



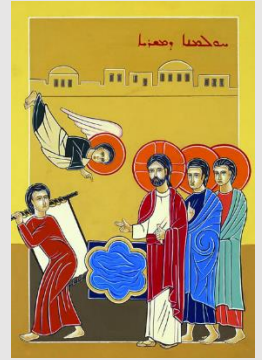
# Saint Maron Maronite Catholic Church

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## WEEKLY BULLETIN - 03/03/2024

### Season of Great Lent

### Healing of the Paralytic



#### OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY – FRIDAY 10:30AM - 4:00PM

#### Pastor

Fr. Andrawos (Fadi) El Tabchi

#### Advisor / Consultant

Fr. David Fisher

#### Administrative Assistant

Claudine ElHajal

#### Parish Council

Costa J. Mansour, Michael Marrone, Anne Tayoun, Manal ElHajal, Rosemarie Marrone, Barbara Dahdah, Tony Frangie, Khalil Raie, Nahi Rai, Roger Jebara

#### Finance Committee

Philip Rai, Deebanee Tavani, Terri Koway, Fred Haddad, Paul Kouyoumdji, Denise Eddis, Jimmy Jebara, Jano Frangie

#### Festival Chairmen

Billy Tayoun, Tony Frangie

#### Saint Jude

Denise Eddis, Theresa Barry

#### CCD

Director: Janah Szewczyk

Advisor: Rosemarie Marrone

Teachers: Rania Sukkariéh, Maha Labbad, Samar Dawlabani, Reine Ghazaly, Janah Szewczyk, Sanaa Rizk, Samer Hourani.

#### MYO

Director: Zeina Topalian

Advisors: Anne Tayoun, Jocelyne Habib, Fadia Salloum, Maha Labbad

#### MYA

Coordinators: Nahi Rai, Roger Jebara, Frankie Piacentini

#### Men's Club

President: Amin Al Soueid

Vice-President: Samer Hourani

#### “Flavorful Falafels, Faithful Hearts”

Join us this Sunday (March 10) for a fundraiser at the church hall, where we'll be serving delicious falafel sandwiches. Your support not only satisfies our taste buds and nourishes our bodies but also sustains the spirit of our community and the work of our parish. Let us come together for a flavorful cause and make a difference in our parish.



Saint Maron Church  
1892 Philadelphia, PA كنيسة مار مارون

## FALAFEL SANDWICHES

Sunday, March 10, 2024  
following Divine Liturgy



#### SANDWICH

\$10.00

#### PLATTER

\$15.00

(6 Falafel, Tahini Sauce, Vegetables, & Bread)

#### FRIES

\$3.00

#### SODA

\$2.00

#### WATER

\$1.00

#### BIBLE STUDY

with Abouna David - Starting Thursday, April, 4, 2024  
at 7 PM Via Zoom

and in person at the Church Hall

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87347439104?pwd=eUJRRVpFUyt5NVpTVXR5bCtBdGpGdz09>

#### SUNDAY READINGS

1<sup>st</sup> Reading

1 Tim 5:24-6:5

Gospel Reading

Mark 2:1-12

#### Sanctuary Candle

Clergy of the Eparchy of Saint Maron



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Pet Hotel & Villas  
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www.philadelphiaanimalhospital.com  
215-724-5550

Number of tickets  
Sold: 406

### DIVINE LITURGIES

**Friday, March 8, @ 6:00PM**  
**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**Saturday, March 9, @ 4:00PM,**  
liturgy is offered in memory of Linda Stella requested by her friends. May her soul rest in peace.

**Sunday, March 10, @ 11:00AM**  
liturgy is offered in memory of Edmond and Stavro Jabra requested by Simon and Zeina Topalian. May their souls rest in peace.

**Friday, March 15, @ 6:00PM**  
**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**Saturday, March 16, @ 4:00PM,**  
liturgy is offered in memory of Luigi Lombardi requested by Theresa Lombardi. May his soul rest in peace.

**Sunday, March 17, @ 11:00AM**  
liturgy is offered in memory of Akram Ajina and the deceased members of the Ajina family requested by Philip and Vivian Rai. May their souls rest in peace.

