



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

You are welcomed & loved by St Anthony's Community

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

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2025



Sunday after The Glorious Birth of Our Lord

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LITURGIES INTENTIONS

Daily Liturgies

Sunday after the Glorious Birth of Our Lord

THE FLIGHT INTO EGYPT

Saturday, December 28 (Eng.)

The Adoration of the Magi

4:00 pm + Evon & Robert Danus, and Maria Moujaes, *By the Rembis Family*

Sunday, December 29

The Massacre of the Children of Bethlehem

8:00 am + Private Intentions

9:30 am In Honor of Mr. & Mrs. Michael & Sandra Naddif, & family

11:00 am In Honor of Mr. & Mrs. Wissam Merheb, and family

+ Tanos Sadek, *By his wife Nouhad, children, & their families*

THE FINDING OF OUR LORD IN THE TEMPLE

Saturday, January 4 (Eng.) *St. Elizabeth Ann Seton*

4:00 pm + John & Ida Thomas, *By their family*

+ Private Intention

Sunday, January 5 *St. Paul*

8:00 am In Honor of Huguette Sfeir, *By her husband, Beshara, & daughter, Tia*

9:30 am + 1st Anniversary- Lawrence "Larry" Crichton, *By Sue Tarness*

11:00 am + Private Intention

5:00 pm (Eng/Ar) **Vigil of the Glorious Epiphany**

Monday, December 30 (Ar.)

St. Anyisia / Acts 7:2, 30-37 / Mt 2:19-23

9:00 am + Elham Azzi, *By her children & grandchildren*

Tuesday, December 31 (Eng.) - **Office Closed**

St. Zoticus/ Col 1:19b-20 / Jn 1:1-18

9:00 am Private Intentions

Wednesday, January 1 (Eng./Ar) - **Office Closed**

Sts. Basil & Gregory/ Eph 2:11-2 / Lk 2:21

Happy New Year 2025

6:00 pm Liturgy in Honor & Blessings of all our parishioners

Thursday, January 2 (Eng.)

Pope St. Silvester I / Heb 7:1-10 / Lk 2:22-24

9:00 am Private Intention

Friday, January 3 - **Office Closed**

Malachi the Prophet / Heb 7:20-28 / Lk 2:25 - 35

6:00 pm First Friday of the month Liturgy

New Year Liturgy -The Circumcision of Jesus

Wednesday, January 1, 2025 (Eng/Ar)

Holy Day Of Obligation

6:00 pm In Honor & Blessings of all our parishioners

PLEASE NOTE

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



2025, Year of Hope

Dear Parishioners,

As we bid farewell to the year 2024, let us pause to reflect with hearts full of gratitude. Together, we thank God for everything this year has brought—the joys and challenges, the successes and struggles, the moments that shaped us, and the grace that carried us through.

We are especially grateful for the unforgettable moments in our parish this year, from the beautiful liturgies and celebrations to the heartfelt community events that deepened our bonds. We thank God for the people we encountered, the experiences we shared, and the opportunities to grow in faith and love. Now, as we stand on the threshold of 2025, we entrust this new year to the Lord with hopeful hearts. Whatever lies ahead, we embrace the promise that God is always with us. His love will guide us, His mercy will sustain us, and His presence will give us strength to face each day with faith and courage. Let us begin this new year together as a community of hope, united in our mission to love, serve, and witness to the Gospel. May our parish continue to be a place of welcome, peace, and joy, shining as a sign of God's love in the world.

Let us pray:

Heavenly Father, We thank You for the year that has passed, for the blessings and lessons it has brought us. As we welcome this new year, we entrust ourselves, our families, and our parish to Your loving care. Fill our hearts with hope and courage to face the days ahead. Strengthen our faith, deepen our love, and guide us in every decision and action. May Your grace sustain us in our trials and Your joy fill us in our triumphs. Bless our parish community and all those we serve. May this new year bring us closer to You and to one another. With confidence in Your promise, we entrust our future to Your hands.

Wishing you and your families a blessed and grace-filled New Year!
May God grant you health, happiness, and abundant blessings in 2025.

