

# ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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THE REVELATION TO JOSEPH - DECEMBER 12, 2021

READING Romans 1:1-12 GOSPEL Matthew 1:1-17

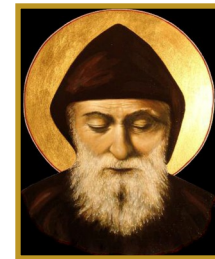


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**DIVINE LITURGY**

**SATURDAY: 4:00 PM**

**SUNDAY: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM**

**ROSARY / CONFESSIONS**

**30 MINUTES BEFORE**

**SATURDAY & SUNDAY MASSES**

**FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION**

**1st Saturday: 3:30 PM**

**FAMILY OF SAINT SHARBEL**  
**HEALING MASS & BENEDICTION**

**22nd Day of Every Month**

**6:30 PM (November - March)**

**SAINT SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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**MASS INTENTIONS****SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11TH**

- 4:00 PM— **Living and Deceased Members of the Tony & Mary Ann Nader Family**, by Family
- 4:00 PM— **Living and Deceased Members of the Nader Foundation**, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— **Deceased Members of the John & Susan Daniel Family**, by Ed & Isabelle Thomas and Family
- 4:00 PM— **Deceased Members of the Mike & Mary Thomas Family**, by Ed & Isabelle Thomas and Family
- 4:00 PM— **Michael Jacobs**, by Ed & Isabelle Thomas
- 4:00 PM— **Frank Lutfy**, by Ed & Isabelle Thomas
- 4:00 PM— **Jennieve Danial**, by Ed & Isabelle Thomas
- 4:00 PM— **Sadie Yamin**, by Ed & Isabelle Thomas
- 4:00 PM— **Michel Aouad**, by Fred & Sandy Sahadi
- 4:00 PM— **Betty Jolet Birthday Remembrance**, by Family
- 4:00 PM— **Matty Moroun**, by Sister, Anne Moroun
- 4:00 PM— **Nidhal Bodiya**, by Toufic & Jeanette Soyad and Family
- 4:00 PM— **Jose Farah**, by Linda Thomas

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12TH**

- 9:30 AM— **Catherine (Kay) Latouf Birthday Remembrance**, by her Children
- 9:30 AM— **Angela Michael 2 Year Remembrance**, by Family
- 9:30 AM— **Donald and Marie Joseph**, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— **Deceased Members of the Sam & Kathy Taormina Family**, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— **Vivian Joseph Simon**, by Family
- 9:30 AM— **Virgil Medley**, by Wife, Mary and Children
- 9:30 AM— **George J. Sassin**, by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Campbell
- 9:30 AM— **Joseph, Helen and Betty Shaker Christmas Remembrance**, by Family

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12TH**

- 11:30 AM— **Marcelle Alam Memorial Mass**, by Family
- 11:30 AM— **Harbi Tobia Shaheen 1 Year Remembrance**, by Wife, Rowaida Shaheen and Family
- 11:30 AM— **Mona Badawi**, by Nazira Yasso
- 11:30 AM— **Therese Sfeir**, by Raif & Hanane Harik
- 11:30 AM— **Anis Chalhoub**, by Family
- 11:30 AM— **Living and Deceased Members of the Elie & Marleine Tohme Family**, by Family
- 11:30 AM— **Sabah Hanna**, by Family
- 11:30 AM— **Khalida Nehem**, by Family
- 11:30 AM— **Amir and Bassima Hermez**, by Family
- 11:30 AM— **Georgette Fajou 7 Year Remembrance**, by Family

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14TH**

NO LITURGY

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15TH**

CHRISTMAS NOVENA BEGINS

- 6:00 PM— **CONFESSIONS**
- 6:30 PM— **Dr. Paul G. Thomas**, by Wife, Linda Thomas
- 6:30 PM— **Emil Sakr**, by Arlette Sakr
- 6:30 PM— **Rev. Mounir Fakhri**, by Arlette Sakr
- 7:00 PM— **Novena**

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16TH**

- 6:00 PM— **CONFESSIONS**
- 6:30 PM— **Joseph, Helen and Betty Shaker**, by Family
- 6:30 PM— **Owen Petrzelka**, by Anthony and Lucy Shaker
- 7:00 PM— **Novena**

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17TH**

- 6:00 PM— **CONFESSIONS**
- 6:30 PM— **Joseph Deeby and Judith Deeby Christmas Remembrance**, by Sister, Donna Deeby
- 6:30 PM— **Robert Sleilaty**, by Rania Sleilaty
- 7:00 PM— **Novena**

