

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

You are welcomed and loved by St Anthony 's Community.

We are transformed through prayer, acts of love, forgiveness, service and stewardship,

PARISH OFFICE: ... 978.685.7233 ... FAX: 978-688-4475... rectory@stanthonylawrence.org

DAILY LITURGIES MON (Arabic) / **TUE** (English) / **WED** (Arabic) / **THU** (English) 9 am **WEEKEND LITURGIES:**

SAT 4:00PM(*Eng.*) **SUN** 8:00AM (*Ara*) 9:00AM (*Eng.*) / 11:30AM (*Eng.*& Arabic)

Holy days of obligation: Vigil Liturgy @ 7:00 PM

OFFICE HOURS M-TH 9:00 AM-3:00 PM / **FRI** 9:00 AM-2:00 PM / **SAT** By Appointment

MEET OUR PRIESTS: Fr. Elie Mikhael ...305-807-9087... pastor@stanthonylawrence.org Fr. Michael Charchaflian ...508-982-5130 ... fathermichaeljm@gmail.com

MEET OUR DEACONS:

Deacon Nadim B. Daou / Deacon David Leard Sub-Deacon James T. Demers / Sub-Deacon Antoine Nammour



3rd Sunday of Resurrection OUR LADY OF LEBANON

Saturday, April 30, 2022

4:00 pm For: +Chukri, Nadia & Salma Awil. Elias & Mariam Khoder, *By their* grandchildren.

Sunday, May 1, 2022

8:00 am For: +Marie Ghosn; Vera Romain Stavrou, & her mother, Antoinette Remmen, *By their Family*.

9:00 am For: 40 Day Anniversary -Joseph Rizk By his daughter, Diane Joseph, daughter-in-law, Noreen Quinlan.

For: +Michael Rizk, *By his family*.

11:30 am For: 40 Day Anniversary - Zakia

Gerges Moubarak *By her Family*.

4TH Sunday of Resurrection

Saturday, May 7, 2022

4:00 pm For: +Fred & Rose Breehey, Mcarmy Syiek, Rasheedy Milen, Agnes Forsley,& Meralda McCann By Karen Breehey.

Sunday, May 8, 2022

8:00 am For: +Najibe Aboujaoude
By Antoine & Bassima Aboujaoude
& Family.

9:00 am For: +Robert & Corey Brousseau & Deceased Family Members By the Family.

11:30 am For: +Lamia & Beshara El Hashem & Samir, Rosa & Wadih El Hashem By Sonia El Hashem & Family

WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Monday, May 2 St. Athanasius 9AM For: +Antoine Karam Asmar, By his wife, Nada & daughter, Eliane.

Tuesday, May 3 St Timothy & Wife, St Maura 9AM For: + Larry & Dora M. Pereira *By Dora Pereira*.

Wednesday, May 4 St Monica 9AM For: In Honor of Nada & Eliane Asmar.

Thursday, May 5 St. Irene 9AM For: +Jeffery & Anthony Waters & Janet Blouin Traux By Patricia Waters.

10 am-12 noon Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, May 6, St Dominic Savio NO LITURGY

Sanctuary Lamps



In Memory of Michael Rizk, By Noreen Quinlan, Molly & Meghan Rizk.

In Memory of
Raymond & Anna Quinlan,
By Noreen Quinlan & Family.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

Our Lady of Lebanon - May 1 Catholic Communications - May 29

PLEASE NOTE:

40 Day Liturgies are considered a priority. When necessary, they will be scheduled with other previously reserved intentions.

LECTORS SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 30-4PM Carla Khoder

Sunday, May 1 -

8 AM Hitaf Nammour 9AM Meaghan Twing 11:30AM Eng: Gisele Dahbour

Ar: Marie-Christine Daou

Saturday, May 7-4PM Lisa Abdallah

Sunday, May 8 -

8 AM Huguette Sfeir 9AM Robert Brousseau 11:30AM Eng: Anthony Sadek

Ar: Carine Sadek

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

First Banns of Marriage announced for:

Robert Brousseau & Bridget Morin Joanna Yammine & Elie Hayek

ANNUAL MAHRAJAN NEWS

The Mahrajan committee has begun planning for our 50th Anniversary. We are seeking volunteers to lead the effort to honor that history during the Mahrajan. As you are well aware, the Mahrajan's success is dependent on volunteers.

