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CLINTON TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN

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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST - AUGUST 30, 2020

READING 1 Thessalonians 2:1-13 GOSPEL Luke 10:38-42



**Remain in His Presence
Listen to Him**

ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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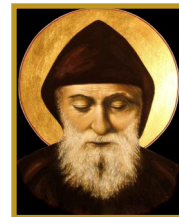
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DIVINE LITURGY

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM

SUNDAY: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

1st Saturday: 3:30 PM

FAMILY OF SAINT SHARBEL

HEALING PRAYERS

22nd Day of Every Month

Liturgy and Benediction 7:00 PM (Spring / Summer)

SAINT SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PUBLIC MASSES HAVE RESUMED

LIVE STREAMED MASS
SUNDAY AT 11:30 AM

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29TH

2:00 PM— **Baptism Jude Pierre Soyad**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29TH

- 4:00 PM— **Donors to Caritas Lebanon**, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— **Michel Besteni**, by Daughter, Linda Thomas
- 4:00 PM— **Akram Karromi**, by Daughter and Son-In-Law, Rita & Youssif Abi Younis and Family
- 4:00 PM— **Louis Joseph**, by Mary Medley
- 4:00 PM— **Jose Farah**, by Linda Thomas
- 4:00 PM— **Judith Deeby**, by Georgia Andary
- 4:00 PM— **Faraj Fajou 6 Year Remembrance**, by Family
- 4:00 PM— **Madeline Bolis Birthday Remembrance**, by Sam Bolis and Bob & Ann Marie Ferris
- 4:00 PM— **Donna Sklar and Glen Ferris Birthday Remembrance**, by Bob & Ann Marie Ferris

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30TH

- 9:30 AM— **Sam and Kathy Taormina 39th Wedding Anniversary**, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— **Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Owen Petrzelka (6 y/o)**, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— **Donors to Caritas Lebanon**, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— **Anthony E. Lesha Anniversary Remembrance**, by Mickey & Julie Thomas
- 9:30 AM— **Cathie Nagurka 22 Year Remembrance**, by Paul Nagurka
- 9:30 AM— **Deceased Members of the Crispin, Shaker and Abraham Families**, by Joe & Terry Shaker
- 9:30 AM— **Jose Farah**, by Linda Thomas

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30TH

- 11:30 AM— **Abdou and Samia Deban 27 Year Wedding Anniversary**, by Daughters, Christa, Melody and Elissa
- 11:30 AM— **Chafic Eid**, by Sister, Mona Eid and Family
- 11:30 AM— **Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Marco Youssif**, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM— **Donors to Caritas Lebanon**, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM— **Daher Chamoun and Family**, by Daughter, Therese Sfeir

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30TH

1:00 PM— **Baptism Eli Michael Mondalek**

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST

PRIVATE

6:00 PM— **Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Owen Petrzelka (6 y/o)**, by Pastor

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2ND

PRIVATE

6:00 PM— **Backos Joseph**, by Mary Medley and Family

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD

PRIVATE

6:00 PM— **Donors to Caritas Lebanon Relief**, by Pastor

MASSES CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

CONGRATULATIONS!

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to **Sam and Kathy Taormina** as they celebrate their **39th Wedding Anniversary!**

Congratulations to **Abdou and Samia Deban** as they celebrate their **27th Wedding Anniversary!**

May our Lord bless these couples as they continue to provide witness to the love of God by their commitment to each other and their families!

MARRIED IN CHRIST

Our Congratulations and Best Wishes to **Zaydoon and Dian Boutros** who were married on **Friday, August 21, 2020** 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!

BANNS OF MARRIAGE I

Maurice Farah and Renee Afram
September 13, 2020
St. Sharbel Church

Charbel Kemaid and Sarah Petros
September 13, 2020
St. Sharbel Church

Help Lebanon



MASSES CONTINUED . . .