### WEEKLY COLLECTION

**March 2-3, 2024**

Collection	\$	1,757.00
Fuel	\$	25.00
PayPal	\$	0.00
Coffee Hour	\$	63.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,845.00</b>

**Bishop's Appeal \$ 1,330.00**  
**Insurance \$ 00.00**

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS & ADORATION OF THE CROSS



### UPCOMING EVENTS

For more info, visit our website  
[www.saintmaron.org](http://www.saintmaron.org)  
or our Facebook page  
<https://www.facebook.com/SaintMaronPhiladelphia>

### BAKE SALE

March 23, 2024

### PALM SUNDAY BRUNCH

March 24, 2024

### GOOD FRIDAY POTLUCK

March 29, 2024

### SIP & PAINT

April 19, 2024



### IN OUR PRAYERS

#### Please keep in your prayers

Joseph Lemons, Allison Auld, Carmen Sansweet, Deacon Anthony Koury, Mary Louise Scotti, Janet Labar, Krystal Valianti, Anne Mgrdichian, Carol Bevelhmyer, Mary V. (Nelson) Scotti, Mike Devinney, Debbie Freedenberg, Allan Emilio Domingez, Rev. Subdeacon Dr. Mallard T. George, Landon Reid, Tamara Lewis, Michael Thomas, Mary McKinney, Jessica McKinney, Angela McKinney, Skyla Simon, Peter Labaki, Nancy Murphy, Marentha Young-Heart, Allison Tretina, Stephanie Devinney, Angela Scorza Anderson, Raymond Fitzpatrick, Linda Yeckes, Frankie Olivieri, Marie Eddis, Mia Andrilla, Ashley Iaconelli, Elissar Ayoub, Joanne Simon-Turing, Suzanne Haney, Linda DiBernardo, Joan Speck, David Joseph Cook, Dennis Strelchuk, Gladys Dalcourt, Denise Furey, Mirta Ruiz, Rita Impo, Jade Kellam, Marion Thomas Branca, Francesca Impo, Lucy DiLuce, Laurent Chidiac, Tom Hart, John Hart, Fadi Jaber, Joseph Realdine, Lisa Alestra, John Nader, Joey Gdowick, Francis Joseph Kerns, Samer Chokeir, Kathy Newman, Rita Arrigale, Maryann Bratton, Renee Sahar, Sister Nahida Al-Sawa, James Cordisio, Stacey Fuentes, Noel Andjuhar, and Angel Salerno.

## Maronite Enrichment Days

April 9 -12, 2024

At The Maronite Seminary in DC  
7164 Alaska Avenue NW  
Washington, DC 20012  
+1 (202) 723-8831

For More Information:

<https://maroniteseminary.org/news-events/seminary-events/about/>

## Bishop's Appeal 2024

Collected during Lent

**Collected** \$ 2,090.00  
**Amount Due** \$ 3,500.00  
**Balance** \$ 1,410.00

**Reminder:** contributing to the Bishop's Appeal is a responsibility shared by all churches in the Eparchy. Your generous support is truly valued and greatly appreciated.

## Maronite Voice

The latest issue of the Maronite Voice has been released. Click on the link below to read the article about Saint Maron Church or grab your copy from the church hall.

<https://www.maronitevoice.org/>  
<https://rb.gy/bssl9u>

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## BAKE SALE

### PREPS

Friday, March 15, 2024 (4 pm)  
Maamoul Baking

Saturday, March 16, 2024 (10 am)  
Cookies Baking & Packaging

Thursday, March 21, 2024 (5:30 pm)  
Sesame Cookies Baking & Packaging

### Place Your Orders

*"Flavors Await:  
First in Line, First to Savor!"*

**Try Our New Items:**  
*Karabij with Natif  
Chocolate Butter Cookies*

*Click on the Link Below  
to place your order*

<https://saint-maron-catholic-church.square.site/s/shop>



## Annual Bake Sale

SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2024

1013 Ellsworth Street, Philadelphia, PA 19147

ONLINE ORDERS  
& PRE-ORDERS

Pick Up:

Saturday, March 23, 2024



### MAAMOUL

Dates - 1/2 doz. \$10.00  
Walnut - 1/2 doz. \$11.00  
Pistachio - 1/2 doz. \$12.00

### COOKIES

Apricot - 1/2 doz. \$7.00  
Strawberry - 1/2 doz. \$7.00  
Sesame - 1/2 doz. \$7.00

### COMBOS

Variety Pack \$30.00  
(6 Maamoul, 6 Cookies, 6 Karabij)  
Gift Pack \$50.00  
(12 Maamoul, 12 Cookies, 6 Karabij)

### SPECIALS

Karabij - 1/2 doz. \$15.00  
(served with Natif)  
Chocolate Cookies \$8.00  
(1/2 doz.)

