

ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

FINDING OF THE LORD IN THE TEMPLE - DECEMBER 31, 2023

READING HEBREWS 7: 11 - 19 GOSPEL LUKE 2: 41 - 52



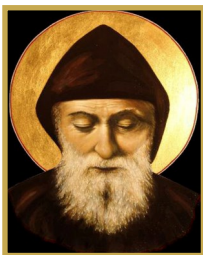
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DIVINE LITURGY

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM

SUNDAY: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

ROSARY: 30 MINUTES BEFORE
SATURDAY & SUNDAY MASSES

WEEKDAY LITURGIES
SEE INSIDE OF BULLETIN
FOR WEEKLY SCHEDULE

CONFESSIONS: BY APPOINTMENT

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**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29TH**

9:30 AM— Albert and Mona Badawi Christmas Remembrance,
by Family

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30TH

4:00 PM— Donors of the Christmas Flowers, by Clergy
 4:00 PM— Christmas Flower Memorials, by Clergy
 4:00 PM— Giving Tuesday Donors, by Clergy
 4:00 PM— Leonard Thomas and Joyce Neumaier
 Christmas Remembrance, by Clergy
 4:00 PM— Deceased Members of the Pete & Adele Moses Saxe Family
 Christmas Remembrance, by Family
 4:00 PM— Matty Moroun and Anne Moroun
 Christmas Remembrance, by Family
 4:00 PM— Matthew Sami Daman Christmas Remembrance, by Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31ST

9:30 AM— Donors of the Christmas Flowers, by Clergy
 9:30 AM— Christmas Flower Memorials, by Clergy
 9:30 AM— Giving Tuesday Donors, by Clergy
 9:30 AM— Mickey and Julia Thomas Christmas Remembrance,
by Chorbishop Alfred Badawi
 9:30 AM— Joseph, Helen and Betty Shaker Christmas Remembrance,
by Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31ST

11:30 AM— Donors of the Christmas Flowers, by Clergy
 11:30 AM— Christmas Flower Memorials, by Clergy
 11:30 AM— Giving Tuesday Donors, by Clergy
 11:30 AM— Special Intention Cara Noelle Hahn-Harik, by Clergy
 11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the
 Raif and Hanane Harik Family, by Clergy
 11:30 AM— Vera Hakim Christmas Remembrance, by Family
 11:30 AM— Khalil Chidiac, by Naji Chidiac & Family
 11:30 AM— Dunia Hattar Dababneh, by Elias & Khouloud Yammine

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31ST**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION VIGIL MASS****SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

4:00 PM— Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Fr. Chris Nahra and
 Deacon Mike Magyar Christmas Remembrance, by Parishioners
 4:00 PM— Living and Deceased Parishioners and Benefactors, by Clergy
 4:00 PM— Peace in the World, by Clergy
 4:00 PM— Donors of the Christmas Flowers Remembrance, by Clergy

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31ST**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION VIGIL MASS****SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

7:00 PM— Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Fr. Chris Nahra and
 Deacon Mike Magyar Christmas Remembrance, by Parishioners
 7:00 PM— Living and Deceased Parishioners and Benefactors, by Clergy
 7:00 PM— Peace in the World, by Clergy
 7:00 PM— Donors of the Christmas Flowers Remembrance, by Clergy

MONDAY, JANUARY 1ST**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION****SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD****WORLD DAY OF PEACE**

10:30 AM— Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Fr. Chris Nahra and Deacon
 Mike Magyar Christmas Remembrance, by Parishioners
 10:30 AM— Living and Deceased Parishioners and Benefactors,
by Clergy
 10:30 AM— Peace in the World, by Clergy
 10:30 AM— Donors of the Christmas Flowers Remembrance, by Clergy

