



# Saint Teresa of Calcutta

*Maronite Catholic Mission*



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**DIVINE LITURGY**  
Sunday at 11:00 AM

*Confession*  
Sunday at 10:30 AM  
or upon request



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**March 12, 2023**

**Parable of the Prodigal Son**

Today's Gospel: Luke 15:11-32

Then he said, "A man had two sons, and the younger son said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of your estate that should come to me.' So the father divided the property between them. After a few days, the younger son collected all his belongings and set off to a distant country where he squandered his inheritance on a life of dissipation. When he had freely spent everything, a severe famine struck that country, and he found himself in dire need. So he hired himself out to one of the local citizens who sent him to his farm to tend the swine. And he longed to eat his fill of the pods on which the swine fed, but nobody gave him any. Coming to his senses he thought, 'How many of my father's hired workers have more than enough food to eat, but here am I, dying from hunger. I shall get up and go to my father and I shall say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers."' So he got up and went back to his father. While he was still a long way off, his father caught sight of him, and was filled with compassion. He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him. His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Quickly bring the finest robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Take the fattened calf and slaughter it. Then let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost, and has been found.' Then the celebration began. Now the older son had been out in the field and, on his way back, as he neared the house, he heard the sound of music and dancing. He called one of the servants and asked what this might mean. The servant said to him, 'Your brother has returned and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.' He became angry, and when he refused to enter the house, his father came out and pleaded with him. He said to his father in reply, 'Look, all these years I served you and not once did I disobey your orders; yet you never gave me even a young goat to feast on with my friends. But when your son returns

*The Gospel continued on the back.*

## News & Events

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Welcome

**WELCOME!** If you are a guest or visitor of the Saint Teresa of Calcutta Maronite Mission, we are happy to have you. We welcome you. Make yourself at home. You are among family.

Starting on Sunday, March 5, we will **PRAY THE ROSARY** at 10:30 AM before Liturgy on Sundays during Great Lent. Along with your personal and silent intentions, our Lenten Rosary intentions will be as follows:

**March 5**—for women who are considering abortion to choose life

**March 12**—for the return of those who have left the Catholic Church

**March 19**—for courage to stand up and defend the True Faith

**March 26**—for those who do not recognize Jesus in the Eucharist

**April 2**—for true surrender and trust in God's Will

**ALL FRIDAYS DURING LENT** we will pray the Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Cross at 6:30 PM.

We ask that a **STATE OF SILENCE** is maintained in the church as a sign of respect for Our Lord who is present in the tabernacle as well as for those who are praying. Before and after the Liturgy, we ask that social conversations be moved to **the back of the church** and not in the pews and in the aisles.



“...he was lost  
and has been found”

-Luke 15:32

## Holy Week Schedule

**SUNDAY, APRIL 2**  
11:00 AM — Hosanna Sunday / Palm Sunday Liturgy

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5**  
6:30 PM — Rite of the Lamp Liturgy: Healing Service

**THURSDAY, APRIL 6**  
6:30 PM — Thursday of the Mysteries Liturgy  
(Adoration until Midnight w/ Confession)

**FRIDAY, APRIL 7**  
11:00 AM—Signing of the Chalice  
12:00 PM—Luncheon  
3:00 PM—Great Friday of the Crucifixion Service  
(Bring fresh flowers for burial)

**SATURDAY, APRIL 8**  
11:00 AM—Great Saturday of the Light Service  
(Service of Forgiveness w/ Confession)

**SUNDAY, APRIL 9**  
11:00 AM—Glorious Resurrection Divine Liturgy

## Liturgy Intentions

If you would like to offer Divine Liturgy for a living or deceased person or any special or personal intention, fill out a mass intention envelope available at the main entrance of the church.

\* Season of Great Lent \*

### † Parable of the Prodigal Son Sunday, March 12 (11:00a)

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Zech 3:1-7, 2Cor 13:5-13, Luke 15:11-32

Joseph “Joe” Betterts

Req by Donna Michael

### † Feast of Saint Joseph Healing of the Paralytic Sunday, March 19 (11:00a)

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Eph. 3:1-13, Matthew 1:18-25

Joseph “Joe” Betterts

Req by Fr. Antoine Kairouz

### † Healing of the Blind Man Sunday, March 26 (11:00a)

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Is.42:6-8,16-18, 2Cor10:1-7, Mk10:46-52

Louis Michael

Req by Donna Michael

### † Hosanna Sunday/Palm Sunday Sunday, April 2 (11:00a)

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Zech.9:9-11,15a,16-17, Phil1:1-13,Jn12:12-22

All the Children of Our Mission  
Community

\* Passion Week \*

### Rite of the Lamp Liturgy & Healing Service Wednesday, April 5 (6:30p)

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Heb 2:5-12, John 11:47-54

## Weekly Collection 2023

Collection Budget..... \$50,000

Collection to Date..... \$9,017

**-\$40,983**

Collection-last week. ....\$643

*The Gospel continued from the front.*

who swallowed up your property with prostitutes, for him you slaughter the fattened calf.' He said to him, 'My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.'"