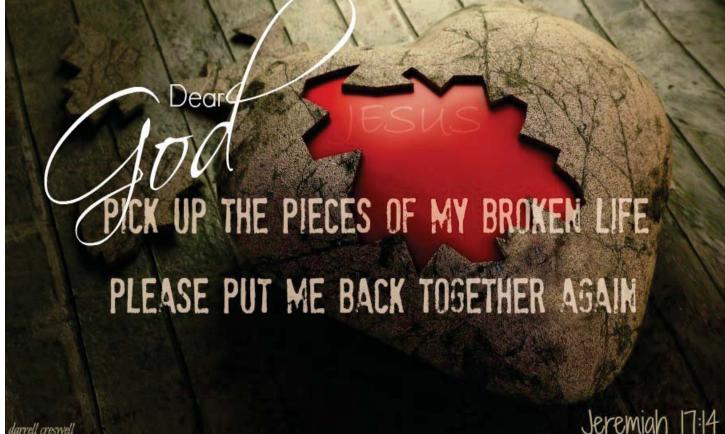
WEEKLY BULLETIN: THE SEASON OF GREAT LENT - ST. ANTHONY MARONITE CHURCH - FEBRUARY 21, 2021



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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MEET OUR DEACONS

Deacon Nadim B. Daou /Deacon Michael Charchaflian Sub-Deacon James T. Demers / Sub-Deacon Antoine Nammour

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

Please refer to our website for more Sacrament Celebrations Guidelines.

Jeremiah 17:14

LIVE

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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 @ 7:00 PM

OFFICE HOURS M-TH: 9:00 AM-4:00 PM Friday: 9:00 AM-2:00 PM Saturdays: By Appointment

SUNDAYS & WEEKLY LITURGIES

Sunday of the Man with Leprosy - أحد شفاء الأبرص الأحد الثاني من الصوم الكبير - Second Sunday of Great Lent

Sat 4:00 PM	Feb. 20 English	For: 3 Years Anniversary - Alice Rodrigues By her husband Alfred Rodrigues
Sun 9:00 AM	Feb. 21 English	For: + Victoria & Kenneth Carpenter By The Family
11:00 AM	Ara/Eng Church	For: 1st Year Anniversary - Antonio Pastore By his sister Teresa wife of Jamil Kamari and Family For: 40 Day Anniversary - Ramona Hashem By her loving family
Mon 9:00 AM	Feb. 22	For: The intentions and donors of Catholic Extension
Tue 9:00 AM	Feb. 23	For: + Tony & + Barbara, +John, +All, and +Georgina Goulart By Dora Pereira
Wed 9:00 AM	Feb. 24	For: The intentions and donors of Catholic Extension
T hu 9:00 AM	Feb. 25	For: + Carolyn Walling <i>By Fr. Elie Mikhael</i> For: The intentions and donors of Catholic Extension 9:30 AM-12:00 Noon: ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Fri 7:00 PM	Feb. 26	Stations of the Cross
		r of the Hemorrhaging Woman - أحد شفاء النازفة hird Sunday of Great Lent - الأحد الثالث من الصوم الكبير
Sat 4:00 PM	Feb. 27 English	For: 40 Day Anniversary - Joseph Kalil By his wife Joan and the family For: + Eva Varova By Micheline Bijjani Dabrowski
Sun 9:00 AM	Feb. 28 English	For: Private intention
11:00 AM	Ara/Eng Church	For: 40 Day Anniversary - Kahlil Ibrahim Helou By his brother in law Ibrahim Ata and family

EASTER BAKE SALE

Put your orders now and pick it up the weekend of Palm Sunday.

Items available:

Maamoul: Pistachio, Dates, Walnuts Kaak and Sable (butter cookies filled with

apricot jam)

To order , please call or text Bassima @ 603.571.3003

LENT SEASON

Lenten Meditation published on our Facebook and Instagram.

