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Monday thru Thursday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
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Sunday 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

Saturday: Confessions 3:30 - 4:30 Vigil Mass 5:00 pm **Sunday**: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:00 pm

Weekdays: 7:30 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Monday 8:00 am to 9:00 pm • Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm LiveStream www.livestream.com/saintcornelius

Thoughts from the Second Floor Front III Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 26, 2020

I Corinthians Part II

At the Sunday Liturgy last week we began hearing from St. Paul's first letter to the Church of Corinth. St. Paul founded the church in that licentious port city in the ancient Roman Empire on his second missionary journey. The letter is one of the best sources of information about the early church and people in the community who, having accepted the faith, now are making great efforts to live it. In this letter it seems at times that Paul is offering answers to questions posed to him or addressing problems that have become known to him. Specifically, the questions and issues he addresses deal with four topics: factions in the community, a case of sexual immorality, a theological question about the teaching concerning the resurrection of the dead and finally, a problem with the manner in which the Corinthians were celebrating the Eucharist. Last week I addressed the first three issues; with this effort I will take up the fourth – the problem the Corinthians are having with manner in which they celebrate Eucharist. (I Cor 11:17-34).

The problem with their celebrations is the main problem that afflict many if not all theological errors – excess. Evidently there were two meals that comprised the celebration of the Agape – the love meal. We would call it a potluck supper. People would bring to the house church, for there were no buildings as such then, whatever they could contribute towards everyone's dinner. The problem came about when some, engaging in excess, ate so much there was not enough for everyone, or even worse they drank so much that some were getting drunk: When you meet in one place, then, it is not to eat the Lord's supper, for in eating, each one goes ahead with his own supper, and one goes hungry while another gets drunk. (11:20-21)

After castigating them for their behavior of excess, lack of hospitality and selfishness, Paul launches into an instruction on the Eucharist. He reminds the people of Corinth what he received from the Lord and what it was he taught them. Then Paul repeats the words Jesus used at the Last Supper, the words we use today in celebrating the Eucharist.

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus, on the night he was handed over, took bread, and, after he had given thanks, broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Paul is quoting the Institution Narrative – the words Jesus used at the Last Supper.

What is most interesting is that Paul was not present at the Last Supper.

What does this mean? Paul did not hear the words of Jesus <u>from</u> Jesus on that grace filled evening, the night before He died and the night He gave us the Eucharist. Paul did not hear the words from Jesus but he knows of them less than two decades after the event. He is offering a corrective to the Corinthians because they are doing it wrong. There must, therefore, have been a correct way to celebrate the Eucharist which had been clearly established by this time. The point is the Eucharist and its proper celebration. Within less than twenty years after the Christ event the church had firmly established and fully recognized the greatest gift Jesus has to offer which is Himself in the Eucharist.

Paul finishes his presentation on the Eucharist by admonishing the Corinthians to realize what it is they celebrate and who it is they receive. Do you? I have a theory that the casual manner in which people dress for the liturgy is an indication of their approach to receiving the Eucharist. I remember reading about Mohandas Gandhi in his reference to the Eucharist in which Gandhi said something like this: If I believed what Catholics believe about the Eucharist, nothing could tear me away from holding onto the tabernacle. Ours is a mystical religion and the presence of Christ in the Eucharist and within us is an element of that mystical experience. Share that good news with those who make \up your life this week. Share it in word and work.

Faithfully,



AN INVITATION FOR CHANGE

February 6, 2020









Catholic Relief Services has been in existence for over 75 years. In 2018, CRS celebrated its 75th anniversary. Born out of the refugee crisis following World War II, today the CRS staff, partners, supporters and beneficiaries serve in more than 100 countries around the world, responding to disaster, strengthening communities and so much more.

Recently, along with a number of parishioners, I met with the leadership of CRS in the Mid-Atlantic Region to begin to explore the possibility of forming a CRS Chapter in our parish to make the work of CRS an integral part of St. Cornelius.

