



ST. THERESA

MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH



Sunday of the Healing of the Paralytic
احد شفاء المخلع

March 29-30, 2025

“DO YOU REALIZE THAT JESUS IS THERE IN THE TABERNACLE EXPRESSLY FOR YOU – FOR YOU ALONE? HE BURNS WITH THE DESIRE TO COME INTO YOUR HEART.” – ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX

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OUR INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, MARCH 29

Healing of the Paralytic

[St. Cyril of Baalbek]

4:00 PM: **+Intention available on request**

SUNDAY, MARCH 30

Healing of the Paralytic

[St. John Climacus]

10:30 AM: **+Joseph Khalil** as requested by
Roger Khalil

TUESDAY, APRIL 1

[St. Mary of Egypt]

9:00 AM: **+Intention available on request**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2

[St. Aphian and His Brother St. Aedesius]

9:00 AM: **+Intention available on request**

THURSDAY, APRIL 3

[Isaiah and Ezekiel the Prophets]

9:00 AM: **+Intention available on request**

6:30 PM: **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

FRIDAY, APRIL 4

6:30 PM: **STATIONS OF THE CROSS /
BENEDICTION**

Followed by Lenten Supper & Movie

SATURDAY, APRIL 5

Healing of the Blind Man

*[St. Robert of Molesme, founder the Cistercian
order]*

4:00 PM: **For the souls of +Remember Me In
Your Kingdom**

SUNDAY, APRIL 6

Healing of the Blind Man

[St. Marcellinus of Carthage]

10:30 AM: **1 Year Memorial for +Tanios
Gebrael** as requested by the family

**LET US PRAY FOR OUR LOVED ONES AND THE
INTENTIONS OF OUR HEARTS. CONTACT THE
PARISH OFFICE TO SCHEDULE AN INTENTION.**

OUR LITURGICAL LIFE

DIVINE LITURGIES

SATURDAY 4:00PM
SUNDAY 10:30AM
TUESDAY 9:00AM
WEDNESDAY 9:00AM
THURSDAY 9:00AM

CONFESSION

TUESDAY 8:15AM – 8:45AM
WEDNESDAY 8:15AM – 8:45AM
THURSDAY 8:15AM – 8:45AM
6:30PM - 7:15PM

***ALSO AVAILABLE
BY APPOINTMENT**

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



THURSDAY
6:30PM-7:30PM

BAPTISM

Please make arrangements with the Pastor at **least one (1) month** in advance. Godparents must meet requirements of church law. To discuss and to schedule a baptism, please contact the parish office.

MARRIAGE

Please consult with the Pastor to make arrangements at **least six (6) months** in advance of proposed date. To discuss and to schedule a marriage, please contact the parish office.

FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH

BREAD & WINE

IN LOVING MEMORY OF **+GEORGE SARKIS ASACK, SR.**
OFFERED BY MADELINE ASACK AND FAMILY

VIGIL CANDLE FOR THE SHRINE OF ST. THERESA

IN LOVING MEMORY OF **+ALL DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE TOM ABRAHAM
SAADE FAMILIES AND FARAH FAMILIES**
OFFERED BY GEORGE AND ALSION SAADE AND FAMILY

SANCTUARY CANDLE FOR THE TABERNACLE

IN LOVING MEMORY OF **+ALAN J. POIRIER**
OFFERED BY DONNA POIRIER

VIGIL CANDLE FOR THE BLESSED MOTHER

IN LOVING MEMORY OF **+ALL DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE TOM ABRAHAM
SAADE FAMILIES AND FARAH FAMILIES**
OFFERED BY GEORGE AND ALSION SAADE AND FAMILY

VIGIL CANDLE FOR THE GOSPEL THRONE

IN LOVING MEMORY OF **+NAJA AND SAMERA NESSRALLA**
OFFERED BY MR. AND MRS. MANSUR NESSRALLA AND FAMILY

LECTORS

SATURDAY, MARCH 29
ENGLISH - CAUNA

SUNDAY, MARCH 30
ARABIC - SOLANGE
ENGLISH - JOD-ANNE

ALTAR SERVERS

SATURDAY, MAR. 29

DANIEL Z.
CHARBEL S.

SUNDAY, MAR. 30

CHARBEL C.
MARTIN B.
ALEX S.
CHARLIE S.

SATURDAY, APR. 5

CHARBEL B.
GIO B.