TITHES & OFFERINGS WEEKLY / MONTHLY / ANNUAL GIVING COMMITMENT



stanthonylawrence.org/donate-now/

TREE OF LIFE

REMEMBER YOUR LOVED ONES BY PUTTING THEIR NAMES ON TREE OF LIFE BRASS ALUMINUM PLAQUES SIZES:

1.5" X 3" = \$75 / 3"X 6"= \$150 / 4"X8"= \$250 Please submit your request either by

Phone: 978.685.7233

or by E-mail: <u>rectory@stanthonylawrence.org</u>

CEMETERY LOT SALES AND AVAILABILITY

Saint Anthony Cemetery offers affordable payment plans to fit any family's budget. For more information:

By Phone (*During Office Hours*) 978-685-7233 or email <u>rectory@stanthonylawrence.org</u> Or by visiting: <u>www.stanthonylawrence.org/lots-sales/</u>

Burial Pre-Arrangements

Making arrangements for a burial in advance should be no more difficult than providing insurance or having a will. It is a sensible thing to do. By pre-arranging your burial, you can avoid the unnecessary confusion plus the financial and emotional stress that death often brings. Funeral pre-arrangements are available and recommended with guarantees of no increase in cemetery charges at the time of interment.

Pre-Arrangement Funds are placed in a separate account and are withdrawn at the time of the interment. An interest free Time-Payment Plan is available for your convenience.

ONLINE BURIAL SEARCH

UPDATE YOUR LOVED ONES RECORD !!

The following steps will help you access the tool:

- 1. Go to www.stanthonylawrence.org
- 2. Scroll to the bottom and click on BURIAL ONLINE SEARCH.
- 3. Type in the last/first name or in some cases just last name and click search.
- 4. Click on the name.
- 5. In the middle of the page, look for "Do you know more about this person or their ancestors"? Click here.
- 6. You can then complete any or all the fields and click submit.
- 7. If desired, you may send obituary notice, special documents, letters, receipts etc. to <u>rectory@stanthonylawrence.org</u> and we will attach that to your loved one's record.



Prayer to Saint Joseph:

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

نرفع إليه هذه الصلاة: السلام عليك يا حامي المخلّص، وخطّيبَ العذراء مريم. لقد ائتمنك الله على ابنه؛ وبكَ وضعَت مريم ثقتها؛ ومعكَ صارَ يسوعُ رجلًا. أيّها الطوباوي يوسف، كنْ أبًا لنا نحن أيضًا، وأرشِدنا في درب الحياة. التَمِسْ لنا النعمة والرحمة والشجاعة، واحْمِنا من كلّ شرّ. آمين.

(Prayer by Pope Francis at the conclusion of his Letter "<u>Patris corde</u>" ("With a Father's Heart") proclaiming a "Year of Saint Joseph" from 8 December 2020 to 8 December 2021.)

BIBLE STUDY

Arabic and English Sessions are taking place every Wednesday. For more info send an email to: rectory@stanthonylawrence.org

<u>MYA</u>

Upcoming Activities: **March 18, 2021 @ 8:00 PM** Subject of Discussion : Lent Location: Parish Hall

<u>MYO</u>

Upcoming Meeting February 21, 2021 @ 6:00 PM Subject of Discussion: Lent preparation / Passion of Christ Location: Parish Hall

Religious Education

We are so excited to consistently see the children in person for Religious Education!!!! Our next class will be held on **Saturday**, **February 20 @ 5:15 PM**.

We will be sending home Lenten rice bowls as we have done in the past.

Any contributions made are appreciated.

If your child is making First Communion in May, please note the following important dates and times. **We will be having only one liturgy this year.**

Saturday, March 6, 2021 @ 5:15 PM Reconciliation

Your child should be able to recite The Our Father, The Hail Mary, and the Act of Contrition. These have been provided and are reviewed in class, but your practice with your child is necessary.

Saturday, May 1, 2021 @ 1:300 PM First Communion liturgy

See your guidelines for further information on communion dress and expectations.

