



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

You are welcomed and loved by St Anthony Community. We are transformed through prayer, acts of love, forgiveness, service and stewardship.

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SACRAMENTS

Baptism & Confirmation: *1 month in advance with the Pastor*

Donations: *Church & Priest: \$200*

Matrimony: *Couples should make arrangements six months prior to the wedding date*

Donations: *Church \$500—Priest : Free Will*

Reconciliation: *One hour Before Thursday & Saturday Liturgies, or by appointment*

Anointing of the Sick: *Please notify the Rectory if a member of your family is ill, hospitalized, or unable to come to Church and would like to receive communion at home*



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OUR CHURCH AT PRAYER

Hours of Liturgical services changed due to COVID-19

Weekday Liturgies

Mon - Thu: 9:00 AM

Saturday Liturgies:

4:00 PM Vigil (English)

Sunday Liturgies:

9:00 AM (English)

11:00 AM (English & Arabic)

Holy days of obligation:

Vigil Liturgy @ 7 PM

OFFICE HOURS

M-TH: 9:00 AM-4:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM-2:00 PM

Saturdays: By Appointment

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

FELECITATION OF THE VIRGIN MARY - تهنئة العذراء مريم أم الله

Sat	Dec. 26 <i>English</i>	4:00 PM	For: + Bomar Kramer By Barbara Kramer
Sun	Dec. 27 <i>English</i>	9:00 AM	For: + Antoine Karam Asmar By his wife Nada Asmar
	<i>Ara/Eng</i> <i>Church</i>	11:00 AM	For: + Jamile Barbar Zaarour (died in Lebanon) By her daughters: Joumana, wife of Edgar Feghali, Gerogina wife of Jihad Maroun, and their children
Tue	Dec. 28	9:00 AM	For: + Antoine Karam Asmar By his wife Nada Asmar
Tue	Dec. 29	9:00 AM	For: + Joseph Nammour By his son Georges Nammour + The Peters Family By Donna and Thomas Peters
Wed	Dec. 30	9:00 AM	For: + Antoine Karam Asmar By his wife Nada Asmar

Thu	Dec. 31	THE CIRCUMCISION OF JESUS - عيد ختانة الرب يسوع 4:00 PM: Main Sanctuary (English) For: + Good Health and Prosperity of the Parishioners By The Parochial Team	
		4:00 PM: Main Sanctuary (Arabic)	
Fri	Jan. 1	For: + Good Health and Prosperity of the Parishioners By The Parochial Team	

THE FINDING OF THE LORD IN THE TEMPLE - أحد وجود الرب يسوع في الهيكل

Sat	Jan. 02 <i>English</i>	4:00 PM	For: + John Thomas By his wife Phyllis Thomas, his children: John and Christine their spouses and his grand-children
Sun	Jan. 03 <i>English</i>	9:00 AM	For: Private Intentions
	<i>Ara/Eng</i> <i>Church</i>	11:00 AM	For: Private Intentions



Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Saint Anthony Maronite Church
Fr. Elie Mikhael

Dear Saint Anthony Parishioners,

This is truly a historic time. A time of distancing and isolation, a time when the world has seemingly stopped. A time where funerals, weddings and baptisms were celebrated but in odd times and fashion. I am personally looking forward to that day with great anticipation to gather together as a Maronite Family and break bread together. That day when the parishioners travel from near and far to celebrate as one family.

As we ready ourselves for the celebration of Jesus' birth putting up the tree, doing the baking and cooking, going shopping and wrapping the gifts, decorating the house with lights and all the other many things that go into making this such a special family time of year with our own cultural traditions, it is good for us to remember to be prepared also spiritually so that we can worthily receive the Infant of Bethlehem. I invite all of you to take advantage of our Online and Church Services such as the Novena and the daily Liturgies or confessions by receiving God's merciful love and forgiveness in this wonderful sacrament.

To all of you and your families, I extend the greetings of each of us here at St. Anthony. Be sure that each of you is in our prayers and thoughts in this holy season, and our wish is that your hearts may know the joy of the presence of the new Born King. May the Virgin Mary and her Infant Son, Jesus, the King of Peace, fill your hearts and lives and homes with the choicest of blessings at Christmas and throughout the New Year!