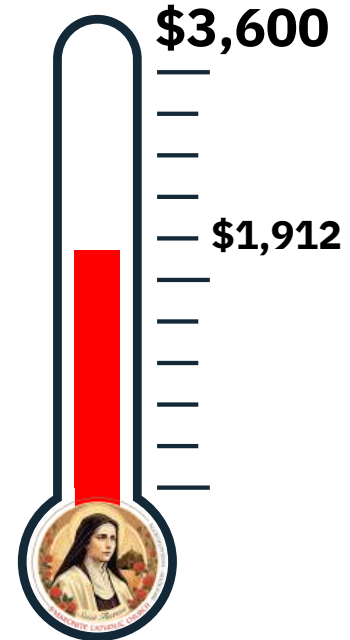
SUNDAY, APR. 6

MATEO G.
MARVIN G.
ELIE G.
ALEX S.

OUR OFFERING

SATURDAY - 3/22/25	\$236.00
SUNDAY - 3/23/25	\$1,444.00
EASTER FLOWER DONATION 3/23/25	\$130.00
MAIL IN DONATION 3/26/25	\$200.00
CANDLES 3/26/25	\$162.00
FREE WILL OFFERING LENTEN SUPPER 3/21/25	\$114.00
TOTAL WEEKLY OFFERING	\$2,286.00
WEEKLY OPERATIONAL EXPENSES	\$3,400.00
DEFICIT	-\$1,114.00

EPARCHIAL LENTEN APPEAL



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OUR TITHE

WE RELY ON YOUR GENEROSITY TO BE ABLE TO OPERATE OUR CHURCH! IN ADDITION TO USING YOUR ASSIGNED ENVELOPES, YOU MAY USE VENMO TO MAKE YOUR CONTRIBUTION. MAY GOD REWARD YOU BACK FOR ALL YOU GIVE AND DO.

RELIGIOUS ED

CLASSES ARE FROM 2PM-3:45PM

Please make sure your child arrives by 1:50pm and is picked up at 3:45pm

UPCOMING CLASSES

APRIL 5

APRIL 26



MYO

OPEN TO ALL 7TH-12TH GRADERS

UPCOMING SESSIONS

March 29 - Eparchial Regional Retreat

APRIL 25 - Youth Night

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

9:45AM - 11:45AM

(CHURCH HALL)

UPCOMING SESSIONS

APR 12

MAY 3



YOUNG ADULTS

SCRIPTURE & SPIRITS

RSVP TO ADIB ELIAS

UPCOMING SESSION

APR 6

MAY 4





TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS
REGISTERED TO DATE:

196

PARISH CENSUS & REGISTRATION INITIATIVE



Note: The Parish WhatsApp group will be ending in March because of our transition to a NEW Database/ Communication System. Please be sure to REGISTER!

Register online at this link: <https://form.jotform.com/243413465230145>



FLOWERS OF FAITH

BY

Andrea Bellan, daughter of Bechara and Lea Bellan



Dear God, your kingdom is as perfect as the colorful tulip fields in April.

O Jesus I pray for forgiveness of sins and that I may be as pure as the white petals of the daisy.

God, I pray that you may carry away our burdens and temptations like the dandelion carries our wistful summer wishes.

I pray to you, Lord, that I may be loyal to you and spread positivity like the radiant sunflower.

O Jesus, I admire you and pray that I may give you my eternal devotion like the beautiful camellia.

O God, I thank you for sharing the beauty of your love like the rosy peony shares its beauty in springtime.

Dear God, I pray to like the lavender flower, serene and graceful especially in times of trial and adversity.

Dear Lord, I thank you with all my heart for the friendships that have bloomed here at Saint Theresa's just as the sweet pea flower blooms in the spring!

EASTER FLOWERS

If you wish to honor someone or remember a loved one, please complete the envelope that was provided for you in your box, there are also envelopes in the back of the church. Please send them in no later **March 30, 2025**, so that we can begin to prepare the special section of the bulletin.



It is with great joy we welcome into the Family of God, through the Life-Giving Mysteries of Holy Baptism and Chrismation, the following infant:

Sophia Noor (Mary) Bechara,
daughter of Ramzi and Robin Bechara

By the power of God's Word, Sophia was born again of water and Spirit to life as a child of God. We give thanks to God for His gifts of faith and life. May Christ shine His light upon this precious gift and bless her with a life of happiness and good health.