The committee encourages individuals to sign up early. If your are interested in volunteering, please let us know as early as possible by emailing us at: mahrajan@stanthonylawrence.org

SHARE YOUR MEMORIES

As we approach our 50 Year Mahrajan Anniversary, we ask you to dust off your old boxes, reach in your attic or basement, find and share your Mahrajan memories with us! If you find old photos, newspaper clippings, etc., please drop them off at the Rectory during office hours or email them mahrajan@stanthonylawrence.org. What a great way to share the history and memories of what helped shape our traditions and lead us to this wonderful milestone, 50 Years!!! We look forward to sharing your memories as we continue to make more together!



Open Letter to the Parish, The Stewardship Council's responsibility is to execute on the wishes of the parishioners but to do so we need to make sure we are listening to what our parishioners really want.

Sometimes, this is difficult due to the broad nature of our parishioners; some have been part of the church for 3 generations and some we have just opened our hearts too. We have created a survey to gather information to hopefully create a vision for tomorrow.

After 2 years of COVID we are finally getting back to normalcy and this awakening is a perfect time to reflect and listen to the voice of the entire parish. We are so proud of how this community always steps up and supports the needs of others, but do we ever ask what you want. We are not asking for money or time or sweat, that will come, today all we want is for you to share with us your vision of the church's future.

Don't answer how you think Father Elie wants you to answer, or your Sitto or Jedo wants you to answer - listen to your heart and describe your vision for St Anthony's for the next 10 years or 50 years.

We hope the questions below stimulate your thoughts on where St. Anthony's is headed. We want to hear your voice. Fill in the form online by clicking on the link:

https://forms.gle/kYYN7yD8uVVLk8co8 Respectfully, Stewardship Council

MASS INTENTIONS

Liturgies are offered for many reasons: for the souls in purgatory, in remembrance for someone who is deceased, or in honor of a birthday or special anniversary, and more.

Liturgy stipend or offering given, signifies the sacrificial nature of giving of something of yourself to associate more intimately with Christ who offers himself in the Eucharist.

If you would like to have a Liturgy said for someone, please contact the Parish Office by phone or email for help with available dates and times.

Saint Anthony Maronite Church Bulletin P&L No Mahrajan January through December 2021

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	Jan - Dec 21	
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Extraordinary Income Donations for Sacraments-Church		
Donations for Funeral	2,650.00	
Donations for Baptism	5,400.00	
First Communion	500.00	
Donations For Liturgy Donations for Wedding	6,250.00 2,850.00	
Total Donations for Sacraments-Chu	17,650.00	
Donations from Organizations Annual Bishop's Appeal	8,340.61 90.00	
Donations for Charity		
Convent of St. Rafka-Jrabata Holy Cross Mental Institution	3,100.00 470.00	
Beirut Relief Fund	23,595.00	
Donations for Charity - Other	6,123.00	
Total Donations for Charity	33,288.00	
Donations for Pastor Charities	9,445.00	
Donations from Individuals	100,521.98	
Other Extraordinary (SPECIFY)	4.540.00	
Decorations/Flowers Other Extraordinary (SPECIFY) - Ot	4,548.00 7,475.00	
	12,023.00	
Total Other Extraordinary (SPECIFY) Total Extraordinary Income	181,358.59	
Fund Raising	101,330.33	
Raffle Bake Sale	49,275.00	
Knefe Sale Bake Sale - Other	1,055.00 8,888.00	
Total Bake Sale	9,943.00	
Total Fund Raising	59,218.00	
Ordinary Income		
Church Hall Income	1,500.00	
Auxiliary Receipts Various Fees Collected	0.18	
Calendars	280.00	
Tree of Life - Plaque	1,375.00	
Candles / Other Devotional Item Fuel	7,535.13 14,531.00	
Interest & Dividends	1,159.59	
Miscellaneous (SPECIFY)	2,493.42	
Parking Lot Donations	10,330.50	
Total Auxiliary Receipts	37,704.82	
Regular Collections	4 500 00	
Paypal e-Offering	1,526.20 18,351.15	
2nd Collections to be forwarded	6,522.00	
Sunday & Holy Day Collections	219,363.43	
Regular Collections - Other	12,847.01	
Total Regular Collections	258,609.79	
Total Ordinary Income	297,814.61	
Programs Basketball Registration	500.00	
Knights of Mary	100.00	
Men's Club Proceeds	3,305.00	
MYA Proceeds	2,094.92	
MYO Proceeds Other Clubs Proceeds	100.00 25.00	
Religious Education Income	2,235.00	
Women's Club Proceeds	5,174.00	
Total Programs	13,533.92	
Total Income	551,925.12	
Gross Profit	551,925.12	