Christmas Poinsettias In Memory of:

Mr. & Mrs. George & Kristen Kassas and family	The deceased members of the Kassas family
Mr. Fred Corey	Fred & Carmela Corey Dr. Edward & Mary Moore
Mrs. Edith C. Maroun and Family	George C. Maroun Alfred G. Maroun Sophia C. Maroun
Dr. & Mrs. George Abou-Ezzi	Jeanette Lahoud Nasr Antoine Abou-Ezzi Mike & Marie-Noel Nassar
Mr. Tuffic Hatem	Diana B. Hatem By her husband Tuffic, her daughters Venize & Rosine and families
Mr. Kurt Bistany	Roy Bistany Fadlallah & Adelle Bistany
Mrs. Mabel P. Beshara	The deceased members of the family of George Beshara
Mr. & Mrs. Rodney & Mary Pica	Douglas Pica
Mrs. Noreen T. Murphy	Denis Murphy Peter & Nellie Ackarey by their children
Mrs. Barbara Kramer	Bomar Kramer
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Schiripo	Rose & Peter Lucchesi Mary Shadeed Stephanie & Fred Schiripo
Mrs. Evon Danus & Family	Robert J. Danus Maria Danus Moujaes Selma & Ameen Barker and the deceased members of their family
Mr. Victor Azzi	Mr. & Mrs. Khalil S. Azzi Mr. & Mrs. Said Dagher Mr. & Mrs. Elias Nassah Mr. Samuel Azzi
Mr. Chris George	Donald A. George Alex George Ed Wright Jr. The deceased members of the George Family The deceased members of Saint Anthony's Maronite Church
Mrs. Joan Hatem Roy	Albert and Lorraine Hatem by Mrs. Joan Hatem Roy Gary Hatem by Mrs. Joan Hatem Roy William Torla by Mrs. Joan Hatem Roy
Mrs. Jean Foley	Edward Foley by Mrs. Jean Foley
Mrs. Maguy Rached Kassir	Badiaa Rached by Maguy Rached Kassir
Mrs. Michelle Sfeir	Adelle Sfeir by Michelle Sfeir

Mr. & Mrs. Abdou & Jeanine Abou Raad	The deceased members of the Abou-Raad & the Azzi families
Mr. Michael Deschene	Thomas Tarness
Mrs. Catherine Abraham	Al & Stephanie Abraham
Mrs. Renda Sandier	John F. Skandier Wanda M. Skandier
Mrs. Habouba Mouawad	Maroun Mouawad
The Demers Family	Zakhia Charabati Doug Pica Robert Brousseau
Mrs. Pauline Jesionowski	Charlie Tarness
Mr. George Sfeir	Elias and Latife Sfeir by George Sfeir
Mrs. Chantale Fadel	Joseph and Kilikia Maroun Fadlallah and Alice Fadel Raymond Fadel George and Adelle Cherabie Kamil Maroun
Mrs. Phyllis Thoms	John Thomas Ida Thomas
Mr. & Mrs. John & Patty Thomas & family	John Thomas
Bill, Christin & Madi Ryan	John Thoms
Mr. & Mrs. Ghassan Raad And his family	Elias El-khoury
	Maurice Geha Maroun Fakhoury Tannous Ata

Christmas Poinsettias In Honor of:

Dr. & Mrs. George Abou-Ezzi	Our boys Marc & Mikey Our daughters Monica & Mia The health of my brother Elie Nasr & his family Teta Akle Mikhael
Mr. & Mrs. Elias P Azzi	Rebecca Azzi
Marie Therese Azzi	Marie Therese Azzi and Najla Azzi Purcell
Mr. Chris George	Fr. Elie Mikhael and his family by a grateful parishioner Those suffering from Covid-19 may they get well soon Saint Anthony's Maronite Church and the pastoral team, that keep us healthy and safe
Habouba Mouawad	My children and their families
Chantale Fadel	Antoine and Nora Fadel Pierre and Ann Maroun Lucas Maroun
Bill, Christin & Madi Ryan	Phyllis Thomas
The Nasr family	Gisele Nasr Wakim

Christmas Readings**Epistle: Letter to the Hebrews 1:1-12**

Brothers and sisters, Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has

spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

For to which of the angels did God ever say, 'You are my Son; today I have begotten you'? Or again, 'I will be his Father, and he will be my Son'? And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, 'Let all God's angels worship him.' Of the angels he says, 'He makes his angels winds, and his servants flames of fire.'