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH

- 4:00 PM— Donors to Caritas Lebanon, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— Emily Michael, by Paul and Lena Kanan
- 4:00 PM— Joseph Shaker Sr., by Family
- 4:00 PM— Judith Deeby, by Linda Thomas
- 4:00 PM— Ada Florence Pich, by Son and Daughter-In-Law, Pete and Trish Pich
- 4:00 PM— Fredrick J. Francis, by His Children

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH

- 9:30 AM— Mary Saad 3 Year Remembrance, by Husband, Bill and Family
- 9:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Saad and Filiccia Families, by Bill Saad and Family
- 9:30 AM— Donors to Caritas Lebanon, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— Cindy Davey, by Delores Eggen
- 9:30 AM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Owen Petrzelka (6 y/o), by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— Maroun Hakim, by Chris Herbert
- 9:30 AM— Louis Joseph, by Mary Medley and Family
- 9:30 AM— Cindy Santilli Davey, by Husband, Nelson Davey

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH

- 11:30 AM— Donors to Caritas Lebanon, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Marco Youssif, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Blake Hamama, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Moubarak and Mary Yammine, by Elias and Khouloud Yammine
- 11:30 AM— George and Henriette Chalhoub, by Family



SANCTUARY CANDLE

FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST BURNS FOR:

In Loving Memory of
 Ada Florence Pich
 by Son and Daughter-In-Law,
 Pete and Trish Pich

CHAPEL CANDLE

FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST BURNS FOR:

In Loving Memory of
 Frederick J. Francis
 by His Children

INCENSE AND CHARCOAL

FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

In Loving Memory of
 George & Henriette Chalhoub

THANK YOU!

WEEKLY COLLECTION

August 22 & 23, 2020

Envelopes: \$5020.00

Online: \$1,530.00

Total Collection: \$6,550.00

*May God bless you for your generosity
 and support of your parish
 especially during these most difficult of times!*

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\$29,175.00 to date

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\$1,500.00

*Thank you for your continued support and love
 for our brothers and sisters in Lebanon!*



STUDENT ARTICLE

Looking back on these past few months being in quarantine, personally, I have been able to see this time at home as a way of reconnection, whether that might be with family, friends, or God Himself. While being away from the world, it can be difficult to see the light at the end of the tunnel, however, one must realize that you are not here to fight alone, despite the roadblock being COVID-19.

While in quarantine, I noticed myself spending a lot more time thinking and reflecting on the relationships I have with those around me. Of course, having to stay at home with none other than family, by the first month in, I could already tell a difference in the way we treated each other. Obviously, we all had our disagreements, but in the end, it is safe to say that we had realized that family is one of the few things in life you can never get rid of. They are here to stay, even through all the hardships and obstacles that come along with.

Along with family, the relationships I have with friends also drastically changed, definitely for the better. While not necessarily being able to see anyone other than family the first few months in the stay-at-home-order, continuing my relationships with friends was a lot more difficult than I expected. Spending all that time at home, I had plenty of time to think about who my true friends are, based on who I still kept in contact with and who decided to stay in contact with me. Although I am not left with many of the people I thought would always be there for me, I am glad now that I was able to see through the dark and recognize my true friends.

Lastly, the most important relationship of all is the one I have grown with God. I have used these endless hours at home looking back on my faith and realizing that people can come and go in your life, but the one piece staying until the very end, is God. I have always had a somewhat close relationship with Him, however, once the pandemic started, I saw myself growing farther apart from God and the church as a whole. It was not until a few months in until I realized how distant I have been and ever since then, I have been constantly trying to reconnect and rebuild my relationship with God. Whether that would be praying more than before or simply reading a short Bible passage in the morning, I would now like to believe my relationship with Christ has never been better in my life.

As we begin to approach our sixth month since the global pandemic started due to the loathed coronavirus, it is clear how this time spent at home could be seen as an unconventional blessing. Being isolated from society has given me the opportunity to realize what is truly important in my life and what will be there for me in the end. We are all living through such a scary time in our lives, meaning the relationships we have with those around us should be the best they have ever been. With that being said, appreciate the loved ones in life and realize it is never too late to rebuild lost relationships, whether that is with family, friends, or God.

- Mailan Daniels

Academy of the Sacred Heart, 2022



UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

- August 27 Eucharistic Adoration Holy Hour 7 PM
- August 30 Sunday Mass Live Stream 11:30 AM
- Sept. 26 / 27 2-Year Anniversary St. Sharbel Church Dedication
- Sept. 26 Raffle Ticket Drawing
- October 3 First Communion Mass 10:30 AM
- December 1 Giving Tuesday

CONGRATULATIONS!