**READERS**

READERS FOR:

READERS FOR:

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11**  
4:00 PM - Ann Marie Ferris

READERS FOR:

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12**  
9:30 AM - Staci Saker

READERS FOR:

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12**  
11:30 AM - Morgan Tohme  
Elie Tohme

READERS FOR:

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18**  
4:00 PM - Gwen Rashid

READERS FOR:

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19**  
9:30 AM - Michael John

READERS FOR:

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19**  
11:30 AM - Antonio Malkoun  
Kabalan Hawilo



**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18TH**

- 4:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Tony & Mary Ann Nader Family, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Nader Foundation, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— Anthony and Louis Thomas Anniversary Remembrance, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Matty Moroun, by Sister, Anne Moroun
- 4:00 PM— Mona Badawi, by Judy Thomas
- 4:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Toni and Mary Ann Nader Family, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— Michael and Catherine Joseph, by Mary Medley



**SANCTUARY CANDLE**

**FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER BURNS FOR:**

In Loving Memory of  
Margaret J. Saad

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19TH**

- 9:30 AM— Youssef and Lamia Helou Remembrance, by Son and Daughter-In-Law, George and Pat Helou
- 9:30 AM— Louis Dib, by Wife, Sonia Dib Helou and Children
- 9:30 AM— Dr. Paul Thomas Christmas Remembrance, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— Joseph, Helen and Betty Shaker Christmas Remembrance, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— Michael and Barbara John Christmas Remembrance, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— John Hejjawi Christmas Remembrance, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— George J. Sassin Christmas Remembrance, by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Campbell

**CHAPEL CANDLE**

**FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER BURNS FOR:**

In Loving Memory of  
Joseph G. Saad

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19TH**

- 11:30 AM— Habib Boutros Kassab and Isabel Haidamous Kassab Christmas Remembrance, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Akl, Hawa and Charbel Abi Ragi Christmas Remembrance, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Ron and Theresa Simon Christmas Remembrance, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Mona Badawi, by St. Sharbel Choir
- 11:30 AM— Therese Sfeir Christmas Remembrance, by Raif & Hanane Harik
- 11:30 AM— Anis Chalhoub Christmas Remembrance, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Antoine Hawilo Christmas Remembrance, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Sabah Hanna Christmas Remembrance, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Ghaida Haddad Christmas Remembrance, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Joe Akl Christmas Remembrance, by Family

**INCENSE AND CHARCOAL**

**FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER**

In Loving Memory of  
George & Henriette Chalhoub  
by Family

**BREAD AND WINE**

**FOR THE YEAR 2021 - 2022**

Living and Deceased Members of the  
Michel and Fadia Nahed Family

**THANK YOU!**

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

December 4 & 5, 2021

Envelopes: \$5,595.00

Online: \$1,815.00

Total Collection: \$7,410.00

*Thank you and God bless you for your kind generosity!*

**JOIN US THIS SATURDAY!**

JOIN US FOR A  
**Christmas Concert**  
ARABIC AND ENGLISH HYMNS

STARTS AT 7PM  
SAT. DEC. 11, 2021  
BY SAINT SHARBEL CHOIR

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**ربسبئال  
الميلاد**  
السبت ١١ كانون الأول ٢٠٢١  
الساعة ٧ مساءً

\* Refreshments following



**Ladies Altar Society**

*Gift Basket Raffle*



**Drawing will be held on Sunday, December 19th at 11 AM**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

**2021 CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**

**Friday, December 24, 2021**

Christmas Eve

4:00 PM Children Mass

7:00 PM

12:00 AM Midnight Mass

**Saturday, December 25, 2021**

Christmas Day

9:30 AM

11:30 AM - Live Streamed

Important!

**\*Please note: there will be**

**NO 4:00 PM MASS**

**on Christmas Day**

for the Sunday obligation.

**2022 New Year Mass Schedule**

**Friday, December 31, 2021**

New Year Eve

4:00 PM & 7:00 PM

**Saturday, January 1, 2022**

New Year's Day

10:30 AM

**Saturday, January 1, 2022**

4:00 PM Mass

for Sunday Obligation

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**CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIAL**

The Christmas Flower Memorial is to remember your intention in our Christmas celebrations by offering the flowers and decorations *In Memory of, In Honor Of, or In Thanksgiving For.* Donation is \$15.00. Thank you!