I am going to contact pastors of neighboring parishes to see if they are interested in joining us. This CRS ministry may not be the answer to conversion of faith for the entire parish, but it could be the opportunity many are looking for in order to articulate and live their faith.

The focus at this time is multi-dimensional:

- ♦ Education. To raise awareness of what CRS does.
- Advocacy. Communicate with our government agencies to advocate for and help maintain 1% of the federal budget to overseas support. This involves communicating with Congress and other elected officials.
- Community fundraising efforts. The chapter will be a conduit for CRS fundraising efforts, education and communications to let people know what happens with the donations.
- CRS will supply an ongoing level of support via monthly national conference calls. From this we may receive specific assignments for our chapter.

This effort on behalf of CRS is still very new and will continue to grow and develop over time.

I introduce this topic today as a way of asking you to give prayerful consideration to participate in this unique opportunity to live your discipleship and work to bring the goodness of the Kingdom of God to those most in need.

I invite you to explore this opportunity further by coming to a meeting in the Fr. Simon Room in the PLC on Thursday, February 6th at 7:00PM.



STAND UP FOR LIFE

Essay Contest



The St. Cornelius Respect Life Committee and the Knights of Columbus are co-sponsoring an Essay Contest from January 26 to February 23. Contest is open to all students of the Parish in grades 6-8. Winners will be notified on March 3, the Feast of St. Katharine Drexel.

Cash Prizes: First Place-\$75 Second Place-\$50 Third Place-\$25

Essay Theme: "Life Empowers: Pro-Life is Pro-Woman." Please go to saintcornelius.org/bulletins for complete details and rules.



12th Annual Archdiocesan Catholic Men's Conference Register for MAN UP PHILLY 2020

On Saturday March 7, 2020 at Neumann University's Mirenda Center One Neumann Drive, Aston, PA, the men of the parish are invited to join Catholic men from throughout the Archdiocese for the 12th Annual Archdiocesan Catholic Men's Conference.

Speakers will include *Immaculée Ilibagiza*, speaker and author of the best selling book Left to Tell about her trials in the war in Rwanda and how she found unconditional love and forgiveness. Former Philadelphia Eagle, *Brent Celek*, a leader and tight end for the Eagles for 11 years who finished his football career on top by helping the Eagles win Super Bowl LII. *Steve Bollman*, founder of Paradisus Dei and creator of That Man is You. Steve received a personal call to found a ministry dedicated to the renewal of marriage and family life. Several of our men are currently engaged in our own program of That Man is You. Irish tenor, *Mark Forrest*, will again provide inspirational accompaniment during a special Eucharistic Adoration. Our time together will also include the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and the Conference will conclude with Mass celebrated by *Archbishop Charles J. Chaput*.

What better gift can you give the important men in your life than an opportunity to grow deeper in their faith? To register go to https://manupphilly.com/registration

FUNERAL MINISTRY

Funeral Ministry is a parish organization that provides volunteers to assist with the celebration of the funeral liturgy.

Have you ever wanted to be an altar server? This could be your opportunity. Funerals are generally celebrated at 10 am; so if you have the occasional morning available, we could use your help. Training will be provided! Please call the Parish Life Center at 610-459-2502 to volunteer.

Coffee The St. Cornelin.

The St. Cornelius Council of the Knights of Columbus will be hosting its monthly coffee reception after the 11:00 Mass on the



first Sunday of each month. Our next coffee reception is the weekend of **February 2**. Nick Cappelli of Pronto Catering is again supplying us with the caffeine, cocoa and tea. We ask parishioners with last names A-N to help out by bringing a dozen or so baked goods to share with all our parishioners

Thank you to the Family Promise ministry who will be donating this coming month and to those parish groups who have donated baked goods for our earlier First Sunday Coffees:

Bible Study, Parish Prayer Circle, Adorers, Prayer Shawl, Consolers, and Pastoral Council.

