



Saint Anthony Maronite Church
Present

49TH ANNUAL FESTIVAL

LEBANESE

MAHRAJAN

LABOR DAY WEEKEND

FRIDAY 9/03
6:00PM-01:00AM

SATURDAY 9/04
5:00PM-02:00AM

SUNDAY 9/05
12:00PM-12:00AM

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

PARISH SECRETARY: 978.685.7233 ...FAX: 978-688-4475...

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MEET OUR PRIESTS:

Fr. Elie Mikhael ...305-807-9087....pastor@stanthonylawrence.org

Fr. Manuel Rahmeh ...978-873-5363...pv@stanthonylawrence.org

MEET OUR DEACONS

Deacon Nadim B. Daou / Deacon David Leard

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.



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OUR CHURCH AT PRAYER

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

Ninth Sunday of Pentecost

الأحد التاسع من زمن العنصرة

Sat July 17
4:00 PM
English
For +The deceased members of the Shadeed & Fitzpatrick Families
By Mr. & Mrs. Frank Shadeed

Sun. July 18
9:00 AM
English
For: + James Rutland
By Sam & Joy George
For: 40 Day Anniversary - Raymond Faunt, Sr
By His wife, Velma, and Family

Sun. July 18
11:00 AM
Ar. & Eng.
For: 40 Day Anniversary - +George Bou Mitri
By His son, Elie & Brother, Antoine Bou Mitri, & the Family

Tenth Sunday of Pentecost

الأحد العاشر من زمن العنصرة

Sat July 24
4:00 PM
English
For: 40 Day Anniversary- Ramon "Buddy" Moore
By his wife, Nancy, sons, Keith and Kevin, and their families.

Sun. July 25
9:00 AM
English
For: 40 Day Anniversary- Alice Claire Ramey
By her children and their families.

Sun. July 25
11:00 AM
Ar. & Eng.
For: Angelo Deacetis
By Sam and Joy George.



Sanctuary Lamps

Right & Left Lamps

In Honor of Mr. & Mrs. Samir Daou on their wedding Anniversary

Ninth Week of Pentecost

الاسبوع التاسع من زمن العنصرة

WEEKDAYS LITURGIES

Mon. July 19
9:00 am *Arabic*
For +Maroun & Therese Nassif, Michel & Marie Azzi, Joseph Yvonne & Marie Sayah,
By the Family

Tue. July 20
9:00 am *English*
Feast Day of Prophet Elias
For Private Intentions

For: Wedding Anniversary- Kozhaya & Lola AbouKhalil

Wed. July 21
9:00 am *Arabic*
For: Wedding Anniversary- Samir & Leila Daou
For +Maroun & Therese Nassif, Michel & Marie Azzi, Joseph Yvonne & Marie Sayah
By the Family


Thu. July 22
Adoration of the Eucharist
9:00 am - 12 Noon

Thu. July 22
7:00 pm
Arabic & English
Vigil Liturgy
Feast of St Sharbel - Anointing with St Sharbel Oil
For: Good health of our Parishioners


Fri. July 23
No Liturgy

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Mahrajan Raffle - Tickets are out!!! Please remit your donations, along with ticket stubs, at your earliest convenience.

Basket Raffles- We rely on your help in donating a basket for this year's Mahrajan. Our goal is to reach a minimum of 85 Baskets. Kindly drop your themed basket/donation at the Rectory during office hours for your convenience.

Sponsorship - Advertise your business while supporting the cause! We are so grateful to all of

you who have helped us over the years and continue to rely on your generosity.

Volunteers - Advertise

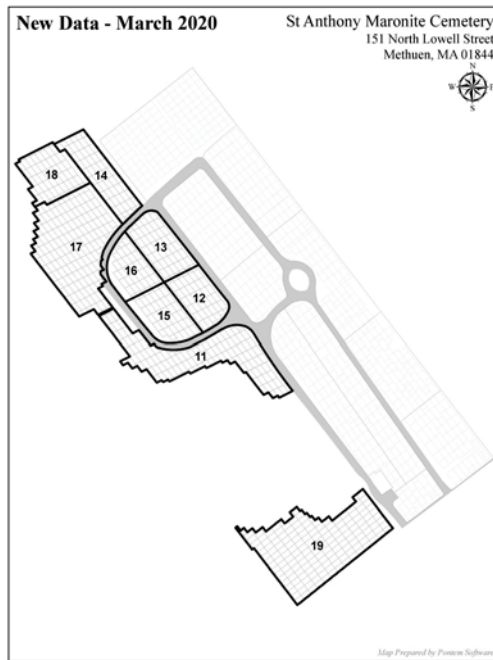
There is no greater asset to our annual Mahrajan than the support we receive from You!