In Christ's love,

Fr. Neemtallah (Edgard) Oneissy

OFFICE HOURS:

M-TH 10:00 am-3:00 pm

FRI OFFICE CLOSED

SAT By Appointment

DAILY LITURGIES @ 9 am

MON & WED (Ar)

TUE & THU (Eng)

WEEKEND LITURGIES

SAT 4 pm (Eng)

SUN 8am(Ar) 9:30 am (Eng)

11 am (Eng.& Ar)

Holy days of obligation:

Vigil Liturgy @ 7:00 pm

MEET OUR PRIESTS:

Chorbishop Elie Mikhael

(305) 807-9087

Fr. Edgard -Neemtallah- Oneissy

(857)390-4838

pastor@stanthonylawrence.org

MEET OUR DEACONS:

Nadim Daou, James T. Demers,

& David Leard

Sub-Deacon: *Antoine Nammour*

CLERGY DAY OFF

Fr. Neemtallah: **Wednesdays**

SACRAMENTS

Baptism & Confirmation:

1 month in advance with the Pastor,

Donations: Church: \$200

Priest: Free Will

Matrimony: *Arrangements should be made by couples 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.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTION

United States Catholic Bishops' Worldwide Charities - USCCB: January 25 & 26

Please remember to remit your Fuel/Utilities Envelope. Your contribution helps us keep the Heat on in the Winter . Thank you!

Angel Tree



Warm gratitude to everyone who participated in and supported our Christmas Angel Giving Tree program. Thanks to your generosity, we successfully delivered 150 Christmas presents to Lazarus House. What a wonderful way to celebrate the season—by sharing with neighbors in need.

Thank you for spreading the joy and love that the birth of our Savior brings.

HO! HO! Ho!

'Tis the season for Joy, Peace, Love, & Laughter!

Let's celebrate, enjoy, & cherish every moment.

A heartfelt Christmas *thank you* to our donors, chair committees, and the amazing volunteers who planned, organized, and brought our parish community Christmas events to life.

To everyone who attended and contributed, thank you for making these celebrations so cheerful and memorable.



HAPPY NEW YEAR

May the Blessings of God be Showered on You and Your Family in this Year...

Wishing you & your family, A VERY HAPPY & PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!

Saint Anthony Maronite Church, Lawrence, MA

New Year & Epiphany 2025

Liturgy schedule

New Year's Day, Wednesday, January 1, 2025

- * 6 PM: Liturgy (Ar/Eng)

Friday January 3, First Friday Liturgy

- * 6 PM: Liturgy (Arabic)

Sunday January 5:

- * Sunday regular Liturgy schedule (the finding of our Lord in the Temple)
- * 5pm, Epiphany Vigil Liturgy (Eng/Ar)

Monday, January 6:

- * 4PM: Epiphany Liturgy (English)
- * 6PM: Epiphany Liturgy (Arabic)

Water will be blessed and distributed after Divine Liturgies on January 5th and 6th



IN HONOR OF

Name

Our sons, Marc & Mikey
Our daughters, Monica & Mia
Our Grandmother, Sonia Abou-Ezzi
Our Grandfather, Joseph Nasr
My Godfather, Chorbishop Elie Mikhael
Our son, Tony
Our daughter & son-in-law, Drs Elie & Juliette Ata
Our First Grandson, Ibrahim Elie Ata - Baby Baho
Our son, Guy, & his wife, Katherine O'Neill
My Granddaughters, Addison & Olivia Leavitt
Vieira Family
Marie Jbeily

Offered By

Dr. & Mrs. George Abou-Ezzi
Dr. & Mrs. George Abou-Ezzi
Marc, Monica, Mikey & Mia
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Mia Abou-Ezzi
Mr. & Mrs. George Kassas
Mr. & Mrs. George Kassas
Mr. & Mrs. George Kassas
Mr. & Mrs. George Kassas
Mr. Michael G. Faris
Dennis & Pauline Vieira
Therese Jbeily

