## ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH CLINTON TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN

REVELATION TO JOSEPH - DECEMBER 16, 2018

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READING Ephesians 3:1-13 GOSPEL Matthew 1:18-25



#### LITURGIES CELEBRATED AT

#### SAINT SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

43888 Hayes Road Clinton Township, MI 48038

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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 SATURDAY DEVOTION & PRAYERS

1st Saturday: 3:30 PM

FAMILY OF SAINT SHARBEL HEALING PRAYERS 22nd Day of Every Month

Liturgy and Benediction 7 PM

**CONFESSIONS** 

**Available Before Weekend Liturgies** 

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15TH

4:00 PM — Margaret Shather 40 Day Remembrance, by Family

4:00 PM— Dr. Paul G. Thomas (deceased) & Linda Thomas Wedding Anniversary Remembrance, by Wife

4:00 PM— Alice Faye Elias, by Husband, Jerry and Family

**4:00 PM**— Anthony and Louis Thomas Anniversary Remembrance, by Family

4:00 PM - Joey Andary, by His Cousins

4:00 PM— Lou Adado, by His Cousins

4:00 PM— Deceased Members of the Deacon John & Bobbi Sfire Family, by Pastor

4:00 PM— Stefan Stupariu 79 Year Remembrance, by Grandchildren

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16TH

9:30 AM— Living & Deceased Members of the Nahas Family, by Pastor

9:30 AM— Michael B. Thomas and Gabriel B. Thomas Birthday Remembrance, by Mickey & Julie Thomas

9:30 AM— Therese Rose Hazkial Anniversary Remembrance, by Family

9:30 AM— Deceased Members of the Isaac Family, by Family

9:30 AM— Deceased Members of the Bojalad and Gorka Families, by Daniel & Victoria Bojalad

9:30 AM— Youssef & Lamia Helou Anniversary Remembrance, by George & Pat Helou and Grandchildren

9:30 AM— Joseph and Martin Thomas, by Family

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

9:30 AM— Deceased Members of the Keyserwan Society
Christmas Remembrance, by the Emily Hakim Family

9:30 AM— George Joseph, Jr., George Safie & Lila Joseph Memorial Remembrance, by Family

9:30 AM— Saad Ghali 12 Year Remembrance, by Wife and Children

11:30 AM— Souad Jreige 40 Day Remembrance, by Daughter & Son-In-Law, Najoi & Michael Sleiman and Family

11:30 AM— Michael Gabriel Bouchar Christmas Remembrance, by Family

11:30 AM— Jean Aziz Hayek Christmas Remembrance, by Family

11:30 AM— Joseph, Helen & Betty Shaker Christmas Remembrance, by Pastor

11:30 AM— Joseph & Olivia Homoui, Victoria Homoui & Akram Almass, by Family

#### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18TH

**9:30 AM**— **Joseph and Helen Shaker**, by William & Sandy Haddad

#### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19TH

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

#### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20TH

9:30 AM— Akl Abi Ragi, by Kabalan & Henriette Hawilo and Family

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22ND

4:00 PM— Leo Thomas Aretha, by Pastor

4:00 PM — Michael and Catherine Joseph, by Mary Medley

4:00 PM— Deceased Members of the Crispin, Shaker and Abraham Families, by Joe & Terry Shaker

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22ND

**HEALING MASS OF SAINT SHARBEL** 

6:30 PM— Prayers of Saint Sharbel

7:00 PM— Mass For the Sick and Suffering, by Pastor

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23RD

9:30 AM— Dr. Paul G. Thomas, by Robert & Judith Cardin

11:30 AM— Nazira Yasso Special Intentions Good Health, by Zina Bassil

11:30 AM— George Moubarak, by Grandchildren

11:30 AM— Najla Sassine Christmas Remembrance, by Pastor

#### READERS FOR:

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15TH 4:00 PM Bobbi Sfire

#### **READERS FOR:**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16TH 9:30 AM
Staci Saker

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16TH 11:30 AM

Michael Sleiman - English Mirna Mourani - Arabic

#### READERS FOR:

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22ND 4:00 PM
Anthony Peters

#### **READERS FOR:**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23RD 9:30 AM
Ann Marie Ferris

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23RD 11:30 AM

George Habbouche- English George Fares - Arabic

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23RD

1:00 PM— Baptism Alexander Mark Charbel Adamo

#### **MONDAY, DECEMBER 24TH**

CHRISTMAS EVE

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

4:00 PM— Children of the Parish and their Families, by Family

4:00 PM— Living & Deceased Members of the Fred & Laura Yezbick Family, by Family

4:00 PM— Daniel & Mary Daniel and the Deceased
Members of the Simon and Daniel Families,
by Family