Knights of the Altar

Next meeting : March 6

Dear Parishioners:

2020 has been a tremendous challenge for everyone, our parish is no exception. The church has endured closing due to state mandate and civil unrest. We have had to implement many precautions for safety, which we did without hesitation, because the well being and protection of the parishioners is paramount. We have done funerals closed to the public and canceled many of our joyous celebrations. Last year will be a year our children will remember forever.

The good news is we are starting to see light at the end of the tunnel. A vaccine is coming out and for the first time, in almost a year, we can at least start to think about getting back to normal. So with that, I am starting to look at what it will take to get St Anthony back on its feet and financially I am very troubled. We canceled all fundraisers that benefit the church, we did do some fundraising for the tragedies in Lebanon, which was the right decision where our focus needed to be, but nothing internally. The revenue for 2020 was down -34% from 2019, also the predicted revenue for 2021 is unknown but is very concerning.

I sat down with the Mahrajan Committee members to brainstorm what we can do to bridge the gap until we get back to pre-pandemic activities. We came up with a raffle. Not the usual raffle, one with much fewer tickets and with a much greater prize. I am appealing to you today to purchase one or more tickets at \$100 each to defray the expenses of our



Building Insurance of \$18,68.00 and **Diocesan Appeal of \$23,000.00** in addition to the existing salaries. A ticket can be split with friends or family members too.

The drawing will be held Easter weekend and the prizes will be **\$5000 first place**, **\$2500 second place** and **\$1000 for third place**.

Please consider buying whatever you can afford, and let's take the first steps towards recovery.

Gratefully yours in Christ, Fr. Elie Mikhael

Guidelines For Public Liturgies During Pandemic – Capacity %25

Should I come to Liturgy?

Anyone who is ill, symptomatic, or has been exposed to someone else with the coronavirus within 14 days cannot enter the church. This is in accord with national, state, and local health directives. We also ask everyone to check their temperature at home before deciding if you are coming to Liturgy. You can find the current symptoms of the coronavirus at the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's website <u>www.cdc.gov</u>

Those who are at risk because of an underlying health issue or who are over 60 are strongly encouraged, for their own health, to avoid the risk of attending public celebrations of the Liturgy.

What should I do if I cannot come to Liturgy?

We will continue to livestream our Liturgies on our <u>Facebook page</u>. Monday through Thursday Liturgy will be at 9:00 am. Saturday Liturgy will be at 4:00 pm and Sunday liturgies will be at 9:00 am & 11:00 am .

Parishioners who would like to have Holy Communion brought to their homes should contact the office @ 978.685.7233 during normal business hours. The frequency of our visits for Holy Communion will depend upon the number of requests.

How will we be kept safe when we come to Liturgy?

All pews are wiped down with disinfectant; and all Qurbono Books are removed; and all surfaces used frequently (restroom facilities, door handles, etc.) are sanitized before each service.

<u>Everyone attending Liturgy is obligated to wear a mask or other facial covering</u>. The only exception during Liturgy is when receiving Holy Communion.

You'll be asked to observe social distancing – staying at least six feet from people not in your household. Only certain pews are available for seating. When you arrive, please use your good judgment about where to sit. Be respectful and accommodating towards others as they arrive and look for seating.

You'll find the holy water fonts are empty and that there is hand sanitizer available. You'll notice there will be no offertory procession, no sign of peace, and no passing of the collection basket.

You can drop your donation in a stationary basket, or continue to use the online provided by your parish.

Can we receive Holy Communion?

Yes, but only the Most Precious Body and only by hand. Floor markings shall be placed six feet apart in the aisles in which the congregation approaches the sanctuary for Holy Communion to facilitate proper social distancing.

When approaching the Communion minister, the communicant is to present one hand resting on the palm of the other. Moving in front of one of the side alter the communicant pulls their mask or other facial covering below their chin and reverently places the Eucharist in his or her mouth and immediately replaces their mask or other facial covering and returns to their place.