IN THANKSGIVING OF

Good Health

Dennis & Pauline Vieira

IN MEMORY OF

<u>Name</u>	<u>Offered By</u>
Teta Jeannette Lahoud Nasr	Marc, Monica, Mikey, & Mia Abou-Ezzi
Teta Akle Abi Sleiman Mikhael	Marc, Monica, Mikey, & Mia Abou-Ezzi
Jeddo Antoine Abou-Ezzi	Marc, Monica, Mikey, & Mia Abou-Ezzi
Bechara Rizkallah	his Godson, Marc Abou-Ezzi
Maroun Bouchrouche	his sons, and their families
Jeddo Maroun Bouchrouche	his grandchildren
Daad Cherabie	her children, and their spouses
Teta Daad Cherabie	her grandchildren
Ghassan Raad	his friends
Mr. & Mrs. Edmond & Theresa Solomon	The Solomon, Kalil, & Getchell Families
Mr. & Mrs. Fred & Mary Faris	The Solomon, Kalil, & Getchell Families
Deceased Members of the Solomon & Hatem Families	The Solomon, Kalil, & Getchell Families
Thomas J Solomon	Mr. & Mrs. Michael & Janice Solomon
Maurice Hatem	The Solomon, Kalil, & Getchell Families
Joseph Getchell	Tim & Emily Getchell, and family
Ibrahim, Sadie & Dalal Kassas & Deceased	Mr. & Mrs. George Kassas & Family
Larry Kalil	Linda Kalil
The Deceased Members of the Abou-Raad Family	Mr. & Mrs. Abdo Abou-Raad, and family
The Deceased Members of the Azzi Family	Mr. & Mrs. Abdo Abou-Raad, and family
Deceased Members of the Shadeed Family	Duayne S. Habib
Bomar "Bo" Kramer	his wife, Mrs. Barbara Kramer
Philip R. Nastasia	his Godmother, Mrs. Barbara Kramer
My aunt, Alice Youssef Hatem	Alyce Hatem Sader
Maurice Hatem	his grandchildren, Michael, Nadine, &
Mr. & Mrs. James Yameen	Victor C. Azzi
Mr. & Mrs. Khalil S. Azzi	Victor C. Azzi
My dear friend, Janice Peters	Elaine Azzi
Salem and Joua Hassan	John & Leslie Hassan
Bernard and Anastasia Navarotta	John & Leslie Hassan
Stephanie & Fred Schiripo	Love, Beverly & Bob
Mary Shadeed	Love, Beverly & Bob
Rose & Peter Lucchesi	Love, Beverly & Bob
Janet Maroun	Robert & Joanne Comtois

IN MEMORY OF

Name

Offered By

Jeddo Tanos Sadek	His granddaughters, Lucia, Cecilia, & Amelia Sadek
Elton McGray	Colette Sadek
Elizabeth Cipriani	John Maksou, and family
Albert & Lorraine Hatem	Joan Hatem-Roy
Gary Hatem	Joan Hatem-Roy
William "Bill" Torla	Joan Hatem-Roy
Violette Maroon	The Pellerin Family
Marianne Maroon	The Pellerin Family
Berube Family	Dennis & Pauline Vieira
Our baby angel, Leo Alexander Maroun	Mr. & Mrs. Danny Maroun & Family
Our uncle, Raymond Fadel	Mr. & Mrs. Danny Maroun & Family
Our Grandparents: Joseph & Kalikia Maroun, Fadlallah & Alice Fadel, Camil Maroun, George & Adele Cherabie Maroun Mouawad	Mr. & Mrs. Danny Maroun & Family
Fred & Carmela Corey, Dr. Edward & Mary Moore	Habouba Mouawad & Family
Ed Wright	Mr. & Mrs. Fred Corey
Donald A. George & Gladys M. George	Mr. & Mrs. Christopher George
Elias Jbeily	Mr. & Mrs. Christopher George
Deceased Members of the Rahhal & Jesser Family	Therese Jbeily
Raymond J. Faunt, Sr.,	Velma Faunt
John E. D'Angelo	Velma Faunt
Brenda Giantonio	Velma Faunt
Edmund & Josephine Hatem	Cynthia Kazanjian & Susan Homsey
Maria Moujaes	Cynthia Kazanjian & Susan Homsey
Evon & Bob Danus	Kevin & Kara Rembis
Elham Azzi	Kevin & Kara Rembis
Elham Azzi	her grandchildren: Anthony, Noah & Her husband Pierre, and family
Charles Tarness	Pauline & Mike Jesionowski & family
Maurice Maroun	Elias and Marlene Chaya
Toufi & Jennie Ferris	Manny & Joyce Santos
Manuel & Lillian Santos	Manny & Joyce Santos
Philip A. Bistany	Barbara Bistany & family
Rachid Haddad, his wife, & sons & Sonia,	Antoun & Marie Haddad
Rezkala Akiki, his wife, & his daughter	Joseph Perrone
Mary Dow	

