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ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST - AUGUST 9, 2020

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READING 2 Corinthians 3:7-17 GOSPEL Mark 9:1-7



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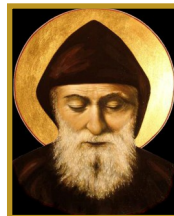
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DIVINE LITURGY

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)

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PUBLIC MASSES HAVE RESUMED

**LIVE STREAMED MASS
SUNDAY AT 11:30 AM**

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7TH

11:00 AM— Cindy Davey Memorial Mass, by Husband, Nelson Davey and Family

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8TH

4:00 PM— James Joseph Mayer Memorial Mass, by Daughter and Son-In-Law, Tina and Joe Fortuna and Family

4:00 PM— Living and Deceased Victims of August 4th Tragedy in Lebanon, by Pastor

4:00 PM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Owen Petrzelka (6 y/o), by Pastor

4:00 PM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Marco Youssif, by Pastor

4:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Dr. Peggy Rahal Family, by Pastor

**4:00 PM— Frederick J. Francis 39 Year Remembrance &
Frederick Francis 74 Year Remembrance, by Children and Siblings**

4:00 PM— Mary Salomon Birthday Remembrance, by her Family

4:00 PM— Judith Deeby, by Joe Deeby

4:00 PM— Marty Joseph, by Mr. & Mrs. Solomon

4:00 PM— John Habib, by Toufic and Jeanette Soyad

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9TH

9:30 AM— Living and Deceased Victims of August 4th Tragedy in Lebanon, by Pastor

9:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Salim Sassine Family, by Pastor

9:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Dr. Youssif & Mrs. Carol Rizk Family, by Pastor

9:30 AM— Deceased Members of the Crispin, Shaker and Abraham Families, by Joe & Terry Shaker

9:30 AM— Deceased Members of the Deacon John and Bobbi Sfire Family, by Deacon Mike Magyar

9:30 AM— Najla Sawan, by Deacon Mike Magyar

9:30 AM— Dawn Magyar, by Deacon Mike Magyar

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

9:30 AM— Maroun Hakim, by Linda Thomas

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9TH

11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Victims of August 4th Tragedy in Lebanon, by Pastor

11:30 AM— Najat Sayegh Nasr 40 Day Remembrance, by Granddaughter, Tracy & Dr. Mike Saba and Family

11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Dr. & Mrs. Michel Al Khalil Family, by Pastor

11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Michael & Claudia Hayek Family, by Pastor

11:30 AM— Special Intention Mass of Thanksgiving, by Pastor

11:30 AM— Gergis Neiman Sleiman 3 Month Remembrance, by Grandchildren Sarah, Zak and Jacob Ashkar

11:30 AM— Khatchadour Garabedian, by Daughter, Rebecca and Family

11:30 AM— Georges Sakr Memorial Mass, by the Kataeb Chapter of Michigan

11:30 AM— Jocelyne Khoueri Memorial Mass, by the Kataeb Chapter of Michigan

11:30 AM— Nizar Najarian Memorial Mass, by the Kataeb Chapter of Michigan

11:30 AM— Theresa Simon 4 Year Remembrance, by the Abi Ragi and Hawilo Families

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9TH

1:15 PM— Baptism Soraya Rain Mansour

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11TH

PRIVATE

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

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12TH

PRIVATE

6:00 PM— Most Rev. Robert Shaheen 3 Year Remembrance, by Pastor

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13TH

PRIVATE

6:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Joseph and Medley Families, by Pastor

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14TH

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY

VIGIL MASS

7:00 PM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Owen Petrzelka (6 y/o), by Pastor

7:00 PM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Marco Youssif, by Pastor

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 15TH

2:30 PM— **Baptism Prince Christopher Jabreeta**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15TH

4:00 PM— **Alice Faye Elias 2 Year Remembrance**, by Family
 4:00 PM— **Zina Kanan Elias**, by Ms. Mary Simon
 4:00 PM— **Backos Joseph**, by Mary Medley and Family
 4:00 PM— **Akram Karromi**, by Toufic and Jeanette Soyad
 4:00 PM— **Judith Deeby**, by Judy Thomas

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16TH

9:30 AM— **Joseph, Helen and Betty Shaker**, by Family
 9:30 AM— **Maroun Hakim**, by Linda Thomas
 9:30 AM— **Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Owen Petrzelka (6 y/o)**, by Pastor

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16TH

11:30 AM— **Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Marco Youssif**, by Pastor
 11:30 AM— **Living and Deceased Members of the Toni and Elian Maalouf**, by Family
 11:30 AM— **Krikor Seferian Memorial Mass**, by Son & Daughter-In-Law, Ara & Cynthia Seferian & Family
 11:30 AM— **George Abou Jaoude**, by Pastor
 11:30 AM— **Marty Joseph**, by Pastor

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16TH

1:15 PM— **Baptism Sharbel Ibrahim**
 2:30 PM— **Baptism Alexander Van Childers**

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

LET US PRAY...

