# **ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

### **THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST - AUGUST 20, 2023**

READING 1 CORINTHIANS 3: 1 - 11 GOSPEL LUKE 8: 1 - 15

Prayers for Peace in the Middle East HEALING MASS OF SAINT SHARBEL TUESDAY, AUGUST 22ND - 7 PM

PASTOR CHORBISHOP ALFRED BADAWI

ASSOCIATE PASTOR Fr. Christopher Nahra

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SATURDAY: 4:00 PM SUNDAY: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Rosary: 30 minutes before saturday & sunday masses

**CONFESSIONS: BY APPOINTMENT** 

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION 1st Saturday: 3:30 PM

FAMILY OF SAINT SHARBEL HEALING MASS & BENEDICTION 22nd Day of Every Month

\*7:00 PM (April - October) 6:30 PM (November - March)

SAINT SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH 43888 Hayes Road CLINTON TOWNSHIP, MI 48038

## MASS INTENTIONS

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 18TH

9:30 AM— Parishioners and Benefactors, by Clergy

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19TH 12:00 PM— Baptism Chloe Grace Pereira

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19TH 1:30 PM— Baptism Jude Kousay Joseph

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 19TH

- 4:00 PM— Bobbi Sfire Special Intention Healing, by Clergy
- 4:00 PM- Vera Hakim Special Intention Healing, by Family
- **4:00 PM— Alice Faye Elias 5 Year Remembrance**, by Husband, Jerry Elias
- 4:00 PM— Matthew Sami Daman, by Family
- 4:00 PM- Owen Petrzelka, by Grandparents, Anthony and Lucy Shaker
- 4:00 PM— Joe Deeby, by Don and Mary Ann Ganem
- 4:00 PM— Matty Moroun and Anne Moroun, by Family

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 20TH

- 9:30 AM— Bobbi Sfire Special Intention Healing, by Clergy
- 9:30 AM— Khoder Attecha Special Intentions, by Family
- 9:30 AM— Mickey and Julia Thomas, by the Badawi Family
- 9:30 AM— Joseph, Helen and Betty Shaker, by Family
- 9:30 AM— Paul and Shelby Matta and Family, by Rose Matta Ferrante
- 9:30 AM— Joseph Ferrante, by Wife, Rose
- 9:30 AM— Shirley A. Saad Birthday Remembrance, by her Nieces

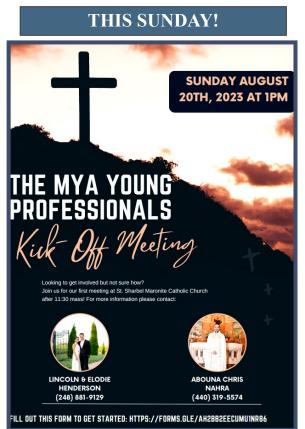
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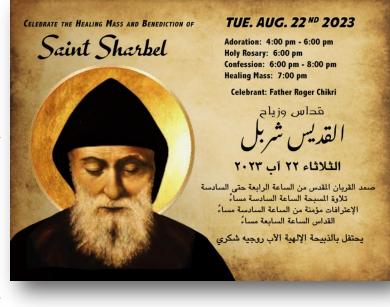
- 11:30 AM— Bobbi Sfire Special Intention Healing, by Clergy
- 11:30 AM— Special Intention Cara Noelle Hahn-Harik, by Clergy
- 11:30 AM— Special Intention Healing Joseph Lopez, by Clergy
- 11:30 AM— Nizam Touma & Assia Fares Touma 52nd Wedding Anniversary, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Dr. Rabih Touma & Dr. Remie Fawaz Touma 17th Wedding Anniversary, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Special Intention for Healing of Ehad Nofali, by Liliane
- 11:30 AM- Albert and Mona Badawi, by Elias and Rania Ghafari