CONGRATULATIONS!

Baptized & Confirmed

Sky Daniela Karam
Daughter of Dany & Joelle Karam

"Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned." ~Mark 16:16



Purpose:

Form a Men of Saint Joseph (MSJ) group at Saint Anthony's church taking the earthly father of Jesus as a guide and intercessor, and create the opportunity to pray, share our experience and grow in faith together on our journey to eternal life promised to us by Jesus the crucified.

Monthly Meeting Schedule

Third Saturday of every month @ 8 am at Saint Anthony Maronite Church Hall.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

-St. Anthony Council 16204

"In service to one, in service to all"



Next meeting:

Tuesday January 14, 2025

@ 7 pm, Church Hall

Men 18 yrs. and older are encouraged to attend.

For information email: KOFc16204@gmail.com

Family of St Sharbel &

Our Lady of Lebanon Ladies Guild



Every Tuesday—Zoom Prayer @ 8pm

Zoom ID: 335616991

Passcode: 816342

Or you can join by clicking this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/335616991>

For more information email:

communications@familyofsaintsharbel.org

DAUGHTERS OF SAINT ANTHONY

"The Oldest Organization of St. Anthony's Church"

Next Meeting:

Monday, April 7, 2025

@ 12 pm, church hall

KNIGHTS OF THE ALTAR

Next Meeting:

**Saturday, February 1, 2025,
11 am- 12:30 pm @ Church hall**

*Remember to bring your handbooks to the meetings.
New applicants are always welcome!*

KNIGHTS OF MARY

Next Session:

Saturday, January 4 & 18, 2025 @ 5 - 7 pm
www.stanthonylawrence.org/events-2/

MARONITE YOUTH ORGANIZATION-MYO

Next Meeting:

Sunday, January 5, 2025 @ 6 - 7:30 pm

www.stanthonylawrence.org/myo/



M-WINE

"We Serve Better Together"

Next event:

**Monday, January 13, 2025
7pm @ Church Hall**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Next Sessions:

Saturday, January 11 & 25, 2025 @ 5 - 7 pm
Please visit our website for the yearly calendar
www.stanthonylawrence.org/calendar-classes-and-events/

BIRTHDAY WISHES

- December 28:** Elie Abdilmasih,
 Hannah Abdilmasih,
 Sonya Ameen, Matthew Hutton,
 Naya Kossaifi, Sandy Ramey,
 Yvona Safi
- December 29:** Craig Crossley, Jamal Ramey
- December 30:** Freicy Bourouphael,
 Lorna Kattar, Stephanie Korbani
- January 01:** Henry Abi-Moussa, Joud Abou- Ezzi
 Darine Aoun, Mounir Bou-Mitri,
 George El-Hachem, Joelle El Rahi,
 Ibrahim Geha, Patrick Hbaiter,
 Christelle Kamel, Youssef Khoder,
 Manal Houry, Gretta Merheb,
 Molly Nader, Noha Ranson,
 Christianna Ranson, Teddy Saad,
 Rodrigue Salloum, Michelle Zaza
- January 02:** Rita Bejjani, Joseph El Hayek,
 Nora Maroun, Jeannette Maroun,
 Brody Pellerin, Isabella Ramey,
 Gaby Ramy, Andrew Sadek,
 Alfred Yameen
- January 03:** Christine Abou Jaoude,
 Brandon Barry, Cynthia Kazanjian
 Della Khoury, Carine Mansour
 Hitaf Nammour