But of the Son he says, 'Your throne, O God, is for ever and ever, and the righteous scepter is the scepter of your kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions.' And, 'In the beginning, Lord, you founded the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands; they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like clothing; like a cloak you will roll them up, and like clothing they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will never end.'

Gospel: Saint Luke 2:1-20

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered.

This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn. In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid; for see I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.' And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favours!' When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.' So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.



ميلاد الرب

الرسالة إلى العبرانيين 1: 1-12

يا إخوتي، إِنَّ اللَّهَ كَلَّمَ الآبَاءَ قَدِيمًا فِي الأنبياء، مَرَّاتٍ كَثِيرَةً، وبأنواعٍ شتى، وفي آخِرِ هذِهِ الأَيَّامِ، كَلَّمَنَا فِي الابْنِ، الَّذِي جَعَلَهُ وَارثًا لِكُلِّ شَيْءٍ. وَبِهِ أَنشَأَ العَالَمِينَ. وَهُوَ شِعَاعٌ مَجْدِهِ وَصُورَةٌ جَوْهَرِهِ، وَضَابِطُ الكُلِّ بِكَلِمَةٍ قُدْرَتِهِ. فَبَعْدَمَا أْتَمَّ تَطْهِيرَ الخَطَايَا، جَلَسَ عَنِ يَمِينِ الجَلَالَةِ فِي الأَعَالِي، فَصَارَ أَعْظَمَ مِنَ المَلَائِكَةِ، بِمَقْدَارِ مَا الأَسْمُ الَّذِي وَرَثَهُ أَفْضَلُ مِنَ أَسْمَائِهِمْ. فَلَمَنْ مِنَ المَلَائِكَةِ قَالَ اللَّهُ يَوْمًا: "أَنْتَ ابْنِي، أَنَا اليَوْمَ وَأَلَدْتُكَ؟" وَقَالَ أَيْضًا: "أَنَا أَكُونُ لَهُ أَبًا، وَهُوَ يَكُونُ لِي ابْنًا؟" أَمَا عِنْدَمَا يُدْخِلُ ابْنَهُ البِكْرَ إِلَى العَالَمِ فَيَقُولُ: "فَلْتَسْجُدْ لَهُ جَمِيعُ مَلَائِكَةِ اللَّهِ!" وَعَنِ المَلَائِكَةِ يَقُولُ: "الصَّانِعُ مَلَائِكَتَهُ أَرْوَاحًا، وَخُدَّامَهُ لَهَيْبِ نَارٍ." أَمَا عَنِ الابْنِ فَيَقُولُ: "عَرْشُكَ يَا اللَّهُ، لِدَهْرِ الدَّهْرِ، وَصَوْلَجَانُ الأَسْتِقَامَةِ صَوْلَجَانُ مُلْكِكَ. أَحْبَبْتَ البِرَّ وَأَبْغَضْتَ الإِثْمَ. لِذَلِكَ مَسَحَكَ الهُكَّ، يَا اللَّهُ، بِدُهْنِ البَهْجَةِ أَفْضَلَ مِنْ شُرَكَائِكَ." وَيَقُولُ أَيْضًا: "أَنْتَ، يَا رَبِّ، فِي البَدْءِ أَسَّسْتَ الأَرْضَ، وَالسَّمَاوَاتِ صُنْعُ يَدَيْكَ. هِيَ تَزُولُ وَأَنْتَ تَبْقَى، وَكُلُّهَا كَالثُوبِ تَبْلَى، وَتَطْوِيهَا كَالرِّدَاءِ، وَكَالثُوبِ تَتَبَدَّلُ، وَأَنْتَ أَنْتَ وَسُنُوكَ لَنْ تَفْنَى."