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**E-BIKE** SAINT MARON CHURCH  
**RAFFLE**  
VELOTRIC DISCOVER 1

\$20 for a chance  
to win 1 of the 2  
\$1,600 E-Bikes.

*Click on the Link Below  
to place purchase your ticket*

<https://saint-maron-catholic-church.square.site/s/shop>

## PALM SUNDAY BRUNCH

Tickets are now available. Please contact the office to purchase your ticket.

## GOOD FRIDAY POTLUCK

Join us for our Annual Good Friday Potluck and share in the spirit of fellowship and community as we gather to commemorate this solemn occasion.

## 2024 NAM Convention 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention

Detroit, Michigan  
July 4-7, 2024

For more info you can click  
on the link below:

<https://rb.gy/hy4cwa>

## Year of Prayer

Pope Francis declared 2024 as the **Year of Prayer**, calling upon believers worldwide to deepen their spiritual connection through prayerful reflection, seeking unity, and fostering peace in our hearts and communities.

Let us come together in faith, embracing this sacred opportunity for renewal and communion with God.



# HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



Sunday, March 24	<b>PALM SUNDAY - 11:00 AM</b>
Monday, March 25	<b>Coming to the Harbor - 6:00 PM</b> (Evening Prayer)
Tuesday, March 26	<b>Passion Week - 6:00 PM</b> (Divine Liturgy)
Wednesday, March 27	<b>Rite of the Lamp - 6:00 PM</b> (Blessing of the Oil)
Thursday, March 28	<b>Thursday of the Mysteries - 7:00 PM</b> (Divine Liturgy & Washing of the Feet)
Friday, March 29	<b>Signing of the Chalice - 11:00 AM</b> <b>Adoration of the Cross - 7:00 PM</b>
Saturday, March 30	<b>Prayer of Forgiveness - 12:00 PM</b> <b>RESURRECTION LITURGY - 4:00 PM</b>
Sunday, March 31	<b>RESURRECTION LITURGY - 11:00 AM</b>

**PALM SUNDAY BRUNCH**  
Sunday, March 24, 2024

ADULT \$25.00  
CHILDREN \$10.00 (11 YRS. & UNDER)

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www.saintmaron.org

"Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!"  
(John 12:12)

**GOOD FRIDAY**  
Friday, March 29, 2024

Signing of the Chalice 11:00AM  
Adoration of the Cross 7:00PM

**LENTEN DINNER 8:00PM**

## Annual Clergy Retreat

I humbly ask you to remember me and all the priests of the Eparchy of Saint Maron of Brooklyn in your prayers as we prepare to embark on our annual retreat (March 11-15, 2024). Your support and prayers are essential as we seek renewal and guidance in our journey of faith.

May God's grace accompany us during this time of reflection, empowering us to continue serving our communities with love, compassion and devotion.

Fr. Andrewos

## Attention, everyone! - Day Light Savings

**March 10, 2024**



**+ 1 HR**

Prepare to spring forward into daylight saving time! Don't forget to set your clocks forward one hour this weekend. Yes, that means sacrificing an hour of precious sleep, but think of it as an investment in brighter days ahead! Get ready to embrace the chaos of adjusting all your clocks and watches. Let's do this, one hour at a time!

## MYO CORNER

### Register Now:

2024 National Conference  
Youth Leader Workshop

2024 NATIONAL MYO CONFERENCE  
JUNE 24 (THUR) - 29 (SATURDAY)  
LA ROCHE UNIVERSITY  
\$449 \$499 \$549  
MARONITEYOUTH.ORG

NEW ENGLAND MID-ATLANTIC YOUTH LEADER Workshop  
APRIL 19-21, 2024  
HOSTED AT ST. ANTHONY CHURCH  
ACCOMMODATIONS \$100 PER LEADER  
REGISTRATION IS OPEN  
CLICK HERE TO BOOK NOW

(Don't forget to sign up for the Festival Dabkeh)

## CCD CORNER - Important Dates

March 10, 2024

First Communion Parent Meeting

March 15, 2024 – 6PM

Stations of the Cross

March 22, 2024

Service Project | Grades 5<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>

April 13, 2024

First Communion Retreat

April 14, 2024

First Communion - Divine Liturgy

Our Lady of Lebanon  
Brooklyn – New York

JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL CONCERT  
THE PASSION & RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST  
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VIP: \$100 REG: \$50  
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For more info, visit:  
<http://ololc.org/>

59th Annual NAM Convention  
JULY 4-7, 2024 | ST. SHARBEL CHURCH  
DETROIT MARRIOTT RENAISSANCE CENTER  
DETROIT, MICHIGAN  
MARONITES ON MISSION: CREATED. CALLED. SENT FORTH.