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Expense Hall Supplies Reconciliation Discrepancies Bank Service Charges	470.40 1,464.70 171.32	
Licenses and Permits Security Benefits	149.28 732.88	
Insurance - Disability Insurance - Medical	2,200.00 33,000.00	
Medical Reimbursements Pension Plan Contr to Eparchy Social Security Reimbursement	656.34 11,000.00 2,042.00	
Total Benefits	48,898.34	
Extraordinary Expenditures Shipping and Handling Furniture & Equipment Major Repairs/Renovat - Other Major Repairs/Renovat - Rectory Major Repairs/Renovat Church	4,556.17 10,275.02 3,250.00 3,333.78 15,954.16	
Total Extraordinary Expenditures	37,369.13	
Fund Raising Events Bake Sale Knefe Sale	1,582.88	
Total Bake Sale	1,582.88	
Raffle Calendars Fund Raising Events - Other	7,500.00 500.00 204.95	
Total Fund Raising Events	9,787.83	
Funeral Reimbursements	200.00	
Household Ordinary Expenditures Salaries	4,529.59	
Deacon Salary Clergy Clergy Help Housekeeping Office Work Assistant Organist / Singers Secretarial	4,000,00 77,800,00 50,00 12,764.00 1,070,50 11,375.00 18,416.00	
Total Salaries	125,475.50	
Total Ordinary Expenditures	125,475.50	
Other Ordinary 2nd Collections forwarded Annual Bishop's Appeal Conferences & Retreats (SPECIFY	6,522.00 7,500.00 276.80	
Decorations & Flowers Donations to Others - Christmas Donations to Others (SPECIFY) Beirut Relief Fund Pastor Charities	3,233.68 5.86 11,000.00 10,270.00	
Stipend	2,875.00	
Bishop Gregory Charity Assistance/Need	683.38 10,343.83	
Donations to Others (SPECIFY) - O	41,353.81	
Total Donations to Others (SPECIFY)	76,526.02	
Eparchial Assessment Insurance - Buildings	23,000.00 20,423.00	
Janitorial Supplies	1,821.76	
Maintenance & Repairs Inspection- Extinguishers, Hood Church Parking Heating -Boilers Service Contracts Church Grounds Maintenance	535.00 152.00 925.00 2,916.00 3,621.92	
Cleaning HVAC & Kitchen Equipments Waste Management Website Hosting and Domain Maintenance & Repairs - Other	10,900.00 183,98 963,31 637.00 5,803.45	
Total Maintenance & Repairs	26,637.66	
Payroll Expenses	-153.99	
Religious Supplies Dry Cleaning Church Furnishings Liturgical Vestments Candles Hosts and Wines Religious Supplies - Other	326,46 7,495.17 5,923,68 3,800.00 741.26 1,687.00	
Total Religious Supplies	19,973.57	
Seminarian Assistance Sewer & Water Assessment	4,500.00 4,631.10	