"Volunteers do not necessarily have the Time; they just have the Heart." -Elizabeth Andrew

More information to come. Stay Tuned!

Donate a Tree in Memory of a Loved One

The Memorial Tree Program offers families an Opportunity to remember and honor their loved ones while enhancing the beauty of Historic Saint Anthony Maronite Catholic Cemetery.



Plant -A- Tree A—
For a donation of \$400.00 a new tree will be planted in memory of your loved one, and a memorial plaque will be displayed by the tree for a period of ten years.

Plant-A-Tree-B—
For a donation of \$250.00 Plant an Italian Cypress or Kousa Dogwood Tree in memory of a loved one. A memorial plaque will be displayed by the tree for the period of five years.

How the Money is Used
Your money is used for the conservation and enhancement of St Anthony Maronite Cemetery. Not only will your donation offset the purchases of new tree's and plants for the grounds, your contribution helps maintain the beautiful, natural environment of our Cemetery.

Your Donation is Tax-Deductible

Your contribution is tax deductible. You will receive a written acknowledgement of your donation from the Saint Anthony Maronite Catholic Cemetery.

If you like to donate a tree, please call the office at **978.685.7233** or email us at rectory@stanthonylawrence.org



Tree to be planted (30 to 50):
Italian Cypress
Kousa Dogwood Trees



Sacrament of Baptism-Guidelines

Qualifications of a Sponsor—Can. 685

I. *For a person to fulfill validly the role of a sponsor it is necessary that he or she:*

- 1) Be initiated with the three sacraments of Baptism, Chrismation with Holy Myron and the Eucharist;
- 2) Belong to the Catholic Church with due regard for #3;
- 3) Have the intention of carrying out the responsibility of sponsor;
- 4) Be designated by the person to be baptized or the parents or guardians, or if there are not any, by the minister;
- 5) Not be a father, mother or spouse of the person to be baptized;
- 6) Not be bound by excommunication even a minor one, suspension, deposition or deprived of the right of acting in the function of a sponsor;

II. To assume licitly the role of sponsor, it is further required that the sponsor should be of the age required by particular Law and a lead a life in harmony with the faith and the function to be undertaken.

III. For a just cause it is permitted to admit the Christian faithful of another Eastern non-Catholic Church to the function of a sponsor, but always at the same time with a Catholic Sponsor

Baptisms Forms and Guidelines at St Anthony Maronite Catholic Church

www.stanthonylawrence.org/guidelines/

Sacrament of Marriage

Marriage Guidelines at St Anthony Maronite Church

www.stanthonylawrence.org/guidelines-2/

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[Policy for Photographers & Videographers](#) [Policy for florists](#)

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WHY STAY IN THE CHURCH?

By Ronald Rlheiser

Several weeks ago after giving a lecture at a religious conference, the first question from the audience was this one: How can you continue to stay in a church that played such a pivotal part in setting up and maintaining residential schools for the indigenous people of Canada? How can you stay in a church that did that?

The question is legitimate and important. Both in its history and in its present, the church has enough sin to legitimize the question. The list of sins done in the name of the church is long: the Inquisition, its support for slavery, its role in colonialism, its link to racism, its role in thwarting women's rights, and its endless historical and present compromises with white supremacy, big money, and political power. Its critics are sometimes excessive and unbalanced, but, for the most part, the church is guilty as charged.

However, this guilt isn't unique to the church. The same charges might be leveled against any of the countries in which we live. How can we stay in a country that has a history of racism, slavery, colonialism, genocide of some of its indigenous peoples, radical inequality between its rich and its poor, one that is callous to desperate refugees on its borders, and one within which millions of people hate each other? Isn't it being rather selective morally to say that I am ashamed to be a Catholic (or a Christian) when the nations we live in share the same history and the same sins?

