



4th July 2021

THE GOOD NEWS

FROM YOUR PARISH



SEVENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

Our competence is from God

2 Corinthians 3:5

OUR LADY OF LEBANON CO-CATHEDRAL - HARRIS PARK

THE GOSPEL

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house.

Luke 10:1-7

THE EPISTLE

Are we beginning to commend ourselves again? Surely we do not need, as some do, letters of recommendation to you or from you, do we? You yourselves are our letter, written on our hearts, to be known and read by all; and you show that you are a letter of Christ, prepared by us, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts. Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God. Not that we are competent of ourselves to claim anything as coming from us; our competence is from God, who has made us competent to be ministers of a new covenant, not of letter but of spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

2 Corinthians 3:1-6



PRAYER

O Lord of the Harvest.
In you we can reap fruits for eternal life. We ask you to bless all those who labour for You and for Your Church. and may they be like lambs without blemish ready to live and die for You.
Amen

SUNDAY HOLY LITURGIES
OLOL Co-Cathedral, Harris Park

8am (Arabic)
9:30am (English)
11am (Ar/Eng)
5pm (Ar/Eng)
7pm (English)
Live Streaming Through Social Media

WEEKDAY HOLY LITURGIES
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri
7am, 9am & 6pm

Wed 7am, 9am & 5:30pm (Arabic)
7pm (English Youth)
Sat 7:30am & 6pm (Ar/Eng)

CONFESSIONS
Before and during Saturday 6pm
and Sunday Masses or by
appointment on weekdays

WEEKDAY DEVOTIONS
Rosary:
Mon - Sat
8:30am (Arabic) | 7pm (English)
Divine Mercy followed by Rosary
Fri 7:30 pm
Adoration Hour:
Thursdays 8 pm - 9 pm
24 Hour Adoration:
Every first Friday of the month from
9:30am - Saturday morning 7:30am

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THE SERVANTS WORD

Brothers and sisters in Christ,

Fear is gripping our world. In Australia, there is fear and anxiety from the pandemic that has thrown us back into lockdown. In Lebanon, there is fear and anxiety over the fate of the nation. The question is always the same, what is the future holding for us?

The answer is in today's Gospel! On the seventh Sunday of the Season of Pentecost, the Lord is sending us, as he sent His disciples in pairs, to bring His Good News to the world, regardless of the challenges and fears, so we can be labourers in His vineyard and lambs among wolves. That is our identity: meek lambs in a world full of ferocious wolves, reapers on the threshing floor of the Lord, labourers in His vineyard. Together we walk as mates and siblings, our concern is to bring peace, not any peace, but His peace, the peace of the Lord of Peace, the peace of the King of Peace, whether in Lebanon, Australia or anywhere in the world. We need to remain lambs, but wisely and vigilantly, no matter how many wolves there are, because love needs lambs to change the world.

In this spirit, His Holiness Pope Francis called for a day of prayer for Lebanon last Thursday. Earthly solutions are no longer useful, only heaven is able to heal us. The Eastern Catholic and Orthodox Patriarchs responded to the call of His Holiness, so they came from afar, in pairs and groups they came, meeting together like brothers, praying together like brothers, for the homeland of the cedars.

With Prayer We Conquer

Pope Francis' step was courageous. He gathered all his brothers indiscriminately, reminding everyone that prayer can change the world. Through this initiative, the Pope has refocused the attention of the whole world on Lebanon, but this time with a whiff of hope and peace. However, the day of prayer that was held by His Holiness needs to be followed up. We must pray everyday for Lebanon, and never be tired of praying. We must pray everyday for all politicians so they carry out their duties wisely and responsibly, remembering that there is a day of reckoning before God. We pray for them not to forget their loyalty, roots and call to sanctify themselves through the duty of service with transparency and conscientiously. We pray for them to remember what the Patriarch of Independence, the Venerable Elias Howayek said to them: "you are entrusted with the nation and the people". We pray for them because with prayer we conquer.