Utilities Cable / Satellite TV Electric Fuel or Gas	6,293.98 18,203.49 7,914.36	
Total Utilities	32,411.83	
Total Other Ordinary	227,309.29	
Parish Office Administration Books, Periodicals & Subscript Payroll Fees Offering Envelopes Parish Directory Text Messaging Service Books, Periodicals & Subscript - O	522.87 2,217.84 658.88 3,740.15 4,553.26	
Total Books, Periodicals & Subscript	11,693.00	
Advertising & Public Relations	5,201.73	
Auto Exp/ Bus for Church Bank Charges Credit Card Processing Fee Paper Statement Fee Returned Check Bank Charges - Other	34.00 407.02 125.00 231.61 665.00	
Total Bank Charges	1,428.63	
Copier (new lease) Miscellaneous Expenses	2,349.75 1,107.02	
Office Supplies Postage Printing Professional Fees Travel Expenses	7,163.52 3,070.82 2,806.56 2,956.89 2,291.36	
Total Parish Office Administration	40,103.28	
Parish Programs Masabki Award Bible Study Basketball Diaconate Fees Knights of Mary Men's Club Miscellaneous Prog. (SPECIFY) MYA MYO Religious Education	308.47 110.30 737.63 618.00 1,377.12 2,470.00 716.48 2,301.16 305.90 925.86	
Sunday Coffee Hour Women's Club	151.30 2,453.06	
Total Parish Programs	12,475.28	
Reimbursable Expenses Special Events Christmas Recital	145.65 5,885.63	
Total Special Events	5,885.63	
Total Expense	515,168.10	
Ordinary Income	36,757.02	
ncome	36,757.02	

• The first report you see is the Profit & Loss for the church without the income of the Mahrajan.

Net

Net Income

- The second report is the Profit & Loss of the Mahrajan itself.
- The third report is the Profit & Loss at the Cemetery.

**Please bear in mind that the first half of the year expenses were limited due to covid restrictions.

Saint Anthony Maronite Church Profit & Loss - Mahrajan

January through December 2021

January through I	Jecember 2021	
	Jan - Dec 21	
Ordinary Income/Expense Income		
Fund Raising		
Special Events Mahrajan Mahrajan Deposits		
Mahrajan Bar	18,377.00	
Mahrajan Food Mahrajan Sandwiches	27,299.00 25,479.00	
Mahrajan Saj	6,354.00	
Mahrajan Pastry Mahrajan Hookah	25,630.47 9,832.00	
Mahrajan Baskets	6,150.00	
Mahrajan Souvenirs Mahrajan Henna	4,593.00 1,643.00	
Mahrajan Miscellaneous	537.00	
Mahrajan Raffle Mahrajan Donation	2,255.00 2,820.00	
Total Mahrajan Deposits	130,969.47	
Mahrajan Sponsorship	100,795.00	
Raffle-Presale	18,734.81	
Total Special Events Mahrajan	250,49	concerning.
Total Fund Raising		250,499.28
Total Income		250,499.28
Gross Profit		250,499.28
Expense Fund Raising Events Mahrajan		
Advertising, Public Relations	1,503.15	
Bar Expense	6,911.36	
Cost of Food Ethnic Cuisine	2,618.97	
Bakery	7,124.24	
Cost of Food - Other	4,213.00	
Total Cost of Food	13,956.21	
Cost of Refreshments Cleaning	1,378.99 5,130.00	
Entertainment (Singer and Ba	10,085.00	
Hookah Supplies Permits	779.00 2,782.66	
Paper Products	6,838.34	
Printing & Stationary Baskets	32.92 160.05	
Souvenirs	2,250.00	
Raffles Rentals	3,276.25	
Tents	11,578.22	
Propane Tanks Dumpster Rental & Removal	614.00 1,129.14	
Water Closets (WCs)	2,360.00	
Kids Bouncers	400.00	
Total Rentals Mahrajan Security	16,081.36 2,376.00	
Sundry Expenses	869.18	
Equipment Mahrajan - Other	1,331.00 0.00	
Total Mahrajan	75,74	11 47
Total Fund Raising Events		75,741.47
Total Expense		75,741.47
Net Ordinary Income		174,757.81
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ST ANTHONY MARONITE CATHOLIC CEMETERY Profit & Loss

