

# *Season of Glorious Pentecost*

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### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*You are welcomed & loved by St Anthony's Maronite Church Community  
We are transformed through prayer, acts of love, forgiveness, service & stewardship*

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## LITURGIES INTENTIONS

### Season of Glorious Pentecost Pentecost Sunday

**Saturday, June 7** (Eng) *St. Susanna the Judean*

**4:00 pm** + Ghandour “Dan”, *By his wife, Olga, & family*

+Veterans of St. Anthony Church, & their families

+ Leonard Ramy, *By his family*

**Sunday, June 8** *Discovery of the Nails of Christ St. Cyrilla*

**8:00 am** Private Intentions

**9:30 am** + Joseph Maroon, *By Lisa & Crista Maroon*

**11:00 am** + Joseph & Kalikia Maroun, *By their children, & their families*

### Sunday of the Most Holy Trinity

**Saturday, June 14** (Eng) *Elisha the Prophet*

**4:00 pm** + **40 Day Anniversary** - Marie Jbeily, *By her children, & their families*

+ Monica & Daniel Allen, *By their daughters, Debra Gabriel & Pamela Belanger, & their families*

**Sunday, June 15** *Father's Day St. Basil The Great*

**8:00 am** Private Intention

**9:30 am** + Private Intention

**11:00 am** In Honor of Fr. George Antaby, 25th Priesthood Anniversary

## Daily Liturgies

**Monday, June 9**

*St. Pelagia of Antioch / Acts 2:22-28/ Jn 3:5-8*

**9:00 am** + Antoun Saab, *By his daughter, Rana Abi-Samra, & family*

**Tuesday, June 10**

*St. Barnabas/ Acts 2:29-39/ Jn 4:21-24*

**9:00 am** IHO Abouna Maroun Bou Khalil, *By Kozhaya & Lola Aboukhalil, & their family*

**Wednesday, June 11**

*St. Bartholomew / Acts 2:40-47/ Jn 7:37-39*

**9:00 am** + Sonia Abou-Ezzi, *By Jamil & Teresa Kamari*

**Thursday, June 12**

*St. Onuphrius /Acts 3:1-10/ Jn 14:1-7*

**9:00 am** + Larry & Dora M. Pereira, *By Dora Pereira*

**9:30 am - 12 noon** Eucharistic Adoration

**Friday, June 13 - OFFICE CLOSED**

*St. Aquilina & St. Anthony of Padua/Acts 3:11-21/Jn 14:8-14*

**No Liturgy**

### SUMMER LITURGIES SCHEDULE

**Please take notice:**

Sunday, July 6th begins our Summer Liturgy schedule: There will be **NO 8AM** Liturgy, and we will resume in October.

### UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTION

**Sts. Peter & Paul – June 29, 2025**

### PLEASE NOTE

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



# PASTOR'S CORNER

*"Fear not, for I have redeemed you;  
I have called you by name,  
you are mine." Isaiah 43:1*



You are cordially invited to the  
25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of  
*Rev. Georges Antaby*  
to the Priesthood

He will be celebrating Divine Liturgies  
the weekend of  
Saturday, June 14<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup>  
Reception to follow the 11:00 am Liturgy

## 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](mailto:pastor@stanthonylawrence.org)

## MEET OUR DEACONS:

Nadim Daou, James T. Demers,  
& David Leard

**Sub-Deacon:** Antoine Nammour

## CLERGY DAY OFF

**Fr. Neemtallah: Fridays**

## 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.

## SANCTUARY LAMPS



**Birthday Remembrance for Theresa Solomon, By her family**

Book your Sanctuary lamp Online:

[www.stanthonylawrence.org/sanctuary-lamp/](http://www.stanthonylawrence.org/sanctuary-lamp/)

## Family of St Sharbel & Our Lady of Lebanon Sodality



**Thursday, June 19, 2024**

*Rosary @ 6:30pm followed by*

*The Liturgy & procession*

Every Tuesday—Zoom Prayer @ 8pm

**Zoom ID: 335616991      Passcode: 816342**

**Or you can join by clicking this link:**

<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/335616991>

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

-St. Anthony Council 16204

*"In Service To One,*

*In Service To All"*



Next meeting:

**Tuesday June 10, 2025 @ 7 pm, Church Hall**

Men 18 yrs. and older are encouraged to attend.