إنجيل القديس لوقا 2: 1-20

فِي تِلْكَ الأَيَّامِ، صَدَرَ أَمْرٌ مِنَ أَعُوسْطُسَ قَيْصَرَ بِإِخْصَاءِ كُلِّ المَعْمُورَةِ. جَرَى هَذَا الإِخْصَاءُ الأَوَّلُ، عِنْدَمَا كَانَ كِيرِينْيُوسُ وَالْيَا عَلَى سُورِيَا. وَكَانَ الجَمِيعُ يَذْهَبُونَ، كُلُّ وَاحِدٍ إِلَى مَدِينَتِهِ، لِيَكْتَتَبُوا فِيهَا. وَصَعِدَ يُوسُفُ أَيْضًا مِنَ الجَلِيلِ، مِنْ مَدِينَةِ النَّاصِرَةِ، إِلَى اليَهُودِيَّةِ، إِلَى مَدِينَةِ دَاوُدَ الَّتِي تُدْعَى بَيْتَ لَحْمٍ، لِأَنَّهُ كَانَ مِنْ بَيْتِ دَاوُدَ وَعَشِيرَتِهِ، لِيَكْتَتَبَ مَعَ مَرْيَمَ خَطِيبَتِهِ، وَهِيَ حَامِلٌ. وَفِيمَا كَانَا هُنَاكَ، تَمَّتْ أَيَّامُهَا لِتَلِدَ، فَوَالِدَتْ ابْنَهَا البِكْرَ، وَقَمَطَتْهُ، وَأَضْجَعَتْهُ فِي مِذْوَدٍ، لِأَنَّهُ لَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُمَا مَوْضِعٌ فِي قَاعَةِ الضُّيُوفِ. وَكَانَ فِي تِلْكَ النَّاحِيَةِ رُعَاةٌ يُقِيمُونَ فِي الحُقُولِ، وَيَسْهَرُونَ فِي هَجَعَاتِ اللَّيْلِ عَلَى فُطْعَانِهِمْ. فَإِذَا بِمَلَكَ الرَّبِّ قَدْ وَقَفَ بِهِمْ، وَمَجْدُ الرَّبِّ أَسْرَقَ حَوْلَهُمْ، فَخَافُوا خَوْفًا عَظِيمًا. فَقَالَ لَهُمُ المَلَكَ: "لَا تَخَافُوا! فَهَا أَنَا أُبَشِّرُكُمْ بِفَرَحٍ عَظِيمٍ يَكُونُ لِلسَّعْبِ كُلِّهِ، لِأَنَّهُ وُلِدَ لَكُمْ اليَوْمَ مَخْلَصٌ، هُوَ المَسِيحُ الرَّبُّ، فِي مَدِينَةِ دَاوُدَ. وَهَذِهِ عَلَامَةٌ لَكُمْ: تَجِدُونَ طِفْلًا مَقْمَطًا، مُضْجَعًا فِي مِذْوَدٍ!" وَأَنْضَمَّ فَجَاءَةً إِلَى المَلَكَ جُمُهُورٌ مِنَ الجُنْدِ السَّمَاوِيِّ يُسَبِّحُونَ اللَّهَ وَيَقُولُونَ: أَلْمَجْدُ لِلَّهِ فِي العُلَى، وَعَلَى الأَرْضِ السَّلَامُ، وَالرَّجَاءُ الصَّالِحُ لِابْنِي البَشَرِ. وَلَمَّا أَنْصَرَفَ المَلَائِكَةُ عَنْهُمْ إِلَى السَّمَاءِ، قَالَ الرُّعَاةُ بَعْضُهُمْ لِبَعْضٍ: "هَيَّا بِنَا، إِلَى بَيْتِ لَحْمٍ، لِنَرَى هَذَا الأَمْرَ الَّذِي حَدَّثْتَ، وَقَدْ أَعْلَمْنَا بِهِ الرَّبُّ." وَجَاؤُوا مُسْرِعِينَ، فَوَجَدُوا مَرْيَمَ وَيُوسُفَ، وَطِفْلًا مُضْجَعًا فِي المِذْوَدِ. وَلَمَّا رَأَوْهُ أَخْبَرُوا بِالكَلَامِ الَّذِي قِيلَ لَهُمْ فِي شَأْنِ هَذَا الصَّبِيِّ. وَجَمِيعُ الَّذِينَ سَمِعُوا، تَعَجَّبُوا مِمَّا قَالَهُ لَهُمُ الرُّعَاةُ. أَمَا مَرْيَمُ فَكَانَتْ تَحْفَظُ هَذِهِ الأُمُورَ كُلَّهَا، وَتَتَأَمَّلُهَا فِي قَلْبِهَا. ثُمَّ عَادَ الرُّعَاةُ وَهُمْ يُمَجِّدُونَ اللَّهَ وَيُسَبِّحُونَهُ عَلَى كُلِّ مَا سَمِعُوا وَرَأَوْا، حَسَبَمَا قِيلَ لَهُمْ.