## 59th NAM Convention Schedule

St. Sharbel Church - Clinton Township, MI  
Detroit Marriott Renaissance Center

July 4-7, 2024



Maronites on Mission:  
Created. Called. Sent Forth.

### EXCURSIONS

**MARONITE FAMILY REUNION**  
Tour the grounds of St. Sharbel Church and celebrate this unique NAM reunion with great food, dancing, and fun for all! (Thu 6:00 PM)

**MYO POOL DAY**  
Lay back and relax! Splash and cool down with your MYO Friends at the Marriott Courtyard rooftop pool! (Sat 2-4 PM)

**SOLANUS CASEY CENTER**  
A special pilgrimage and guided tour of the official home/shrine of Blessed Fr. Solanus Casey in Detroit! (Fri 2-4 PM)

**MYA ROLLING PEDAL TOUR**  
Hop aboard and explore the bustling streets and neighborhoods of Detroit as you pedal your way to landmarks and dining hot spots! (Fri 3-5 PM)

**DIAMOND JACKS BOAT TOUR + LUNCH**  
Dine and cruise with us as we enjoy lunch on the Detroit River with amazing views of the cities of Detroit, Windsor, and Ontario! (Sat 1-4 PM)



### WORKSHOPS

**NAM: PAST, PRESENT & FUTURE**  
Gather to reflect on 60 years of NAM accomplishments and learn about NAM's upcoming missions for the Maronite Church in the US and abroad. (Thu 4 PM)

**MYO RIVERWALK SCAVENGER HUNT**  
Join us for an afternoon of dabke dancing, games, spiritual talks and an exciting scavenger hunt on the Detroit Riverwalk! (Fri 2-4 PM)

**PETER HERBECK**  
Our distinguished conference speaker and the author of many books and podcast recordings about discipleship, life in the Spirit, and evangelization! (Sat 10:30 AM)

**VANESSA GARMO**  
An Evangelist, Christian Coach, and host of the "Epiphany" show on Ave Maria Radio in Ann Arbor. Vanessa joins us to share the power of the Gospel in our mission ahead! (Fri 10 AM)

**MYA THEOLOGY ON TAP**  
Have a drink and dive deep into an exciting discussion about our faith with our incredible Bishop Elias Zaidan and Bishop Gregory Marsout! (Sat 1-3 PM)

**IGNITE YOUR CAREER**  
Come and build lasting partnerships with professionals from across the country who seek to live their faith and grow spiritually amidst a successful career. (Sat 2-4 PM)

### ENTERTAINMENT

**DJ FRANCO**  
Enjoy a great mix of Arabic and American hit songs the whole weekend as we dance the nights away! (Thu, Fri, Sat 10 PM - 2 AM)

**EMAD BATAYEH**  
Friday night dinner and hafl featuring Michigan's own premier singer, Emad Batayeh! (6 PM Cocktails | 7 PM Dinner & Dance)

**DANNY ACKHAR**  
Saturday night Grand Banquet Dinner and Hafl featuring Lebanese Superstar, Danny Achkar! (6 PM Cocktails | 7 PM Dinner & Dance)

CONVENTION REGISTRATION Deadline: June 1st  
www.namnews.org | (814) 964-3070 | info@namnews.org

HOTEL BOOKINGS (\$189+/Night, Single/Double)  
<https://book.passkey.com/e/50700969> | (313) 558-8000

Canada is across the river! Bring your passport!