4:00 PM— Fr. Albert M. Williams Birthday Remembrance, by Mickey & Julie Thomas

4:00 PM— Surckees & Mary Michael and Sons, Michael and Ray, and Aunt Selma, by Family

#### **MONDAY, DECEMBER 24TH**

#### **CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL**

7:00 PM— Parishioners, Friends & Benefactors of St. Sharbel, by Pastor

7:00 PM— Christmas Flower Memorial Intentions, by Pastor

#### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

#### CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS

12:00 AM— Living & Deceased Members of the Yammine and Maroun Families & Extended Families in the United States and Lebanon, by Elias & Khouloud Yammine and Family

12:00 AM— Parishioners, Friends & Benefactors of St. Sharbel, by Pastor

#### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

#### **CHRISTMAS**

9:30 AM— Parishioners, Friends & Benefactors of St. Sharbel, by Pastor

9:30 AM— Christmas Flower Memorial Intentions, by Pastor

#### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

#### **CHRISTMAS**

11:30 AM— Parishioners, Friends & Benefactors of St. Sharbel, by Pastor

11:30 AM— Joseph, Helen & Betty Shaker Christmas Remembrance, by Pastor

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

#### CHRISTMAS AT ST. SHARBEL

#### ADVENT RETREAT PREPARE FOR THE SEASON

December 15th- Advent Retreat Adults 8:30 AM - 3 PM

#### **CHRISTMAS NOVENA**

December 15<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Novena after 4:00 PM Mass December 16<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Novena after 11:30 AM Mass December 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> Christmas Novena @ 7:00 PM December 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> Christmas Novena after 4:00 PM and 11:30 AM Mass

\*Confessions available before Novena December 17-21

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE CHRISTMAS EVE MONDAY, DECEMBER 24 4:00 PM - CHILDREN'S LITURGY 7:00 PM - CHRISTMAS VIGIL &

> MIDNIGHT MASS 12:00 AM CHRISTMAS

CHRISTMAS DAY TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM

COFFEE & DONUTS SPONSORED SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16TH 9:30 AM MASS IN LOVING MEMORY OF

> Don & Marie Joseph By Family



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#### READERS

**READERS FOR:** 

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24TH 4:00 PM CHRISTMAS EVE

Amanda Peters

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24TH 7:00 PM CHRISTMAS EVE

Volunteer

**READERS FOR:** 

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25TH 12 AM MIDNIGHT MASS

Maurice Tohme- English Elie Tohme - Arabic

READERS FOR:

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25TH 9:30 AM CHRISTMAS DAY

Joseph Ejbeh

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25TH 11:30 AM CHRISTMAS DAY

Gorgio Moussa - English Toni Moussa - Arabic



#### **SANCTUARY CANDLE**

#### FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER BURNS FOR:

The Deceased Members of the Paul & Lena Filiccia & Kanan Families May their souls rest in peace!

#### CHAPEL CANDLE

#### FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER BURNS FOR:

The Benefactors of St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church

#### 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.

#### **EXCITING ANNOUNCEMENT!**

#### PATRIARCH PASTORAL VISIT

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Sharbel,

I am writing to invite each and every one of you, and your family and friends, to our festivities at St. Sharbel on the occasion of the Pastoral Visit of our Maronite Patriarch Cardinal Bechara Peter Rai. Everyone is welcome to participate in the Divine Liturgy (Mass) at our Church to be celebrated by the Patriarch with Bishops and Priests on Tuesday, January 22, 2019 at 6:00 PM.

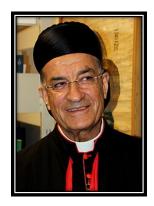
Afterwards, we are hosting a reception in his honor at St. Sharbel Church Banquet Hall. We will try our utmost to give everyone at the reception an opportunity to greet the Patriarch individually.