While we focus on our homeland Lebanon, we should not forget our country Australia, asking God to protect it and inspire its rulers to continue leading it wisely, especially in facing the pandemic that has caused a new phase of lockdown. With the lockdown continuing, we have returned to live streaming our morning and evening masses daily. Although the physical attendance at church is indispensable, I invite you, at this time, to participate in the liturgy from your domestic churches. It is important not to despair of praying, as prayer can change everything. That is our faith. That is our hope.

Father Tony Sarkis

COME ON

No idle life is that of a Christian. The Sunday's Gospel passage insists we are to go, to move from place to place, bringing the presence of Christ with us. And yet . . .

'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few' (v2). There is a great need out there for people to hear the Word of God and experience God's unconditional love. An overwhelming need. And yet labourers are few.

Christianity currently is the largest religion in the world numbering 2.3 billion adherents. So why are the labourers few? It is because many Christians are lapsed or non-practicing. Despite the large number claiming to be Christian very few live their faith in depth or are active in ministry. This is a great loss for themselves and the bigger world.

The world needs the values of Christianity. The world needs the mercy God is waiting to give. The world needs the unconditional love that God offers. However, these can only be received if Christians proclaim these graces to the world.

A quote attributed to Teresa of Avila notes, 'Christ has no body now but yours. No hands, no feet on earth but yours. Yours are the eyes through which he looks compassion on this world. Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good. Yours are the hands through which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, yours are the eyes, you are his body. Christ has no body now on earth but yours.'

We cannot be passive Christians. To be Christian is to embrace passionately everything about God and to be transformed. It directs everything we do and say. Our whole being must be committed to God in living the Good News towards others. Otherwise why be a Christian? Amen

Sr Margaret Ghosn

FACES OF OLOL - JACINTA SEMAAN

What is your role and how long have you been serving in our parish?

I have been a Fersen leader for approximately 2 years and am currently a co-executive Media and Events Coordinator within this Committee. It has also paved the way for other Diocesan roles, such as being a Representative for UniMaronite.



What inspired you to want to join your committee and what advice would you give to others wanting to join our parish committees?

My younger brothers and I attended Fersen as children and were drawn closer to our Maronite faith through this experience. It was valuable and enriching, so I felt inclined to reciprocate that with other children growing up in our Parish. I was eager to get involved by serving where possible and being part of such a rewarding Ministry has enabled that in various capacities. I would recommend that those seeking to join our committees decipher what they are passionate about and serve within a Ministry that delivers such. It is also integral to remember that God does not call the qualified, yet rather, qualifies the called. Therefore, I encourage you to take initiative and view for yourself how your talents and virtues, through the grace of God, can inspire others.

What is a precious memory you have from our parish?

A memory that I cherish wholeheartedly is our annual Consecration. It is so beautiful to witness the children's reverence within the Liturgy, in preparation of becoming a Knight of Mary. Also, it is a privilege to engage in weekly thought-provoking conversations with our students, providing us with different insights. Often, it is underestimated how much we learn from the children through their compassion, innocence and love.

MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOP

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I write this message aware that many of our parishes in Australia are currently closed and parish communities are unable to gather in the Church for Holy Mass. I am united in prayer with all those who are lonely, isolated and struggling at the moment. I pray that this pandemic comes to an end soon and, until then, I hope that you are all safe and in good health.

On this 7th Sunday of the Season of Pentecost in our Maronite Church, we read that the Lord sends His disciples two by two, that is to say as a team. This is important, for the Church is not a gathering of individuals independent of one another, strangers to one another, but a gathering of brothers and sisters in the love of the Lord. This is why it is important that we build parish communities and come together in our parishes.

"Ask, therefore, the Lord of the harvest..." This simple instruction from the Lord bears so much meaning: to ask is to pray.

It is God who prepares, who calls and who sends; but He can only send those who have answered. Praying for vocations is praying for the call, and also for the answers, and for all those who have heeded the call and are persevering in their vocation. We do not pray with resignation, but with confidence, certain of victory in Jesus.