Felicitation to Virgin Mary
Epistle: Ephesians 1:3-14

Brothers and sisters, Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory.

In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God’s own people, to the praise of his glory.

Gospel: Saint Luke 1: 46 - 55

Mary said, ‘My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.’

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

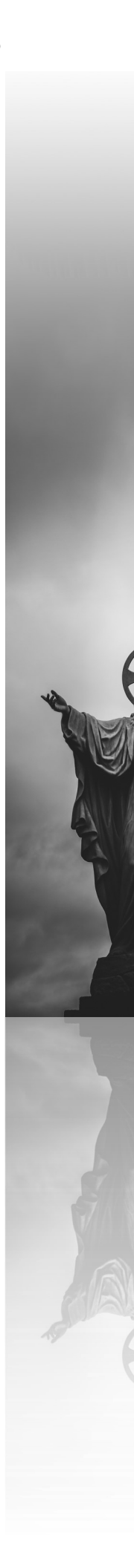
- Dec 28:** Wael & Raghida Naamani
- Dec 30:** Fadi & Hanan Chahine
- Gary & Joanne Abdulla
- Dec 30:** David & Emily Bechara

IN REMEMBRANCE OF OUR LOVED ONES

- Dec 29:** William J. Abraham - Lydia B. Williams
- Louise J. Snay
- Dec 30:** Hnein J. Nashef
- Dec 31:** Robyn Jean - Kennet D. Carpenter
- Jan 1:** Farid T. Ata

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- Dec 27:** Catherine Abraham, Jessica El-Helou, Thomas Hatem, Jocelyn Kanaan, Charlotte Motta
- Dec 28:** Elie Abdilmasih, Hannah Abdilmasih, Sonya Ameen, Naya Kossaifi, Sandy Ramey, Yvona Safi
- Dec 29:** Jamal Ramey
- Dec 30:** Lorna Kattar, Phyllis Touma
- Jan 01:** Henry Abi-Moussa, Mounir Bou-Mitri, Ibrahim Geha, Patrick Hbaiter, Manal Khoury, Gretta Merheb