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**USE ONE FORM FOR EACH INTENTION**

**Please return this form with payment to St. Sharbel Church Office.**

UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

- Dec 11 Christmas Recital 7 PM Church
- Dec 12 Confessions for Children at 10:45 AM
- Dec 12 Sunday Mass Live Stream 11:30 AM
- Dec 15 Christmas Novena Begins
- Dec 18/19 Christmas Play at all Masses
- Dec 18/19 LAS Bake Sale
- Dec 19 Confessions for Children at 10:45 AM
- Dec 19 LAS Gift Basket Raffle Drawing at 11 AM
- Dec 22 Healing Mass of Saint Sharbel at 6:30 PM
- Jan 6 Feast of Epiphany Mass at 9:30 AM

PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Friends,  
 This weekend we celebrate the Fifth Sunday of the Happy Announcements with the Sunday of the Revelation to Joseph. I hope everyone is doing well in their preparations for Christmas – both spiritually and secularly. While these challenging times are forcing us to alter our Christmas traditions a bit, we are all still doing our best to enjoy the traditions and celebrate the Birth of Our Lord and the warmth and love of our families and friends.

**REMINDER: CHRISTMAS RECITAL**

The Christmas Recital is held this Saturday, December 11 at 7:00 PM. Please make plans to attend this beautiful event. The Choir has been learning new hymns and practicing twice a week. The performance will be in 3 languages: Arabic, English and Syriac. We are very grateful to all the members as well as to the Aziz Charabati, Choir Director, Christiane Bousho and Jessy Srour, the Organists. Come and be blessed as you enter into the spirit of Christmas through worship and praise. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PLAY**

One Christmas tradition that St. Sharbel Church holds every year that is very special is the annual Children's Christmas Play. This year we will be presenting our the Christmas Play performance the weekend of Saturday, December 18 and Sunday, December 19 at all the Masses.

This year's Play will feature Christmas Carols and a band by the children of the parish with a very special surprise at the end!

**CHRISTMAS NOVENA**

Our traditional prayers of the Christmas Novena will begin on this Wednesday, December 15th at 7 PM. A Mass will be celebrated at 6:30 PM.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM**

As we approach Christmas there are a couple of details I want to share. Please be aware that there is a higher percentage of Covid cases at this time. **It is strongly urged and recommended you send your child with a mask on to class.** Additionally, if your child is sick at all, please do not send them to class. I want everyone to remain healthy during this season, including the volunteer teachers who are here for your children every week.

We will celebrate Christmas with Santa in our classrooms on Sunday, December 19th. Thank you for your continued support!

**MEMORIAL CHRISTMAS FLOWERS**

Just as in years past, please use the designated envelopes or include your own envelopes to donate Christmas flowers in the name of a love one. Please write your name and the name of the offering or intention on your envelopes. You may return them in the collection baskets. These intentions will be publish weekly in the bulletin for during the Christmas Liturgies.

These are busy days ahead of us as we continue our preparations for Christmas - Christ's birth. They can also be very beautiful days as the anticipation level rises in our young and young-at-heart.

In Christ,  
 Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Pastor

CONGRATULATIONS!

BAPTISM AND CHRISMATION

Congratulations to  
**Brandin and Tiffany Sharak**  
 on the Baptism of their Son,  
**Blaise Brandin Sharak**  
 at St. Sharbel Church  
 on Sunday, December 5, 2021  
 by Chorbishop Alfred Badawi.

*May Blaise be steadfast in his faith  
 and grow constantly in the Lord!*

CHRISTMAS NOVENA

The Maronite Christmas Novena begins on December 15th and is nine consecutive days of prayer. It is a wonderful way of preparing ourselves for the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ and getting into the Christmas spirit. The Novena will be prayed as a Parish community and includes incensing of the Blessed Sacrament, prayers, Syriac hymns and ends with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

The nine prayers (one for each day representing the nine months that Mary was pregnant with Jesus) are rich in their imagery and poetry. They give us the opportunity to adore and love our Lord at His nativity. They help us to reflect on his humility, love and divinity and at the same time our weaknesses and failures. They help us to live our never ending love story with our Mother Mary, asking for her intercession and the intercession of her beloved spouse, Joseph. Let us make the commitment to pray this Novena so we are really ready to receive the Christ child into our hearts anew this year! **O come, O come Emmanuel!**



After all Masses  
 Saturday, December 18th  
 &  
 Sunday, December 19th  
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