BAPTISM AND CHRISMATION

Congratulations to
Dr. Jad and Melissa Khalil
 on the Baptism of their Son,
Michael Joseph Khalil
 at St. Sharbel Church
 on Saturday, August 22, 2020
 by Chorbishop Alfred Badawi.

Congratulations to
Robert and Ashley Gray
 on the Baptism of their Son,
Colton Michael James Gray
 at St. Sharbel Church
 on Sunday, August 23, 2020
 by Chorbishop Alfred Badawi.

*May Michael and Colton
 be steadfast in their faith
 and grow constantly in the Lord!*

SAINTS OF THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

**SAINTS AND FEAST DAYS OF
 THE MONTH SEPTEMBER**

- September 1 St. Simon the Stylite, Confessor
- September 2 St. Mammas the Great, Martyr
- September 5 St. Sharbel of Raha & His Sister, Martyrs; St. Teresa of Calcutta, Confessor
- September 6 St. Michael the Archangel
- September 8 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- September 9 Sts. Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Virgin Mary; Confessors and Bl. Frederick Ozanam, The Council of Chalcedon (451)
- September 14 Exaltation of the Holy Cross
- September 15 Sts. Shaina and Sassine, Confessors
- September 16 St. Cyprian, Bishop of Carthage, Martyr
- September 17 St. Sophia and Her 3 Daughters, Martyrs
- September 22 St. Phocas, Martyr
- September 24 St. Thecla, First Woman Martyr
- September 27 St. Vincent de Paul, Confessor
- September 29 St. Romanos, (Rouhana the Cantor), Confessor
- September 30 St. Gregory the Illuminator, Martyr

All you holy men and women of God, pray for us!

PASTOR'S CORNER

HELP FOR LEBANON!!

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
 You have seen the disaster that struck Lebanon on August 4, 2020. Lebanon is a country already struggling with the pandemic and crushed by economic collapse. As Christians, we must do whatever we can to help. You can contribute through our website: www.stsharbelmichigan, place your donation in the collection basket at Mass, or mail in your donation to the Church Office. All of the money collected by the Church will be sent to the Chancery Office in Saint Louis. Bishop Zaidan is working directly with the charitable organizations getting immediate relief to the people who need it most. May God always reward you for your compassion!

Today we celebrate the 14th Sunday in the Season of Pentecost. In today's Gospel, Mary and Martha actions inspire us to come to a deeper faith.

Given the restrictions placed upon us by the COVID-19 virus, we are trying to maintain as many of our familiar ministries as we can. Most of our attempts require us to think outside of the box. ZOOM meetings and live-streaming our events have become a viable option.

Parish life is changing every day, hour and minute. We ask God's continued blessings on all our parish functions, ministries, and Religious Education Program.

Let us remember in prayer all those who may be traveling at this time of year and our college students returning to their schools. We also pray for all students and teachers as they transition to this new school year amidst the challenges, whether online, at home or in the classroom, and for parents who are faced with the responsibility of home schooling.

Please be assured of my continued prayers, love and respect for each of you.

In Our Lord and St. Sharbel, I remain
 Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Pastor

40 DAY MEMORIAL FOR LEBANON

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Lebanon,
 On behalf of Deacon Mike and I invite you to join us as we commemorate the 40th Day Mass in Remembrance of the August 4th Beirut Tragedy Attacks on the weekend of September 12/13, 2020. This special intention will be dedicated at the Masses celebrated on Saturday, September 12th at 4 PM, and on Sunday, September 13th at 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM. Your presence, and that of your family, friends will be most welcome.

Lebanon needs and deserves our prayers. One hundred years ago it was a Christian Patriarch and a Muslim Mufti who insured that Lebanon would be a welcoming refuge for all the National Pact of 1943 insured once again that Lebanon would be a shared dream of the different communities.

In the 1980's even during her civil war, Saint Pope Paul John II stated that "Lebanon is more than a country, it is a message for East and West."

Today this vision, dream, and hope for Lebanon is in need of our help and our prayers. Therefore, under the Patronage of Saint Sharbel, we invite you to St. Sharbel Church to pray for Lebanon: its people and the vision, dream and hope that is Lebanon.

Hope to see you all!



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