The disciples did not leave on their own either, they were sent by the Lord and obeyed His word and His instructions. Do not think it is different today. God calls and sends. He sends by the authority of the Church. And the envoy must therefore, in order to obey the Lord, obey the Church.

Being sent makes us live and work in unity with the One who sends us. Thus, being sent by the Lord gives us His strength and at the same time the responsibility to carry His message. The message of God, the message of Christ, is not only in words but also in deeds, in our way of being and acting. Jesus instructs the disciples to respect the freedom of the people to whom they will go and leave those who are not ready to welcome the Good News. And us, how do we share our faith? How do we perform our role as missionaries of the Good News?

+ Antoine-Charbel Tarabay

FERSEN CORNER



Our dear Fersen Family!

We have been blessed to share a very fruitful and productive Term 2 2021 by God's Grace. We thank you for your continued support and love to the ministry.

During these weeks away from the Church let us remember that although the Church remains closed, our hearts should stay open, always calling upon the intercession of Our Lady to help us, protect us and guide us as we pray the laws of the Fersen:

1. The Knight of Mary loves Jesus Christ and offers their day to Him every morning.
2. The Knight of Mary loves Mary, Mother of Jesus and prays to her a decade of the rosary every night.
3. The Knight of Mary loves their friends and prays with them every week.
4. The Knight of Mary shares in the Mass with reverence, and receives the Eucharist, every Sunday.
5. The Knight of Mary honours the House of God and learns how to serve the Mass and processions.
6. The Knight of Mary loves the Gospel of Christ and learns the Catechism of the Church to live its teachings everywhere.
7. The Knight of Mary strives to become like Jesus in Purity Honesty and Sacrifice.

Yours in Christ, Ann Boutros

KIDS CORNER

Jesus Sends Out Workers

He told them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. Luke 10:2

This puzzle is based on Luke 10:1-11



ACROSS

3. To make someone well from an illness or injury
6. A small bag or pouch for carrying money
7. Shoes consisting of a sole fastened to the foot by straps
8. To be physically or mentally ill; not well or healthy
9. The process of gathering a crop

DOWN

1. The money which a person receives for working
2. The area of land where a crop is planted
4. A building in which a family lives
5. someone who performs a particular job
6. The absence of war or fighting

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| HARVEST WORKER | PEACE PURSE | SICK HEAL | WAGES HOUSE | SANDALS FIELD |
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FDW Q&A with Subdeacon Ghassan & Fr Tony



A Day of Prayer for Our Beloved Lebanon

OLOL FEAST WEEK

AUGUST
6 - 15
2021

MARIAN PROCESSION
SOUL NIGHT
RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE
YOUTH BBQ
SYRIAC MASS
ARABIC & ENGLISH TALKS
ADORATION
SPIRITUAL CONCERT
FOOD AND RIDES
HRISSI
FAMILY FUN DAY
BREAD BAKING
& MORE

SAVE THE DATE

MARONITECARE COMMUNITY & YOUTH CENTRE PLANNED GIVING TARGET

TARGET **2000** PARISHIONERS \$5 ONLY A WEEK
133 PARISHIONERS COMMITTED

Pledge forms for your monthly Tax Deductible donation made through Direct Debit or Credit Card payments are available at the Parish Office.
For Enquires contact the Parish Office on 02 9689 2899

PARISH WEEKLY COLLECTION & LOANS REPAYMENTS

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS For week ending: 25/06/2021
Plates: \$1,472.95 | Donations: \$950 | Candles: \$823.25

PARISH LOANS
CYPC: \$3,937,500.00
UNITS: \$1,267,810.66

LOAN REPAYMENTS
CYPC: \$22,600 PRE-COVID INTEREST + PRINCIPAL
UNITS: \$11,118 PRE-COVID INTEREST + PRINCIPAL

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday 04 July: Seventh Sunday of Pentecost