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# Readings – 5<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent

## Healing of the Paralytic

### First Reading

#### 1Timothy 5:24-25, 6:1-5

**A reading from the First Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy. Your blessing father...**

Brothers and Sisters:

The sins of some people are conspicuous and precede them to judgement, 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 الأولى إلى تيموتاوس

يا إخوتي، مِنَ النَّاسِ مَنْ تَكُونُ خَطَايَاهُمْ وَاضِحَةً قَبْلَ الْحُكْمِ فِيهَا، وَمِنْهُمْ مَنْ لَا تَكُونُ وَاضِحَةً إِلَّا بَعْدَهُ. كَذَلِكَ فَإِنَّ الْأَعْمَالَ الصَّالِحَةَ هِيَ أَيْضًا وَاضِحَةٌ، وَالَّتِي هِيَ غَيْرُ وَاضِحَةٍ فَلَا يُمَكِّنُ أَنْ تَبْقَى خَفِيَّةً. عَلَى جَمِيعِ الَّذِينَ تَحْتَ نِيرِ الْعُبُودِيَّةِ أَنْ يَحْسَبُوا أَسْيَادَهُمْ أَهْلًا لِكُلِّ كَرَامَةٍ، لِئَلَّا يَجْدَفَ عَلَى اسْمِ اللَّهِ وَتَعْلِيمِهِ. أَمَّا الَّذِينَ لَهُمْ أَسْيَادٌ مُؤْمِنُونَ فَلَا يَسْتَهَيِّنُوا بِهِمْ، لِأَنَّهُمْ إِخْوَةٌ، بَلْ بِالْأُخْرَى فَلْيَخْدُمُوهُمْ، لِأَنَّ الْمُسْتَفِيدِينَ مِنْ خِدْمَتِهِمُ الطَّيِّبَةَ هُمْ مُؤْمِنُونَ وَأَحِبَّاءُ، ذَلِكَ مَا يَجِبُ أَنْ تُعَلِّمَهُ وَتَعْظِمْ بِهِ. فَإِنْ كَانَ أَحَدٌ يُعَلِّمُ تَعْلِيمًا مُخَالَفًا، وَلَا يَتَمَسَّكُ بِالْكَلَامِ الصَّحِيحِ، كَلَامِ رَبِّنَا يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحِ، وَبِالتَّعْلِيمِ الْمُوَافِقِ لِلتَّقْوَى، فَهُوَ إِنْسَانٌ أَعْمَتَهُ الْكِبْرِيَاءُ، لَا يَفْهَمُ شَيْئًا، بَلْ مُصَابٌ بِمَرَضِ الْمُجَادَلَاتِ وَالْمُمَاحَكَاتِ، الَّتِي يَنْشَأُ عَنْهَا الْحَسَدُ وَالْخِصَامُ وَالتَّجْدِيفُ وَسُوءُ الظَّنِّ، وَالْمُشَاجَرَاتُ بَيْنَ أَنَاسٍ فَاسِدِي الْعَقْلِ، زَائِفِينَ عَنِ الْحَقِّ، يَظُنُّونَ أَنَّ التَّقْوَى وَسِيلَةٌ لِلرِّيحِ.

والتسبيح لله دائماً.

# Gospel Reading

## Saint Mark 2:1-12

### The Apostle Writes:

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!'

**This is the truth. Peace be with you.**

### مِنْ إِنْجِيلِ الْقَدِيسِ مَرْقَسِ

عَادَ يَسُوعُ إِلَى كَفَرْنَاهُومَ. وَسَمِعَ النَّاسُ أَنَّهُ فِي الْبَيْتِ. فَتَجَمَعَ عَدَدٌ كَبِيرٌ مِنْهُمْ حَتَّى غَصَّ بِهِمُ الْمَكَانُ، وَلَمْ يَبْقَ مَوْضِعٌ لِأَحَدٍ وَلَا عِنْدَ الْبَابِ. وَكَانَ يُخَاطِبُهُمْ بِكَلِمَةِ اللَّهِ. فَأَتَوْهُ بِمُخْلَعٍ يَحْمِلُهُ أَرْبَعَةُ رِجَالٍ. وَسَبَبَ الْجَمْعِ لَمْ يَسْتَطِيعُوا الْوُضُولَ بِهِ إِلَى يَسُوعَ، فَكَشَفُوا السَّقْفَ فَوْقَ يَسُوعَ، وَنَبَشُوهُ، وَدَلَّوْا الْفِرَاشَ الَّذِي كَانَ الْمُخْلَعُ مَطْرُوحًا عَلَيْهِ. وَرَأَى يَسُوعُ إِيمَانَهُمْ، فَقَالَ لِلْمُخْلَعِ: "يَا ابْنِي، مَغْفُورَةٌ لَكَ خَطَايَاكَ!". وَكَانَ بَعْضُ الْكُتَّابَةِ 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 وَاحْمِلْ فِرَاشَكَ وَامْشِ؟ 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 الْبَنَةِ!".

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