



# Our Lady of Purgatory

## Maronite Catholic Church



August 19-20, 2023

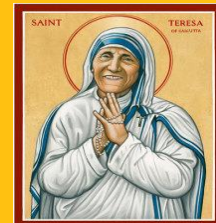
# THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

### A BLESSED FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION



### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*"If you want to make peace, you don't talk to your friends. You talk to your enemies."  
Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta*



Over 90 parishioners of OLOP gathered on the new Church grounds to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of our Blessed Mother on Monday evening. After Divine Liturgy, everyone stayed and enjoyed the BBQ picnic. I would like to thank everyone who worked so hard to prepare the food, set up the grounds, and cleaned afterwards. Everyone enjoyed the evening very much. May Our Lady protect and leads us to Christ always.



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

## NEW APPLIANCES FOR OUR CHURCH HALL



I would like to thank Hyatt Thomas for the generous donation of our new freezer and ice machine that was donated to our parish center. This donation will be a great help for us especially as we prepare for the Mahrajan next month and for the many functions we will be planning in the future. God bless you and your family.

## ROCKS BE GONE



For those of you who have visited our new parish complex, you may have noticed the large rocks in the grassy area behind the hall. I would like to thank Milad Maalouf for his generous donation in removing these rocks from the yard. The safety of our children and the elderly is of great concern and Milad has removed that concern for our community. May God bless you and our family.

## YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED:

### First Vows of Sister Emily Mary

With gratitude to God for His abundant blessings, we cordially invite you to join us in celebrating the First Profession of Vows of Sister Emily Mary Lattouf as a Maronite Servants of Christ the Light. The profession will take place within the Divine Liturgy celebrated by His Excellency Gregory John Mansour at Saint Anthony of the Desert Church, Fall River, Massachusetts 6:00PM, Thursday, September 7, 2023, Vigil of the Birth of the Blessed Virgin.

A reception will follow in Saint Sharbel Hall. R.S.V.P. by August 28 to Sister Marla Marie only via email: Email: [sister@maroniteservants.org](mailto:sister@maroniteservants.org) –or- Telephone: 508/996-1753.

## ARABIC CLASSES TO BEGIN IN OCTOBER

I am happy to inform our community that we will begin Arabic classes for beginners in October. This class will include writing, reading, and speaking the Arabic language. These classes will be split into two groups: one for children and one for adults. The time and days for these classes will be determined in the near future. If you are interested in taking these classes, please contact the church office. I am thrilled that we will be able to offer this to the community. Call or email the church office at **508-996-8934** or [ourladyofpurgatory@gmail.com](mailto:ourladyofpurgatory@gmail.com)

## NEEDS LIST FOR FESTIVAL

### BAR

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

## RAFFLE BASKETS

### NEEDED

We are adding an additional booth for this year's festival. It will be called the Avenue of Theme Baskets. We are hoping to have 30 baskets that will be raffled off at the end of the festival. Anyone who would like to donate a theme basket, please contact:

Smitty Cabral at: **(508)-961-8599**  
[oliviasmitty88@gmail.com](mailto:oliviasmitty88@gmail.com) or  
 Lorraine David at: **(508)-965-8824**  
[lorraineadavid@msn.com](mailto:lorraineadavid@msn.com).

If you do not know what to buy for the basket, we will accept donations towards a basket and we will prepare one for you. In addition to baskets, this raffle can include electronics such as TV's, ear buds for Apple or Samsung phones, etc. Thank you for your consideration.

## VOLUNTEER SIGNUP SHEETS

Volunteers are vital to this fundraiser. If you are willing and able to give of your time, before, during, after, or all the above, please give us your name and information on the signup sheets. You may also email or call Fr. Vincent at the office. I thank you in advance for all your help.

## MAAMOUL DAY



We will be preparing the maamoul for the festival on **Tuesday, August 29, and Wednesday, August 30**, from 10 AM to 6 PM, in the **Church Hall**. All are invited to come and help. Thank you for your dedication and assistance. God bless you!

## ANNUAL LEBANESE

### FESTIVAL - SAVE THE DATES

September may sound like a long time away but as we prepare for our Annual Lebanese Festival, it is never too early to begin preparations. The festival will be held on Friday, September 8, and Saturday, September 9, at our new property on Acushnet Avenue.