January through December 2021

	Jan - Dec 21
Ordinary Income/Expense Income	
Cemetery Plots Casket Plot Purchase Cremation Burial Unit Grave Stones & Markers Urn Plot Purchase	61,366.42 750.00 750.00 2,000.00
Total Cemetery Plots	64,866.42
Cemetery Preservation Perpetual Care Tree Donation	6,333.58 6,950.00
Total Cemetery Preservation	13,283.58
Columbarium Niche Purchase	5,000.00
Total Columbarium	5,000.00
Funerals	46,250.00
Total Income	129,400.00
Gross Profit	129,400.00
Expense Bank Service Charges Cemetery Plot Refund Cemetery Software Funeral Fees Paid	43.25 1,450.00 1,765.00 27,240.00
Office Supplies Professional Fees	179.36 520.00
Repairs and Maintenance Grave Markers Landscaping Expenses Monthly Maintenance Fee	1,475.00 6,542.00 13,200.00
Total Repairs and Maintenance	21,217.00
Utilities Water and Sewer	404.43
Total Utilities	404.43
Total Expense	52,819.04
Net Ordinary Income	76,580.96
Net Income	76,580.96

CEMETERY LOT SALES AND AVAILABILITY

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

By Phone (During Office Hours) 978-685-7233 Email rectory@stanthonylawrence.org

or Visit: www.stanthonylawrence.org/lots-sales/

Donate a Stock

St Anthony Maronite Catholic Church, INC

Fidelity account number: Z40-262821

Type of Ownership: Corporation

Fidelity's Depository Trust Company (DTC)

number, which is 0226

Our name and address:

Fidelity Investments

Attn: TOA Receives

PO Box 770001

Cincinnati, OH 45277-0036

TREE OF LIFE

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

Please submit your request either by

Phone: **978.685.7233** or by E-mail:

rectory@stanthonylawrence.org

DONATE A TREE IN MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE

Enhancing the beauty of Historic Saint Anthony Maronite Catholic Cemetery.

Plant-A-Tree A-

For a donation of \$400.00: memorial plaque will be displayed by the tree for a period of ten years.

Plant-A-Tree B—

For a donation of \$250.00: memorial plaque will be displayed by the tree for the period of five years.

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: Kousa Dogwood

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Pizza & Game Night- May 1, 5-7PMAll individuals between grades 8-12 are welcomed!



Save the Date

LIGHT OF LIFE BIBLE CAMP

July 25-27th from 10am to 3pm at St. Anthony's Church, Lawrence MA https://forms.ale/2TipfY3wPzIcy1a80



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 30: Scot Gabriel

May 1: Fred Corey, Lina Daher, Danielle Elnar, Sophia Georges, Donna Yameen

May 2: Michael Haddad, Antonio Hbaiter, Jason Jermany Amara Khalife

May 3: Jennifer Ata, Jessica Raad

May 4: Samantha Ramy, Joseph Thomas

May 5: Bassam Aoun, Gisele Asmar, George Azzi, Foutine Daher, Stephanie Deveau, Judith Gurka, Christopher Maroun, William Ryan

May 6: Christian El-Achi, Rima Haddad, Serena Saade

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

May 1: Peter & Jean Sarkis

May 2: Jeremiah & Maryann Collins, Bruce &

Lisa Touma

May 3: Sharbel & Kimberly Azzi

May 6: Michael & Vivian Ota, Robert & Diane Solomon

DAUGHTERS OF ST ANTHONY

Meeting: Monday, May 2nd

Please bring your Rosaries. A decade of the Rosary will be prayed at 11:30 AM in the Church. Meeting with Luncheon, will be to follow at 12 NOON in the hall.

