ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

CLINTON TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN

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THE SEASON OF THE BIRTH OF OUR LORD زمن الميلاد المجيد

BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST - DECEMBER 8, 2019

مولد يوجنا المعمدان READING Galatians 4:21-5:1 GOSPEL Luke 1:57-66



CHRISTMAS PENANCE SERVICE WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18 7:00 PM

Reconciliation Prayer Service with visiting priests available to hear confessions in English and Arabic.

CHRISTMAS NOVENA

| December 16 th - | 6:30 PM Liturgy / 7 PM Novena |
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| December 17 th - | 6:30 PM Liturgy / 7 PM Novena |
| December 18 th - | 6:30 PM Liturgy / 7 PM Novena |
| December 19 th - | 6:30 PM Liturgy / 7 PM Novena |
| December 20 th - | 6:30 PM Liturgy / 7 PM Novena |
| December 21 st - | Novena after 4:00 PM Mass |
| December 22 nd - | 6:30 PM Family of St. Sharbel |
| | Healing Mass / Novena |
| December 23 rd - | 6:30 PM Liturgy / 7 PM Novena |

*Confessions available before Novena December 16-21

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH

4:00 PM Children's Mass7:00 PM Christmas Mass12:00 AM Midnight Christmas Eve

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

9:30 AM Christmas Day 11:30 AM Christmas Day

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31ST

4:00 PM 7:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1ST 10:30 AM

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> PASTOR Chorbishop Alfred Badawi

> > DEACON Michael Magyar

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM Staci Saker

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT Dianne Bartolomeo

DIVINE LITURGY SATURDAY: 4:00 PM SUNDAY: 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION 1st Friday: 9:30 AM MASS Eucharistic Adoration following until 3 PM

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION 1st Saturday: 3:30 PM

FAMILY OF SAINT SHARBEL HEALING PRAYERS 22nd Day of Every Month Liturgy and Benediction 6:30 PM (Fall/Winter) CONFESSIONS Available Before Weekend Liturgies

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6TH FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH MASS AND DEVOTION **READERS FOR:** 9:30 AM — Parishioners, Benefactors and Friends, by Pastor **10 AM - 12 PM EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION AND ADORATION** SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7TH **READERS FOR:** 4:00 PM— Michael and Catherine Joseph, by Mary Medley **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8TH** 4:00 PM— Shabe & Freda Jacobs, by Rosabelle Jacobs 4:00 PM— Betty Jolet, by Family 4:00 PM— Daniel and Mary Daniel and Deceased Members of the Daniel and Simon Families, by Children **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8TH** 9:30 AM- Margaret J. Saad Birthday Remembrance, by her Children **READERS FOR:** 9:30 AM- John Nasrallah Memorial Mass, by Niece, Marleine Kamel 9:30 AM— Jim Tessmer 5 Year Remembrance, by Family 9:30 AM— Marie Joseph 6 Year Remembrance, by Family 9:30 AM- Grace Biondo 10 Year Remembrance, by Daughter, Roseanne, **READERS FOR:** and Tom and Mary Grace 11:30 AM- Majed Aad 40 Day Remembrance, by Children, Dolly Aad, Fares Joe Ejbeh Aad, Nassim Aad and Pascale Aad 11:30 AM— Antoine N. Farris 10 Year Remembrance, by Wife, Laurance and Children 11:30 AM— Joseph Farris 12 Year Remembrance, by Family 11:30 AM— Elias & Sophia Chahine, by Daughter, Laurance Farris & Family 11:30 AM- Dr. Paul G. Thomas, by Wife, Linda, Daughter, Sandy and Son, Dave 11:30 AM— Joe Akl Christmas Remembrance, by Pastor 11:30 AM— Steve Garmo Christmas Remembrance, by Pastor 11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Luay & Wasan Antwan Esho Family Christmas Remembrance, by Pastor 11:30 AM— Faraj & Georgette Fajou Christmas Remembrance, by Family 11:30 AM- Dawood and Hassina Hannosh Remembrance, by Daughter, Sally Hannosh and Family **MONDAY, DECEMBER 9TH** FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY 9:30 AM — Parishioners, Benefactors and Friends, by Pastor **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10TH NO LITURGY**