Also, please use disposable containers for easier clean up. See you there!



Parish Holy Hour

Tuesday, February 11th 7:00 pm

Every member of the Church must be vigilant in seeing that the sacrament of love shall be at the center of the life of the people of God so that through all the manifestations of worship due him shall be given back 'love for love' and truly become the life of our souls. (Pope John Paul II)

Our hour together in prayer will be guided by the following form.

7 pm - Opening Hymn and Exposition

Reading

Hymn

Short Homily

Private meditation - Bible readings encouraged

7:35 pm - Rosary

7:55 pm - Benediction

Recessional Hymn

Please join us sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

3rd Sunday Parish Rosary

All parishioners are invited to participate in the 3rd Sunday parish rosary, recited after the 11:00 am Mass on every 3rd Sunday in the year. Join us after the 11:00 AM Mass, February 16th recite the Rosary with your fellow parishioners.



Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



The Sunday collection is very important for us to maintain our fiscal responsibilities. So, if you are away on a Sunday, *ENJOY*; but remember *YOUR* church.

January 19, 2020 \$15,749 "For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be."

Luke 12:34

Monsignor's Thursday Email

Msgr. Diamond's weekly Thursday Email is a popular weekly news letter for our parishioners. Currently there are over 805 people who receive his email each Thursday afternoon. If you would like to be on our distribution list, please call the office at (610) 459-2502 or send your request to be added to our distribution at (Stcorn1@comcast.net). Many of our parishioners enjoy receiving these emails and staying up-to-date on the goings on of St. Cornelius Church.



The Ministry of Consolation

A St. Cornelius community response to the needs of people grieving the death of a significant person/persons in their lives. The ministry honors the words and example of the Lord Jesus:

"Blessed are they who mourn; they shall be consoled" (Matthew 5:4).

A team of three trained St. Cornelius church members are the facilitators for the consolation ministry.

The next session will be **February 15, 2020**. Open Consolation Sessions will be held in the Bethany Room of the Church the third Saturday of the month from 3:30 to 5:00pm. Please contact Joan Holliday at (610) 717-2180.



CHOSEN FATHERS

A ministry of Mutual Support for Fathers of Children with Special Needs

Being a good dad day-in and day-out is not an easy task. Yet raising children with special needs can make father-hood even more challenging.

We invite fathers of children with physical, mental, sensory, or emotional challenges to the first meeting of this new group aimed at enabling dads to follow Christ's example of love, patience, mercy and service in raising and supporting their children.

3rd Tuesday of every month
7:30 - 8:45 pm
St. Mark Conf. room, Mullin Ministry Center
St. Elizabeth Parish
110 Saint Elizabeth Drive
Chester Springs, PA 19425

If you have questions, please call: Joe Howard (610-458-7831; jchoward72@aol.com) or Liam Dempsey (610-390-9076; liam@LBdesigns.tv)



Helping Hands and Hearts

This ministry offers temporary help (meals, home visits, light cleaning, laundry, errands) to individuals and families in need! If you are aware of someone in need or would like to be a volunteer helper, please contact Marilyn Gustin at (484) 732-8842.

Eucharistic Adoration

The Blessed Virgin Mary has asked us to pray, fast and repent. The saints have promoted pray and sacrifice also so, let us encourage our families to pray together. Maybe with the new year we can try to develop some new habits. Take 10 minutes in the morning and at night to pray, give up something as a sacrifice and try going to reconciliation once a month. These are little ways to grow closer to Our Lord and receive extra graces. Adoration is also way of growing closer to Jesus. Have you considered being a Permanent Adorer?

We need a second Permanent Adorers for Friday mornings and afternoons. Maybe you and a friend would be able to share an hour time slot every other week.

Contact Sue Miller 484-480-5882 or Toni Moyer 484-840-0552. SACRED HEART OF JESUS, I ADORE YOU IN THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT!

