

# ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

## CLINTON TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN

GENEALOGY OF JESUS - DECEMBER 23, 2018

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



THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD - DECEMBER 25, 2018

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READING Hebrews 1:1-12 GOSPEL Luke 2:1-20

LITURGIES CELEBRATED AT

**SAINT SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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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 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

11:30 AM— Reem Safadi 6 Year Remembrance, by Parents, George & Janet Safadi and Family

**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

9:30 AM— Massoud and Catherine Elian, by the Family

**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

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26TH**

NO LITURGY

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27TH**

NO LITURGY

**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  
 Antoinette Habbouche - Arabic

**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

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29TH**

4:00 PM— Christmas Flowers Memorial Intentions, by Pastor

4:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Medley Family, by Mary Medley

4:00 PM— Joe Day 17 Year Remembrance, by Family

4:00 PM— Louis & Adale Daye, by Family

4:00 PM— Helen Bochenek 2 Year Remembrance, by Paul & Emma Bochenek

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30TH**

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

9:30 AM— James Lertola, Jr. 1 Year Remembrance, by Mother, Georgia Andary

9:30 AM— Dr. Paul G. Thomas, by Grace Ross

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

11:30 AM— Christmas Flowers Memorial Intentions, by Pastor

11:30 AM— Khalil Chidiac, by Naji & Dr. Maha Chidiac

11:30 AM— Joseph & Helen Shaker, by Issam & Cathy Awad

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 31ST**

**NEW YEAR VIGIL**

4:00 PM— Christmas Flowers Memorial Intentions, by Pastor

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

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 1ST**

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY**

**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

10:30 AM— Parishioners, Friends & Benefactors of St. Sharbel, by Pastor

**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

**REP REMINDER**

ATTENTION: PARENTS! There will be no Religious Education Program Classes over the holidays. We look forward to seeing all of our students on January 6, 2019!

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!****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  
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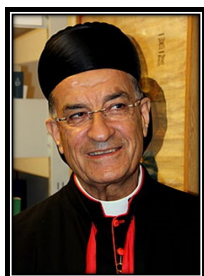
**Tuesday, January 22, 2019**  
6:00 PM at

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

**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.

**READERS****READERS FOR:**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29TH 4:00 PM**  
Dee Boulus

**READERS FOR:**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30TH 9:30 AM**  
Ann Marie Ferris

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30TH 11:30 AM**  
Dr. Maha Chidiac - English  
Naji Chidiac - Arabic

**READERS FOR:**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 31ST 4:00 PM**  
**NEW YEAR'S VIGIL MASS**  
John Cafagna

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 31ST 7:00 PM**  
**NEW YEAR'S VIGIL MASS**  
Melody Deban - English  
Samia Deban - Arabic

**READERS FOR:**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 1ST 10:30 AM**  
**NEW YEAR'S DAY**  
Volunteer



## UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

- 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
- January 22 Patriarch Rai Pastoral Visit with Relics

## END OF YEAR STATUS

## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

## END OF THE YEAR 2018 STATUS

Dear St Sharbel Parishioners,

As we get closer to the end of the 2018 calendar year, I would like to take a moment and reflect back to what has been a great phenomenal year for our Parish.

We completed the construction of our beautiful, humble spiritual home on time and under budget. We secured a \$1.9M loan for 20 years to pay the balance of the construction cost of our project. Bishop Zaidan presided over the Dedication of our Church in a joyful and rich cultural tradition with over one thousand parishioners and supportive friends in attendance. We had a very successful Gala with over 800 people attending and celebrating together the dedication of our new Church. The Gala generated about \$92K to support the Church and our Capital Campaign. We had a very successful Giving Tuesday Campaign that generated \$78,366 to support our Capital Campaign which has exceeded \$3.3M in cash and pledges for the past two years. Our current monthly mortgage payment is \$12,349.71 and our loan balance at the end of 2018 is \$1,878,064.20.

We could not have achieved all these accomplishments without the leadership of Chorbishop Badawi and the countless number of volunteers who have put tremendous effort and time in to support all these events. However, we all know our journey is not over; our future will depend on the planning and the actions we plan and execute today.

We have vibrant and energetic youth groups that we should empower and encourage to take responsibilities in our future planning. We have to envision what we want our Parish to look like - spiritually, culturally, socially, and financially - 10 to 15 years into the future. This will require participation, responsibility and accountability by all of us regardless of age and gender.

You heard me say it once, "If you want to go fast, go alone; if you want to go farther, go together". If we believe it, we can achieve it. I am very proud to be a member of the St Sharbel family that is defined by not only the love and adoration we have to our Lord and our Patron Saint, but also by the respect, care, kindness, generosity, sacrifices, compassion, forgiveness, and unselfishness we have toward each other. I have great faith in our community and I look forward to a greater and more successful 2019 year.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Safe, Joyful, Successful, and Prosperous New Year.

God bless you and my love to all of you.

Rachid El Aile

Capital Campaign Chairman

## PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Today with great love and joy we will celebrate the birth of the Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Our Messiah has been born who is the King of Kings, and Lord of Lords. Jesus Christ was born because of God's immeasurable love for us and our need of reconciliation with Him. He is always with us and is present in all aspects of our lives—in good times and especially in difficulties when we need Him the most. He is present wherever there is love. Every moment of our lives the decision is whether we bring love into the world or not. It truly is a conscious decision. Jesus Christ is present in the offer of a smile and kind word to someone having a terrible day. He is present in the gratitude given to someone who has performed a well done service for us. He is in the daughter or son watching over and taking care of aging parents and the single mom and dad who struggle with having to do things themselves while putting their children's needs before their own. Jesus Christ is present in the ill and infirmed who offer up their limitations and sufferings for the good of another. He is also truly present—body, blood, soul and divinity in the Holy Eucharist. God gives us Himself as Jesus at each and every Holy Mass.