For information email: [KOFc16204@gmail.com](mailto:KOFc16204@gmail.com)

## ST ANTHONY PARISHIONERS

### MILITARY VETERANS MEMORIAL

The Knights of Columbus Men's Group will be honoring our St Anthony Parishioner Veterans with a memorial at the 4pm liturgy on June 7, 2025. This memorial will honor the names of 440 parish veterans, past and present, who served in all branches of the United States Military. Please join us in prayer during this liturgy, with members of your family for their sacrifice and commitment to moving beyond their comfort zone and doing work that was greater than themselves. Join us in remembering not only their contributions and sacrifice to our parish and nation, but that of their families also. May we always be reminded of their selflessness, honor, heroism and sacrifice. Blessings to all.

**M-Wine Ladies Retreat**

**THE GIFT OF MARY AND THE FEMININE GENIUS**

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF PRAYER, REFLECTION, AND SISTERHOOD

☞ DATE: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

🕒 TIME: 6:00 PM – 8:30 PM

📍 LOCATION: SAINT ANTHONY'S CHURCH, 143 AMESBURY STREET, LAWRENCE, MA

PRESENTED BY THE MARONITE SERVANTS OF CHRIST THE LIGHT

VENMO DONATION \$35 TO THE @MARONITESERVANTS

## ST ANTHONY ANNUAL CHARITABLE GOLF TOURNAMENT

**Monday, June 30, 2025**

**at the Atkinson Country Club**

**REGISTRATION IS NOW CLOSED!**

We've reached maximum capacity — Thank you to everyone who registered and supported this great cause!

We're looking forward to an amazing day on **June 30th**. See you on the course!

## WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS 06/01/2025

Candles	\$122.80
Sunday Collection	\$2,424.00
2nd Collections	\$1,060.00
Utilities, Fuel, & Electricity	\$125.00
Donations for Masses	\$425.00
Donations	\$2,200.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 6,356.80</b>

*Thank you for your generous support to 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!*



# CITY OF LAWRENCE ROADWAY RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

## Project Description:

The City of Lawrence and the Massachusetts Department of Transportation Highway Division are reconfiguring and **making roadway improvements along approximately 3,300' of Amesbury Street and 1,050' of Lawrence Street.**

The proposed improvements include conversion of Amesbury Street from one way travel to two way, construction of a single lane roundabout at the intersection on Amesbury Street and Lawrence Street. Traffic signal reconstruction, bike lanes, sidewalk reconstruction, ADA complainant ramps, pavement resurfacing, pavement markings and minor drainage improvements.

**The construction schedule keeps changing. What we know right now is sidewalk reconstruction along Saint Anthony's Church will not take place until late September / October 2025 or 2026.** We have had several meetings with the City, State and Design Consultant. All are well aware of our annual Mahrajan and are graciously working with us to minimize impacts.

## What does this mean in the near future for Saint Anthony's Church?

Lawrence Street in front of the church will remain one way traffic.

A roundabout (rotary) will be installed at the intersection of Lawrence, Amesbury and Chestnut Streets.

Amesbury Street will be two way traffic.

Lawrence Street after the roundabout will remain two way traffic.

For those exiting the church parking lot and the rectory parking lot on to Amesbury Street you will be able to take a right and go around the roundabout or go left. Must look left first before exiting.

For those exiting the church parking lot on to Lawrence Street you will continue taking a left.

For those exiting the church parking lot on to Lebanon Street you will continue taking a left as it will remain a one way street.

**For those coming along Amesbury Street in front of Breen Funeral Home to church there will be a "Stop" sign at Lebanon Street at the intersection of Amesbury.** No traffic lights. You will be able to go, straight and enter church from Lebanon Street or go left and enter church from Amesbury Street.

**The City of Lawrence is requesting a temporary construction easement (TCE) from 10' to 15' from our property line (approx. 6,361sf).**

There will be two Permanent Utility Easements (PUE) 24sf and 32sf for light poles. Located in front of the rectory parking area.

**Saint Anthony's Church will be compensated at the fair market value for the TCE and PUE's.** TCE will be restored to pre-existing conditions once completed.