تهنئة العذراء مريم أم الله
أفسس 1: 3-14

يا إِخْوَتِي، تَبَارَكَ اللهُ أَبُو رَبِّنَا يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحِ، الَّذِي بَارَكَنَا بِكُلِّ
بَرَكَةٍ رُوحِيَّةٍ فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ فِي الْمَسِيحِ؛
فَإِنَّهُ اخْتَارَنَا فِيهِ قَبْلَ انْشَاءِ الْعَالَمِ، لِنَكُونَ فِي حَضْرَتِهِ قَدِيسِينَ، لَا
عَيْبَ فِيْنَا؛ وَقَدْ سَبَقَ بِمَحَبَّتِهِ فَحَدَدْنَا أَنْ نَكُونَ لَهُ أَبْنَاءَ بِالتَّبَنِّي بِيسُوعَ الْمَسِيحِ، بِحَسَبِ
رِضَى مَشِيئَتِهِ، لِمَدْحِ مَجْدِ نِعْمَتِهِ الَّتِي أَنْعَمَ بِهَا عَلَيْنَا فِي الْحَبِيبِ؛
وَفِيهِ لَنَا الْفِدَاءُ بِدَمِهِ، أَي مَغْفِرَةُ الزَّلَّاتِ، بِحَسَبِ غِنَى نِعْمَتِهِ،
الَّتِي أَفَاضَهَا عَلَيْنَا فِي كُلِّ حِكْمَةٍ وَفَهْمٍ؛
وَقَدْ عَرَفْنَا سِرَّ مَشِيئَتِهِ، بِحَسَبِ رِضَاةِ الَّذِي سَبَقَ فَجَعَلَهُ فِي الْمَسِيحِ،
لِيُحَقِّقَ تَدْبِيرَ مِلءِ الْأَزْمَنَةِ، فَيَجْمَعُ فِي الْمَسِيحِ تَحْتَ رَأْسٍ وَاحِدٍ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ، مَا فِي
السَّمَاوَاتِ وَمَا عَلَى الْأَرْضِ؛ وَفِيهِ أَيْضًا اخْتَارَنَا مِيرَاثًا لَهُ، وَقَدْ سَبَقَ فَحَدَدْنَا بِحَسَبِ
قَصْدِهِ، هُوَ الَّذِي يَعْمَلُ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ بِقَضَاءِ مَشِيئَتِهِ،
لِنَكُونَ مَدْحًا لِمَجْدِهِ، نَحْنُ الَّذِينَ سَبَقْنَا فَجَعَلْنَا فِي الْمَسِيحِ رِجَاءَنَا؛
وَفِيهِ أَنْتُمْ أَيْضًا، بَعْدَ أَنْ سَمِعْتُمْ كَلِمَةَ الْحَقِّ، أَيِ انْجِيلِ خَلَاصِكُمْ، وَأَمَنْتُمْ، خُتِمْتُمْ بِالرُّوحِ
الْقُدُّسِ الْمَوْعُودِ بِهِ، وَهُوَ عَرَبُونَ مِيرَاثًا، لِفِدَاءِ شَعْبِهِ الَّذِي أَقْتَنَاهُ، وَلِمَدْحِ مَجْدِهِ.

قَالَتْ مَرْيَمُ: "تَعْظِمُ نَفْسِي الرَّبُّ،
وَتَبْتَهِجُ رُوحِي بِاللهِ مُخْلِصِي،
لَأَنَّهُ نَظَرَ إِلَيَّ تَوَاضَعِ أُمَّتِهِ. فَهَذَا مُنْذُ الْآنَ تُطَوِّبُنِي جَمِيعُ
الْأَجْيَالِ،

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لَأَنَّ الْقَدِيرَ صَنَعَ بِي عَظَائِمَ، وَأَسْمُهُ قُدُّوسٌ،
وَرَحْمَتُهُ إِلَى أَجْيَالٍ وَأَجْيَالٍ لِلَّذِينَ يَتَّقُونَهُ.
صَنَعَ عِزًّا بِسَاعِدِهِ، وَشَتَّتِ الْمُتَكَبِّرِينَ بِأَفْكَارِ قُلُوبِهِمْ.
أَنْزَلَ الْمُقْتَدِرِينَ عَنِ الْعُرُوشِ، وَرَفَعَ الْمُتَوَاضِعِينَ.
أَشْبَعَ الْجِيَاعَ خَيْرَاتٍ، وَصَرَفَ الْأَغْنِيَاءَ فَارِغِينَ.
عَضَدَ إِسْرَائِيلَ فَتَاهُ ذَاكِرًا رَحْمَتَهُ،
لِإِبْرَاهِيمَ وَنَسَلِهِ إِلَى الْأَبَدِ، كَمَا كَلَّمَ آبَاءَنَا."

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