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AUGUST
2020

ممرضة "بطلة" تنقذ 3 رضع في مستشفى الروم

Nurse at St. George Hospital in Achrafieh, Lebanon saved the lives of 3 babies



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| Victims of Violence | Lena Kanan |
| All infected with the Covid virus | Leeno Kas-Mikha |
| Healthcare Providers | Tom Kiernicki |
| Essential business workers | Jackie Lael |
| Raheel Abbawi | Agnes Langschieh |
| Dianne Abi Rachid | Donna Latouf |
| Nafee Aboo | Teresa Logan |
| David Ajbib | Matthew Lomasney |
| Claire Aouad | Fabiola Maduro |
| Salam Askar | Michele Makhlof |
| Adeet D. Aiyer | Edward Moffett |
| Evelyn Begin | Cheryl Moultrie |
| Baby Luke Burton | Raymond Nicholas |
| Stephanie Clark | Betty Ann Peeples |
| Tim Cowper | Nelson Peitz |
| Alma Dadoush | Carmen Pozzi |
| Haifa Dawood | Owen Petrzelka |
| Patrick Doyle | Narden Alexander Saeed |
| Chuck Eisenman | Ruby Salmen |
| Nancy Esho | Remone Salmen |
| Keri Faircloth | Nadre Salmen |
| Stephanie Felgenauer | Anwar & Suham Seman and Children |
| Dorothy Ferrara | Eddie Sesi |
| Mary Floore | Nancy Sesi |
| Albert Gantos | Jason Sfire |
| Marie Gantos | Deacon John Sfire |
| Diane George | Alfred Shina |
| Eric Grobbel | Saba Simon |
| Phil Grobbel | Vivian Simon |
| John Grzadzinski | Christian Charbel Slewah |
| David Habib | Ashley Smith |
| Ellie Hadid | Patricia Smith |
| Feras Haisha | Isabelle Thomas |
| Dr. Sameer Hana | Terry Thomas |
| Anthile Hermese | Baby John Venturini |
| Judy Hindy | David Vermillion |
| Baby Sebastian Hopper | Jad Yacoub |
| Joseph Jacob | Christina Yako |
| Edward & Suham John | Ghazi Aziz Yaldo |
| Baby Jayden | Nazira Yasso |
| Dominic Joseph Juricic | Emmanuel Zaya |
| Sylvia Kaltz | |

**ATTENTION:
MEN OF ST. SHARBEL!**

Hello Fellow Parishioners,
Chorbishop Alfred has asked me to re-activate the Men’s Club so we can participate in our church activities and social functions. In an attempt to do this, we will need to update the Men’s Club roster.

Please email me or text me your name, email, & phone number so that we can contact you and/or send you information on upcoming events & scheduled meetings.

For those of you who do not have email or access to a computer, I will have a Sign-Up Roster Sheet in the back of Church for you to sign in.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Chorbishop Alfred is hosting an outdoor barbeque on Friday evening, August 14th after the 7 PM Assumption Feast Day Mass.

He is supplying a grill & picnic tables. We need volunteers to grill hot dogs & help with the set up & clean up. If you are available, please let me know.

Also, if anyone has a pop-up canopy/tent to use over the grill, please let us know.

Thank you,
Vito Fortuna
vgfortuna@yahoo.com

586-202-8976



Celebrate the Feast of



St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church

Clinton Township, MI

Friday, August 14, 2020

7 PM Mass

Outdoor BBQ to follow

CHURCH WILL SUPPLY:
Hot Dogs & Buns
Condiments
Soft Drinks / Water
Cold Cut Veggies
Dinnerware / Plastic Ware
BBQ Grill

PLEASE BRING:
Hamburger / Chicken
Salad / Hummus
Cold Pasta Salad
Potato Salad
Fruit
Chips / Sweets

Prayer For Saint Sharbel

O Lord,
infinitely Holy and Glorified in Your Saints,
You have inspired Sharbel, the saint monk,
to lead the perfect life of a hermit.
We thank You for granting him
the blessing and the strength
to detach himself from the world
so that the heroism of the monastic virtues of
poverty, obedience, and chastity,
could triumph in his hermitage.