Looking forward to celebrating this historic event with you, and with wishes for a Blessed Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year!

I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Chorbishop Alfred Badawi Pastor



#### **SAVE THE DATE!**

You are cordially invited to the Solemn Celebration of The Divine Liturgy Celebrated by

His Beatitude Mar Bechara Peter Rai

Patriarch of Antioch and All the East

on

Tuesday, January 22, 2019

6:00 PM at

St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church 43888 Hayes Road Clinton Township, MI 48038

First Class Relics of Saint Sharbel will be present!

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Reception following St. Sharbel Church Banquet Hall



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS**

December 14 Altar Server Pizza Party & Training 5 PM-7 PM

December 15 Retreat with Deacon John & Bobbi Sfire

December 22 Family of Saint Sharbel Prayers 6:30 PM and

Mass 7 PM

December 31 New Year's Eve Party/Family Night at St. Sharbel

Parish Hall

January 7-11 **Annual Clergy Retreat** 

January 13 **Haircutting Ceremony Babies Born in 2018** 

#### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

#### ENGAGEMENT

Congratulations to Eric Butler and Amanda Peters on their engagement to be married!

May God bless you as you prayerfully prepare for your life together in Christ!

Please remember them and all our engaged couples in your prayers as they prepare for the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony!

#### MARRIED IN CHRIST

Our Congratulations and Best Wishes to Joseph and Ann Marie (Lutfy) Malek who were married

at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church on Saturday, December 8, 2018.

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

#### LITURGICALLY SPEAKING

#### TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS FAST

The Christmas Fast begins on Friday, December 15th and ends on December 24th at Noon. It is observed only on weekdays, not on Saturdays and Sundays.

#### THE FASTING NORMS

Nothing at all to eat or drink (except water and medicine) from midnight to noon Monday through Friday; and no meat or dairy products (eggs, milk, cheese, butter, etc.) at all Monday through Friday.

#### 22ND OF THE MONTH

#### FAMILY OF ST. SHARBEL DEVOTION

#### عائلة مار شريل

Saturday, December 22nd 6:30 PM - Rosary of Saint Sharbel 7:00 PM - Divine Liturgy & Novena



#### PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Today we mark the Fifth Sunday of the Happy Announcements Season with the Sunday of the Revelation to Joseph, and continue to move into the heart of this very historical season in the Church

Pope Francis recently said, "Whenever we take a step towards Jesus, we come to realize that He is already there, waiting for us with open arms." The tremendous amount of activity during the month of December is a major obstacle. We are busier this month than we are during most months. It is difficult to recognize the simple, everyday "comings" of the Lord all around

Looking ahead, we have two major celebrations taking place in our parish this weekend. On Friday, December 14th is the altar servers training and pizza party and on Saturday, December 15th is the Advent Retreat to prepare ourselves for Christmas., with the ongoing Christmas Novena prayed December 17-21. Please check the time for the Novena Prayer in the bulletin.

Just as we are decorating our homes for the holiday season, so too is our church home decorated for the season. Thank you to all who worked hard to provide a fitting environment for our Christmas Season.

There is a lot of activity going on in our parish and in our other commitments. I pray that we will be able to carve out some quiet time in the midst of all of the December activity. That is why taking the opportunity we are providing you in the form of the retreat is so very important.

God can be found in both the activity and in the quiet. I pray that we will be able to recognize God's presence among us in each

Many of our college students have already made their way home for their Christmas break. Congratulations on a successful completion of your fall semester. We are very happy to have you home with us!

#### **CONFESSIONS**

In preparation for Christmas, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered on Saturday, December 15th from 9 am-11:00 am with additional priests available.

May the glory of the first Christmas remain in your heart throughout the New Year!

I will remember you and your loved ones with warmth and love, as I celebrate Mass this Christmas.

Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Pastor

#### CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS

#### CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Forms are now available for you to fill out for the Christmas Flower Memorials.

It is the perfect way to remember your intentions in our Christmas Liturgical celebrations by offering the flowers and decorations

> In Memory Of, In Honor Of, or In Thanksgiving For. Donation is \$15.00.

Please turn in your request by Monday, December 17th.

Thank you!





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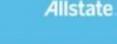
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