

# ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

## CLINTON TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN

TWELFTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST - AUGUST 25, 2019

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READING 1 Ephesians 3:1-13 GOSPEL Matthew 15:21-28



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#### PASTOR

Chorbishop Alfred Badawi

#### DEACON

Michael Magyar

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Dianne Bartolomeo

### DIVINE LITURGY

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM

SUNDAY: 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM

#### FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION

1st Friday: 9:30 AM MASS

Eucharistic Adoration following until 3 PM

#### FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

1st Saturday: 3:30 PM

#### FAMILY OF SAINT SHARBEL

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22nd Day of Every Month

Liturgy and Benediction 7 PM (Summer Schedule)

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**SATURDAY, AUGUST 24TH**

4:00 PM— **Louis Joseph**, by Mary Medley

4:00 PM— **Paul Elias**, by Jerry Elias

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 25TH**

9:30 AM— **Cathie Nagurka 21 Year Remembrance**, by Paul Nagurka

9:30 AM— **Madeline Bolis Birthday Remembrance**, by Robert & Ann Marie Ferris

9:30 AM— **Glenn Ferris Birthday Remembrance**, by Robert & Ann Marie Ferris

9:30 AM— **Donna Sklar Birthday Remembrance**, by Robert & Ann Marie Ferris

9:30 AM— **George Sassin**, by the Sassin Family

9:30 AM— **Anthony E. Lesha Anniversary Remembrance**, by Mickey and Julie Thomas

11:30 AM— **Dr. Bassam Nasr 40 Day Remembrance**, by Wife, Marcelle and Children, Hani, Peter, Paul and Family

11:30 AM— **Special Intentions**, by the Shaker Family

11:30 AM— **Virgil Medley**, by Wife Mary and Children

11:30 AM— **Theresa Simon 3 Year Remembrance**, by Family

11:30 AM— **Chafic Eid**, by Sister, Mona Eid and Family

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 27TH**

9:30 AM— **Anthony Joseph**, by Mary Medley and Family

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28TH**

9:30 AM— **Special Intentions**, by the Shaker Family

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 29TH**

9:30 AM— **Living and Deceased Members of the Deacon John & Bobbi Sfire Family**, by Pastor

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 31ST**

**CELEBRANT: REV. MARK GEORGE**

4:00 PM— **Michel Besteni 33 Year Remembrance**, by Daughter, Linda Thomas

4:00 PM— **Michael Gabriel**, by Mary Medley and Family

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST**

9:30 AM— **Living and Deceased Members of the Joseph and Medley Families**, by Pastor

9:30 AM— **Mary Saad 2 Year Remembrance**, by Husband, Bill and Family

11:30 AM— **Special Intentions**, by the Shaker Family

11:30 AM— **Sante Cundari 40 Day Remembrance**, by Wife, Mona Ashkar

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST**

**CELEBRANT: CHORBISHOP ALFRED BADAWI**

2:30 PM— **WEDDING JAMES LOVELL & CHRISTINE AKROUSH**

*Thank you*  
**FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

**August 17 & 18, 2019**

**Envelopes: \$4,999.00**

**Online: \$ 40.00**

*May God bless you in return for your generosity and support of your parish!*

**READERS FOR:**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 24TH** 4:00 PM  
John Peters

**READERS FOR:**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 25TH** 9:30 AM  
Ann Marie Ferris

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 25TH** 11:30 AM  
Hani Nasr - English  
Kabalan Hawilo - Arabic

**READERS FOR:**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 31ST** 4:00 PM  
Sheila Millett

**READERS FOR:**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST** 9:30 AM  
Rosemary Kautz

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST** 11:30 AM  
Elsa Adam - English  
Toni Moussa - Arabic

**SPECIAL EVENT!**

**COME HEAR THE POWERFUL TESTIMONY OF  
RAYMOND NADER  
AND HIS ENCOUNTER WITH  
SAINT SHARBEL  
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2019  
AT 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM MASSES**



In 1994, Raymond Nader experienced a deep spiritual encounter with Saint Sharbel in Annaya, Lebanon at the Hermitage of Saint Sharbel.