Still, since the church is supposed to be leaven for a society and not just a mirror of it, the question is valid. Why stay in the church? There are good apologetic answers on this, but, at the end of the day, for each of us, the answer has to be a personal one. Why do I stay in the church?

First, because the church is my mother tongue. It gave me the faith, taught me about God, gave me God's word, taught me to pray, gave me the sacraments, showed me what virtue looks like, and put me in contact with some living saints. Moreover, despite all its shortcomings, it was for me authentic enough, altruistic enough, and pure enough to have the moral authority to ask me to entrust my soul to it, a trust I've not given any other communal entity. I'm very comfortable worshipping with other religions and sharing soul with non-believers, but in the church in which I was raised, I recognize home, my mother tongue.

Second, the church's history is not univocal. I recognize its sins and openly acknowledge them, but that's far from its full reality. The church is also the church of martyrs, of saints, of infinite generosity, and of millions of women and men with big, noble hearts who are my moral exemplars. I stand in the darkness of its sins; but I also stand in the light of its grace, of all the good things it has done in history.

Finally, and most important, I stay in the church because the church is all we've got! There's no other place to go. I identify with the ambivalent feeling that rushed through Peter when, just after hearing Jesus say something which had everyone else walk away from him, Peter was asked, "do you want to walk away too?" and he (speaking for all the disciples) replied: "We'd like to, but we have no place else to go. Besides we recognize that, despite everything, you still have the words of everlasting life."

In essence, Peter is saying, "Jesus, we don't get you, and what we get we often don't like. But we know we're better off not getting it with you than going any place else. Dark moments notwithstanding, you're all we've got!"

The church is all we've got! Where else can we go? Behind the expression, *I am spiritual, but not religious* (however sincerely uttered) lies either an invincible failure or a culpable reluctance to deal with the necessity of religious community, to deal with what Dorothy Day called "the asceticism of church life". To say, *I cannot or will not deal with an impure religious community* is an escape, a self-serving exit, which at the end of the day is not very helpful, not least for the person saying it. Why? Because for compassion to be effective it needs to be collective, given the truth that what we dream alone remains a dream but what we dream with others can become a reality. I cannot see anything outside the church that can save this world.

There is no pure church anywhere for us to join, just as there is no pure country anywhere for us in which to live. This church, for all its checkered history and compromised present, is all we have. We need to own its faults since they are our faults. Its history is our history; its sin, our sin; and its family, our family – the only lasting family we've got.

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 5,20-21.6,1-10

We are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, 'At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.' See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labours, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honour and dishonour, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

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2 قورنتس 5,20-21.6,1-10

يا إِخوتِي، نَحْنُ سَفَرَاءُ الْمَسِيحِ، وَكَأَنَّ اللَّهَ نَفْسَهُ
يَدْعُوكُمْ بِوَاسِطَتِنَا. فَنَسْأَلُكُمْ بِاسْمِ الْمَسِيحِ: تَصَالِحُوا مَعَ
اللَّهِ! إِنَّ الَّذِي مَا عَرَفَ الْخَطِيئَةَ، جَعَلَهُ اللَّهُ خَطِيئَةً مِنْ
أَجْلِنَا، لِنَصِيرَ نَحْنُ فِيهِ بِرَّ اللَّهِ. وَبِمَا أَنَّنَا مُعَاوُنُونَ لِلَّهِ،
نُنَاشِدُكُمْ أَلَّا يَكُونَ قَبُولُكُمْ لِنِعْمَةِ اللَّهِ بِغَيْرِ فَايِدَةٍ؛ لِأَنَّهُ
يَقُولُ: «فِي وَقْتِ الرِّضَى اسْتَجَبْتُكَ، وَفِي يَوْمِ
الْخَلَاصِ أَعْنَتَكَ». فَهِيَ هِيَ الْآنَ وَقْتُ الرِّضَى، وَهَا هُوَ
الْآنَ يَوْمُ الْخَلَاصِ. فَإِنَّا لَا نَجْعَلُ لِأَحَدٍ سَبَبَ زَلَّةٍ،
لِيَلَّا يَلْحَقَ خِدْمَتَنَا أَيُّ لَوْمٍ. بَلْ نُظْهِرُ أَنْفُسَنَا فِي كُلِّ
شَيْءٍ أَنَّنَا خُدَّامُ اللَّهِ، بِثَبَاتِنَا الْعَظِيمِ فِي الضِّيقاتِ
وَالشَّدَائِدِ وَالْمَشَقَّاتِ، فِي الضَّرَبَاتِ، وَالسُّجُونِ،
وَالفِتَنِ، وَالتَّعَبِ، وَالسَّهْرِ، وَالصَّوْمِ، وَبِالنَّزَاهَةِ،
وَالْمَعْرِفَةِ، وَالْأَنَاةِ، وَاللُّطْفِ، وَالرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ، وَالْمَحَبَّةِ
بِلا رِيَاءٍ، فِي كَلِمَةِ الْحَقِّ، وَقُوَّةِ اللَّهِ، بِسِلَاحِ الْبِرِّ فِي
الْيَدَيْنِ الْيُمْنَى وَالْيُسْرَى، فِي الْمَجْدِ وَالهِوَانِ، بِالصِّبْتِ
الرَّادِيءِ وَالصِّبْتِ الْحَسَنِ. نُحْسَبُ كَأَنَّنَا مُضِلُّونَ وَنَحْنُ
صَادِقُونَ! كَأَنَّنَا مَجْهُولُونَ وَنَحْنُ مَعْرُوفُونَ! كَأَنَّنَا
مَائِثُونَ وَهَا نَحْنُ أَحْيَاءُ! كَأَنَّنَا مُعَاقِبُونَ وَنَحْنُ لَا
نَمُوتُ؛ كَأَنَّنَا مَحْزُونُونَ وَنَحْنُ دَائِمًا فَرِحُونَ! كَأَنَّنَا
فُقَرَاءُ وَنَحْنُ نُغْنِي الْكَثِيرِينَ! كَأَنَّنَا لَا شَيْءَ عِنْدَنَا،
وَنَحْنُ نَمْلِكُ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ!