READERS

**READERS FOR
 SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30
 4:00 PM - Gwen Rashid**

**READERS FOR:
 SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31
 9:30 AM - Pat Helou**

**READERS FOR:
 SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31
 11:30 AM - Reema Sweidan
 Majida Nakhle**

**READERS FOR
 SATURDAY, JANUARY 6
 4:00 PM - Amanda Butler**

**READERS FOR:
 SUNDAY, JANUARY 7
 9:30 AM - Rosie Elian**

**READERS FOR:
 SUNDAY, JANUARY 7
 11:30 AM - Andrea Nofar
 Salwa Mondalek**

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2ND

9:30 AM— Owen Petrzelka, by Grandparents, Anthony and Lucy Shaker

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3RD

9:30 AM— Christmas Flower Memorials, by Clergy

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4TH

9:30 AM— Betty Shaker, by Family

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5TH

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY VIGIL MASS

7:00 PM— Christmas Flower Memorials, by Clergy

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6TH

11:00 AM— Baptism Ava Maria Kathawa

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6TH

1:00 PM— Baptism Charles Anthony Ayoub

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6TH

2:00 PM— Baptism Ethan Nabil Hanna

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6TH

3:00 PM— Baptism Haile Dennis Ezana

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6TH

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

BLESSING OF HOLY WATER

4:00 PM— Children Born in 2023 in our Families, by Clergy

4:00 PM— Donors of the Christmas Flowers, by Clergy

4:00 PM— Christmas Flower Memorials, by Clergy

4:00 PM— Giving Tuesday Donors, by Clergy

4:00 PM— Daniel and Mary Daniel and Living and Deceased Members of the Simon and Daniel Family, by their Children

4:00 PM— Matty Moroun and Anne Moroun Christmas Remembrance, by Family

4:00 PM— Matthew Sami Daman Christmas Remembrance, by Family

4:00 PM— Betty Shaker Anniversary Remembrance, by Chorbishop Alfred

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7TH

BLESSING OF HOLY WATER

9:30 AM— Children Born in 2023 in our Families, by Clergy

9:30 AM— Donors of the Christmas Flowers, by Clergy

9:30 AM— Christmas Flower Memorials, by Clergy

9:30 AM— Giving Tuesday Donors, by Clergy

9:30 AM— Mickey and Julia Thomas Christmas Remembrance, by Chorbishop Alfred Badawi

9:30 AM— Betty Shaker Anniversary Remembrance, by Chorbishop Alfred

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7TH

BLESSING OF HOLY WATER

11:30 AM— Children Born in 2023 in our Families, by Clergy

11:30 AM— Donors of the Christmas Flowers, by Clergy

11:30 AM— Christmas Flower Memorials, by Clergy

11:30 AM— Giving Tuesday Donors, by Clergy

11:30 AM— Nazhat Rishan Boutros 40 Day Remembrance, by Family

11:30 AM— Special Intention Cara Noelle Hahn-Harik, by Clergy

11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Raif and Hanane Harik Family, by Clergy

11:30 AM— Vera Hakim Christmas Remembrance, by Family

11:30 AM— Therese Sfeir Birthday Remembrance, by Husband, Kozhaya Sfeir

11:30 AM— Toni Nofar 4 Years Remembrance, by Wife, Zeina and Children, Johnny and Andrea Nofar Etta



SANCTUARY CANDLE

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

Elias and Zina Bassil

CHAPEL CANDLE

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

Elias and Zina Bassil

INCENSE AND CHARCOAL

FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

In Loving Memory of
George & Henriette Chalhoub
by Family

BREAD AND WINE

FOR THE YEARS 2023 - 2026
Living and Deceased Members of the
Michel and Fadia Nahed Family

FOR THE YEAR 2023 - 2024

In Loving Memory of
Judith Anne Jacobs
by Anthony Jacobs and Family

2023 CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS
IN HONOR /LOVING MEMORY OF

Sunny Abousleiman
Mr. and Mrs. Issam Akiki
Georgia Andary

Elie Abousleiman

James Lertola, Jr.
Deceased Members of the Andary/ Eissa Families

Anonymous
Janet, Michael & Jacob Asmar
Asmar Family
Mr. & Mrs. Michel Ayoub
Elias and Zina Bassil

Paul Asmar
Theresa Asmar

Bassil Family
Bagosly Family
Edmund Bousho
Rebecca Bousho
David Bousho

Dan and Christiane Bousho

Mr. & Mrs. John A. Cafagna
Mr. & Mrs. John Cafagna
Jacques and Patricia Chaptini

The Molinaro Family
Ray Chaptini and Family
Khalil Chidiac
Yolla Chidiac

Naji Chidiac

Mona Achkar Cundori & Family

Dora Saber
August El-Achkar
Michael & Sheffia Thomas
Rose & Farid Deban
Jad Nemr
Colette & Hanna Helou