What do we need to keep in mind as we leave Liturgy?

Please leave Liturgy together as a household, wearing your masks or other facial covering and observing six feet of distance from others. You will not be permitted to congregate in the foyer, and no receptions or social gathering following Liturgy can be held.

MENTAL HEALTH & SEVERE AUTISTIC HOMES DEIR el SALEEB - HOLY CROSS MENTAL HEALTH INSTITUTION

FOOD & MEDICINE DRIVE

Items Listed Below! Keep Checking back to remain updated on what is still needed

Drop off location

St Anthony Church: 145 Amesbury Street, Lawrence MA Drop off Dates / Times: Everyday Starting 1/11/21 Until further notice

Contact the rectory with any questions @ 978.685.7233 or rectory@stanthonylawrence.org

FOOD DRIVE MOST NEEDED ITEMS

RAISINS **TABLE SALT SUGAR LENTILS RED BEANS BURGHOL JELLY HOMMUS CANILLA RICE** PASTA SPAGETTI SAUCE **MACARONI & CHEESE**

INSTNAT POTATOES RICE **CANNED VEGETABLES** CANNED MEAT: CHICKEN, BEEF, **TUNA, SARDINES** TEA **FLOUR**

HONEY DRY MILK

TOOTH BRUSHES TOOTH PASTE SHAMPOOS DISH DETERGENT ADULT DIAPERS BAR SOAP BODY WASH SPORT SOCKS TOWELS

Epistle: Letter to the Romans 6: 12-23

Brothers and sisters, Therefore, do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members

to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel: Saint Mark 1: 35-45

In the morning, while it was still very dark, Jesus got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his

companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, 'Everyone is searching for you.' He answered, 'Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do.' And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons. A leper came to him begging him, and kneeling he said to him, 'If you choose, you can make me clean.' Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him, and said to him, 'I do choose. Be made clean!' Immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean. After sternly warning him he sent him away at once, saying to him, 'See that you say nothing to anyone; but go, show yourself to the priest, and offer for your cleansing what Moses commanded, as a testimony to them.' But he went out and began to proclaim it freely, and to spread the word, so that Jesus could no longer go into a town openly, but stayed out in the country; and people came to him from every quarter.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Feb 22: Melhem & Nadia Azzi Feb 23: Elie & Jane El Hachem

IN REMEBRANCE OF OUR LOVED ONES

Feb 21: Louis M. Peters
Feb 22: Emily A. Hajjar - Leila Hashem Thomas N. Bistany - Robert G. Peters
Feb 23: Frances A. Kattar - Alice Rodrigues
Feb 24: Victoria Carpenter
Feb 26: Edmund J. Ganem - Patricia M. Kalip
Feb 27: Dib Kassis

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Feb 21: Slaiman Antar, Bianca Raad Feb 22: Mounira Daher, Jason Hand, Lutfi Kassarji

Feb 23: Silvana Awad, Natalia Rose Nazarro, Samantha Sayegh, Beverly Schiripo

Feb 24: Felicia Azzi, Marie Charabati, Andrew Haykal, Elizabeth Saab, Charbel Yammine

- Feb 25: Jake Ata, Charles Ead, Pascale Moussa
- Feb 26: Nida El-Boustany, Raymond Nadira,

Madelyn Ryan

Feb 27: Bob Dewan, Melhem Hachem,

رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل رومة 6: 12-23 المائِت، فَتُطْيعُوا شَهَوَاتِهِ. وَلا تَجْعَلُوا أَعْضَاءَكُم

