenyon, and Herve and Yvette LeBlanc requested by Diane and Mike LeBlanc. May their souls rest in peace. Liturgy is being offered for Saada, Gerges, Gaby, Alfred Abi Ramia, Boutros G. Feres Abi Ramia and the deceased members of Abi Ramia Family requested by Rafic Abi Ramia and family. May their souls rest in peace.

Sunday, June 19, @10:30 AM (Feast of Saint Jude Thaddeus). Liturgy is being offered for all Fathers living and deceased.

WINE AND HOST OFFERINGS

The altar bread and wine for the month of June is offered in memory of Joseph and Marie Kenyon requested by family. May their souls rest in peace.

LECTORS FOR JUNE 2022

Saturday, June 11,

Smitty Cabral

Sunday, June 12,

Joan Mello/Jano Baroudi

Saturday, June 18,

Rachel Higgins

Intercessions: Anna Higgins

Sunday, June 19,

Mae Dickinson/Gaby Baroody

Saturday, June 25,

Carol Ann Maslanka

Sunday, June 26,

John Barbour /Halim Choubah

(If you are not able to read on your given day, please contact Mae Dickinson)

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNS FOR....

This week the sanctuary candle burns for a special intention by Amal and Gaby Baroody. 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.

DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF 6/13-6/18/22

Monday:

Acts of the Apostles 4:5-12

John 15:1-8

Tuesday:

Acts of the Apostles 4:13-22

John 15:9-14

Wednesday:

Acts of the Apostles 4:23-31

John 15:15-17

Thursday:

1 Corinthians 10:14-21

John 6:47-63

Friday:

Acts of the Apostles 5:12-21a

John 15:22-27

Saturday:

Acts of the Apostles 5:21b-33

John 16:1-4

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2022 GRADUATES

Loredana T. Mello received B.A. in Music Summa Cum Laude from UMASS Dartmouth.

Stephanie Hakeem received a Master of Professional Studies in Public Relations and Cooperate Communications from George Town University.

Jordan David received B.A. in English from UMASS Dartmouth.

Emmanuelle Abi Younes received B.A. in Chemical Engineer from UMASS Amherst.

Genevieve W. Chedid graduated from Dartmouth High School and will continue her education at Stonehill College.

Joseph J. Chedid graduated from Dartmouth High School and will continue his education at Bryant University.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Angela Scorza-Anderson, Renee Helmer, Terry Amsden, Lisa Mello-Frost, Ziad Al-Ghoubry, Natalya Sarkis, Joe Reid, Octavia David, Jacob Rego, Amal Assaf, Peter Helmer, Denise Magaletta, Fernanda Thomas, Leo Rodrick, Theresa John, Laurette Bou Ramia, 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 JUNE 4-5, 2022

Sunday Collection	\$ 1490.00
Festival Sponsorships	\$ 450.00
Sanctuary Candles	\$ 10.00
Coffee Hour	\$ 9.00
Candles	\$ 34.00
Total	\$ 1993.00

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