

# ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

## CLINTON TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN

BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST - DECEMBER 9, 2018

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



### 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 8TH**  
**FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

9:00 AM— Benefactors of St. Sharbel, by Pastor

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8TH**

4:00 PM— Parishioners of St. Sharbel Parish, by Pastor  
 4:00 PM— Betty Jolet Birthday Remembrance, by Family  
 4:00 PM— Shabe & Freda Jacobs, by Rosabelle Jacobs  
 4:00 PM— Carol Clark Birthday Remembrance, by Dixie Hunrath  
 4:00 PM— Michael and Backos Joseph, by Mary Medley and Family  
 4:00 PM— Mary Michael Birthday Remembrance, by Richard & Joanne Kelof  
 4:00 PM— John DeLuca Birthday Remembrance, by Dr. Sam Nasser

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9TH**

9:30 AM— Nazira Yasso Special Intentions for Good Health, by Zina Bassil  
 9:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Deeby and Shikany Families, by Donna Deeby  
 9:30 AM— Theresa Jacob 40 Day Remembrance, by Family  
 9:30 AM— Don & Marie Joseph, by their Children  
 9:30 AM— Margaret J. Saad Birthday Remembrance, by her Children  
 9:30 AM— Frank Bogucki 3 Year Remembrance, by Wife, Rose Marie Bogucki  
 9:30 AM— Deceased Members of the Mark & Sophie Bogucki Family & The Sarkees & Josephine Naseef Family, by Rose Marie Bogucki  
 9:30 AM— Jim Tessmer 4 Year Remembrance, by Family  
 11:30 AM— Children of St. Sharbel Parish, by Pastor  
 11:30 AM— Georgette Zine Farah, by Izabelle Farah and Family  
 11:30 AM— Deceased Members of the Crispin, Shaker and Abraham Families, by Joe & Terry Shaker  
 11:30 AM— Faraj & Georgette Fajou, Joe Akl, and Steve Garmo Christmas Remembrance, by the Fajou, Akl and Garmo Families

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11TH**

11:15 AM— Living and Deceased Members of St. Sharbel, by Pastor

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12TH**

9:30 AM— Joseph Hakim, by Delores Eggen  
 9:30 AM— Jackie Haddad, by the Shaker Family

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13TH**  
**NO LITURGY**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15TH**

4:00 PM— Margaret Shather 40 Day Remembrance, by Family  
 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— 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 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  
 11:30 AM— Souad Jreige 40 Day Remembrance, by Daughter and Son-In-Law, Najoi and 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

**READERS FOR:**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8TH 4:00 PM**  
 Dixie Hunrath

**READERS FOR:**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9TH 9:30 AM**  
 Steven El Aile

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9TH 11:30 AM**  
 Lisa Yacoub - English  
 Abdou Deban - Arabic

**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  
 To be announced - Arabic

**CONFESSIONS**

**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Christmas Season is the perfect time to experience the Lord's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Confessions are heard

Saturday

3:30 PM - 3:55 PM

Sundays

9:00 AM - 9:25 AM

And 11:00 AM - 11:25 AM

or by appointment.

Come experience the healing peace of Christ  
 in this Sacrament!

*Thank you*  
**FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

**December 2, 2018**

**Envelopes: \$5,105.00**

**Online: \$570.00**

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

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

### CHRISTMAS AT ST. SHARBEL

#### ADVENT RETREAT

#### PREPARE FOR THE SEASON

December 15<sup>th</sup> - 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

#### CELEBRATE THE SEASON

#### ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTIES

December 9<sup>th</sup> - Children Annual Christmas Visits with Santa

December 11<sup>th</sup> - Annual Christmas Luncheon 12:00 PM

\*Further details to follow!

#### CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

##### CHRISTMAS EVE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24

4:00 PM

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

& 7:00 PM

&

MIDNIGHT MASS

12:00 AM CHRISTMAS

##### CHRISTMAS DAY

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25

9:30 AM & 11:30 AM

## SAVE THE DATE



ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION

MONDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2018  
8:00 PM - 1:00 AM  
IN THE CHURCH HALL  
BYOB

FOR RESERVATIONS PLEASE CONTACT:

ELI BASSIL	586 662-4562
NABIL FAWAZ	248 894-1375
JOHN MOUSAWAR	586 907-4242
ELIAS YAMMINE	586 354-5472
CHURCH OFFICE	586 630-0002

ADULTS \$60, COLLEGE 18-25 \$40, UNDER 18 \$25

### ST. SHARBEL CHURCH

CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO OUR ANNUAL

## *Christmas Luncheon*

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>**

**11:15 am Divine Liturgy**

**12 pm Lunch & Party**

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## MYO REGIONAL RETREAT

### MARONITE YOUTH ORGANIZATION

#### REGIONAL RETREAT

**FEBRUARY 15 - 17, 2018**

The 2019 MYO Regional Retreat will take place **Friday, February 15 thru Sunday, February 17, 2018**, at St. Sharbel Church in Clinton Township, MI.