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2025 SCHEDULE

MARCH

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ASH MONDAY

9:00 am & 6:30 pm



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SPIRITUAL TALK - REV. GEORGES ANTABY

Theme: Tree of Hope - Part 1

5:45 pm - Talk in Arabic

6:30 pm - Evening Prayer

7:00 pm - Talk in English

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STATIONS OF THE CROSS / BENEDICTION

6:30 pm

14

STATIONS OF THE CROSS / BENEDICTION

6:30 pm

21

STATIONS OF THE CROSS / BENEDICTION

6:30 pm

*MOVIE AND A MEAL TO FOLLOW



28

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

6:30 pm

APRIL

4

STATIONS OF THE CROSS / BENEDICTION

6:30 pm

*MOVIE AND A MEAL TO FOLLOW



9

SPIRITUAL TALK - REV. GEORGES ANTABY

Theme: Tree of Hope - Part 2

5:45 pm - Talk in Arabic

6:30 pm - Evening Prayer

7:00 pm - Talk in English

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STATIONS OF THE CROSS / BENEDICTION

6:30 pm

*MOVIE AND A MEAL TO FOLLOW





SAINT THERESA CHURCH OF BROCKTON, MA *Presents*

**APRIL
26**



SPRING HAFLI

FEATURING STAR SINGER GEORGE DEEB

COCKTAIL HOUR 7PM | DINNER 8PM | NO TICKETS SOLD AT DOOR
TICKET DONATION \$100 | DANCE FLOOR SEATING \$125 | KIDS MENU (6-12YRS) \$50

VENUE ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CENTER, 300 N EASTERN AVE, FALL RIVER, MA 02723

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RSVP

RANDA HAYEK 508.250.6306



NAM 2025 CONVENTION

FAITH IGNITED - HOPE RENEWED
60 YEARS ROOTED IN MARONITE TRADITION

July 3-6, 2025
Raleigh - NC

Hosted by Saint Sharbel Church
Hilton Hotel, Raleigh North Hills



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60TH CONVENTION ANNIVERSARY



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60th NAM Convention Key Functions and Highlights

Faith Ignited – Hope Renewed
60 Years Rooted in Maronite Tradition

EXCURSIONS & ACTIVITIES

St Sharbel Neighborhood (All Ages)

Enjoy the beautiful Falls of Neuse Dam, tucked between lush forests and the serene waters of Falls Lake, then continue to visit St. Sharbel church.

Guided Umstead Park Walk (All Ages)

For nature lovers, immerse yourself in the beauty of Umstead Park on a guided walk through lush forests and peaceful trails.

Raleigh Highlights (All Ages)

Tour The Cathedral of The Sacred Heart Of Jesus & Explore Raleigh famous Sunflower fields.

The Museum Of Natural Sciences (Youth & Kids)

The largest in the Southeast, with Dinosaurs, fossils, butterfly conservatory, storm simulators, and scientists in action.

After-Party Karaoke: Be the Star of NAM!

Enjoy Lebanese oldies, favorite hits, and on-demand songs every night! Send us your requests, grab the mic, and join the fun for an unforgettable sing-along experience after the party!

Trolley Pub (MYA)

An MYA favorite, the Raleigh Trolley Pub is a fun, pedal-powered bar crawl through the city's best spots! Bring your friends, enjoy drinks, and explore downtown in a unique, lively way. (Fri 3-5 PM)

Theology On TAP (MYA)

Have a drink and dive deep into an exciting discussion about our faith with our incredible Bishop Elias Zaidan and Bishop Gregory Mansour!

Escape Room (MYA & MYO)

Available all convention long—grab friends, book a slot, and test your skills in this thrilling experience.

Dance, Mobility & Wellness (All Ages)

Stay active with dance, fitness, and expert mobility guidance for all ages. There's something for everyone to keep moving and feeling great!

Midnight Bite: Late-Night Cravings, Covered!

Keep the night going with delicious bites available for order after party hours. Whether you're craving a snack or a full meal, enjoy a late-night treat before calling it a night!

Fun, Food & Friendship With Father Boutros (MYA)

Catch up with old friends, make new ones, and enjoy dinner with heartfelt conversations

Dinner & Icebreakers (All Ages)

By age groups, where we'll get to know each other and our fellow convention-goers. The perfect way to make connections.