Marilyn Daniels
Abdou and Samia Deban

DeBruyn Children and
Grandchildren
Donna Deeby
Olivia Donabedian
Mary H. Dronzkowski
Mr. & Mrs. Elie Eid
Linda Elias and Family
Ann Marie Bob Ferris
Vito and Char Fortuna

Michael F. DeBruyn
Deeby Family
Edmond Donabedian
James Ruhanna

Francis Family Children
Chuck and Jano Gemayel

Paul Elias
The Bolis and Ferris Families
Alessandro & Concetta Fortuna
Caterina Byszko & Marcello Pozzi
Frederick and Elizabeth Francis
Ramez & Josephine Harb
Antoine & Roland Gemayel
Mary Dawood
Gowro Gowro
Marogi Gowro
Nano Yousif

Waad and Helen Gowro

Mr. & Mrs. Fady Habib
Hakim Family
Lidwina Hakim
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Hatty

Simon & Philomena Hakim and Deceased Family Members
Maroun Hakim
Thomas & Sheila Hatty
Bill & Eileen York
John Marsh
Donna Marsh
Deceased Members of the Hatty Family

Chris Herbert

Don Herbert and Family
Peter Migala and Family
Oliver Herbert and Family

Rose Ann Jacobs and
Paul Nagurka

Deceased Family Members



2023 CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS
IN HONOR /LOVING MEMORY OF

Karen Johns

Nawal Karromi
Madeleine Katra
Klingbail Family
Helene Latiff

Kautz Family

Maassarani Family
Richard and Nancy Magri
Tom and Lolita Maliskey

Toni and Eliane Malouf

Thomas Matthew
Mr. and Mrs. Roman Millett
Marcelle Nasr
Ed and Therese O'Brien

Don and Liz Rabine & Family

The Raies Family
Jean Ranno
William Saad
Dr. & Mrs. Michael Saba

Salomon Family
Elena Salomon
George Sam

Koshaya Sfeir

Toufic and Jeanette Soyad

Sam and Kathy Taormina
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Thomas

Peter Johns, Jr.
Margaret Foley and Family
Josephine & Peter Johns, Sr.
Akram Karromi

George & Mary Ann Sassin
Jennie & Anthony Latiff
Dencee (Dee) & Bill Boulus, Sr.

Joseph G. Saad
Margaret J. Saad
Oscar C. Saad
Shirley A. Saad
John A. Veith
James W. Kautz
Virginia M. Backus
Agnus C. Judd