In the next few weeks, I will be sending out information and asking you to volunteer for what I expect will be a warm and exciting welcome to our new home. For this major fundraiser to be a success, your help is needed. I ask you in advance to think about how you can help make this festival a remarkable success. Younger and older alike, your participation will make a significant difference.

*Food, Bar, Live Music, Saji, Hookas, Raffles, Dancing*



## Our Lady Of Purgatory Church

# Lebanese Festival

Friday, September 8, 2023	Saturday, September 9, 2023
5:00PM - 11:00PM	12:00PM - 11:00PM

Live Entertainment!



*Mitchel Kaltzounas*  
(Friday)



*Rami Baadr*  
(Saturday)



### Money Raffles Prizes

\$1,000 - \$500 - \$200

Drawing

Saturday, September 9, 2023  
10:30PM

**4254 Acushnet Ave, New Bedford, MA 02745**

## LITURGY INTENTIONS

**Saturday, August 19, @ 4:30 PM, (Feast of Saint Luke of Baalbek).** Liturgy is being offered for the soul of Anne Abraham requested by Rosemarie Twomey. May her soul rest in peace. Liturgy is being offered for the soul of Raymond Boutros Roupheal requested by Mariam David and family. May his soul rest in peace.

**Sunday, August 20, @ 10:30 AM, (Feast of Saint Bernard, Doctor of the Church).** Liturgy is being offered for the souls of Alfonso and Mabel Gabello requested by family (FM). May their souls rest in peace.

**Saturday, August 26, @ 4:30 PM, (Feast of Pope Saint Zephyrinus).** Liturgy is being offered for the soul of Thomas David requested by Mariam David and family. May his soul rest in peace.

**Sunday, August 27, @ 10:30 AM, (Feast of Saint Biyameen (Poemen) the Hermit). Remember Me In Your Kingdom Liturgy.**

### IN OUR PRAYERS

Charles Murray, Alice Daher, Sister Juanita Marie, Sharon Conti, David Techlin, Debbie Freedenberg, Josephine Chedid, Efrangieh Daou, Reggie Thomas, Peter Helmer, Renee Helmer, Natalya Sarkis, Octavia David, Jacob Rego, Amal Assaf, Denise Magaletta, Fernanda Thomas, Angela Scorza-Anderson, Theresa John, Laurette Bou Ramia, Annie Peter, Jeannie Francis, Mariam David, Norma Thomas, Zita Drouin, Lucienne Rodrigues, Edmond Salameh, Ed Da Rocha, and Alice Daher. If anyone is missing from this list, please contact the Church office.

### THE SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNS FOR....

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.

### FINANCE COUNCIL

#### MEMBERS:

Jimmy Kalife, Wassim Chedid, Rose Dupre, Rana Choubah, Nigel Hitchings, and Joseph Barckett.

### PARISH COUNCIL

#### MEMBERS:

Fadi Bark, Johnny Kalife, Vicki Thomas Marini, Jacques Barbour, and Smitty Cabral.

## WINE AND HOST OFFERING

The altar bread and wine for the month of August is offered for Charbel Baroody requested by Philip and Jano Baroody.

### LECTORS FOR AUGUST 2023

**Saturday, August 19,**

Racheal Higgins

Intercessions: Anna & Helen Higgins

**Sunday, August 20,**

Ann Dupre/Jano Baroody

**Saturday, August 26,**

Mae Dickinson

Intercessions: Eric Tavares

**Sunday, August 27,**

Rana Choubah / Gaby Baroody

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

### DAILY READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF 8/21-8/26/23

**Monday:**

1 John 1: 1-10

Luke 13: 31-35

**Tuesday:**

1 John 2:1-11

Luke 14:1-6

**Wednesday:**

1 John 2: 12-20

Luke 14: 7-11

**Thursday:**

1 John 2: 21-29

Luke 14: 12-15

**Friday:**

1 John 3: 1-10

Luke 14: 16-24

**Saturday:**

1 John 3:11-22

Luke 14: 25-35

## CONFESSION

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

### WEEK OF AUGUST

12-13, 2023

<b>Sunday Collection</b>	<b>\$ 1,356.00</b>
<b>Festival Sponsorship</b>	<b>\$ 1550.00</b>
<b>Festival Raffle</b>	<b>\$ 280.00</b>
<b>Coffee Hour</b>	<b>\$ 23.00</b>
<b>Candles</b>	<b>\$ 33.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,242.00</b>

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

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