#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 22ND

#### HEALING MASS OF SAINT SHARBEL

- 7:00 PM— Peace in the Middle East, by Clergy
- 7:00 PM— Nadia Kayrouz Special Intention Healing,
- by Family 7:00 PM— Matthew Sami Daman, by Family
- 7:00 PM— Special Intention Healing Joseph Lopez, by Clergy
- 7:00 PM— Special Intention Healing Maria Atallah, by Georgette Marie Shaya
- 7:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Sassy Family, by Family
- 7:00 PM— Sick, Homebound and Shut Ins, by Clergy
- 7:00 PM— For an End to Abortion, by Clergy
- 7:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Chaldean Community, by Clergy
- 7:00 PM— Special Intention for Ann Gabbara, Kenny Gabbara, Al Attallah, and Nancy Attallah, by Family
- 7:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Mrs. Georgette Shaya Family, by Clergy
- 7:00 PM— Issa Sweidan Special Intention for Healing, by Clergy





## MASS INTENTIONS

#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23RD

- 9:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Lady Altar Society, by Clergy
- 9:30 AM— Bobbi Sfire Special Intention Healing, by Parishioners
- 9:30 AM— Tannous Ghafari, by Pastor

#### THURSDAY, AUGUST 24TH

**6:00 PM— Bobbi Sfire Special Intention Healing**, by the Badawi Family **6:00 PM— Joseph, Helen and Betty Shaker**, by Family

#### FRIDAY, AUGUST 25TH

9:30 AM— Parishioners and Benefactors, by Clergy

#### SATURDAY, AUGUST 26TH

- **4:00 PM** Leonard Thomas Mass of Thanksgiving, by Clergy and Parishioners
- 4:00 PM— Vera Hakim Special Intention Healing, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Akram Karromi, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Matty Moroun and Anne Moroun, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Cathie Nagurka 25 Year Remembrance, by
- Paul Nagurka and Rose Ann Jacobs 4:00 PM— Matthew Sami Daman, by Family

#### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 27TH**

- 9:30 AM— Khoder Attecha Special Intentions, by Family
- 9:30 AM— Josephine Johns and Peter Johns, Sr., by Family
- 9:30 AM— George Sassin 11 Year Remembrance, by the Sassin Family
- 9:30 AM— Albert and Mona Badawi, by Louise Isaac Carson
- 9:30 AM— Deceased Members of the Crispin, Shaker and Abraham Family, by Joe & Terry Shaker

#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 27TH

- 11:30 AM— Special Intention Cara Noelle Hahn-Harik, by Clergy
- 11:30 AM- Mustfa Aabid 40 Day Remembrance, by Children,
  - Zeyad (Hala), Naeem, Juhin and Zina and their Families
- 11:30 AM- Chafic Eid, by Sister, Mona Eid and Family
- **11:30 AM Yola Chidiac 2 Year Remembrance**, by Naji Chidiac and Family
- 11:30 AM— Joseph Joseph, by the Medley Family
- 11:30 AM— John Jreige, by Son & Daughter In Law, Assad and Therese Jreige and Family

### 2023 - 2024 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM REGISTER NOW!

To register your child/children for fall classes in our Religious Education Program, please fill out a Registration Form. Forms can be found in the Lobby of the Church or click on Link below.

For more information contact:

REP Director – Noha Agini/ e-mail: <u>REP@saintsharbelmi.org</u> / Office: 586.630.0002 ext. 7 / Mobile: 586.531.6030

### READERS

READERS FOR SATURDAY, AUGUST 19 4:00 PM - Janet Peters

READERS FOR: SUNDAY, AUGUST 20 9:30 AM - Staci Saker

READERS FOR: SUNDAY, AUGUST 20 11:30 AM - Raneem Sweidan Maysoon Sweidan

READERS FOR SATURDAY, AUGUST 26 4:00 PM - Sheila Millett

READERS FOR: SUNDAY, AUGUST 27 9:30 AM - Michael Debruyn

READERS FOR: SUNDAY, AUGUST 27 11:30 AM - George Habbouche George Fares



## HELP NEEDED!

Seeking responsible, trustworthy Arabic speaking person to assist with light activities of daily living for 2 elderly adults in their home. Daytime hours flexible. Shelby Township area.

For more information, please call (267) 312-9645.

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### LET US PRAY HEALING PRAYERS FOR ...