Kindly RSVP prior to the meeting. A head count is requested for proper meal planning. Thank you and looking forward to seeing you all again!

KNIGHTS OF MARY

End of year BBQ: May 7, 5-7PM

MUSIC GROUP

This group is intended to bring musicians together to have fun and share a common hobby, Playing Music! Open to all intermediate to advanced musicians.

May meetings in the Church hall: Friday, May 13 @ 7PM - Friday, May 27 @ 7PM

For more info, or to join, contact Patrick Tabet @ 978-821-8879.



MARONITE-

Women IN the New Evangelization

Coming back with new administration

M-WINE is a creative and inspired ministry to invigorate women's groups and parishes through encouraging, supporting, and nurturing women in the Maronite Catholic faith and by equipping and mobilizing women as intentional disciples of Christ.



HUME 23-27, 2022 ST. VINCENT COLLEGE LATEOBE. PENNSYLVANIA

Who: Open to all youth ages 12-18 in the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles and the Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn. Register at www.maroniteyouth.org.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to us at office@maroniteyouth.org.

57th Annual Maronite Convention
MINNEAPOLIS, MN | Jul 13-17, 2022
Sponsored by the National Apostolate of Maronites

More information/sign up: www.namnews.org

الأحد الثالث من زمن القيامة: ظهور يسوع لتلميذي عمّاوس

Book of Job 42,1-6.12.

Then Job answered the LORD: 'I know that you can do all things, and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted. "Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?" Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand, things too wonderful for me, which I did not know. "Hear, and I will speak; I will question you, and you declare to me." I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees you; therefore I despise myself, and repent in dust and ashes.' The LORD blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys.

Second Letter to Timothy 2,8-13.

Brothers and sisters, Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful for he cannot deny himself.

Luke 24,13-35.

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Third Sunday of the Resurrection: Appearance to the Disciples of Emmaus

سفر أيوب 42:1-6.12

فأجاب أيُّوبُ الرَّبَّ وقال: >>قد عَلِمتُ أنَّكَ قادِرٌ على كُلِّ شيء فلا يَستَحيلُ علَيكَ مُراد. مَن ذا الَّذي يُخْفي التَّدْبيرَ في غَيرِ عِلْم؟ إنِّي قد أخبَرتُ مِن غيرِ أنَ أدُرك بِعَجائِبَ تفوقُني ولا أَعلَم. إسمَع فَأتكلَّم أَسأَلُك فأخبِرْني. كُنتُ قد سَمِعتُكَ سَمَعَ الأذُن أمَّا الآنَ فعيني قد رَأتَكَ فلِذلك أرَجِعُ عن كلامي وأندَمُ في التُّراب والرَّماد . ﴿وَبَارَكَ الرَّبُ آخِرَةَ أَيُّوبَ أَكْثَرَ مِنْ أُولاَهُ. وَكَانَ لَهُ أَرْبَعَةَ عَشَرَ أَلْفًا مِنَ الْعَنَمِ، وَسِتَّةُ الآفٍ مِنَ الْإِلِ، وَأَلْفُ فَدَّانٍ مِنَ الْبَقَرِ، وَأَلْفُ أَتَانٍ.