MYO Lounge: Connect & Play

A space for MYO to Enjoy games, creating friendships that will last beyond the convention.

Kids Zone (age 5 to 12)

Enjoy a mix of indoor and outdoor games, fun activities. A perfect space for kids to play, explore, and create unforgettable memories!

Board Games Lobby

Join friends or participate in a tournament with a wide array of cards, backgammon, and board games available at any time.

Opening Our Hearts: A Night of Adoration & Hymns

Starting our weekend with Adoration and sacred time of prayer, reflection, and confession. Continue the evening with uplifting hymns and prayers, bringing everyone together in song through our beloved sacred chants.



Jubilee Year Pilgrims of Hope (All Ages)

We're blessed to have our NAM Convention in a Jubilee Year, so let's make the journey leading up to it a pilgrimage of ignited faith and renewal of hope. As we prepare, we'll reflect on the lives of saints like Saint Thérèse of Lisieux, the Massabki Brothers, and Carlo Acutis, showing that holiness is for everyone. We'll collect images and stories to celebrate 60 years of heritage, setting the path for a future of holiness.

Stay tuned to our emails and social media for updates!

WORKSHOPS

AI-Powered Growth

Discover how to start and scale your business using modern tools, especially AI. Explore beginner-friendly AI concepts, interactive projects, and ethical strategies to leverage AI while staying true to your Christian vocation.

Faithful Success

Achieve career and entrepreneurial success while staying true to your faith and values. Learn how to thrive in this world with purpose, integrity, and abundance—keeping your heart set on heaven.

The Sanctity of Life and Marriage

We are created in God's image, and every stage of life, from conception to death, is sacred. This session explores the divine value of life and the importance of marriage in the Church, where vows are not only sacred but reflect our commitment to God's love and plan.

The Commission For Lebanon

A workshop focussing on the Church's stance regarding current events in Lebanon.

Understanding The Maronite Liturgy

We will delve deeper into the meaning and significance of the Maronite Liturgy—exploring what happens during the celebration and why each part is important.

ENTERTAINMENT

DJ Gilbert

Enjoy a great mix of Arabic and American hit songs the whole weekend as we dance the nights away!

Friday Hafli

Charbel Bassil & USA Special

Friday Night Hafli - Dress in your best traditional Lebanese outfit, dance and dabke to the voice of Lebanese Singer Charbel Bassil! We'll honor American Independence Day with a special celebration, featuring vibrant sound and light displays!

Saturday Gala Dinner

Lebanese Star Hisham El Hajj

An unforgettable evening with Star Hisham El Hajj, as he fills the night with his captivating music and lively performances. Enjoy a night of elegance, celebration, and entertainment at this exclusive event!

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APRIL 12-13, 2025

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Scripture & Spirits

A Young Adult Social Scripture Series

Open to All Aged 18-35
Sundays at 7PM

~~FEBRUARY 2ND: SUFFERING WITH JOB~~

~~MARCH 16TH: CHASTE HEARTS LIKE THE JOSEPHS~~

APRIL 6TH: A BALANCED LIFE WITH MARTHA & MARY

MAY 4TH: RECOGNIZING TRUTH ON THE ROAD TO EMMAUS

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Brockton, MA 02302
APPETIZERS PROVIDED

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SPRING BIBLE Camp

Pilgrims of Hope

Join Us for our Light of Life Bible Camp!

APRIL 22, 23, 24

St. Theresa Maronite Church Hall
343 N Main Street, Brockton, MA

10AM TO 2PM

GRADES K-6

FAITH & FUN

**GRADES 7+ ARE WELCOME
VOLUNTEER AS HELPERS**

Sponsored by St. Theresa's Religious Education Program &
Presented by the Maronite Servants of Christ the Light

Cost: \$75. To register contact Parish Office.