Children grades, Kindergarten Through Eight.

JULY 20–JULY 23, 2021.

Gospel: Luke 4,14-21

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.' And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- July 17:** Remy Cherabie, Khalil Matta, Kathleen Rahme, Michael Rahme
July 18: Joe Abi Samra, Laurie El-Boustany, Andrew Haddad, John Hassan, Matthew Rizkallah, Ryan Shepherd, Samuel Yazbek
July 19: Laurence Bejjani, Christian Merheb, Andre Switala
July 20: Carla Clement, Elie El Hachem, Eliane Kazzi, Janice Peters, Nicole Shadeed, Eleanor Yazbek
July 21: Joseph Basharam Joanne Ganem, George Hbaiter, mattew Maroon, John Nazarro, Elias Saad
July 22: Arabella Borruso, Rosemary Bouchrouche, Miriam El Hachem, Muriel Merheb

إنجيل القديس لوقا 4:14-21

عَادَ يَسُوعُ بِقُوَّةِ الرُّوحِ إِلَى الْجَلِيلِ، وَدَاعَ خَبْرُهُ فِي كُلِّ الْجَوَارِ. وَكَانَ يُعَلِّمُ فِي مَجَامِعِهِمْ، وَالْجَمِيعُ يُمَجِّدُونَهُ. وَجَاءَ يَسُوعُ إِلَى النَّاصِرَةِ، حَيْثُ نَشَأَ، وَدَخَلَ إِلَى الْمَجْمَعِ كَعَادَتِهِ يَوْمَ السَّبْتِ، وَقَامَ لِيَقْرَأَ. وَدَفَعَ إِلَيْهِ كِتَابُ النَّبِيِّ اشْعِيَا. وَفَتَحَ يَسُوعُ الْكِتَابَ، فَوَجَدَ الْمَوْضِعَ الْمَكْتُوبَ فِيهِ: «رُوحُ الرَّبِّ عَلَيَّ، وَلِهَذَا مَسَحَنِي لِأُبَشِّرَ الْمَسَاكِينَ، وَأَرْسَلَنِي لِأُنَادِيَ بِإِطْلَاقِ الْأَسْرَى وَعَوْدَةِ الْبَصَرِ إِلَى الْعُمْيَانِ، وَأُطْلِقَ الْمَقْهُورِينَ أَحْرَارًا، وَأُنَادِيَ بِسَنَةِ مَقْبُولَةٍ لَدَى الرَّبِّ.» ثُمَّ طَوَى الْكِتَابَ، وَأَعَادَهُ إِلَى الْخَادِمِ، وَجَلَسَ. وَكَانَتْ عُيُونُ جَمِيعِ الَّذِينَ فِي الْمَجْمَعِ شَاخِصَةً إِلَيْهِ. فَبَدَأَ يَقُولُ لَهُمْ: «أَلْيَوْمَ تَمَّتْ هَذِهِ الْكِتَابَةُ الَّتِي تَلَيْتُ عَلَى مَسَامِعِكُمْ.»