رسالة القديس بولس الثانية إلى طيموتاوس 13-8:8

يا إخوتِي، وأَنْتَ يا ابْنِي، تَذَكَّرْ يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحَ الَّذي قَامَ مِنْ بَينِ الأَمْوَات، وهُوَ مِنْ نَسْلِ دَاوُد، بِحَسَبِ إِنْجِيلِي، الَّذي فِيهِ أَحْتَمِلُ الْمَشْقَاتِ حَتَّى القُيُودَ كَمُجْرِم، لكِنَّ كَلِمَةَ اللهِ لا تُقَيَّد. لِذلِكَ أَصْبِرُ على كُلِّ شَيْءٍ مِنْ أَجْلِ المُخْتَارِين، لِيَحْصَلُوا هُم أَيْضًا على الخَلاصِ في المَسِيح يَسُوعَ مَعَ المَجْدِ الأَبَدِيّ. صَادِقَةُ هِيَ مِنْ أَجْلِ المُخْتَارِين، لِيَحْصَلُوا هُم أَيْضًا على الخَلاصِ في المَسِيح يَسُوعَ مَعَ المَجْدِ الأَبَدِيّ. صَادِقَةُ هِيَ الكَلِمَة: إِنْ مُثْنَا مَعَهُ نَحْيَ مَعَهُ، وإِنْ صَبَرْنَا نَمْلِكُ مَعَهُ، وإِنْ أَنْكَرْنَاهُ يُنْكِرْنَا، وإِنْ كُنّا غَيرَ أَمَنَاءَ فَهُو يَبْقَى أَمِينًا، لأَنَّهُ لا يَقْدِرُ أَنْ يُنْكِرَ نَفْسَهُ!