We beseech You
to grant us the grace of loving and serving You,
following his example.

Almighty God, Who has manifested
the power of St. Sharbel's intercession
through his countless miracles and favors,
grant us... (State your intention here...)
through his intercession.

Amen.
Our Father...; Hail Mary...; Glory Be...

Saint Sharbel, pray for us.

STUDENT ARTICLE

My Fellow Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Whether we forget it or not, we as a community always need God. This global pandemic that has dawned on the world has opened my eyes as a Christian. During this time, we question God and we take for granted the beautiful and life-giving blessings he has granted us throughout our lives. Many individuals have lost God through the time they have spent in quarantine. In addition, this separation from God is distressing and we must help guide our fellow brothers and sisters, reminding them that God is essential. Personally, I have witnessed this countless times throughout recent months. My closest friends missing God every day, and not praying towards change and love in the world. Not spending an hour of their day on Sunday to watch the mass live streams (During stages when Church was closed), not praying the rosary in the month of May, and many other vital examples represent how they have not only quarantined from the world but from God.

Week by week, we are drastically becoming more comfortable with the situation we are in. With the current circumstances, being comfortable means opening the door to risks. People see family and friends constantly, and avoid social distancing and wearing masks. Personally, I feel like I was scared to even see my best friend a couple of months ago because of COVID-19, but now It feels like the opposite. We are slowly increasing back to the rate of cases we had per day from the month of April. As friends who unsafely see their friends on a day to day basis, I question “What’s holding them back from going to see God?”. If anything we should be wanting to see God, instead of avoiding him. How can you agree to see your friends, but not agree too visits God’s house because “It’s not safe”? In my opinion, the Church is one of the places I feel safest in. Father reminds us this constantly and I agree to the greatest extent.

In conclusion, I urge all of you to ask and encourage Christians you know to return to God. God is kind, God is loving, and most of all God is forgiving. He is the only one who can protect you from our current situation. He is the one who will guide you into the light, and veer you from the presence of the devil and his kingdom of hell. I implore you to restore your faith in God, especially those whose relationship with Him is weak.

Through the mercy of God, we shall continue to endure.

John Tobia

Interniatonal Academy East



For the Lord is merciful,
He *Comforts* his people
and has compassion on
those who are afflicted.

Isaiah 49:13

CALLING ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS

Deacon Mike is requesting you to please send him your e-mail address so the Parish of St. Sharbel Community can stay in touch with you each semester to pray for you and see how you are adjusting to the college life.

If you are interested, please forward your e-mail to him at mmags88@aol.com.

You will be contacted once each semester to keep you in our prayers asking how things are going. God bless each of you in your studies to develop the talents you have been given in the pursuit of your career.

NOTE OF APPRECIATION

DOCTORS, NURSES & ALL HEALTHCARE WORKERS

Greetings!

I wanted to take a few moments to send a note of gratitude from all of us here at St. Sharbel Church for all of your heroic efforts during this challenging time.

There have been so many healthcare workers who have gone above and beyond the usual duties involved with taking care of, and ministering to the sick.

Not only are the physical aspects of care “front and center”, but without a doubt, many of the emotional issues as well. Many families have experienced separation from loved ones, even if the illness is not associated with the Coronavirus.

Many Nursing Homes, Hospices, and Hospitals are closed off to visitors, often leaving healthcare workers as the only ones to provide much needed emotional support.

I know firsthand that so many parishioners have covered you in prayer since the beginning of the Covid pandemic, and continue to do so every day. You are carried in our hearts and prayers with gratitude for your sacrifices during this challenging time.

May God bless and protect you always! .

THANK YOU!

WEEKLY COLLECTION

August 1 & 2, 2020

Envelopes: \$3,885.00

Online: \$1,390.00

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

FAMILY OF SAINT SHARBEL

**FAMILY OF SAINT SHARBEL
22ND OF THE MONTH
HEALING MASS AND DEVOTION**



Saturday, August 22nd

St. Sharbel Church

6 PM Confessions / Holy Rosary

7:00 PM Healing Mass

8:00 PM Anointing of the Sick

Special Intentions for Peace throughout the world, especially in Lebanon, all the Middle East and the United States

Special Intentions for Healing of the Sick with Anointing of the Sick

***Join us on the 22nd of every month as the Family of Saint Sharbel prays together to commemorate the Miraculous Healing of Mrs. Nohad El Chami by Saint Sharbel.**

St. Sharbel Makhlouf, pray for us!