This encounter with the Saint left a miraculous sign on Raymond's arm in the form of 5 fingerprints which bled blood and water! This experience has repeated more than 40 times until now.

Following this encounter with Saint Sharbel, Raymond has dedicated his life to the service of Jesus and the Church, joined Telelumiere/ Noursat then became the Executive director.

He has also founded the **Family of Saint Sharbel**, a prayer group and community that is spreading the Maronite spiritually around the world.

**SPONSOR A CANDLE**

The scheduling of Masses and Sanctuary and Chapel Votive Candles are now open for 2019.

To request a Mass date or to sponsor a Sanctuary or Chapel Votive Candle in 2019, please telephone the Church Office at (586) 630-0002 or email the parish office at :

stsharbelmichigan@gmail.com.

\$25.00 donation per month is suggested.

**SANCTUARY CANDLE****FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST BURNS FOR:**

In Loving Memory of

Mark Werner

by Wife, Denise

**CHAPEL CANDLE****FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST BURNS FOR:**

Elizabeth Francis

by Her Children

**LET US PRAY FOR...**

**Raheel Abbawi**

**Nafee Aboo**

**David Ajbib**

**Marie Annis**

**Claire Aouad**

**Salam Askar**

**Evelyn Begin**

**Rosemarie Bogucki**

**Tim Cowper**

**Alma Dadoush**

**Haifa Dawood**

**Patrick Doyle**

**Delores Eggen**

**Chuck Eisenman**

**Nancy Esho**

**Keri Faircloth**

**Stephanie Felgenauer**

**Mary Floore**

**Fred Francis**

**Albert Gantos**

**Marie Gantos**

**Diane George**

**Phil Grobbel**

**John Grzadzinski**

**David Habib**

**Ellie Hadid**

**Dr. Sameer Hana**

**Delores Hejjawi**

**Anthile Hermese**

**Judy Hindy**

**Newborn Sebastian Hopper**

**Joseph Jacob**

**Edward & Suham John**

**Baby Jayden**

**Dominic Joseph Solanus Juricic**

**Sylvia Kaltz**

**Lena Kanan**

**Leeno Kas-Mikha**

**Tom Kiernicki**

**Agnes Langschieid**

**Ronald Latouf**

**Teresa Logan**

**Matthew Lomasney**

**Edward Moffett**

**Tom Nahas**

**Raymond Nicholas**

**Tony Nofar**

**Carmen Pozzi**

**Narden Alexander Saeed**

**Ruby Salmen**

**Remone Salmen**

**Nadre Salmen**

**Anwar & Suham Seman**

**and Children**

**Eddie Sesi**

**Nancy Sesi**

**Bobbi Sfere**

**Jason Sfere**

**Alfred Shina**

**Saba Simon**

**Vivian Simon**

**Baby Christian Charbel Slewah**

**Ashley Smith**

**Fredericka Smith**

**Patricia Smith**

**Terry Thomas**

**Baby John Venturini**

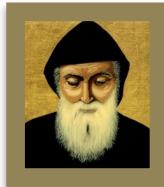
**Jad Yacoub**

**Christina Yako**

**Ghazi Aziz Yaldo**

**Nazira Yasso**

**Emmanuel Zaya**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM****REP REGISTRATION NOW!**

The REP program begins Sunday, September 15th, 2019.

**PARENTS** - Please register NOW if you have not already, so we can be fully prepared for your child(ren).

**VOLUNTEERS** - I have had several teaching changes for the upcoming year and am in need of both teachers and assistants.