ANNIVERSARY WISHES

- December 31:** Gary & Joanne Abdulla
 David & Emily Bechara
- January 03:** Timothy & Emily Getchell
 Elie & Kathleen Rahme
 Wissam & Kristin Tarabay

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

12/15/2024

Candles	\$256.50
Christmas Bake Sale	\$989.00
Christmas Poinsettias	\$225.00
Donation	\$1,625.00
Immaculate Conception	\$15.00
Sunday Collection	\$2,577.10
Utilities, Fuel, & Electricity	\$370.00

Total **\$ 6,057.60**

Thank you for your generous support of our parish. Please remember to remit your Fuel/Utilities Envelope. Your contribution helps us keep the Heat on in the Winter and the AC on in the Summer. Thank you!

Please note: Due to Christmas holidays and the bulletin printing deadline, the collection report, for the week of December 22, 2024, will be published in next week's bulletin. Thank you for your understanding!

Parish Database Update Request

Dear Parishioners,

As we approach the end of the year, we kindly ask you to take a moment to update your information in our parish database.

Please click the link below to:

- * Register as a parishioner.
- * Update your mailing address, email, or phone number.
- * Notify us of any changes in marital status.

<https://www.stanthonylawrence.org/member-information-form/>

Your cooperation helps us keep our records accurate and ensures you stay informed about parish events and updates.

Thank you for your attention and support!

Blessings,

Fr. Neemtallah (Edgard) Oneissy

Sunday after the Birth of Our Lord— The Flight into Egypt

Book of Jeremiah 23:5-8

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness." Therefore, the days are surely coming, says the Lord, when it shall no longer be said, "As the Lord lives who brought the people of Israel up out of the land of Egypt," but "As the Lord lives who brought out and led the offspring of the house of Israel out of the land of the north and out of all the lands where he had driven them." Then they shall live in their own land.

Letter to the Hebrews 11: 23-31

By faith Moses was hidden by his parents for three months after his birth, because they saw that the child was beautiful; and they were not afraid of the king's edict. By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called a son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. He considered abuse suffered for the Christ to be greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking ahead to the reward. By faith he left Egypt, unafraid of the king's anger; for he persevered as though he saw him who is invisible. By faith he kept the Passover and the sprinkling of blood, so that the destroyer of the firstborn would not touch the firstborn of Israel. By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Saint Matthew 2:13-18

Now after they had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, "Out of Egypt I have called my son." When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah: "A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they are no more."

LECTORS SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 28 - 4 pm - Lisa Abdallah

Sunday, December 29 -

8:00 am - Mouna Hbaiter

9:30 am - Theresea Bou Sanayeh

11:00 am - (Eng) Marita Merheb

(Ar) George Merheb

LECTORS SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 4 - 4 pm - Patricia Ferguson