The retreat will begin Friday evening with registration at 5:00 PM. The retreat will conclude Sunday morning after the Divine Liturgy.

Cost for the retreat is \$185 per person, which includes accommodations, food, and any planned activities.

Registration forms and payment must be turned in to the church office by **Sunday, January 6th**. The registration form and more details can be found here:

**MYO Regional Retreat 2019 Registration**



### 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.

DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS OPPORTUNITY...

### Advent Retreat

Saturday, December 15, 2018

Eucharistic Adoration

8:30 am - 3 pm

Separate Men & Women

Live Music

with Deacon John & Bobbi Sfira

Breakout Sessions

Confessions Available

St. Sharbel Church

Lunch Included

Take this time for yourself and receive

the Gift of this retreat!

Register today!



REGISTER TODAY!

## UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

December 8	Feast of Immaculate Conception Mass 9:00 AM
December 9	LAS Meeting 10:30 AM
December 9	Children's Christmas Party 12:30 PM
December 11	Annual Christmas Luncheon 11:15 AM Mass
December 14	Altar Server Pizza Party & Training 5 PM- 7 PM
December 15	Retreat with Deacon John & Bobbi Sfira
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

## CONGRATULATIONS!

## BAPTISM AND CHRISMATION

Congratulations to  
**Kenneth and Meagan Jumper**  
 on the Baptism of their Son,  
**Lucas Daniel Jumper**  
 at St. Sharbel Church  
 on Saturday, December 1, 2018  
 by Chorbishop Alfred Badawi.

## BAPTISM

Congratulations also to  
**Joe and Susan Elian**  
 on the Baptism of their Daughter,  
**Aria Diane Elian**  
 on Sunday, December 2, 2018  
 by Chorbishop Alfred Badawi.

*May Lucas and Aria be steadfast in their faith  
 and grow constantly in the Lord!*

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to  
**Andrew and Vanessa Hatty**  
 as they celebrate their  
**5th Wedding Anniversary!**

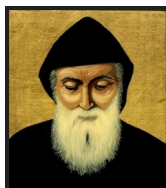
*May our Lord bless you as you continue  
 to provide witness to the love of God  
 by your commitment to each other and to your family!*

## 22ND OF THE MONTH

## FAMILY OF ST. SHARBEL DEVOTION

## عائلة مار شربل

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



## PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners and Friends,  
 I thought many of you would like to know of the fruit of your generosity for the Thanksgiving Food Drive. Again this year, the St. Sharbel Parishioners rose to the occasion and shared with those less fortunate. Over 20 families were helped by your generosity, and additional families were helped by parishioners wishing to contribute even more. As a family and church, I am sure it warms your hearts, as it does mine, to know how well we take care of those in need. Thank you, from the bottom of my heart, for hearing the "cry of the poor," with your overwhelming response to their needs.

In preparation for the Birth of Christ, we especially make an added effort to examine our consciences as our minds and hearts turn to a deeper reconciliation and relationship with Our Lord.

## 5 STEPS TO CONFESSION

There are five steps to a good confession.

- ◆ The first is to conduct an **examination of conscience**. If it has been quite a while since the last confession and help is needed, the priest is happy to assist during the confession.
- ◆ The second is the need **to be truly sorry** for having offended God.
- ◆ Third, there needs to be a **firm purpose of amendment to sin no more**.
- ◆ Fourth, **sins need to be confessed** to a priest.
- ◆ And, fifth the **penance** given by the priest

As Catholics, we are so very blessed to have the sacraments instituted by Jesus Christ through His Church. Reconciliation helps us to wipe the slate clean, reunites us with our loving Father and gives us the needed grace to try again. God, knowing our weakened state caused by original sin, lovingly provides the means to bring us back and closer to Him and His infinite love and mercy. May God bless us with all that we need and more!

Chorbishop Alfred Badawi

## 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.*

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Please turn in your request no later than  
 Tuesday, December 18th.

Thank you!







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