سِلاَحَ ظُلْمٍ لِلحَطِينَة، بَلْ قَرَبُوا أَنْفُسَمُم للهِ كَأَحْيَاءٍ قَامُوا مِنْ بَيْنِ الأَمْوَات، وآجْعَلُوا أَعْضَاءَكُم سِلاحَ بِرِ لله. فلا تَتَسَلَّطْ عَلَيْكُمُ الحَطِينَة، لأَنَّكُم لَسْتُم في حُكْم الشَّريعَةِ بَلْ في حُكْم النِّعْمَة. فَمَاذَا إذًا؟ هَلْ نَخْطَأُ لأَنَّنَا لَسْنَا في حُكْم الشَّريعة، بَلْ في حُكْم النِّعْمَة؟ حَاشا! أَلا تَعْلَمُونَ أَنَّكُم عِنْدَمَا تَجْعَلُونَ أَنْفُسَكُم عَبِيدًا لأَحَدٍ فَتُطيعُونَهُ، في حُكْم الشَّريعة، بَلْ في حُكْم النِّعْمَة؟ حَاشا! أَلا تَعْلَمُونَ أَنَّكُم عِنْدَمَا تَجْعَلُونَ أَنْفُسَكُم عَبِيدًا لأَحَدٍ فَتُطيعُونَهُ، تَكُونُونَ عَبِيدًا للَّذي تُطيعُونَه: إِمَّا عَبيدًا لِلحَطِينَةِ الَّتي تَوُولُ إِلى الموت، وإمَّا لِلطَّاعَةِ الَتي تَوُولُ إلى البِرِ. فَسُكْرًا للَّهِ لأَنَّكُم بَعْدَمَا كُنْتُم عبيدًا للحَطينَة، أَطَعْتُم مِنْ كُلِّ قَلْبِكُم مِثَالَ التَّعْلِيم الَّذي سُلِّمْتُم إلَيْه. وَبَعْد أَنْ حُرَرْتُم مِنَ الْخَطِينَة، صِرْتُم عَبيدًا لللَّنِي وأَقُولُ قَوْلاً بَسْرَيًّا مُرَاعَاةً لِنهُ عَفْكِم. فَكَمَا جَعَلَيْم أَنْ النَّعْلِيم الَّذي سُلِّمْتُم إلَيْه. وَبَعْدا للحَطينَة، مِنَ الْحَطِينَة، صِرْتُم عَبيدًا لللَّن أَعْما عَبيدا المَعْتُم مِنْ كُلِّ قَلْبِكُم مِثَالَ التَّعْلِيم الَذي سُلِّمْتُم إلَيْه. وَبَعْذَ أَن حُرَرْتُم مِنَ الْحَطِينَة، صِرْتُم عَبيدا للإنْم، كَذلِكَ آجْعَلْما أَسْنَ أَعْضَاءَكُم عَبيدا لللَّذَي فَكَما جَعَلْتُه أَعْنَا كُنْتُهُ عَلَي وَالإِثْم في سَبِيلِ الإِنْم، كَذلِكَ آجْعَلُوا الآنَ أَعْضَاءَكُم عَبيدًا للْأَسْور اللَّذَ سَنبِيلِ القَدَاسَة. فَلَمَا كُنْتُم عَبيدا للحَطِينَة، وَالإِنْمُ في سَبِيلِ الإِنْمُ، كَذلِكَ آجْعَلْوا الآنَ أَعْضَاءَكُمُ عَبيدًا الْمُونِ أَعْمَا كُنْتُم عَبيدا المَوْ كُنْتُمُ أَعْرَانَ في سَبِيلِ الإِنْمُ في مَائَنَ أَعْمَا وَلَ