Sunday, January 5 -

8:00 am - Huguette Sfeir

9:30 am - Brady Barry

11:00 am - (Eng) Joey Safi

(Ar) Nisrine Safi

5:00 pm - (Eng) Anthony Merheb

(Ar) Maribelle Spiridon

أحد الكلمة المتجسد

سفر إرميا 23: 5-8

يَقُولُ الرَّبُّ: «هَا أَيَّامٌ مُقْبِلَةٌ أُقِيمُ فِيهَا لِدَاوُدَ ذُرِّيَّةَ بَرٍّ، مَلِكًا يَسُودُ بِحِكْمَةٍ، وَيُجْرِي فِي الْأَرْضِ عَدْلًا وَحَقًّا. فِي عَهْدِهِ يَتِمُّ خَلَاصُ شَعْبِ يَهُودَا، وَيَسْكُنُ شَعْبُ إِسْرَائِيلَ أَمْنًا. أَمَّا الْأَسْمُ الَّذِي سَيُدْعَى بِهِ فَهُوَ: الرَّبُّ بَرُّنَا. لِذَلِكَ هَا أَيَّامٌ مُقْبِلَةٌ لَا يُرِيدُ فِيهَا النَّاسُ مِنْ بَعْدُ: حَيٌّ هُوَ الرَّبُّ الَّذِي أَخْرَجَ بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ مِنْ دِيَارِ مِصْرَ. بَلْ يَقُولُونَ: حَيٌّ هُوَ الرَّبُّ الَّذِي أَخْرَجَ ذُرِّيَّةَ شَعْبِ إِسْرَائِيلَ، وَآتَى بِهِمْ مِنْ أَرْضِ الشِّمَالِ وَمِنْ كَافَّةِ الدِّيَارِ الَّتِي أَجْلَاهُمْ إِلَيْهَا فَيَسْكُنُونَ فِي أَرْضِهِمْ.»

الرسالة إلى العبرانيين 11: 23-31

"بِالإيمان أخفي موسى بعد ولادته ثلاثة أشهر عن أبويه، لأنَّهُما رآيا أَنَّ الطِّفْلَ جَمِيلًا، وَلَمْ يَخَافَا أَمْرَ الْمَلِكِ. بِالإيمان لَمَّا كَبِرَ مُوسَى أَبِي أَنْ يُدْعَى ابْنِ ابْنَةِ فِرْعَوْنَ، مُفَضِّلًا أَنْ يُسَاءَ مَعَ شَعْبِ اللَّهِ عَلَى أَنْ يَتَمَتَّعَ بِخَطِيئَةٍ لِحِينٍ. إِذْ حَسِبَ الْعَارَ لِأَجْلِ الْمَسِيحِ غِنَى أَعْظَمَ مِنْ كُنُوزِ مِصْرَ، لِأَنَّهُ كَانَ يَنْظُرُ إِلَى الْمَجَازَاةِ. بِالإيمان تَرَكَ مِصْرَ غَيْرَ خَائِفٍ مِنْ غَضَبِ الْمَلِكِ، لِأَنَّهُ ثَبَتَ كَمَنْ يَرَى مَنْ لَا يُرَى. بِالإيمان عَمِلَ الْفِصْحَ وَرَشَّ الدَّمَ لِنَلِّا يَمْسَهُمُ الْمُهْلِكُ. بِالإيمان عَبَرُوا الْبَحْرَ الْأَحْمَرَ كَأَنَّهُمْ عَلَى الْيَبَسَةِ، أَمَّا الْمِصْرِيُّونَ فَحَاوَلُوا أَنْ يَعْبُرُوا فَغَرِقُوا. بِالإيمان سَقَطَتِ أَسْوَارُ أَرِيحَا بَعْدَمَا دَارُوا حَوْلَهَا سَبْعَةَ أَيَّامٍ. بِالإيمان لَمْ تَهْلِكْ رَا حَابُ الزَّانِيَةِ مَعَ الْعُصَاةِ، لِأَنَّهُ قَبِلَتْ الْجَوَاسِيَسَ بِسَلَامٍ."