9.30am 40 Day Mass Nouhad Lichaa from Fradiss Widow of the late Mkahayel Youssef Sukkar from Bcharre

11.00am One Year Nouhad Moussa Roumanos El Bayeh from Kferdlaous wife of Youssef Semaan El Mourani

Tuesday 06 July

6.00pm Sayed Philip El Khoury from Mazrat El Teffah (Died In Leb)

Saturday 10 July: The Massabki Martyrs

6.00pm Claire Michael Stephen Widow of the late Joseph Hanna Boulos from Kfersghab

Sunday 11 July: Eighth Sunday of Pentecost

9.30am 40 Day Mass Peter Bakhos El Draybi from Hadchit

11.00am 40 Day Mass Antonios Gergess Ghaliye from Sakhra

الأحد ٤ تموز: الأحد السابع من زمن العنصرة

٩:٣٠ أربعون المرحومة نهاد ليشع من الفراديس أرملة المرحوم مخائيل يوسف سكر من بشري
١١:٠٠ السنة للمرحومة نهاد موسى رومانوس البايح من كفر دلاؤس زوجة يوسف سمعان الموراني من رشعين

الثلاثاء ٦ تموز

٦:٠٠ المرحوم سايد فيليب الخوري حنا من مزرعة التفاح (متوفي في لبنان)

السبت ١٠ تموز: شهداء المسابكي الثلاثة

٦:٠٠ السنة للمرحومة كلير مايكل ستيفن أرملة المرحوم جوزيف حنا بولس من كفر صغاب

الأحد ١١ تموز: الأحد الثامن من زمن العنصرة

٩:٣٠ أربعون المرحوم بيتر باخوس الدريبي من حدشيت
١١:٠٠ أربعون المرحوم أنطونيوس جرجس غالية من صخرة

With the blessing of
His Excellency Bishop Antoine-Charbel Tarabay
We are celebrating

Fersen Day 2021

Theme: "Holy St Joseph, The Pillar of Families"

DATE: 7 August TIME: 9am - 2:30pm

PLACE: St John The Beloved Church

For more information, contact your Parish's Fersen Al Adra Coordinator

Fersen Al Adra | Maronite Eparchy of Australia



First Holy Communion for People with Special Needs

The Diocesan Faith and Light Committee is organising a First Holy Communion for people with special needs to be held at Our Lady of Lebanon Harris Park, on **Saturday 2 October at 11.30am**. Candidates who wish to be part of this ceremony are invited to register by calling their parish Faith and Light representative or the Chancery office on 02 8831 0000.

The Maronite Eparchy of Australia
together with the
Our Lady of Lebanon Co-Cathedral Family Committee
invite you to the

Renewal of Marriage Promise

Mass Celebration

All married couples in the Eparchy are welcome to attend.
The celebration will include recognition of those celebrating special anniversaries in 2021 (5, 10, 15 years and so on).

Sunday
8th August 2021
at
11:00am Mass

To register, please contact or sms Rana on 0425 335 707 or email familycommittee@olol.org.au. Registered couples will receive a small gift on the day.

Registrations close 30th July 2021

"Be a gift of love and compassion for one another"

St Mary Mackillop



Our Lady of Lebanon Co-Cathedral

Light

A Candle for LEBANON



Save THE DATE

VOCATIONS RETREAT

17TH - 19TH SEPTEMBER 2021

with ARCHBISHOP ANTOINE-CHARBEL TARABAY ATTENDING

program WILL INCLUDE

- SPIRITUAL DISCERNMENT
- RELIGIOUS TALKS
- LIFE OF VOCATIONS
- 1-1 TIME WITH THE ARCHBISHOP

men ONLY RETREAT

RETREAT LOCATION: SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF MERCY GOULBURN