OUR EPISTLE READING

A Reading from the First Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy 5:24-6:5

Brothers and Sisters: The sins of some people are conspicuous and precede them to judgment, while the sins of others follow them there. So also good works are conspicuous; and even when they are not, they cannot remain hidden. Let all who are under the yoke of slavery regard their masters as worthy of all honor, so that the name of God and the teaching may not be blasphemed. Those who have believing masters must not be disrespectful to them on the ground that they are members of the church; rather they must serve them all the more, since those who benefit by their service are believers and beloved. Teach and urge these duties. Whoever teaches otherwise and does not agree with the sound words of our Lord Jesus Christ and the teaching that is in accordance with godliness, is conceited, understanding nothing, and has a morbid craving for controversy and for disputes about words. From these come envy, dissension, slander, base suspicions, and wrangling among those who are depraved in mind and bereft of the truth, imagining that godliness is a means of gain. **Praise be to God always**

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الرسول الأولى إلى تلميذه تيموتاوس

يَا إِخْوَتِي، مَنِ النَّاسِ مَنْ تَكُونُ خَطَايَاهُمْ وَاضِحَةً قَبْلَ الْحُكْمِ فِيهَا، وَمِنْهُمْ مَنْ لَا تَكُونُ وَاضِحَةً إِلَّا بَعْدَهُ. كَذَلِكَ فَإِنَّ الْأَعْمَالَ الصَّالِحَةَ هِيَ أَيْضًا وَاضِحَةٌ، وَالتِّي هِيَ غَيْرُ وَاضِحَةٍ فَلَا يُمَكِّنُ أَنْ تَبْقَى خَفِيَّةً. عَلَى جَمِيعِ الَّذِينَ تَحْتَ نِيرِ الْعُبُودِيَّةِ أَنْ يَحْسَبُوا أَسْيَادَهُمْ أَهْلًا لِكُلِّ كَرَامَةٍ، لِئَلَّا يُجَدَّفَ عَلَى أَسْمِ اللَّهِ وَتُعْلِمِهِ. أَمَّا الَّذِينَ لَهُمْ أَسْيَادٌ مُؤْمِنُونَ فَلَا يَسْتَهِينُوا بِهِمْ، لِأَنَّهُمْ إِخْوَةٌ، بَلْ بِالْأُخْرَى فَلْيَخْدُمُوهُمْ، لِأَنَّ الْمُسْتَفِيدِينَ مِنْ خِدْمَتِهِمُ الطَّيِّبَةَ هُمْ مُؤْمِنُونَ وَاجِبَاءً، ذَلِكَ مَا يَجِبُ أَنْ تَعْلَمَهُ وَتَعِظَ بِهِ. فَإِنْ كَانَ أَحَدٌ يَعْلَمُ تَعْلِيمًا مُخَالِفًا، وَلَا يَتَمَسَّكُ بِالْكَلَامِ الصَّحِيحِ، كَلَامِ رَبِّنَا يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحِ، وَبِالتَّعْلِيمِ الْمُوَافِقِ لِلتَّقْوَى، فَهُوَ إِنْسَانٌ أَعْمَتُهُ الْكِبْرِيَاءُ، لَا يَفْهَمُ شَيْئًا، بَلْ مُصَابٌ بَمَرَضِ الْمُجَادَلَاتِ وَالْمُمَاحَكَاتِ، الَّتِي يَنْشَأُ عَنْهَا الْحَسَدُ وَالْخِصَامُ وَالتَّجْدِيفُ وَسُوءُ الظَّنِّ، وَالْمُشَاجَرَاتُ بَيْنَ أَنْاسٍ فَاسِدِي الْعَقْلِ، زَائِفِينَ عَنِ الْحَقِّ، يَظُنُّونَ أَنَّ التَّقْوَى وَسِيلَةٌ لِلرَّبْحِ.

والتسبيح لله دائما

OUR GOSPEL READING

Gospel: Mark 2:1-12

When Jesus returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. So many gathered around that there was no longer room for them, not even in front of the door; and he was speaking the word to them. Then some people came, bringing to him a paralyzed man, carried by four of them. And when they could not bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him; and after having dug through it, they let down the mat on which the paralytic lay. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, 'Son, your sins are forgiven.' Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, 'Why does this fellow speak in this way? It is blasphemy! Who can forgive sins but God alone?' At once Jesus perceived in his spirit that they were discussing these questions among themselves; and he said to them, 'Why do you raise such questions in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, "Your sins are forgiven", or to say, "Stand up and take your mat and walk"? But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins' he said to the paralytic 'I say to you, stand up, take your mat and go to your home.' And he stood up, and immediately took the mat and went out before all of them; so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, 'We have never seen anything like this!'