Staci Saker

Director of REP - 248.494.1470

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
OFFICER INSTALLATION MASS  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH**

**6 PM Liturgy**

**followed by Installation of Officers**

**Reception to follow for all families and friends!**

**Make plans to attend!**





## UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

- August 23 MYA Event 6 PM  
 September 6 First Friday Devotion and Eucharistic Adoration  
 Mass 9:30 AM Adoration until 3 PM  
 September 7 First Saturday Devotion 3:30 PM  
 September 8 Raymond Nader Testimony 9:30 & 11:30 AM Mass  
 September 15 LAS Meeting 10:30 AM  
 September 16 K of C Mass 6 PM with Installation of Officers  
 September 22 Family of St. Sharbel Healing Mass & Devotion 7 PM  
 October 19 St. Sharbel Gala at Andiamo  
 October 25 Trunk or Treat Party  
 November 9-10 LAS Bake Sale  
 December 3 Giving Tuesday  
 December 11 Annual Christmas Luncheon 12 PM  
 December 15 Children's Christmas Party  
 December 31 Annual New Year's Eve Party

## CONGRATULATIONS!

## MARRIED IN CHRIST

Our Congratulations and Best Wishes to  
**Justin & Meera Gerard**  
 who were married on  
 Saturday, August 17, 2019  
 by Chorbishop Alfred Badawi.

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

## ENGAGED COUPLES

We pray for these couples as they look forward for their wedding day:

James Lovell & Christine Akroush - September 1, 2019  
 Daniel Maassarani & Alexandria Schmidt - October 5, 2019  
 Robert Krzeczowski & Katie Folk - November 29, 2019

## WITH GRATITUDE!

## OUR BEAUTIFUL GROUNDS!

On behalf of all the parishioners and visitors who express compliments and appreciation for our beautiful flowers and upkeep of the yard work, I wish to extend a special thank you to:

Leonard Thomas	Elie Eid
Toufic Soyad	Elie Karam

Thank you for the extra efforts that you give that keep St. Sharbel looking so beautiful! God bless you!

## LEONARD THOMAS SCHOLARSHIP

## SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The 8th Annual Leonard Thomas Scholarship is available to registered, active parishioners at St. Sharbel Church. You must be a student attending a Catholic high school, or in college. Submit a letter of application stating which catholic school or college you are attending, grade or level, and your reason (s), for choosing a Catholic school/university, and your parents' names to the Parish Office no later than **September 15, 2019**. Thank you!

## PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Friends,

On this fourth Sunday of the month of August, our Church calendar celebrates the 12th Sunday of the Pentecost Season.

I am so pleased that many people take the opportunity to stop by the Church and pray during the day. I see people I don't ordinarily see on Sunday. It's a great time to say a short prayer in thanksgiving or to request the strength and grace that only God can provide. Quite a few visitors who are in the area for family vacation also visit during the day. They come to the Sunday liturgy, as well, which is a good witness and reminder for us when we travel. Our parish website can be checked for a link to Mass times across the country.

Weekly confession is a wonderful way to honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus. It is a wonderful way to promote the weekly confession of our sins where we receive the necessary graces to live out our daily lives.

## FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION

The devotion on First Friday after the Holy Mass and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin on Fridays as of September 6th. I encourage you all to take advantage and to participate in the First Friday devotion and make it a regular part of your monthly devotions as well as First Saturday devotion to the Blessed Mother.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will also take place after the 9:30 am Holy Mass on the First Friday of every month until 3 PM. I encourage you to visit Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament during that time.

**ATTENTION PARISHIONERS:** If the Mass intention is for your "loved one" or you requested the mass, please approach Deacon Mike or the ushers before Mass to let them know you would like to bring up the offertory Gifts.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Religious Education Classes begin on Sunday, September 15, 2019. Please register your child (ren) as soon as possible. Thank you!

## WEEKLY ROSARY

Come pray with us on the weekends before Mass in the Church on Saturday at 3:30 PM and on Sunday at 9 AM and 11 AM before Mass. With the prayers of the Holy Rosary, we will ask Our Lady to intercede for our Holy Father's special intention of the month, as well as for our own intentions, and for world peace without the threat of terrorism or wars.