**All Expecting Couples All Engaged Couples Raheel Abbawi** Nafee Aboo **David Ajbib Baby Charbel Al-Jarawi** Sohaila Aljarbo **Claire Aouad** Salam Askar Adeet D. Aiyer Maria Atallah Sr. Fadia Bashee **Antoinette Batayeh** Joan Bernadette **Paul Bochenek Joanne Burton Stephanie Clark** John Comito **Tim Cowper** Haifa Dawood **Chuck Eisenman Nancy Esho** Keri Faircloth Fred Faris Jennifer Farrar Pat Farrar **Stephanie Felgenauer Dorothy Ferrara Charbel Francis Mary Frensch** Lamia Gabriel **Albert Gantos** Wala Gapy Adrianna, Jaxson, and **Jameson Gorgis** Larry Glasgow John Grzadzinski **David Habib Ellie Hadid** Tammy Hakim **Cara Noelle Hahn-Harik Blake Hamama Duraid Hanna Anthile Hermese** Judy Hindy Sarah Hurmiz **Joseph Jacob Edward & Suham John Anthony Joseph Dominic Joseph Juricic** Chukri Kadado Lena Kanan

Leeno Kas-Mikha Salvador Kassab **Tom Kiernicki** Saad Kirma Jackie Lael **Agnes Langschied** Teresa Logan Joseph Lopez Fabiola Maduro Michele Makhlouf Youssif Makhoul Matthew **Ron McKellar** Sara Meyou **Edward Moffett Chervl Moultrie Paul Nahra Mary Niemic** Javen Noija **Cindy Pryor Pauline Saba** Narden Alexander Saeed **Ghalia Sagmani Ruby Salmen Remone Salmen** Nadre Salmen Frances Sam **Guy Sam Boutros Saman** Anwar & Suham Seman and Children **Alfred Shina** EddieSesi Nazik Sesi Saba Simon **Christian Charbel Slewah Taryne Spirobski** Maria Steinhebel Issa Sweidan John Sykes **Terry Thomas** Lexi Underwood **Bryan Walton** Samira Wanis Jad Yacoub Christina Yako Ghazi Aziz Yaldo Justin Yaldo and Family Nazira Yasso **Kathy Yousif** Emmanuel Zaya **Anthony Zora** 



### SANCTUARY CANDLE

FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST BURNS FOR:

In Loving Memory of Frederick Francis 42 Year Remembrance by his Children

### **CHAPEL CANDLE**

### FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST BURNS FOR:

In Loving Memory of George and Mary Ann Sassin by Joe & Donna Sassin

### **INCENSE AND CHARCOAL**

FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST In Loving Memory of George & Henriette Chalhoub by Family

#### **BREAD AND WINE**

FOR THE YEARS 2023 - 2026 Living and Deceased Members of the Michel and Fadia Nahed Family

In Loving Memory of Judith Anne Jacobs by Anthony Jacobs and Family

### THANK YOU!

WEEKLY COLLECTION August 12 & 13, 2023 Envelopes: \$5,817.00 Online: \$1,750.00 Total Collection: \$7,567.00

With sincere gratitude and thanks for your faithful and loving support of our parish!

### **DEACON'S CORNER**

Deacon's Corner by Deacon John Sfire August 15, 2023

First and foremost, let me say to all HAPPY FEAST DAY! Today the Church celebrates the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which I will talk about later in the DC.

Today I want to talk about what I consider a sadness we should all be feeling. What and why do I say that? Let me tell you. Yesterday I heard a report that since the pandemic began and up to today, the Church has experienced a 23% drop in those Catholics attending Mass on Sunday. And I believe that the Church has done this to itself by allowing us not to have to attend Mass at least once a week on Sunday. I know there are different means that have been implemented such as live-streamed Mass, parking lot drive-ups, and just plain too many other distractions in our lives that we feel are valid excuses to miss Mass. I am sorry to say *"none of those things fly with me."* 

While we have all been taught that Mass attendance on Sunday is an *"obligation"*, I have never considered that to be the case. I attend Mass as often as possible in any given week out of my love for Jesus Christ. We have the ability to receive the real Body and Blood of Jesus in the Eucharist, but only when we are present at Mass. So I urge each and every one of us to *"get back on track"* by showing our love for Jesus and all that He has given us and continues to give us every day.