من إنجيل ربنا يسوع المسيح للقديس مرقس

عَادَ يَسُوعُ إِلَى كَفَرْنَاحُومَ. وَسَمِعَ النَّاسُ أَنَّهُ فِي الْبَيْتِ. فَتَجَمَّعَ عَدَدٌ كَبِيرٌ مِنْهُمْ حَتَّى غَصَّ بِهِمُ الْمَكَانُ، وَلَمْ يَبْقَ مَوْضِعٌ لِأَحَدٍ وَلَا عِنْدَ الْبَابِ. وَكَانَ يُخَاطِبُهُمْ بِكَلِمَةِ اللَّهِ. فَاتَوْهُ بِمُخْلَعٍ يَحْمِلُهُ أَرْبَعَةُ رِجَالٍ. وَبِسَبَبِ الْجَمْعِ لَمْ يَسْتَطِيعُوا الْوُصُولَ بِهِ إِلَى يَسُوعَ، فَكَشَفُوا السَّقْفَ فَوْقَ يَسُوعَ، وَنَبَشُوهُ، وَدَلُّوا الْفِرَاشَ الَّذِي كَانَ الْمُخْلَعُ مَطْرُوحًا عَلَيْهِ. وَرَأَى يَسُوعُ إِيمَانَهُمْ، فَقَالَ لِلْمُخْلَعِ: «يَا ابْنِي، مَغْفُورَةٌ لَكَ خَطَايَاكَ!». وَكَانَ بَعْضُ الْكَتَبَةِ جَالِسِينَ هُنَاكَ يُفَكِّرُونَ فِي قُلُوبِهِمْ: لِمَاذَا يَتَكَلَّمُ هَذَا الرَّجُلُ هَكَذَا؟ إِنَّهُ يُجَدِّفُ! مَنْ يَقْدِرُ أَنْ يَغْفِرَ الْخَطَايَا إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ؟ وَفِي الْحَالِ عَرَفَ يَسُوعُ بِرُوحِهِ أَنَّهُمْ يُفَكِّرُونَ هَكَذَا فِي أَنْفُسِهِمْ فَقَالَ لَهُمْ: «لِمَاذَا تُفَكِّرُونَ بِهِذَا فِي قُلُوبِكُمْ؟ مَا هُوَ الْأَسْهَلُ؟ أَنْ يُقَالَ لِلْمُخْلَعِ: مَغْفُورَةٌ لَكَ خَطَايَاكَ؟ أَمْ أَنْ يُقَالَ: قُمْ وَأَحْمِلْ فِرَاشَكَ وَأَمْشِ؟ وَلَكِي تَعْلَمُوا أَنَّ لَابْنَ الْإِنْسَانِ سُلْطَانًا أَنْ يَغْفِرَ الْخَطَايَا عَلَى الْأَرْضِ»، قَالَ لِلْمُخْلَعِ: لَكَ أَقُولُ: قُمْ، إِحْمِلْ فِرَاشَكَ، وَأَذْهَبْ إِلَى بَيْتِكَ!. فَقَامَ فِي الْحَالِ وَحَمَلَ فِرَاشَهُ، وَخَرَجَ أَمَامَ الْجَمِيعِ، حَتَّى دَهَشُوا كُلُّهُمْ وَمَجَّدُوا اللَّهَ قَائِلِينَ: «مَا رَأَيْنَا مِثْلَ هَذَا الْبَتَّة!».



Keep it SIMPLE!:

- Bagels & Cream Cheese
- Danishes
- Muffins
- Croissants
- Manouche (Zaatar / Cheese)
- Sweets or Pastries
- Donuts / Munchkins

UPCOMING COFFEE HOURS

Date	Offered By
Sunday, Mar 30	Mirna Issa
Sunday, April 6	Gebrael Family
Sunday, April 12	Hosanna Sunday - Bake Sale
Sunday, April 20	The Glorious Resurrection

OUR LENTEN SUPPERS

Date	Offered By
Friday, April 4	Roukoz Joumaa, Maurice Berkachi, Marya/Rouhana Saade
Friday, April 11	Saide Nessralla/Joyce Madi, Solange Badran, Joelle El Hayek

Please join us on these days following Friday Prayer Services for a light Lenten Supper and a Spiritual Movie! Be Many!

Date	Movie Showing
Friday, April 4	<i>The Chosen: Raising of Lazarus (1 hr)</i>
Friday, April 11	<i>The Chosen: Jesus' Entrance into Jerusalem (1 hr)</i>

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