If there is a special intention that you would like to have remembered during the weekly Rosary, please come to the Rosary to add your intention.

## ANNUAL SAINT SHARBEL GALA!

## TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW!

Tickets for the Gala are now available for purchase after Mass on the weekend. You can also contact one of the chairpersons to purchase your tickets. See Page Four of the bulletin for their names and contacts numbers. Thank you!

## GALA SPONSORSHIPS

On behalf of the Gala Committee, I am asking all parishioners to do their best to help obtain sponsorships for this year's Gala. All ads will be published in a commemorative Ad Book to help the parish with the 2019-2020 Capital Campaign. All proceeds of the commemorative Ad book will go toward the Building Fund and other pastoral ministries. Please consider placing an Ad on behalf of our community. We are hoping for your support. Thank you!

Our Lady, Queen of Heaven, pray for us,  
 Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Pastor

## ATTENTION! MYA

ST. SHARBEL MYA

# MAKING TIME FOR GOD



**Friday, August 23rd 2019 @ 6pm**

Come join us for a beautiful night with guest speaker  
Rev. Joseph Khalil, Adoration, Food and Good Company!

## TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

**Save the Date**

*St. Sharbel Catholic Church*  
presents

*"A Night in Paris"*

**Saturday, October 19, 2019**  
**6pm**  
**at**  
**Andiamo Warren**



## CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Dear Parishioners and Supporters of St. Sharbel Parish, I hope you are enjoying this Summer season! One year ago this month we took out a loan to support the payment of the construction of our beautiful spiritual home of St. Sharbel Church. The original loan was in the amount of \$1.9M. As of this month, our loan status is \$1,684,102.45. We could not have done this without the generosity of our benefactors, your pledges, along with your support and sacrifices. During the last three years we were able to raise about \$3.6M through your pledges, gifts and donations. This money was all used to support the construction and lower our future financial obligation. As you know our plan was to build the Church, temporary Church Offices, Church Hall and Religious Education Classrooms in Phase One, and build the Rectory (Priest House) and permanent Church Offices in Phase Two.

I would like to give you an update of our Phase Two Construction. After a long state/county and city approval process, on August 12, 2019 the City of Clinton Township approved the site construction plans for the Rectory and Church Offices. The next step is for the architect to complete the construction drawings, which will take two to three weeks, submit them to the City for approval, and provide them to the contractor for the final construction cost estimate. Based on the architect's completion date, and the contractor's cost and timing, we will decide when the construction will start. Chorbishop Alfred and I are trying not to take out any additional loan to support the Phase Two construction even if it means to build the Rectory first and then the Church Offices later after we have the funds to complete it.

As I said it before, Phase Two Construction is funded separately from the Church fund. Once it is complete, our spiritual home complex will be one of the largest and most beautiful Maronite Church complexes outside of Lebanon. This a testament of our love, adoration, reverence, and devotion we have to our Patron Saint and the trust in his family in Michigan. It is about how we act, respond, and react that shows who we are. The next few months, we have a couple of fundraising events: our Gala on the 19th of October, and Giving Tuesday on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. These two events are great opportunities to raise money to lower our future financial obligation and I hope you will support them.

I conclude these words with the famous saying.

**"Together we rise, together we fall,  
together we are winners, and winners take all."**

God Bless you and may Saint Sharbel lighten up your days with hope, peace and love.

Rachid El Aile

Capital Campaign Coordinator

## PURCHASE TICKETS NOW!

**ST. SHARBEL 2019 ANNUAL GALA**  
**"A NIGHT IN PARIS"**

Tickets on sale now after Mass  
or contact one of the Gala Ticket Sales Team:

Eli Bassil	586-662-4562
Abdou Deban	810-602-8318
Nabil Fawaz	248-894-1375
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