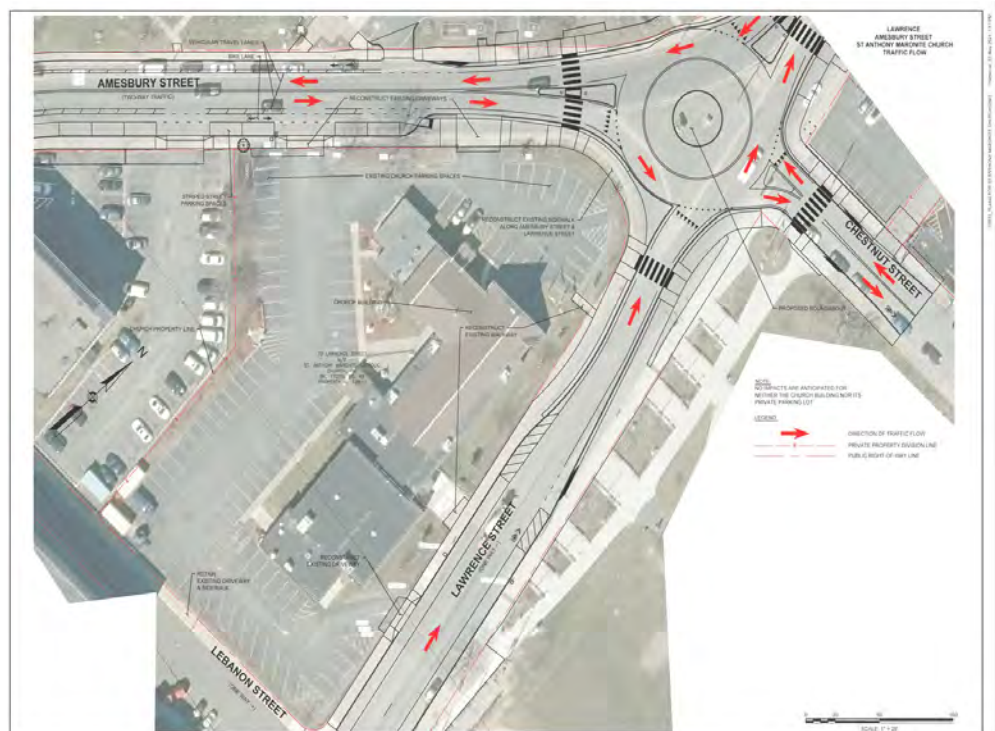
## Conclusion

The above is our initial communication on this significant project. As we get more information and are told the commissioning dates of Amesbury Street and the new rotary, further communication will be shared. It is our goal to inform you as far in advance as possible. Please keep in mind unknown issues arise during construction which could alter plans and timelines. There will be impacts entering and exiting our church for a period of time during sidewalk reconstruction. We will do our best to keep our parishioners informed.

Sincerely,

Fred Corey, P.E.

Saint Anthony's Parish Council



## CONGRATULATIONS!

### Baptized & Confirmed

**Bentley James Ata**

*Son of*

*Alain Ata & Tiffany Beeley*

**Sophie Jessica Jobeily**

*Daughter of*

*George & Celestie Jobeily*

**Mia Parker Price**

*Daughter of*

*Nicholas & Maya Price*

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

## CONGRATULATIONS!

### Sacrament of Matrimony

**Charbel Korbani & Natalie Perez-Beato**

*"Confirm them in faith, hope, love and just deeds.  
Rite of the Covenant"*

### FIRST BANNES OF MARRIAGE

**Corey Shepherd & Julia Basiliere**

### LECTORS SCHEDULE

*Saturday, June 7 - 4 pm - Pat Ferguson*

*Sunday, June 8*

8:00 am - Huguette Sfeir

9:30 am - Meaghan Twing

11:00 am - (Eng) Mansour Chaya

(Ar) Amal Chantiri

### BIRTHDAY WISHES

**June 7:** Paul Bou Jabbour, Minerva Haddad,  
Jason Haddad, Ava Schultz, Eddy Sfeir

**June 8:** Joanne Abdulla, Guila Atallah,  
Angelina Haddad, Joseph Leone,  
Michelle Saab

**June 9:** Antoine Abou Jaoude, Valerie  
Bouraphael, Cera Geha, Christiano  
Mazraani, Sarah Ramey

**June 10:** Sharbil Ata, Mounir Jermany,  
Matthew Pratt

**June 11:** Abdou Abdou, Hadi Alghoul, Sharbil  
Ata, Anthony Chedid, Carine  
El-Hayek, Virginia Gebeili, Pascal  
Haddad, Khalil Hayek, Emma  
Homsey, Mackenna Jesionowski