Serving the Homeless with Family Promise



"None of us can think we are exempt from concern for the Poor and for social justice"

Pope Francis

St. Cornelius volunteers care for homeless families through the

Family Promise inter-faith ministry in southern Chester County. Our forty-four registered volunteers spend time with the most vulnerable in our neighboring community until they find stable housing. Recently, we congratulated one of the Family Promise families for returning to stable housing for a family of 5. We need 27-30 volunteers each time we serve 4 times a year.



We welcome new volunteers and if you can't volunteer, we would appreciate donations to support the food purchases for the meals that we prepare when we have our time to volunteer. To sign-up to volunteer or contribute contact Kathy Silvon at msilvon@aol.com or call 484-720-8214





No matter what you call them, we all love them!

The St. Cornelius Knights of Columbus Council is pleased to host a Pancake Breakfast.

Sunday, January 26
Walker Hall (school)

After 9:00 am Mass to 1:00 pm (Approximately)
Adults: \$8.00, Kids: \$5.00
Children under 5: FREE
Discount for family of 4 or more

The menu will include eggs, bacon, sausage, coffee, tea, orange juice and of course, pancakes! This event has always been well received by the Parish community and your continued support is very much appreciated. Proceeds from this event support the charitable mission of the Knights of Columbus - Council 12391.

ST. PADDY'S DANCE PARTY

Featuring music by



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Saturday, March 12, 2020 6:30pm to 10:30pm St. Cornelius Parish Life Center



Silent Auction



Buffet Dinner, Beer, Set-up & Mixers for BYOB ~Age 21+



Tickets \$40 per person, can be purchased after all Masses starting the weekend of February 16/17

(No refunds).
More information, call (610) 459-2502

Proceeds to benefit the ministries of the parish

Wait for the LORD with courage; be stouthearted, and wait for the LORD.

- Psalm 27:14



Amen

In our charity, let us pray for the repose of the souls of

Francis A. Gallagher, III
Son of Carol Gallagher

Janet M. Kuders
Wife of Frank P. Kuders

Charles T. McLaughlin Husband of Agnes McLaughlin

Gerald Murphy

Husband of Gloria Murphy

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord. May they rest in peace.

Snow Closing

The safety of our children both in school and PREP are of the utmost importance. Ice, sleet and snow can come at any time. During the week, Monday through Friday, if the Unionville Chadds Ford School District announces the closing of schools, or a two hour delay because of weather, the 7:30 AM Mass will not be celebrated.

It takes a big undertaking to clear the parking lot and have the pathways shoveled. Closing the school and canceling PREP

allows our snow removal company to clean up the snow and restore our property to a safe and active place. If schools are closed ALL ACTIVITIES for the day and evening are canceled.

Remember - Safety comes First!!

Let us pray for our Men and Women serving in the Armed Forces. Especially for:

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 25 & January 26 February 1 & February 2 Saturday Saturday 5:00 pm Msgr. Diamond 5:00 pm Msgr. Diamond Sunday Sunday 7:30 am Msgr. Diamond 7:30 am Msgr. Diamond 9:00 am Msgr. Diamond 9:00 am Oblate 11:00 am Msgr. Diamond 11:00 Msgr. Diamond 5:00 pm Msgr. Diamond 5:00 pm Msgr. Diamond

Sunday Mass Intentions (Week of January 26 - January 31)

7:30 AM Alex & Julie Polk 9:00 AM Geraldine Bolets 11:00 AM Augustine Albino 5:00 PM Martin Mortimer

Weekly Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil / Sunday Mass Reading

Intention: Missa pro populo (Mass for the people) **Reading:** Is 8:23 - 9:3; Ps27:1, 4, 13-14;
1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23

Monday 7:30 AM St. Angela Merici

Intention: Don Devine

Reading: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20-22, 25-26;

Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday 7:30 AM St. Thomas Aquinas

Intentions: Patricia Starkey

Reading: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7-10;

Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday 7:30 AM

Intention: Dan Farren

Reading: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday 7:30 AM

Intention: Alex & Jennie Palovitch

Reading: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 132:1-5, 11-14;

Mk 4:21-25

Friday 7:30 AM St. John Bosco

Intention: Norine Bastian-Pastore

Reading: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Ps 51:3-7,

10-11; Mk 4:26-34

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AND THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM

Andrea Bateman, Betty Zeller, Anthony Stracciolini, Michael Dusik, Pat Lavender, Brandon Heacock, Brittany Lott, Nancy Young, Peyton Lott, Billy Lott, Nanci Ehmer, Lydia McAndrew, Tom Schreiber, Peggy Peters, Paul McEneaney, John Melasecca, Margaret Rogowski, Ken Rudert, Ed Shell, Virginia Piergiovanni, Ellie McCreight, Ellie Griem, Gregory Varacchi, Michael McKinnen, Jeanne Kitson, Connie Carney, Rob Kenney, Kelly Kenney, Eugene Monaco, Susan Meyers, Luke Post, Matthew Hess, Gary Hampton, Jim Buckley, Jerome Lienhard, Mary Rose Salisbury, Margery Butler, Charlotte Kensicki, Jim Barr, Jerome Lichard, Lisa Winkleblech, Aaron Winkleblech, Patricia Butler, Michael Leavy, Bob Post, Mary Ann Holt, Joseph Spetzer, III, Jennifer Carson, Christine Cavaliere, Margie Thivierge, Janet Kuders, Denise Neils, Baby, Gloria Carroll, Trish Churchill, Carol Lyon, Mark Robuck, Dick Arthur, Frank Bern, Peg Camero, Luke Sneed, Rich Pesce, Amy Tucker, Charles Grasty, Bob Frick, Hillary Hopkins, Gregg Afflerbach, Robert Lott, Lynnane Smith, Bertha Bowman, William Grant, Francis Grant, Mary Ann Croce, Joanne Gillease, Patricia Stevenson, Marie Ouly, Peter LaCrosse, Charles Quinn, Jean Pesce, Elizabeth Kephart, Theresa Briglia, Jean Hackett, Art Hindle, Bernice Hindle, Don Masse, Ellen & Frank Ward, Thomas Small, Vicki Wojdak, Todd Morris, Olga Bianco, Matthew Duffy, Ally Hampton, Hope Huber, Karen Jackson, Susan Springman, Christine Cavalieri, Noreen Decenzi, Catherine Peronace

BIBLE STUDY-

We have begun our fall Bible Study once again with Monsignor Diamond. All women and men are invited to join us each **Thursday morning** from **10:00 to 11:30 am**. If you weren't

able to join us last week, do not let that deter you. The goal of this Scripture study will be to broaden our knowledge of Scrip-

ture, our church's teaching regarding the Scriptures, and it will enhance our understanding and personal faith life.

If you have questions, please call Nancy Todor - cell 609-234-1193.

PILGRIM STATUE

1-26-2020 Natalie Gallaen 2-2-2020 Cecile Boznango

The new sign up sheet for 2020 is now available

Please only 3 weeks per family this year

Call Cecille at (610) 361-8899 for more information.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

St. Cornelius Parish Council is soliciting nominations for the upcoming election in May to fill two available positions. Nominees must be Catholics in good standing, registered and active parish members. Newly elected members will serve a three-year term. Nominees will be contacted for confirmation and will be required to submit a brief biography.

Parish councils are serving an increasing role in our parish life. If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else, please use the nomination ballots that will be placed in the pews on a weekend in mid-March. Place this form in the nomination ballot box located in the vestibule of the church on those weekends. You will also be able to submit nominations electronically through Msgr. Diamond's Thursday afternoon email.

Once the nominations are confirmed the candidates will provide a brief biography articulating why they want to take on this unique and significant role within the parish. Final voting will take place in late April.