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11TH **NO LITURGY**

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14TH

4:00 PM— Charles Smith Special Intention Healing, by Dixie Hunrath 4:00 PM— Genevieve Brusca, by Reed & Susan Vergin 4:00 PM— Helen Shaker Birthday Remembrance, by Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15TH

- 9:30 AM— Special Intentions, by the Shaker Family
- 9:30 AM— Michael B. Thomas and Gabriel B. Thomas
- Remembrance, by Mickey & Julie Thomas
- 9:30 AM— Charlotte Khalil, by Deacon Mike Magyar
- 9:30 AM- Anne, Madeline and Thomas Isaac, Family
- 11:30 AM— Children in our Parish Community, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM- Mr. & Mrs. Martin Sr. & Marie Joseph and
- William Joseph, by Wayne & Aggie Langschied 11:30 AM— Mariam Daccache Memorial Mass, by Tony & Pierre Daccache and Family
- 11:30 AM— Antoine Haouilou Christmas Remembrance, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM— Jeanne D'arc Raad, Nader Raad, Mikhael Raad, by Izabelle Farah and Family

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7TH 4:00 PM Terry Mahoney

9:30 AM Steven El Aile

11:30 AM **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8TH** Georgio Malkoun- English Vera Akl - Arabic

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14TH 4:00 PM Janet Peters

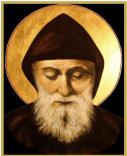
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15TH 9:30 AM

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15TH 11:30 AM Michael Kourieh - English

COFFEE & DONUTS THIS WEEKEND SPONSORED BY

Tommy Joseph and Family

Thank you and God bless you!



FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

This year the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Holy Virgin, December 8, falls on the Sunday of the Birth of John the Baptist during the Season of Announcement. The Bishop has approved the transfer of the celebration of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception to Monday, December 9. The obligation for the faithful, however, is suppressed. Please join your parish family on Monday, December 9th at 9:30 AM to celebrate the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

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SPONSOR A CANDLE

2020 SANCTUARY CANDLES

The scheduling of Masses and Sanctuary and Chapel Votive Candles are now open for 2020. To request a Mass date or to sponsor a Sanctuary or Chapel Votive Candle in 2020, please telephone the Church Office at (586) 630-0002 or email the parish office at :



stsharbelmichigan@gmail.com.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIAL

Help to adorn St. Sharbel Church Altar this Christmas Season with Poinsettias in Honor of or in Loving Memory of your loved ones.

Please submit your donation and form no later than **December 16th** by mail, the Sunday collection basket or email to the church office. Donation is \$15.00. Thank you!



PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

CIRCLE ONE:

IN HONOR OF

IN MEMORY OF

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YOUR NAME:

PHONE NUMBER:

SANCTUARY CANDLE

FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER BURNS FOR:

In Loving Memory of Helen Bochenek & Emma Bochenek

by Paul Bochenek

CHAPEL CANDLE

FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER BURNS FOR:

Special Intentions



St. Sharbel Ladies Altar Society Christmas Luncheon

Saturday, December 14, 2019 @ Noon

Catered by LaSaj

Tickets, \$20 per person

50/50 & Gift Basket Raffles! Live Entertainment!

> Tickets Char Fortuna - 586-260-2036 Ann Marie Ferris -586-707-3693 Judy Thomas -586-243-7497 Church Office - 586-630-0002

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UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

| December 6 | First Friday Mass 9:30 AM Adoration & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10 AM until 12 PM Noon |
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| December 7 | First Saturday Devotion & Prayers 3:30 PM |
| December 8 | LAS Meeting 10:30 AM |
| December 9 | Feast of the Immaculate Conception 9:30 AM Mass |
| December 14 | Annual Christmas Luncheon 12 PM |
| December 15 | Children's Christmas Party |
| December 16–23 Christmas Novena begins 7 PM | |
| December 18 | Christmas Penance Service 7 PM |
| December 31 | Annual New Year's Eve Party |
| January 4, 5 | Hair Cutting Ceremony Babies Born in 2019 |
| January 25 | Talent Show |

CONGRATULATIONS!

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations to Joesef and Francesca Anton on the recent birth of their daughter. Stella - Rose Anton!

May God bless this family with His abundant graces!