**June 12:** Eugenie Abi Moussa, Mark Bejjani,  
Mireille Daher, Michael Hanna,  
Steven Maroun

**June 13:** Monica Guzman, Samuel Khalil,  
Matthew Matta

### ANNIVERSARY WISHES

**June 7:** Jeffrey & Phyllis Getchell

**June 8:** Joseph & Virginia Gebeili

**June 9:** Johnny & Remie Escobales

**June 10:** Steven & Najwah Miceli  
Mike & Janice Solomon

**June 11:** Fadi & Della Khoury,  
Sam & Renee Murphy,  
Joseph & Julia Saade

### LECTORS SCHEDULE

*Saturday, June 14 - 4 pm - Lisa Abdallah*

*Sunday, June 15*

8:00 am - Mouna Hbaiter

9:30 am - Michael Faris

11:00 am - (Eng) Anthony Merheb

(Ar) Sassine Merheb





### Congratulations to our Parish High School & College Graduates

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>HS/College</u>	<u>Major</u>
Abdelnour	Gabrielle	Suffolk University	BA International Relations
Abou-Ezzi	Chaniel	UMass Amherst	BS Computer Science
Abou-Ezzi	Mia	Phillips Academy	Going to Northeastern University
Asmar	Kaya	Central Catholic HS	Going to Dartmouth College
Ayoub	Robert	University of Maryland	MS Engineering
Azzi	Andrew	Umass Lowell	BS Finance
Barry	Brady	Central Catholic HS	Going to Brown University
Bassil	Andrew	Methuen HS	
Bouchrouche	Carla	Merrimack College	MS Exercise & Sport Science
Chaya	George	Elms College	BS Accounting
Cherfane	Charbel	Umass Lowell	BS Mechanical Engineering
Daher	Jomira	Umass Lowell	BA Finance & International Business
EL Zaklit	Ivan	NECC	AS Mechanical Engineering
Fares	Mario	Harvard University	BS Computer Science
Fiacchino	Rocco J.	Pinkerton Academy	Going to Endicott College
George	Ryan Charles	Northeastern University	BSME
Hassan	Caleb	Haverhill HS	Going to Merrimack College
Jermainy	Jason	Northeastern University	MS Computer Science
Jermainy	Ryan	UMass Amherst	BS Biomedical Eng-Going to UPenn Robotics
Nassar	Joe-Miguel	NECC	AS Mechanical Engineering
Saad	Antonio	Andover HS	Going to Northeastern University
Sader	Louis	Roger Williams University	
Sader	Nadine	UConn	
Sader	Serena	Central Catholic HS	Going to Suffolk University
Safi	Christopher	Boston College	BS Biology- Going to UMichigan Dental

Dear God, bless these graduates, every one, and fill them with the Spirit of your love. We pray that as they go forth to set the world on fire, may they remember you are in all things and all people. and share the fruit of their knowledge. Amen.

### MAHRAJAN 2025

The Mahrajan committee is soliciting interest and commitments from our parishioners and friends for our **53rd Annual Lebanese Mahrajan, August 29, 30, & 31, 2025.**

Your support and generosity are always crucial to the success of this fundraiser. More Information to come!

**Mahrajan Raffle** will be out soon by Mail and Electronically!

**Mahrajan Baskets:** Relying on your creativity, but we are also here to help. Drop your donations and we can take over assembly!

**Mahrajan Sponsors:** Letter and forms will be forthcoming!

**Mahrajan Volunteers:** More help is needed! Sign up sheet will be available and published soon!

SAINT SHARBEL SPIRITUAL LIFE CENTER PRESENTS

**2025 Maronite Music WORKSHOP**

For Maronite Parish Music Directors & Choir Members

**AUGUST 12 - 13, 2025**  
Registration \$165 includes meals  
**RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY!**

For those traveling in need of hotel accommodations, contact the Holiday Inn Express & Suites Pittsburgh West-Greentree at 412-922-7070 to reserve one of the rooms blocked off for the workshop.

**WORKSHOP LED BY**  
Fr. Neemtallah (Edgard) Onelssy  
from St. Anthony Church, Lawrence, MA

**SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS**

- Talk: Spirituality of Choir Members
- Talk: Challenges of Choir Ministry
- Talk: Future of Choir Ministry
- Workshop on Communion Hymns
- Workshop on Virgin Mary Hymns
- Discussion with Bishop Gregory
- Daily Divine Liturgy & Adoration
- Rehearsals & Recital

To register, go under "Programs" on our website at:  
**SaintSharbelCenter.org**  
820 Crane Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15216  
info@SaintSharbelCenter.org

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## Pentecost Sunday

### *Book of Genesis 11, 1-9*

Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. And they said to one another, 'Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly.' And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. Then they said, 'Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.' The LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. And the LORD said, 'Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech.' So the LORD scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. Therefore it was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth; and from there the LORD scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

### *Acts of the Apostles 2, 1-21*

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

### *Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Saint John 14, 15-20*

'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. 'I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.