إنجيل القديس متى 2: 13-18

وَبَعْدَمَا انصَرَفَ الْمَجُوسُ، إِذَا مَلَائِكُ الرَّبِّ يَظْهَرُ لِيُوسُفَ فِي الْحُلْمِ وَيَقُولُ: " قُمْ، خُذِ الطِّفْلَ وَأُمَّهُ، وَاهْرَبْ إِلَى مِصْرَ، وَابْقَ هُنَاكَ حَتَّى أَقُولَ لَكَ. فَإِنَّ هِيرُودُسَ سَوْفَ يَبْحَثُ عَنِ الطِّفْلِ لِيُهْلِكَهُ." فَقَامَ وَأَخَذَ الطِّفْلَ وَأُمَّهُ لَيْلًا، وَذَهَبَ إِلَى مِصْرَ، وَبَقِيَ هُنَاكَ حَتَّى وَفَاةِ هِيرُودُسَ، لِيَتِمَّ مَا قَالَهُ الرَّبُّ بِوَأَسْطَةِ النَّبِيِّ الْقَائِلِ: "مِنْ مِصْرَ دَعَوْتُ ابْنِي." عِنْدَئِذٍ لَمَّا رَأَى هِيرُودُسُ أَنَّ الْمَجُوسَ سَخِرُوا مِنْهُ، غَضِبَ جَدًّا، وَأَرْسَلَ فَقَتَلَ جَمِيعَ الْأَطْفَالِ فِي بَيْتِ لَحْمٍ وَجَمِيعَ نَوَاحِيهَا، مِنْ ابْنِ سَنَتَيْنِ فَمَا دُونَ، وَفَقًّا لِلزَّمَنِ الَّذِي تَحَقَّقَهُ مِنَ الْمَجُوسِ. حِينَئِذٍ تَمَّ مَا قِيلَ بِلِسَانِ إِرْمِيَا النَّبِيِّ الْقَائِلِ: "صَوْتُ سَمِعَ فِي الرَّامَةِ، بُكَاءٌ وَنَوْحٌ كَثِيرٌ، رَا حِيلُ تَبْكِي أَوْلَادَهَا، وَلَا تُرِيدُ أَنْ تَنْعَزِي، لِأَنَّهُمْ لَيْسُوا بِمَوْجُودِينَ."»

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Book of Micah 4: 1-4

In days to come the mount of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest mountain; it shall be raised above the hills, and peoples shall stream to it: a many nations shall come, and say, "Come, let us climb the LORD's mountain, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may instruct us in his ways, that we may walk in his paths." For from Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between many peoples and set terms for strong and distant nations; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; one nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again. They shall all sit under their own vines, under their own fig trees, undisturbed; for the LORD of hosts has spoken.

Letter to the Ephesians 2:11-22

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision" - a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—remember that you were at the time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple, in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke 2: 21

After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

LECTORS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, January 1, 2025 -

6:00 pm - (Eng) Raghida Ramey
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Monday, January 6-

4:00 pm - (Eng) Meaghan Twing
6:00 pm - (Ar) Amale Chantiri

عيد رأس السنة - عيد ختانة الرب يسوع

سفر ميخا 4: 1-4

وَيَكُونُ فِي آخِرِ الْأَيَّامِ أَنَّ جَبَلَ بَيْتِ الرَّبِّ يُوْطَدُ فِي رَأْسِ الْجِبَالِ وَيَرْتَفِعُ فَوْقَ التِّلالِ، وَتَجْرِي إِلَيْهِ الشُّعُوبُ، وَيَنْطَلِقُ أُمَّمٌ كَثِيرُونَ وَيَقُولُونَ: هَلُمُّوا نَصْعَدُ إِلَى جَبَلِ الرَّبِّ، وَبَيْتِ إِلَهِ يَعْقُوبَ، وَهُوَ يُعَلِّمُنَا طُرُقَهُ فَنَسِيرُ فِي سُبُلِهِ، لِأَنَّهَا مِنْ صِهْيُونَ تَخْرُجُ الشَّرِيعَةُ، وَمِنْ أُورَشَلِيمَ كَلِمَةُ الرَّبِّ. وَيَحْكُمُ بَيْنَ الشُّعُوبِ الْكَثِيرِينَ، وَيَفْضِي لِلْأُمَّمِ الْأَقْوِيَاءِ حَتَّى فِي الْبَعِيدِ، فَيَضْرِبُونَ سُيُوفَهُمْ سِكِّكًا، وَرِمَاحَهُمْ مَنَاجِلَ، فَلَا تَرْفَعُ أُمَّةٌ عَلَى أُمَّةٍ سَيْفًا، وَلَا يَتَعَلَّمُونَ الْحَرْبَ مِنْ بَعْدِ. وَيُقِيمُ كُلُّ وَاحِدٍ تَحْتَ كَرَمَتِهِ، وَتَحْتَ تِينَتِهِ وَلَا أَحَدٌ يُقْلِقُهُ، لِأَنَّ رَبَّ الْقَوَاتِ قَدْ تَكَلَّمَ.