I believe that many of us have drifted away from our Christian faith over time for a variety of reasons. I know for me personally, I have not always remained on my own *"road to salvation"* as best as I could have. Remember our *"road to salvation"* has a lot of potholes and curves (as I have said many times before both in homilies and DCs) and some of the potholes and curves are more severe than others which make it difficult to stay on our path. Also that those challenges we face are the work of the evil one who dwells in our lives every day.

While the precepts of our faith have not varied much since Jesus walked among us 2,000+ years ago, some things have been added and some changed, but the message of Christ remains the same. *"Love the Lord thy God with your whole heart and love your neighbor as yourself"*. I will never stop professing those two Commandments. I know it sounds pretty basic and it really is, but our society and our straying away from God over time has made it difficult. Not because of something God did, but our own drifting away.

Chorbishop Alfred sent me a copy of His homily for the Feast of the Assumption and there are some excerpts I want to include for all to read.

"The feast day is significant because it is one of the four Marian dogmas of the Catholic church. Those four doctrines are; Divine motherhood, The Immaculate Conception, Perpetual Virginity and The Assumption into Heaven. Since Mary was full of grace and did not suffer from original sin, it is fitting that she would not experience bodily corruption in the grave. So God honored her and took her body and soul into Heavenly glory at the end of her earthly life. As we heard in Paul's letter, the Virgin Mary is in Heaven rejoicing with those who rejoice and weeping with those who weep. She is contributing to the salvation of souls, all the souls, because we all are her children. May we all end our journeys in life with pure hearts, without hatred, jealousy and loathing, so that Our Lord comes and dwells within us and raises us to His heavenly glories."

Thank you, Abouna Alfred.

My blessings to all, Deacon John

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### **UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS**

Aug 20	Mass Live Streamed 11:30 AM
Aug 20	LAS Meeting 10:30 AM
Aug 20	MYA Young Professionals Kickoff Meeting 1 PM
Aug 22	Healing Mass of Saint Sharbel 7 PM
Aug 27	Parish Family Picnic 1 PM - 6 PM
Aug 30	Gala Meeting 6:30 PM
Sept 23	St. Sharbel Ännual Gala - Palazzo Grande

### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

### **MARRIED IN CHRIST**

Our Congratulations and Best Wishes to Elie Touma and Kristina Alitawi who were married on Saturday, August 12, 2023 at St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church.

We pray that the Lord God may grant this couple happiness and joy in their lives together as husband and wife!

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

We congratulate Mr. Nizam Touma and Mrs. Assia Fares Touma on their 52nd Wedding Anniversary!

We congratulate Dr. Rabih Touma and Dr. Remie Fawaz Touma on their 17th Wedding Anniversary!

May our Lord continue to bless these couples with good health and happiness!

### **GALA TICKETS!**

#### PURCHASE GALA TICKETS THIS WEEKEND!

Gala tickets can be purchased after all Masses this weekend! The Seating Chart for the Gala will be on display in the Church Lobby! Tickets can also be purchased and paid for ONLINE by going to our website or the weekly parish email! For more information or if you have questions, please call Abdou Deban [810-602-8318] Elias Yammine [586-354-5472]

> Nabil Fawaz [248-894-1375] Elias Bassil [586-662-4562]. Thank you!



### **SPECIAL EVENT!**

PRAY FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST AT THE HEALING MASS OF SAINT SHARBEL!

> PRAYERS & PROCESSION 7 PM

#### TUESDAY, AUGUST 22ND

Join us this Tuesday, August 22nd for 7 PM Mass and an Outdoor Procession with Special Dedication for Peace in the Middle East!



#### BRING A FLAG! All attending are encouraged bring a flag representing your country

to carry in the procession!

#### WEAR WHITE!

Also, you are encouraged to wear a **WHITE top** representing **PEACE!** 

### **UPCOMING WEDDINGS**

### ST. SHARBEL CHURCH UPCOMING WEDDINGS

September 9, 2023 Yousif Elia and Klimintine Trajchevska

Saturday, September 16, 2023 Ghaleb Sweis and Randa Bakoss

Saturday, October 14, 2023 Christopher Gully and Rochelle ElNachar

Saturday, November 4, 2023 Aaron Meadors and Vivian Sweiss