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## سفر التكوين 11:1-9

كَانَتْ الْأَرْضُ كُلُّهَا لُغَةً وَاحِدَةً وَكَلَامًا وَاحِدًا. وَكَانَ وَأَنْتُمْ لَمَّا رَحَلُوا مِنَ الْمَشْرِقِ انْتَهَمَ وَجَدُوا سَهْلًا فِي أَرْضِ شِنْعَارَ فَأَقَامُوا هُنَاكَ. وَقَالَ بَعْضُهُمْ لِبَعْضٍ: «تَعَالَوْا نَصْنَعْ لِنَا وَلِنَحْرِقْهُ حَرْقًا». فَكَانَ لَهُمُ اللَّيْنُ بَدَلَ الْحِجَارَةِ وَالْحُمْرُ كَانَ لَهُمْ بَدَلَ الطِّينِ. وَقَالُوا: «تَعَالَوْا نَبْنِ لَنَا مَدِينَةً وَبُرْجًا رَأْسُهُ فِي السَّمَاءِ، وَنُقِمَ لَنَا أَسْمًا كَيْ لَا نَنْفَرَّكَ عَلَى وَجْهِ الْأَرْضِ كُلِّهَا». فَفَزَلَ الرَّبُّ لِيَرَى الْمَدِينَةَ وَالْبُرْجَ الَّذِينَ بَنَاهُمَا بَنُو آدَمَ. وَقَالَ الرَّبُّ: «هُذَا هُمْ شَعْبٌ وَاحِدٌ وَلِجَمِيعِهِمْ لُغَةٌ وَاحِدَةٌ، وَهَذَا مَا أَخَذُوا يَفْعَلُونَهُ. وَالْآنَ لَا يَكْفُونُ عَمَّا هُمُوا بِهِ حَتَّى يَصْنَعُوهُ. فَلْنَنْزِلْ وَنُبْلِلْ هُنَاكَ لُغَتَهُمْ، حَتَّى لَا يَفْهَمَ بَعْضُهُمْ لُغَةَ بَعْضٍ». «فَفَرَّقَهُمُ الرَّبُّ مِنْ هُنَاكَ عَلَى وَجْهِ الْأَرْضِ كُلِّهَا، فَكَفُّوا عَنْ بِنَاءِ الْمَدِينَةِ. وَلِذَلِكَ سُمِّيَتْ «بَابِلَ» لِأَنَّ الرَّبَّ هُنَاكَ بَلَّلَ لُغَةَ الْأَرْضِ كُلِّهَا. وَمِنْ هُنَاكَ فَرَّقَهُمُ الرَّبُّ عَلَى وَجْهِ الْأَرْضِ كُلِّهَا.