BAPTISM AND CHRISMATION

Congratulations to Dr. Michael and Tracy Saba on the Baptism of their daughter, Mary Rose Rafka Saba on Saturday, November 30, 2019 by Chorbishop Alfred Badawi.

Congratulations also to **Tony and Lisa Sawan** on the Baptism of their daughter, Sophia Noelle Sawan on Sunday, December 1, 2019 by Chorbishop Alfred Badawi.

May Mary and Sophia be steadfast in their faith and grow constantly in the Lord!

MARRIED IN CHRIST

Our Congratulations and Best Wishes to **Robert and Katie Krzeczkowski** who were married on Friday, November 29, 2019 by Chorbishop Alfred Badawi.

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

ENGAGEMENT

Congratulations to Chadi Maassarani and Jonida Korcari on their engagement to be married!

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

PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

On this second Sunday of December, we celebrate the Sunday of the Birth of John the Baptizer (to prepare the way of the Lord).

WITH GRATITUDE ...

Thank you to everyone who donated food or money to our Thanksgiving Food Drive. Special thanks to the Members of the Ladies Altar Society for organizing the drive, purchasing additional items from cash donations and packaging the food. Because of your generosity, 20 less than fortunate families were able to receive a bountiful food basket and enjoy a delicious meal this Thanksgiving. God bless you for the outpouring of generosity you extended to those in need!

THANK YOU!

The Lebanon Day celebration was very well attended and successful. Thank you to George and Rita Fares and Fadi and Jessy Srour for coordinating this event. Much appreciation to the Saint Sharbel Dabke Troupe dancers and the instructors: Marina Kourieh, Samia Deban, Rima Michael, Randa Naddaf, Elodie Chidiac, and Rita Srour for the awesome performance. Thank you also to Elias Nahed for overseeing the sound system and to all who volunteered to help out in any way! Also thank you to the parents of the children who participated in this special event!

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON PARTY

The annual Ladies Altar Society Christmas Luncheon will be held in our Church Hall on Saturday, December 14th, beginning at 12:00 PM. Please save the date for a great time!

ANNUAL CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Annual Children's Christmas Party will be held on Sunday, December 15th at 12:30 PM in the Church Hall. All the children of the parish are cordially invited to enjoy this party and meet Santa Claus! Lunch will be served, catered by Luciano's!

CHRISTMAS PENANCE SERVICE

Please make plans to join us on Wednesday, December 18th for the annual Christmas Penance Service at 7 PM. I urge you to set aside this special time to prepare yourself spiritually for the birth of Jesus by partaking of t he special Sacrament of Reconciliation, which is both healing and life giving as you encounter the love and mercy of Christ!

Several visiting priests will be present to hear your confessions. CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

The 4:00 PM Mass on Christmas Eve is traditionally the Children's Mass. All the children of the parish are invited to attend and sit together as a group for this special liturgy. The children will carry the gifts in the Offertory Procession and bring the Sign of Peace to the congregation, as well as sing a special Christmas Carol to the Baby Jesus. Parents are encouraged to attend this Christmas Eve Mass with their children.

During this Christmas season, let us continue to prepare room for our Lord in our hearts and our homes. Let us live in the love of God, and let us continue to pray for one another.

May the peace of Christ be with you, Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Pastor



WEEKLY COLLECTION November 30 & December 1, 2019 Envelopes: \$5,934.00 **Online: \$ 150.00**

May God bless you in return for your generosity! and support of your parish!

St. Sharbel Church, Clinton Twp.



RAFFLE!!

LUXURY ITEM GIVEAWAY!

Beginning in December, a Luxury Item Giveaway Raffle

will be taking place each month!

A different luxury item will be featured each month to be raffled!

DECEMBER'S ITEM



LOUIS VUITTON Vernis Romaine Bag Amarante Valued at \$4300

This tote is crafted of Louis Vuitton monogram embossed vernis patent leather. The bag features a smooth leather top handle and a signature brass press lock for the frontal flap. This opens to a fabric interior. This is an ideal bag for day or evening, from Louis Vuitton.

Raffle Tickets \$20 each

Drawing will be held on New Year's Eve Need not be present to win Proceeds benefit St. Sharbel Church

*Tickets on sale after Mass or contact the Church Office Item will be on display after Mass