El-Haje Family
Maliskey Family
Aghni Malouf
Josephine Harb
Ramez Harb

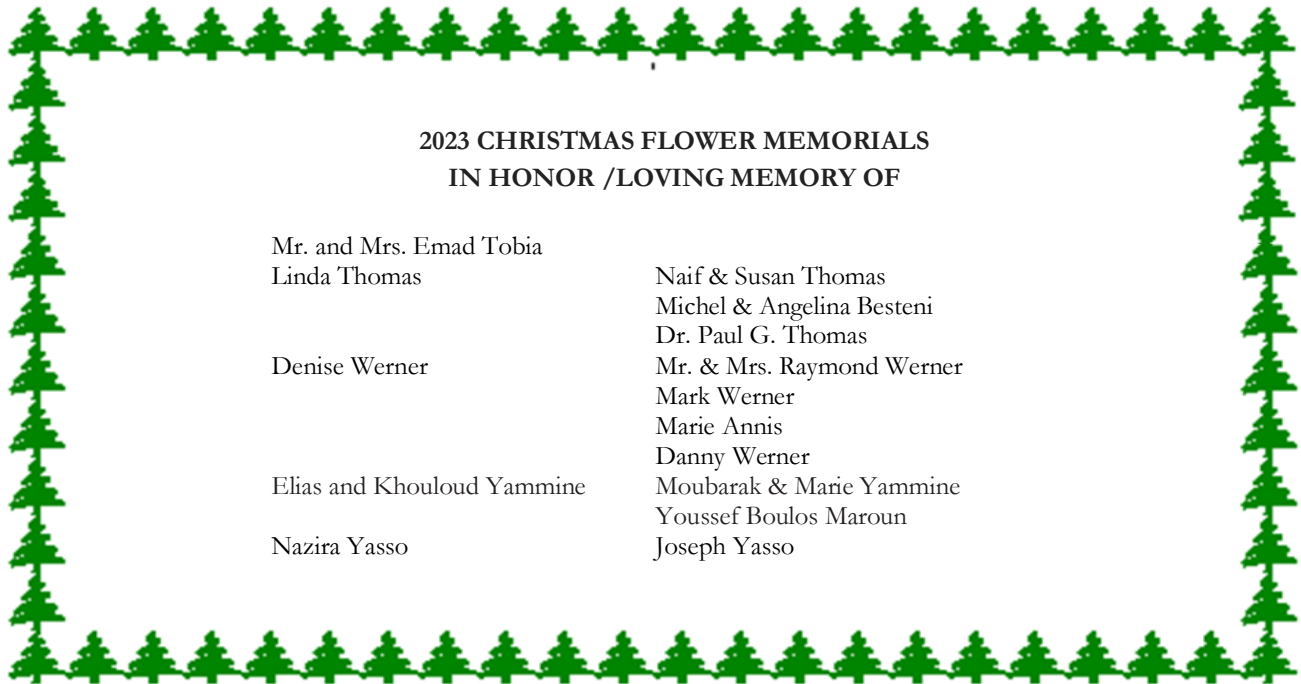
Bassam Nasr
The Hellow Family
Mary Saad
Claire Elizabeth Rabine
Madeline Louise Rabine
Naif & Mary Ejbeh-Agby
Philip Agby
Jeanette Agby
Olga Agby
Monsour & Louise Hakim
Joe & Souad Hakim

Elizabeth Raies
Philip Ranno
Mary Saad
In Thanksgiving for Chorbishop Alfred, Fr. Chris & Deacon Mike
Deceased Members of the Saba, Harb, Douciry and Nasr Families
Abraham & Helen Salomon and Deceased Family Members
Thanksgiving for Special Intention
Penny Sam
Mary & Romeo Sam
Deceased Members of the Sam Family

Therese Sfeir
Mansour & Virginie Sfeir
Nadia Tannous

Neily Family
Tony & Marie Soyad and Family

Tom and Bea Joseph
John & Susan Daniel
Mike & Mary Thomas
Genevieve Daniel



2023 CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS
IN HONOR /LOVING MEMORY OF

Mr. and Mrs. Emad Tobia
Linda Thomas

Denise Werner

Elias and Khouloud Yammine

Nazira Yasso

Naif & Susan Thomas
Michel & Angelina Besteni
Dr. Paul G. Thomas
Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Werner
Mark Werner
Marie Annis
Danny Werner
Moubarak & Marie Yammine
Youssef Boulos Maroun
Joseph Yasso

MASS INTENTIONS



Just a few words about Mass intentions. **The 2024 Mass Record Book is now available** for you to schedule your upcoming Mass intentions. Masses may be said for the living and deceased, in remembrance, in thanksgiving, for healing, and for special intentions and occasions.

Please do your best to schedule your Mass intentions several weeks prior to the date you want. Often times our bulletin has already been sent to print when a Mass intention is given. However, your Mass intention will be given to the priest and your intention will be prayed for.

We do our best to accommodate all requested Mass intentions. Please remember if you call after the bulletin has already been sent to print, they will not be listed in the hard copy printed version of the Bulletin. However, your intentions will still be announced and prayed for at your requested Mass date and time! **We apologize for any misspellings, mistakes or omissions,** as occasionally they do happen! Just call and we will make the correction!

Please email or call the office to schedule your intentions. Thank you for your understanding!

THANK YOU!

WEEKLY COLLECTION

December 23 & 24, 2023

Envelopes: \$27,370.00

Online: \$600.00

Total Collection: \$27,970.00

GIVING TUESDAY

\$50,029.00

With sincere gratitude and thanks for your faithful and loving support of our parish!

UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

- Dec 29 College Students Breakfast with Clergy
- Dec 31 Mass Live Streamed 11:30 AM
- Dec 31 Vigil Mass Solemnity of Mary Masses 4 PM & 7 PM
- Dec 31 New Year's Eve Party
- Jan 1 Holy Day of Obligation Solemnity of Mary 10:30 AM Mass
- Jan 6/7 Epiphany Blessing of Water
- Jan 13/14 Haircutting Ceremony
- Jan 21 LAS Meeting 10:30 AM
- Jan 22 National Day of Prayer for Protection of the Unborn
- Jan 22 Healing Mass of Saint Sharbel 6:30 PM
- Mar 24 Palm Sunday Family Luncheon
- May 1 - Annual Raffle Fundraiser
- July 20
- July 1-7 NAM Convention
- July 18-21 Feast of Saint Sharbel & Relics
- Aug 23-25 St. Sharbel Church Food Festival

CONGRATULATIONS!

BAPTISM AND CHRISMATION

Congratulations to
Tarek and Maria Nohra
 on the Baptism of their Children,
Dylan Nohra and Kailyn Nohra
 at St. Sharbel Church on
 Sunday, December 24, 2023
 by Chorbishop Alfred Badawi.

*May Dylan and Kailyn be steadfast in their faith
 and grow constantly in the Lord!*

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations to
Gino and Andrea [Nofar] Etta
 on the recent birth
 of their new son,
Julian Gabriel Etta!

*May God bless this family with
 His abundant graces!*

PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners, Friends and Visitors,
 This Sunday, we celebrate the Sunday of the Finding of the Lord in the Temple.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Don't forget that January 1st is the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. It is a holy day of obligation as well as the World Day of Prayer for Peace. Masses will be offered on Sunday, December 31st at 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM and on Monday, January 1st at 10:30 AM.

Let us continue to keep one another in prayer as we ring in the New Year.

HAVE A BLESSED AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

God Bless our Families as we begin the New Year 2024! Much of what we hear about today regarding families seems to involve violence, greed and lack of communication. Our media often does not report the good things that happen in our families. I have come to know many families here at St. Sharbel Parish and can truly say that many good things are happening in our families. I can tell how much parents love their children and how the children come to respect their parents. Certainly, no family has a perfect life. Human nature seems to dictate that there will be conflicts at times, but overall family life in so many places is doing well.

One thing we must make sure of is that the quality of our family life does not diminish. We must always be on guard to insure that open communication, understanding, forgiveness and above all, love, are a part of everyday family living. On this feast we look at the lives of Jesus, Mary and Joseph together as a family. We see the virtues that they exhibited and we try to make them a part of our own family life. Respect, love and obedience are highlighted in the Gospel passages that speak of the Holy Family.

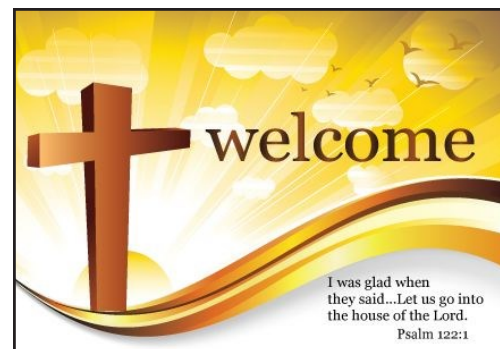
On behalf of Father Chris, Deacon Mike and I would like to wish all of you a Blessed and Happy New Year! May 2024 be a year of peace, happiness and love as we go forth to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ by word and deed.

I wish to extend a sincere "Thank you" to all who helped in any way to make our Christmas celebrations truly prayerful and inspiring. Whether you helped decorate, participated in one of the liturgical ministries, or supported the parish in some other way, including your generous financial gifts, I sincerely thank you!

THANK YOU

Thank you to all who have been so generous to the parish this Christmas. On behalf of Father Chris, Deacon Mike and myself, I would like to thank all who remembered us with cards, gifts, sweets, and well wishes! Please keep me and our staff and ministries in your prayers. You remain in ours.

Yours in Christ,
 Chorbishop Alfred Badawi





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