THAT MAN IS YOU! THE BATTLE OVER THE BRIDE THE UNVEILING OF LOVE

PROGRAM INFORMATION:

We meet for a light breakfast, conversation, a video presentation, small group discussion, and close in time for daily Mass.



SCHEDULE:

Join us each Wednesday morning at 6:00 am to 7:15 am

We meet each Wednesday starting January 29.

Registration after Mass and before each meeting or at: admin.paradisusdei.org

The St. Cornelius Literary Society

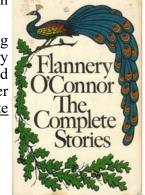
Our Inaugural meeting of the SCLS on January 12th was a strong turn out of participants who engaged in commentary and offered their insights and thoughts on Graham Greene's book The Power and the Glory.

We will keep our usual format of time and place on

Sunday, February 9 at 3:00 PM in the Fr. Simon Room in the PLC.

Our reading for our next meeting will be taken from the Flannery O'Connor library. You can find three short selected stories in her collection titled <u>The Complete</u> Stories.

A Good Man is Hard to Find The Enduring Chill The Displaced Person



I hope you find these stories thought provoking and insightful in your own reflections.

The Faith Community Nurse Holistic Health Ministry

On request, Faith Community Nurses are making home visits to families who may be experiencing medical or social difficulties. The nurses confidentially address the needs holistically through bringing with them prayers from the parish, a knowledge of the medical field and process for providing support. If you know of anyone in the parish or beyond who would benefit from these services, please email: stcfcn@gmail.com. Contact person is Joan Holliday, RN/FCN at (610) 717-2180.

Centering Prayer

GROWING IN LOVE FOR GOD

"Be Still And Know That I Am God." Psalm 46:10

What draws your head and heart to God? Is your mind overwhelmed and filled with distraction and constant noise? Consider the method of Centering Prayer. We meet on Saturday mornings at 8:30 in the chapel. Please call Michael or Rosemary Gidlewski for more information (484) 429-1556.

Saint Cornelius School is an essential part of our parish community, empowering our students to develop spiritually, academically, physically, and morally as responsible stewards of God's creation.

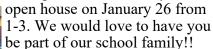
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School Technology

The children at St. Cornelius School love using technology in their daily learning. Each classroom is 1:1 with either Chrome Books or iPads. The smart board brings so many lessons to life and the children are hands on with the interactive technology.

The older students do a weekly newscast using our green screen, this is something everyone looks forward to seeing each week.

Come and see all the wonderful things our school has to offer. Please call and set up a tour or come by our















PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (PREP)

Saint Cornelius Parish

You can contact Mrs. Swetland at stcornprep@scornelius.org or by calling the parish office (610) 459-2502

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

We offer a Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 9:00 Sunday mass. We invite children ages 3-8 to attend if they have not yet received First Holy Communion.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT LESSONS

The Archdiocese requires every PREP student receive a safe environment lesson each year. Our lessons will take place this Sunday, January 26, and Wednesday, January 29. Parents can review exactly what will be taught in the lessons. Parents who wish to "opt out" their children from the instruction may sign a form to do so.

MID-TERMS

Homeschool students in grades 3-6 must take a mid-term exam in person at the Parish Life Center or School during January. Contact Mrs. Swetland to set up the best time for your family or to discuss IEP issues that may affect them taking the exam. The exam will cover sessions 1-13 in each book.

DATES TO REMEMBER FOR PREP

January 26, 29: PREP, Safe Environment lesson January 26: Summer PREP follow-up #3, Safe Environment lesson

February 2, 5: PREP

February 8: FIRST PENANCE AND RECONCILIATION

February 9, 12: PREP February 16: **NO PREP** February 19, 23: PREP

February 26: ASH WEDNESDAY, NO PREP

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Spirit each day: He guides
us along the path of
discipleship in Christ.
Pope Francis



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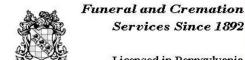




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- Canned chicken Canned tomato products
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