CONTACT DETAILS/BOOKINGS: ELIE FARES 0490 933 481

ماريا غوريتي



ماتت القديسة ماريا غوريتي وهي تصون عفتها. لكن عندما حاول من يريد مهاجمتها إيذاؤها رجته أن يتوقف لأنه بذلك سيرتكب خطيئة مميتة تؤدي به إلى الجحيم. فهي لم تقل "أرجوك لا تؤذي عذرتي"، بل ترجته كي ينفذ نفسه. هذا ما يفعله المقربون من الله: فلأنهم يحبون الله يريدون إنقاذ من أمامهم. إنهم يحبون البشرية لا الفضيلة المجردة فيتجه تركيزهم نحو الإنسان الذي يعرض حياته الروحية كانت أم الجسدية للخطر. لقد كان تركيز ماريا غوريتي على مغتصبها، فدفعه حبها له إلى التحول للمسيحية و التوبة قبل أن يموت، لا تقانيها الأسمى لطهارتها. هكذا تحدث التحويلات. وهكذا ينال الناس الخلاص: عندما يظهر الآخرون حبهم. أمر يدور حول الآخرين لا حول الذات. و حول حبنا لله الذي نترجمه بحبنا لمن هم على صورته و مثاله. ولهذا السبب، عندما تعلن قداسة أحدهم يتم البحث عن أعجوبتين قد صنعهما لمن حوله من الأحياء. و حتى بعد الموت لا يدور الأمر حول الفضيلة المجردة بل حول حب الناس. هل تتبادر إلى ذهنك فضائل كالعفة و التواضع و الإحسان و الاجتهاد أو أي فضيلة أخرى عند تفكيرك بالقديسين؟ هذه هي الأمور التي تحيط "بطفل" المحبة و تدعمه. لكن الله لا يريد قديسين مكرسين حياتهم بحماسة لمبدأ أو لفضيلة ما. يريدنا الله أن نحب بعضنا و نهتم ببعضنا. فنحن نخدم الله بحبنا للبشر و نتمثل بالمسيح الذي لم يمت بهدف الخلاص فقط، بل ضحى بحياته لأجلنا. إنها ليست مسألة إما-أو: ليس علينا الاختيار بين الفضيلة أو إظهار الحب. لكن الفضيلة لا تخلق من العدم، و القداسة لا تعني شيئاً ما لم تقترن بحب الناس و إلا فما الفائدة؟

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بقلب أبيي - العامل

إن علاقة القديس يوسف بالعمل تشكل أحد الجوانب التي تميزه، وقد سلط الضوء عليها منذ أيام الرسالة العامة الاجتماعية الأولى للبابا ليون الثالث عشر، الشوق للتجديد (Rerum novarum). كان القديس يوسف نجاراً يعمل بأمانة لكي يؤمن معيشة عائلته. وقد تعلم يسوع منه قيمة وكرامة وفرح ما يعني أن نأكل الخبز من عرق جبيننا.

يبدو أن العمل، في عصرنا، قد عاد ليُمثل مسألة اجتماعية ملحة، فقد بلغت البطالة أحياناً مستويات محرقة، حتى في البلدان التي شهدت بعض الرفاهية لعقود من الزمن. من الضروري بالتالي أن نفهم، بوعي متجدد، معنى العمل الذي يعطي بعض الكرامة والذي يشكل قديسنا شقيقاً مثاليًا له.

البابا فرنسيس - بمناسبة الذكرى المائة والخمسين لإعلان القديس يوسف البتول شقيقاً للكنيسة جمعاء