## أعمال الرسل 2: 1-21

يَا إِخْوَتِي، فِي تَمَامِ الْيَوْمِ الْخَمْسِينَ، كَانَ الرُّسُلُ مَعًا فِي مَكَانٍ وَاحِدٍ. فَحَدَّثَتْ بَغْتَةً دَوِيٌّ مِنَ السَّمَاءِ كَأَنَّهُ دَوِيٌّ رِيحٍ عَاصِفَةٍ، وَمَلَأَ كُلَّ الْبَيْتِ حَيْثُ كَانُوا جَالِسِينَ. وَظَهَرَتْ لَهُمْ أَلْسِنَةٌ مُنْقَسِمَةٌ كَأَنَّهَُا مِنْ نَارٍ، وَاسْتَقَرَّ عَلَى كُلِّ وَاحِدٍ مِنْهُمْ لِسَانٌ. وَامْتَلَأُوا كُلُّهُمْ مِنَ الرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ، وَبَدَأُوا يَتَكَلَّمُونَ بِأَلْسِنَةٍ أُخْرَى، كَمَا كَانَ الرُّوحُ يُؤْتِيهِمْ أَنْ يَنْطِقُوا. وَكَانَ يَقِيمُ فِي أُورَشَلِيمَ يَهُودٌ، رِجَالٌ أَنْقِيَاءُ مِنْ كُلِّ أُمَّةٍ تَحْتَ السَّمَاءِ. فَلَمَّا حَدَّثَ ذَلِكَ أَلْصَوْتَ، اخْتَشَدَ الْجَمْعُ وَأَخَذَتْهُمْ الْحَيْرَةُ، لِأَنَّ كُلَّ وَاحِدٍ مِنْهُمْ كَانَ يَسْمَعُهُمْ يَتَكَلَّمُونَ بِلُغَتِهِ. فَدَهَشُوا وَتَعَجَّبُوا وَقَالُوا: «أَلَيْسَ هَؤُلَاءِ الْمَتَكَلِّمُونَ جَمِيعُهُمْ جَلِيلِيِّينَ؟ فَكَيْفَ يَسْمَعُهُمْ كُلُّ وَاحِدٍ مِنَّا بِاللُّغَةِ الَّتِي وُلِدَ فِيهَا؟ وَنَحْنُ فَرِثِيُّونَ، وَمَادِيُّونَ، وَعِيلَامِيُّونَ، وَسُكَّانُ مَا بَيْنَ النَّهْرَيْنِ، وَالْيَهُودِيَّةِ، وَكَبْدُوكِيَّةِ، وَبُنْتُسُ، وَأَسِيَا، وَفَرِيجِيَّةِ، وَبِمَفِيلِيَّةِ، وَمِصْرَ، وَنَوَاجِي لِبِيَّةِ الْقَرِيبَةِ مِنْ قَيْرَوَانَ، وَرُومَانِيُونَ نُزَلَاءَ، يَهُودٌ وَمُهَنْدُونَ، وَكُرِّيْتِيُّونَ، وَعَرَبٌ، نَسْمَعُهُمْ يَتَكَلَّمُونَ بِأَلْسِنَتِنَا عَنْ أَعْمَالِ اللَّهِ الْعَظِيمَةِ». وَكَانُوا كُلُّهُمْ مَدَهُوشِينَ حَائِرِينَ يَقُولُ بَعْضُهُمْ لِبَعْضٍ: «مَا مَعْنَى هَذَا؟» لَكِنَّ آخَرِينَ كَانُوا يَقُولُونَ سَاخِرِينَ: «إِنَّهُمْ قَدْ امْتَلَأُوا سُلَافَةً!». «فَوَقَفَ بَطْرُسُ مَعَ الْأَحَدِ عَشَرَ، وَرَفَعَ صَوْتَهُ وَخَاطَبَهُمْ قَائِلًا: «أَيُّهَا الرِّجَالُ الْيَهُودَ، وَيَا جَمِيعَ الْمُقِيمِينَ فِي أُورَشَلِيمَ، لِيَكُنْ هَذَا مَعْلُومًا عِنْدَكُمْ، وَأَصْغُوا إِلَيَّ كَلَامِي. لَا، أَلَيْسَ هَؤُلَاءِ بِسُكَّارَى، كَمَا تَظُنُّونَ. فَالْسَّاعَةُ هِيَ الْتَّاسِعَةُ صَبَاحًا. بَلْ هَذَا هُوَ مَا قِيلَ بِيُوشُوعَ النَّبِيِّ: وَيَكُونُ فِي الْأَيَّامِ الْآخِرَةِ، يَقُولُ اللَّهُ، أَيُّي أَفِيضُ مِنْ رُوحِي عَلَى كُلِّ بَشَرٍ، فَيَنْتَبَأُ بَنُوكُمْ وَبَنَاتُكُمْ، وَيَرَى شَبَابُكُمْ رُؤًى، وَيَحْلُمُ شَيْوُكُمْ أَحْلَامًا. وَعَلَى عِبِيدِي وَإِمَائِي أَيْضًا أَفِيضُ مِنْ رُوحِي فِي تِلْكَ الْأَيَّامِ فَيَتَنَبَّأُونَ. وَأَعْمَلُ عَجَائِبَ فِي السَّمَاءِ مِنْ فَوْقَ، وَآيَاتٍ عَلَى الْأَرْضِ مِنْ أَسْفَلٍ، دَمًا وَنَارًا وَأَعْمِدَةً مِنْ دُخَانٍ. وَتَنْقَلِبُ الشَّمْسُ ظِلَامًا وَالْقَمَرُ دَمًا قَبْلَ أَنْ يَأْتِيَ يَوْمُ الرَّبِّ، الْيَوْمُ الْعَظِيمُ الْمَجِيدُ. فَيَكُونُ أَنْ كُلُّ مَنْ يَدْعُو بِاسْمِ الرَّبِّ يَخْلُصَ.

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