Birthdays, Continued...

- July 23:** Cynthia Abraham, Joseph Ata, Adelle Elnar, Elaine Ferris, Cooper Maroon, Malia Najjar, Reema Tawitian

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

- July 17:** Antoine & Sharon Assaf, Ziad & Michelle Saab
July 18: George & Desiree Saab
July 19: Matthew & Melissa Tarness, Elias & Eliane Yammine
July 20: Kozhaya & Lola Abou Khalil
July 22: Alfred & Jennifer Ata, Charles & Carla Clement
July 23: George & Remy Cherabie

CEMETERY RULES & GUIDELINES

Several inquiries have been made regarding Cemetery flowers and plants at the graves. In order for us to maintain a respectable resting place for our loved ones, guidelines are set in place and available on our website for your reference.

Planting Policy

The planting policy of St. Anthony Maronite Cemetery is as follows. Flowers only (either annuals or perennials) may be planted at the base of a monument with the following stipulations:

1. The flowerbed may be no wider than the width of the monument base and must come out from the monument base no more than eight (8) inches.
2. No shrubs, trees, or bushes may be planted in the planting bed.
3. Ornaments, such as plastic decorations, pinwheels, animal figurines, balloons, etc. are not allowed.
4. No bed covering, such as mulch or stones, etc. may be added to the planting bed.
5. Upkeep of the planted materials is the sole responsibility of the person who has planted the flowers.
6. St. Anthony Cemetery bears no responsibility for upkeep nor does it assume liability for damage, theft, or vandalism with regard to the plantings or the planting bed.
7. If plantings and planting bed are not maintained, or if inappropriate materials appear in the bed, St. Anthony Cemetery reserves the right to remove any dead plants or inappropriate materials.
8. On occasion, the cemetery maintenance staff may remove plantings to accommodate a burial or other activity. Cemetery staff cannot replace plantings.

Note that plantings cannot be placed on a Flat Marker Lot, but only on an upright Monument Lot.

Please take the time to review the complete cemetery guidelines by visiting our website www.stanthonylawrence.org/cemetery/

We ask that you share this information with your family members and friends, especially those who do not have access to our website.

Grave Purchase and Burial at St Anthony

Grave Purchase

- Grave Purchase–Double Depth: \$1900 (*one time fee*)
 - Perpetual Care: \$200 (*one time fee*)
- Total of Grave (Double Depth) Purchase: \$2100
- Memorial Stone Permit: \$75 (*one time fee paid upon installation*)

Burial Costs (*Itemized*)

- Opening and Closing (Summer Fees): \$1000
- Opening and Closing (Winter Burial): \$1,200
- Church Stipend: \$250
- Church Stipend (Wake in Church): \$450
- Soloist: \$150
- Organist: \$150
- Clergy Stipend: \$200 or left to the Family Discretion

Total of Burial Costs:

- Burial (Summer Fees): \$1,750
- Burial (Summer Fees-Wake in Church): \$ \$1,950
- Burial (Winter Fees): \$1,950
- Burial (Winter Fees-Wake in Church): \$2,150

Prices are subject to change.

ONLINE BURIAL SEARCH

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.

CEMETERY LOT SALES & 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 rectory@stanthonylawrence.org Or

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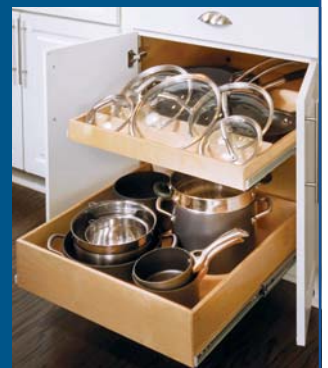
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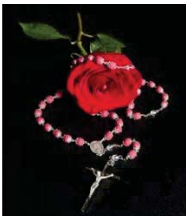
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