Lord, may all the faithful departed whom we entrust to Your care, be held securely in Your Loving embrace for all eternity especially those we Pray for: (A) All the departed souls, All the lost souls, All the faithful departed, All the souls in Purgatory, All souls who have no one to pray for them (B) Milian Bou Raidan (C) (D) (E) Matthew Essey (F) (G) (H) Madeline & Paul Haddad and their Son Joseph and their daughter Colleen George, Maurice & Martha Jamil Haddad, Anis & Maureen Jamil Haddad (I) (J) Youssef & Ghanajeh Joseph & Family, Tony & Jamilie Joseph (K) Tanios Elias Kazzi & Family, Sarkis Chucru Khoudair (L) (M) Youssef & Ghssoun Maroon, Anthony Mamah Moses & Departed of the Moses Family, Charlie Boutrous Moussa, Robert Charlie Moussa, Betty Merhi, Hamid & Elizabeth Masri (N) Nehme Families (O) (P) (Q) (R) Jamil & Labibe Roumanus, Rizk Family, Romanos & Lichaa (S) Youssef Mikhael Shaheen, Boutros & Therese Sassine & their Son Kenny, Nabih Saad & his children Kevin & Emille, Janette Semaani & Louis Semaani, Saba Family, Emil Saad (T) Tanna Family, Tony & Souraya Tannous (U) (V) (W) Ray Wehbe Wehbe (X) (Y) Mrs Sayde Simaan Yazbeck & husband Mr Loutfallah Mokdassi (Z)



الخوف يسيطر على عالمنا. في أستراليا خوف وقلق من الجائحة التي أعادتنا إلى زمن الإقفال العام. وفي لبنان خوف وقلق على مصير الوطن. والسؤال هو هو، ماذا يخبئ لنا المستقبل؟

الجواب في إنجيل اليوم! في الأحد السابع من زمن العنصرة، يرسلنا الرب، كما أرسل تلاميذه، اثنين اثنين لحمل بشره السارة إلى العالم، مهما كانت التحديات والمخاوف، لتكون فعلة في كرمه وحملاتاً بين الذناب. هذه هي هويتنا: حملان وديعة في عالم مليء بالذناب المفترسة، حصادون على بيد الرب، فعلة في كرمه، رفاق وإخوة تسير معاً، همنا إحلال السلام، لا أي سلام، بل سلامه هو، سلام رب السلام، سلام ملك السلام، سلام الرب يسوع، أكان في لبنان، أم أستراليا أم أي مكان في العالم. وعلينا أن نبقي حملاتاً، لكن بحكمة وتيقظ، مهما كثر الذناب، لأن الحب يحتاج إلى حملان لتغيير العالم.

بهذه الروحية دعا قداسة البابا فرنسيس إلى يوم للصلاة من أجل لبنان الخميس الماضي. حلول الأرض لم تعد تتفع، وحدها السماء قادرة على أن تشفيها. بطاركة الشرق الكاثوليك والأرثوذكس لبوا نداء قداسه، فأتوا من بعيد، اثنين اثنين وجماعة جماعة. إخوة التقوا، وإخوة صلوا معاً، ولبنان والعالم صلى معهم، من أجل وطن الأرز.

خطوة البابا فرنسيس جريئة. جمع كل إخوته دونما تمييز، متكرراً الجميع بأن الصلاة قادرة على تغيير العالم. وبهذه المبادرة، أعاد البابا أنظار العالم كله إلى لبنان، لكن هذه المرة مع نفحة رجاء وسلام. لكن يوم الصلاة الذي أقامه قداسه يحتاج إلى متابعة. يجب أن نصلي كل يوم من أجل لبنان، ولا نمل. يجب أن نصلي كل يوم من أجل جميع السياسيين ليقوموا بدورهم بحكمة ومسؤولية، ويتذكروا أن هناك حساباً أمام الله. نصلي من أجلهم لكي لا ينسوا انتماءهم وجذورهم ودعوتهم إلى تقديم أنفسهم من خلال واجب الخدمة بكل شفافية وضمير حي. نصلي من أجلهم لكي يتذكروا ما قاله لهم بطريرك الاستقلال، المكرم الياس الحويك: "أنتم مؤمنون على الوطن والناس". نصلي من أجلهم لأننا بالصلاة ننتصر.