رسالة القديس بولس إلى أهل أفسس 2: 11-22

يَا إِخْوَتِي، تَذَكَّرُوا، أَنْتُمْ الْوَتَنِيِّينَ فِي الْجَسَدِ سَابِقًا، أَلْمَدْعُوبِينَ أَهْلَ عَدَمِ الْخِتَانَةِ عِنْدَ الْمَدْعُوبِينَ أَهْلَ الْخِتَانَةِ، بِفِعْلِ الْيَدِ فِي الْجَسَدِ، تَذَكَّرُوا أَنَّكُمْ كُنْتُمْ فِي ذَلِكَ الْوَقْتِ بِدُونِ مَسِيحٍ، مُبْعَدِينَ عَنِ رَعِيَّةِ إِسْرَائِيلَ، وَغُرَبَاءَ عَنِ عَهْدِ الْوَعْدِ، لَا رَجَاءَ لَكُمْ فِي الْعَالَمِ وَلَا إِلَهَ؛ أَمَّا الْآنَ فَفِي الْمَسِيحِ يَسُوعَ أَنْتُمْ الَّذِينَ كُنْتُمْ مِنْ قَبْلِ بَعِيدِينَ، صِرْتُمْ بِدَمِ الْمَسِيحِ قَرِيبِينَ. فَإِنَّهُ هُوَ سَلَامُنَا، هُوَ جَعَلَ الْأَثْنَيْنِ وَاحِدًا، وَفِي جَسَدِهِ نَقَضَ الْجِدَارَ الْفَاصِلَ بَيْنَهُمَا، أَيِ الْعَدَاوَةِ، وَأَبْطَلَ شَرِيعَةَ الْوَصَايَا بِمَا فِيهَا مِنْ فَرَائِضَ، لِيَخْلُقَ الْأَثْنَيْنِ فِي شَخْصِهِ إِنْسَانًا وَاحِدًا جَدِيدًا، بِإِحْلَالِهِ السَّلَامَ بَيْنَهُمَا، وَيُصَالِحَهُمَا مَعَ اللَّهِ، كِلَيْهِمَا فِي جَسَدٍ وَاحِدٍ، بِالصَّلِيبِ، قَاتِلًا فِيهِ الْعَدَاوَةَ بَيْنَهُمَا. فَلَمَّا جَاءَ بِشَرَكُمُ السَّلَامَ أَنْتُمْ الْبَعِيدِينَ، وَبَشَّرَ بِالسَّلَامِ الْقَرِيبِينَ، لِأَنَّنا بِهِ نَلْنَا نَحْنُ الْأَثْنَيْنِ فِي رُوحٍ وَاحِدٍ الْوُصُولَ إِلَى الْآبِ. إِذَا فَلَسْتُمْ بَعْدُ غُرَبَاءَ وَلَا نُزُلَاءَ، بَلْ أَنْتُمْ أَهْلُ مَدِينَةِ الْقَدِيسِينَ وَأَهْلُ بَيْتِ اللَّهِ، بُنِيْتُمْ عَلَى أَسَاسِ الرُّسُلِ وَالْأَنْبِيَاءِ، وَالْمَسِيحِ يَسُوعَ نَفْسُهُ هُوَ حَجَرُ الزَّائِيَةِ. فِيهِ يَتِمَّاسُكُ الْبِنَاءُ كُلُّهُ، فَيَرْتَفِعُ هَيْكَلًا مُقَدَّسًا فِي الرَّبِّ، وَفِيهِ أَنْتُمْ أَيْضًا تُبْنُونَ مَعًا مَسْكِنًا لِلَّهِ فِي الرُّوحِ.

إنجيل القديس لوقا 2: 21

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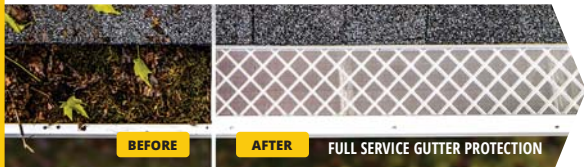
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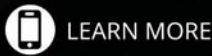
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