إنجيل القديس مرقس 1: 35-45 لمُتَلِّي هُنَاك. ولَحِقَ بِهِ سِمْعَانُ وَالَّذِين مَعَهُ، ووَجَدُوهُ فَقَالُوا لَهُ: مُتَلِّي هُنَاك. ولَحِقَ بِهِ سِمْعَانُ وَالَّذِين مَعَهُ، ووَجَدُوهُ فَقَالُوا لَهُ: مُنَائَجَمِيعُ يَطْلُبُونَكَ. ''فقالَ لَهُم: ''لِنَذْهَبْ إلى مَكَانٍ آخر، إلى القُرَى المُجَاوِرَة، أُبَسَّرَ هُنَاكَ أَيْضَا، فَانِّي لِهذا حَرَجْتُ. ''وسَارَ في كُلِّ الجَلِيل، وهُوَ يَكْرِزُ في مَجَامِعِهِم وَيَطْرُدُ الشَّيَاطِين. وأَتَاهُ أَبْرَصُ يَتَوَسَّلُ إلَيْه، فجَنَا وقالَ لَهُ: ''إِنْ شِئْت قائت قادِرٌ أَنْ تُطَهِّرَنِي ''! فتَحَتَّنَ يَسُوعُ ومَدَّ يَدَهُ والمَسَهُ وقالَ لَهُ: ''قَد شِئْتُ، فَٱطْهرْ ''! وقالَ لَهُ: ''إِنْ شِئْت قائت قادِرٌ أَنْ تُطَهِّرَنِي ''! فتَحَتَّنَ يَسُوعُ ومَدَّ يَدَهُ والمَلَهُ: ''قَد شِئْتُ، فَٱطْهرْ ''! وقالَ لَهُ: ''أَنْظُرُ، لا تُخْبِرُ أَنْ يُطَهْرَ. فَأَنْتَهَرَهُ يَسُوعُ ومَدَ يَدَهُ والمَسَهُ وقالَ لَهُ: ' وفي الحَالِ زَالَ عَنْهُ البَرَص، فَطَهْرَ. فَأَنْتَهَرَهُ يَسُوعُ ومَدَيَدَهُ واللَهُ: ' بَلُ ٱذْهَبُ وَأَلِ نَفْتُكَ لِلْكَاهِن، وقَدِّمْ عَنْ طُهْرِ فَا يَعْدَى المَوَ فَ مَدَابِعُنْ واللَهُ: بَلُ ٱذْهَبُ وَأَلَ عَنْهُ البَرَص، فَطَهُرَ. فَانْتَهَرَهُ يَسُوعُ ومَدَ يَدَهُ واللَهُ: بَلُ اذْهَبُ وَأَلَ لَهُ: مَا أَنَ يُنْعُمُ وَقَالَ لَهُ: مَا يَنْقَالُ لَهُ: بَلُ ٱذَهُ لِهُ مَا لَهُ وَالَ لَهُ: مَا يُعَانُ وَالَهُ الْبَرَص، فَطَهُرَ. فَائْقَتَهُ وَعَالَ لَهُ: بَلُ اذْهَبُ وَأَلَ لَهُ: بَلُو الْعَرْنُ فَي فَعَرَبَ مَعْرَيْ فَا لَهُ الْبَرَص، فَطَهُرَ. فَانْتَهَرَهُ عَمْ يَعْهُ مُوسَى، شَهَادَةً لَهُمْ . أَمَّ هُوَ فَخَرَجَ وبَدَا يَعْتَا فَى الْعَتَى الْ اللَهُ فَرَسَ مَا فَى الْحَالِ فَقَالُ لَهُ الْبَرُسُ فَى فَقَالُوا لَهُ الْبَرَسُ فَقَالُ مَا يُقَامُ فَا لَهُ الْعَمْ مُوسَا فَا لَهُ الْعَرْ مُوسَى الْعَابُ فَا لَهُ مَنْ أَنْ يَدَائِ فَا لَهُ أَسْ فَالْعُونُ الْنَاسُ عَلْنُ مُو فَعَرَجَ وَا أَنْ يُعَانُ الْتَهُ إِلَى مُو أَنْ الْنَاسُ مُوا أَنْ الْمَالُونَ اللَهُ مُنْتَا لَهُ مَا إِلَهُ مَا مُنَا لَهُ مُوا فَعَرَى مُو أَنُو وقَالُ لَهُ فَعْرَبُ فَا فَعْرَبَهُ مَا مَا إِنَا فَا إِنَا مُوا مَنَ مُوافَرَ مُوْمَ مُوا فَعَرَا فَا لَهُ مَا الْنَا

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