ومع تركيزنا على وطننا الأم لبنان، لا يجب أن ننسى بلدنا أستراليا، سائلين الله أن يحفظه بحمايته وأن يلهم حكاهم ليستمروا في قيادته بحكمة، خصوصاً في مواجهة الجائحة التي تفرض على البلاد فترة جديدة من الإقفال العام. ومع استمرار الإقفال، نعود إلى نقل قداساتنا الصباحية والمسائية يومياً عبر وسائل التواصل الاجتماعي. صحيح أن شيئاً لا يُغني عن الحضور الفعلي إلى الكنيسة، لكن في هذه الفترة، أدعوكم للمشاركة من كنائسكم المنزلية. المهم ألا تأسوا من الصلاة، فهي قادرة على تغيير كل شيء. هذا هو إيماننا. هذا هو رجاؤنا.

الخوري طوني سركيس

قراءة آباءية

إمتدّاح السّلام أصعب من الحصول عليه. إن شئت إمتدّاحه طَلَبَتْ
القُوّة والمَعَانِي والألفاظ، أمّا إن شئت الحصول عليه، كان لك بلا
تعب. عَلَيْنَا أن نَمْتَدِّح مُجِبِّي السّلام، أمّا مُبْغِضُوهُ، فمن الأفضل
تَهْدِئَتِهِم بالصّمت والتّثقيف دون أن تُثيرهم بِتَوَجُّهِ اللّوم إِلَيْهِمْ.
صديق السّلام الحَقِيقِي هُوَ مَنْ كَانَ صَدِيقاً لأَعْدَائِهِ.

إن أحببت السّلام حقّاً، فَارْحَمْ مَنْ لَا يُحِبُّ مَا تُحِبُّ؛ أي هذا الَّذِي
لَيْسَ لَهُ مَا لَكَ. يَقْضِي عَلَيْنَا الحُبُّ بِأَنْ لَا تَحْصِدَ شَرِيكَكَ فِي
الحُبِّ. (...) أحبب السّلام وإِسْتَوِلْ عَلَيْهِ وَاجْعَلْهُ مُلْكًا لَكَ؛ إِنْجَب
إِلَيْكَ كُلُّ مَنْ إِسْتَطَعْتَ إِلَيْهِمْ سَبِيلاً، لِكَيْ يَحْوزُوا السّلام.

القدّيس أغسطينوس

تأمل في الإنجيل

في إنجيل اليوم، يرسل المسيح التلاميذ الإثنين والسبعين
للبشارة بملكوت الله طالباً منهم عدم التسلح بضمانات أرضية
أو مادية، فالمسيح بنفسه هو الضمانة. لم يقل لهم أن البشارة
ستكون سهلة، هناك مَنْ سيقبلهم وهناك مَنْ سيرفضهم، لكن
سلاحهم هو سلام المسيح الَّذِي سيعملونه إلى كل بيت
ومدينة. لا إكراه أو قوة في البشارة، بل الحقيقة والإستسلام لله.
نعم، هناك مَنْ ينتظر البشارة، هناك مَنْ ينتظر أن يختبر
محبة الله له غير المشروطة، لذلك طلب منهم المسيح الصلاة
من أجل العملة وكم هو أمر ضروري في عالم اليوم التتكير
بمحبة الله لكل إنسان في عالم فقد السلام والرجاء وهذا يظهر
مدى صعوبة رسالة الكهنة اليوم. نصلي من أجل الكهنة وكل
الذين كرسوا حياتهم للبشارة بملكوت الله، طالبين منك يا رب
أن ترسل عملة للحصاد وأن تهب الكهنة، الشمامسة وكل خدام
بيتك القوة والسلام ليعملوا البشارة متسلحين بروحك القدوس
وليس بقوتهم.





الخبر السّار من رعيّتك

الأحد السابع من زمن العنصرة

هَبْ لَنَا، يَا رَبِّ، فِي يَوْمِكَ الْعَظِيمِ، أَنْ تَحْظِيَ لَدَيْكَ بِرَحْمَةٍ، فَتَقْضَلَ عَنْ الْجِدَاءِ وَتَحْصَى مَعَ الْخُمَلَانِ بَنِي الْيَمِينِ!