The Holy Mass is the most perfect prayer we have to give God and that God has given to us. Especially at Christmas, on behalf of the parish staff and myself, I would like to offer a blessing in addition to acknowledging and thanking all of the wonderful parishioners of St. Sharbel's. We have so much to be thankful for this Christmas. Of course, we are grateful for the new church, which is a reality because of the generosity and willingness of so many parishioners who share their time, talents and treasure. We are also thankful for the genuine and sincere way that the people here at St. Sharbel Parish take care of each other, exemplifying the beautiful ways that Jesus Christ is manifested here. He is present in our parishioners' generous response whenever there is a need. Truly the presence of the Lord is in this place.

To all who are visiting us for Christmas, I would like to welcome you to our parish family and wish you all a very blessed Christmas. On behalf of St. Sharbel Parish, I hope you will come back soon to join or visit us again. If there are any who have been away for a particularly long time, we are especially happy you are with us once again. To one and all may the Lord, Jesus Christ reign in our hearts and in our lives throughout this Christmas season and coming year.

God bless you and Merry Christmas!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Pastor

## CONGRATULATIONS!

## ENGAGEMENT

Congratulations to

**Dr. Anthony Gemayel and Jamie Denno**  
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!



# 2018 CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS

Mr. and Mrs. Farid Alam

Mr. and Mrs. Raja Ashkar

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Baca

Mr. and Mrs. Elias Bassil

Elias & Antoinette Batayeh

Mrs. Evelyn Begin

Ms. Dee Boulus

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Bousho

Mrs. Ann Cafagna

Mr. and Mrs. John Cafagna

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Calcaterra

Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Chaptini

Mrs. Marilyn Daniels

Ms. Rose Marie Doyle

Mr. and Mrs. Elie Eid

Linda Elias and Family

Mrs. Helen Faraj

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ferris

Mr. and Mrs. Vito Fortuna

Mr. Frederick Francis

Mr. and Mrs. Chaouki Gemayel

Maroun & Lidwina Hakim

Hakim Grandchildren

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hatty

Mr. and Mrs. Laba Hellow

Mrs. Christine Herbert

Ms. Dixie Hunrath

Mr. Anthony B. Joseph

Mr. and Mrs. James Kautz

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Kwasneski

Ms. Helene Latiff

Deacon Michael Magyar

Dr. Roland and Mrs. Valerie Menassa

Mr. and Mrs. Roman Millett

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moubarak

Mr. and Mrs. Michel Moubarak

Ms. Lucy Mourad

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Nader

Mr. Paul Nagurka and Rose Ann Jacobs

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nabra

Mr. and Mrs. Elie Nemer

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Pich

Salomon Grandchildren

Mr. and Mrs. Koshaya Sfeir

Mrs. Fredericka Smith

Fadi & Jessy Srour

Mr. and Mrs. Salvatore Taormina

Ms. Donna Theodore

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Thomas

Mrs. Linda Thomas

Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Thomas

Ms. Denise Werner

Mrs. Nazira Yasso

In Memory of Bassil and Bagolsy Families

In Memory of Mitha Batayeh and Miriam Marzouq

In Memory of Lawanda and Nelson Davey, Peter L. Begin

In Memory of William M. Boulus, Sr.

In Memory of Edmund Bousho, Rebecca Bousho and David Bousho

For Living and Deceased Members of Chaptini and Molinaro Families

In Memory of Michael and Sheffia Thomas

In Memory of Thomas Doyle and Rose Doyle

In Memory of Paul Elias

In Memory of Frank & Madeline Bolis, Joseph & Glen Ferris

In Memory of Alessandro and Concetta Fortuna, Marcello Pozzi & Caterina Byszko

In Memory of Marlene Francis

In Memory of Antoun Gemayel, Ramez Harb, Rohan Gemayel

In Memory of Simon & Philomena Hakim and Deceased Family Members

In Memory of Thomas Hatty, John Marsh, Bill York

In Memory of Donald Herbert and Peter, Edna and Jerome Migala

In Memory of Hunrath and Bell Families

In Memory of Shirley A. Saad, Joseph G. and Margaret J. Saad, James W. Kautz

In Memory of John Abdalla

In Memory of Jennie and Anthony Latiff, Jr.

In Memory of Lorraine Magyar, Janek Filipowicz, Barb Magyar, Theresa Tatum

In Memory of Youssef Menassa, Sied Tamer, Mary Tamer, Sherry Tamer, Anthony Tamer

In Memory of Jackson Carnago, Nassif Youssef Moubarak,

Khaw & Family, Moubarak Family, Zbeidy Family

In Memory of Khalil Yammine and Nassif Moubarak

In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Anthony P. Nader, Sr., Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Pietrantoni, Avery Chandler

In Memory of Anna Nabra

In Memory of Georges Nemer, Mary Nemer, and Nassif Moubarak

In Memory of Abraham & Helen

Salomon and Deceased Family

Members

In Memory of Mansouh and Virginie Sfeir and Daher and Julia Chamoun

In Memory of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Francis

In Memory of Tom and Bea Joseph Family

In Memory of William and Marie Hellow

In Memory of Albert Hellow, George Hellow, Armand Theodore

In Memory of Dr. Paul G. Thomas, Michel & Angelina Bestini, Naif & Susan Thomas,

In Memory of Tracy Ann Thomas

In Memory of Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Werner;

In Memory of Mark Werner

In Memory of Joseph Yasso







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