إنجيل القديس لوقا 35-24:13

في اليَوْمِ عَينِهِ، كانَ ٱتْثَانِ مِنَ التَلاميذِ ذَاهِبَيْنِ إِلَى قَرْيَةٍ تُدْعَى عِمَّاوُس، تَبْعُدُ نَحْوَ سَبْعَةِ أَمْيَالٍ عَنْ أُورَ شَلِيم. وَكَانَا يَتَكَادَثَان بِكُلِّ تِلْكَ الْأُمُورِ الَّتِي حَدَثَتْ. وفيمَا هُمَا يَتَحَادَثَان وَيَتَسَاءَلان، إذَا يَسُوعُ نَفْسُهُ قَدِ ٱقْتَرَبَ مِنْهُمَا، وَرَاحَ يَسِيرُ مَعَهُمَا. ولكِنَّ أَعْيُنَهُمَا أُمْسِكَتْ عَنْ مَعْرِفَتِهِ. أُمَّا هُوَ فَقَالَ لَهُمَا: > مَا هذَا الكلامُ الَّذي تَتَحَادَثَان بِهِ، وَأَنْتُمَا تَسِيرَان؟ . ﴿فَوَقَفَا عَابِسَينِ. وَأَجَابَ أَحَدُهُمَا، وٱسْمُهُ كِلْيُوبَاس، فَقَالَ لَهُ: ﴾هَلْ أَنْتَ وَحْدَكَ غَرِيبٌ عَنْ أُورَ شَلِيم، فَلا تَعْلَمَ مَا حَدَثَ فِيهَا هذِهِ الأَيَّام؟ فَقَالَ لَهُمَا: >ومَا هِيَ؟ . «فَقَالا لَهُ: >>مَا يَتَعَلَّقُ بِيَسُوعَ النَّاصِرِيّ، الَّذي كَانَ رَجُلاَّ نَبِيًّا قَويًّا بِالْقَوْلِ وَالْفِعْلِ، قُدَّامَ اللهِ وَالشَّعْبِ كُلِّهِ. وَكَيْفَ أَسْلَمَهُ أَحْبَارُنا وَرُؤَسَاؤُنَا لِيُحْكَمَ عَلَيْهِ بِالْمَوْت، وَكَيْفَ صَلَبُوه! وكُنَّا نَحْنُ نَرْجُو أَنْ يَكُونَ هُوَ الَّذي سَيَفْدِي إسْرَائِيل. وَلكِنْ مَعَ هذَا كُلِّهِ، فَهذَا هُوَ اليَوْمُ الثَّالِثُ بَعْدَ تِلْكَ الأَحْدَاثِ. لكِنَّ بَعْضَ النِّسَاءِ مِنْ جَمَاعَتِنَا أَدْهَشْنَنَا، لأَنَّهُنَّ ذَهَبْنَ إِلَى القَبْرِ عِنْدَ الْفَجْرِ، وَلَمْ يَجِدْنَ جَسَدَ يَسُوع، فَرَجَعْنَ وَقُلْنَ إِنَّهُنَّ شَاهَدْنَ مَلائِكَةً تَرَاءَوْا لَهُنَّ وَقَالُوا إِنَّهُ حَيّ! ومَضَى قَوْمٌ مِنَ الَّذِينَ مَعَنَا إِلَى الْقَبْرِ، فَوَجَدُوهُ هكذَا كَمَا قَالَتِ النِّسَاء، وَأَمَّا يَسُوعُ فَلَمْ يَرَوْه . «فقالَ لَهُمَا يَسُوع: »يَا عَدِيمَى الْفَهْم، وَبَطِيئَى القَلْبِ في الإِيْمَانِ بِكُلِّ مَا تَكَلَّمَ بِهِ الأَنْبِيَاء! أَمَا كَانَ يَجِبُ عَلَى المَسِيح أَنْ يُعَانِيَ تِلْكَ الآلام، أَثُمَّ يَدْخُلَ في مَجْدِهِ؟ وَفَسَّرَ لَهُمَا مَا يَتَعَلَّقُ بِهِ في كُلِّ الكُثُبِ المُقَدَّسَة، مُبْتَدِئًا بِمُوسَى وَجَمِيع الأَنْبِيَاء. وٱقْتَرَبا مِنَ القَرْيَةِ ٱلَّتِي كَانَا ذَاهِبَيْنِ إِلَيْهَا، فتَظَاهَرَ يَسُوعُ بِأَنَّهُ ذَاهِبٌ إلى مَكَان أَبْعَد. فَتَمَسَّكَا بِهِ قَائِلَين: ﴾أُمْكُثْ مَعَنَا، فَقَدْ حَانَ المَسَاء، وَمَالَ النَّهَارِ . ﴿فَدَخَلَ لِيَمْكُثَ مَعَهُمَا. وفِيمَا كَانَ مُتَّكِئًا مَعَهُمَا، أَخَذَ الخُبْزَ، وبَارَكَ، وَكُسَرَ، ونَاوَلَهُمَا. فأَنْفَتَحَتْ أَعْبُنُهُمَا، وَعَرَفَاهُ، فَإِذَا هُوَ قَدْ تَوَارَى عَنْهُمَا. فَقَالَ أَحَدُهُمَا لِلآخَر: »أَمَا كَانَ قَلْبُنَا مُضْطَرِمًا فِينَا، حِينَ كَانَ يُكَلِّمُنَا في الطَّرِيق، وَيَشْرَحُ لَنَا الكُتُب؟ . ﴿وقَامَا في تِلْكَ السَّاعَةِ عَيْنِهَا، وَرَجَعَا إِلَى أُورَ شَلِيم، فَوَجَدَا ٱلأَحَدَ عَشَرَ وَالَّذِينَ مَعَهُم مُجْتَمِعِين، وَهُم يَقُولُون: >> حَقًّا إَنَّ الرَّبَّ قَام، وتَرَاءَى لِسِمْعَانِ! . ﴿أَمَّا هُمَا فَكَانَا يُخْبِرِ ان بِمَا حَدَثَ في الطَّرِيقِ، وَكَيْفَ عَرَفَا يَسُوعَ عِنْدَ كَسْرِ الخُبْزِ.



















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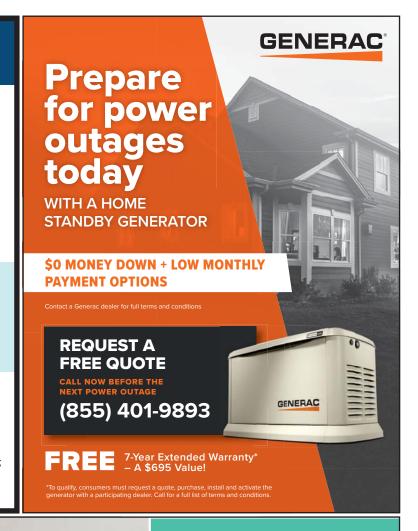
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