الشحيمة المارونية

كاتدرائية سيدة لبنان - هاريس بارك

الإنجيل

الرسالة



صلاة

أَيُّهَا الْإِبْنِ السَّمَوِيِّ، يَا مَنْ تَدْعُونَا فِي كُلِّ يَوْمٍ لِنَعِيشَ الْأَمَانَةَ لِرِسَالَتَنَا فِي الْعَالَمِ، أَعْطِنَا مِنْ رُوحِ الْقُدُّوسِ النُّورِ فَنَعِيشَ حَقِيقَةَ مَسِيحِيَّتِنَا فِي قَلْبِ الْعَالَمِ بِأَقْوَالِنَا وَمَسْلُوكِنَا وَحَيَاتِنَا كُلِّ يَوْمٍ فَيَتَجَدَّدَ بِنَا أَسْمُكَ الْقُدُّوسِ وَأَسْمُ أَبِيكَ وَرُوحِكَ الْقُدُّوسِ، مِنْ الْآنَ وَإِلَى الْأَبَدِ، آمِينَ.

يَا إِخْوَتِي، أَنْعُوذُ نَبْذاً فُلُوصِيكُمْ بِأَنْفُسِنَا، أَمْ نُرَانَا نَحْتَاجُ، كَنَبُضِ النَّاسِ، إِلَى رِسَائِلِ تَوْصِيَةِ إِيَّاكُمْ أَوْ مِنْكُمْ؟ إِنَّ رِسَالَتَنَا هِيَ أَنْتُمْ، وَهِيَ مَكْتُوبَةٌ فِي قُلُوبِنَا، يَغْرِفُهَا وَيَقْرَأُهَا جَمِيعُ النَّاسِ. أَجَلُ، لَقَدْ اتَّصَحَ أَنْتُمْ رِسَالَةَ الْمَسِيحِ، الَّتِي خَدَمْتُمُوهَا نَحْنُ، وَهِيَ مَكْتُوبَةٌ لَا بِالْحَبْرِ بَلْ بِرُوحِ اللَّهِ الْحَيِّ، لَا عَلَى الْوَاحِ مِنْ خَجَرٍ، بَلْ عَلَى الْوَاحِ مِنْ لَحْمٍ أَيْ فِي قُلُوبِكُمْ. بَلْكَ هِيَ الْبَقَّةُ الَّتِي لَنَا بِالْمَسِيحِ عِنْدَ اللَّهِ، وَهِيَ أَنَّنَا لَا نَقْدِرُ أَنْ نَدَّعِي شَيْئاً كَأَنَّهُ مِنَّا، بَلْ إِنَّ قُدْرَتَنَا هِيَ مِنَ اللَّهِ، فَهُوَ الَّذِي قَدَّرَنَا أَنْ نَكُونَ خُدَّاماً لِلْعَهْدِ الْجَدِيدِ، لَا لِلْخَرْبِ بَلْ لِلرُّوحِ، لِأَنَّ الْخَرْبَ يَقْتُلُ أَمَّا الرُّوحُ فَيُحْيِي.

بَيِّتُ.

٢ قور ١: ٣ - ٦

قَدَاسَاتُ يَوْمِ الْأَحَدِ

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الاثنين، الثلاثاء، الخميس والجمعة: ٧:٠٠ و ٩:٠٠ صباحاً و ٦:٠٠ مساءً؛ الأربعاء: ٧:٠٠ و ٩:٠٠ صباحاً، ٥:٣٠ و ٧:٠٠ مساءً؛ السبت: ٧:٣٠ صباحاً و ٦:٠٠ مساءً

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ساعات السجود

ساعة سجود: كل يوم خميس ٨:٠٠ - ٩:٠٠ مساءً - ٢٤ ساعة سجود أمام القربان: كل أول جمعة من الشهر من ٩:٣٠ صباحاً لغاية السبت ٧:٣٠ صباحاً

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