LET US PRAY . . .

**HEALING PRAYERS FOR THE SICK,
THE SUFFERING, THE DYING,
AND ALL IN NEED OF GOD’S MERCY.**

AMEN.

UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

- August 9 Sunday Mass Live Stream 11:30 AM
August 14 Feast of Assumption Vigil Mass at 7 PM / BBQ Outside to follow
August 22 Family of Saint Sharbel Healing Mass 7 PM
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!

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to Issa and Maysoon Sweidan as they celebrate their 27th Wedding Anniversary!

May our Lord bless you as you continue to provide witness to the love of God by your commitment to each other and to your family!

LITURGICALLY SPEAKING

The Feast of the Transfiguration invites us to look at the mystery of Jesus Christ, living among us. Today's Gospel is from Saint Mark. We should note that the Transfiguration was experienced by Peter, James and John—not by the other Apostles or disciples or followers of Jesus—not even by Mary His Mother.

Peter will be placed by Jesus as the head of His followers. James is the first to die for Jesus. John is the disciple that Jesus loved. Jesus tells these three not to share the vision with anyone until He, Jesus, has been raised from the dead. Surely the others were aware that something had happened! We can try to imagine what answer these three would have given when the others asked: what happened up there?

We can give witness to Christ's transfiguration...
When we pause in the rush of life to examine those around us...
When we listen for God's voice and do as God bids us...
When we are loving in our approach to enemies...
When we are patient with ourselves, faithful to our covenant, hopeful that our impossible dreams will be realized...
We see miraculous conversions taking place around us constantly. . . and this is our sign.
We witness the transformation of the members of Christ's Mystical Body, we discover that we ourselves are transfigured . . . and this is our sign.

We see the blessing of the gifts offered by the Holy Spirit . . . and this is our sign.

We keep vigil at the tomb to witness to the Resurrection of Christ and the resurrection of ourselves and so we begin to fully understand that it is through His own transfiguration that Christ transfigures each of us. And this surely and simply and certainly is our sign . . . that we are well and truly loved by God!

For us, the Transfiguration draws us deeper into the Mystery of Jesus. Our faith and the practice of our faith must rest on our belief that Jesus, fully human, is God.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, I am writing this column to tell you about our Parish Deacon. Deacon Mike Magyar has served as a subdeacon since 2005 and as a deacon since 2018. Deacon Mike has been a blessing to us at St. Sharbel Parish in Clinton Township. His qualifications as a deacon go beyond the calling of the faith. He feels for his people. When someone needs a clergy person, the hospitals call on Deacon Mike. He goes whether they are Catholic or not. He visits retirement homes. He goes to the hospital when one of his parishioners is ill. He is very involved in the things that go on in other people's lives.

He attends the Knights of Columbus meetings and the Maronite Youth Organization meetings. He is involved with the young people, which is long overdue in the Church. He is an understanding person. He will go wherever he is needed, without question. I appreciate Deacon Mike because he is so gentle and kind. I thank God during each Mass for him. He announces birthdays, anniversaries and deaths during the Mass. We are like one big family. We have a picnic once a year just our big family getting together fellowship and fun.

He has no problem getting volunteers to do jobs around the church! All he has to do is ask and they respond. He welcomes all guests who visit our church. Most of them register to attend. It is said that people get feelings about other people. Once they meet Deacon Mike, they love him.

I could go on and on, but I think you get the gist of what Deacon Mike does in our parish. I know that sometimes he is lucky to get four hours of sleep. When duty calls, he is like a fire engine. He goes and does God's work without question, but with the faith of the Lord. He is our deacon, and we all love him.

ATTENTION: MEN OF ST. SHARBEL

Please see the note on Page 4 of this bulletin. We need YOU!

Blessings to you, and all those you love!

Yours in Christ,

Chorbishop Alfred Badawi

Pastor

WITH GRATITUDE

THANK YOU to the Anonymous Donor of the VioLyte Sterilizing Unit that was gifted to St. Sharbel Church during this pandemic. Thank you for your love and concern for our safety and well being. May God bless you for your generosity and loving support! You and your intentions will be in my prayers.

THANK YOU to Allan Brazier for trimming all of the flower beds keeping them looking so beautiful!

LEONARD A. THOMAS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

DEADLINE IS NEAR!

Applications MUST be returned via email by August 15th.

Students may request an application by emailing: latcotuition@gmail.com

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