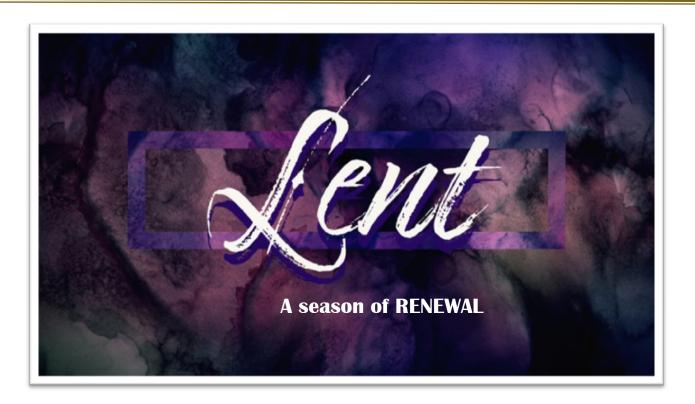
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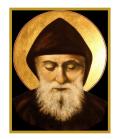
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DIVINE LITURGY

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM

SUNDAY: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

ROSARY / CONFESSIONS
30 MINUTES BEFORE
SATURDAY & SUNDAY MASSES

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

1st Saturday: 3:30 PM

FAMILY OF SAINT SHARBEL
HEALING MASS & BENEDICTION
22nd Day of Every Month

7:00 PM (April - October) 6:30 PM (November - March)

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH

RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE VOWS

4:00 PM— For the Safety and Protection of our Youth and Advisors, by Parents

4:00 PM— For the Victims of the Michigan State University Tragedy, by Parishioners

4:00 PM— For all Engaged and Married Couples, by Pastor

4:00 PM— Charles Joseph 40 Day Remembrance, by Family

4:00 PM — Elias Yousif Heido, by Family

4:00 PM— Anne Moroun, by Family

4:00 PM— Albert and Mona Badawi, by Laba and Marie Helou

4:00 PM -- Adele Latif, by Toufic and Jeanette Soyad

4:00 PM — Mary Medley, by Family

4:00 PM — Matthew Sami Daman, by Sister, Amal Daman and Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH

RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE VOWS

9:30 AM— For the Safety and Protection of our Youth and Advisors, by Parents

9:30 AM— For the Victims of the Michigan State University Tragedy, by Parishioners

9:30 AM— For all Engaged and Married Couples, by Pastor

9:30 AM— Salvador Kassab Special Intentions Healing, by Family

9:30 AM— Frederick Anthony Saad Memorial Mass, by the Joseph G. Saad Family

9:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Elizabeth Neam Family, by Pastor

9:30 AM— John Abdella 10 Year Remembrance, by his loving Wife, Arlene Abdella, and Family

9:30 AM— Elias Yousif Heido, by Family

9:30 AM— Albert and Mona Badawi, by Vito and Char Fortuna

9:30 AM -- Mickey & Julia Thomas, by Georgia Andary

9:30 AM - Joseph, Helen and Betty Anne Shaker, by Family

9:30 AM— Anna Nahra, by Family

9:30 AM - Sarkis Nahra, by Family

9:30 AM - Michael Haig, by Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH

RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE VOWS

11:30 AM— For the Safety and Protection of our Youth and Advisors, by Parents

11:30 AM— For the Victims of the Michigan State University Tragedy, by Parishioners

11:30 AM— For all Engaged and Married Couples, by Pastor

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

11:30 AM— Elias Yousif Heido, by Family

11:30 AM — Albert and Mona Badawi, by George & Antoinette Habbouche

11:30 AM -- Youssef Maroun, by St. Sharbel Choir

11:30 AM — Mounir Habbouche, by Kozhaya Sfeir

11:30 AM— Fawaz Youssef Bakky, by Family

11:30 AM— Josephine Harb 3 Year Remembrance, by the Harb, Gemayel and Maalouf Families

11:30 AM— Ramez Harb 13 Year Remembrance, by the Harb, Gemayel and Maalouf Families

11:30 AM— Colette Hanna Helou 36 Year Remembrance, by Family

11:30 AM— Dr. George Caleel Anniversary Remembrance, by Wife, Rebecca Caleel and Family

11:30 AM— Mirna Anasi, by Warda Jewar

11:30 AM — Samir Touma, by Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH

1:00 PM— Baptism Antonio Malik Lucci Mansour

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH

ASH MONDAY

MASS WITH DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES

12:00 PM— Living and Deceased Family Members, by Clergy

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH

ASH MONDAY

MASS WITH DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES

7:00 PM— Living and Deceased Family Members, by Clergy

WEEKLY COLLECTION

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February 11 & 12, 2023

Envelopes: \$6,481.00 Online: \$535.00

Total Collection: \$7,016.00

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ASH MONDAY

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST

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

9:30 AM— Joseph, Helen and Betty Anne Shaker, by Family

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND

HEALING MASS OF SAINT SHARBEL

6:30 PM — Newborn Maribelle Elhaddad, by her Spiritual Mothers

6:30 PM — Sick, Shut-Ins and Home Bound, by Clergy

6:30 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Chaldean Community, by Clergy

6:30 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Sassy Family, by Clergy

6:30 PM — Matthew Sami Daman, by Sister, Amal Daman and Family

6:30 PM — Jamila Kashaf Kamposh and Family, by Family

6:30 PM— Samir Touma, by Family

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD

9:30 AM -- Mickey and Julia Thomas, by Edward and Isabelle Thomas

9:30 AM— Albert and Mona Badawi, by Edward and Isabelle Thomas

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD

PRAYER SERVICE WITH THE PILGRIM

ICON OF SAINT JOSEPH

7:00 PM

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

4:00 PM— Joey Andary Anniversary Remembrance, by Judy Thomas and Family

4:00 PM— Ray Moses 9 Year Remembrance, by Family

4:00 PM— **Michael Jacobs 31 Year Remembrance**, by Rose Ann Jacobs and Paul Nagurka

4:00 PM— Anne Moroun, by Family

4:00 PM -- Albert and Mona Badawi, by Leonard Thomas and Joyce Neumaier

4:00 PM— Sub-Deacon George Fadoul, by Toufic and Jeanette Soyad

4:00 PM — Matthew Sami Daman, by Sister, Amal Daman and Family

4:00 PM— Elias Yousif Heido, by Family

4:00 PM — Mary Medley, by Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH

9:30 AM — Don and Liz Rabine 22 Year Wedding Anniversary, by Family

9:30 AM— **Fuad Haddad 40 Day Remembrance,** by Sister, Rose Rizkallah and Family

9:30 AM— Maroun Hakim Anniversary Remembrance, by the Men's Club

9:30 AM - Mickey & Julia Thomas, by Susan Elek

9:30 AM— Albert and Mona Badawi, by the Rabine & Ejbeh-Agby Family

9:30 AM— Youssef Boulos Maroun, by The Rabine & Ejbeh-Agby Family

9:30 AM— Elias Yousif Heido, by Family

9:30 AM— Joseph, Helen and Betty Anne Shaker, by Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH

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

11:30 AM— Zeina Salim Eid Memorial Mass, by Daughter and Son-In-Law, Rima and Fadi Habib and Family

11:30 AM— Ray Moses 9 Year Remembrance, by Family

11:30 AM— Elias Yousif Heido, by Family

11:30 AM— Albert and Mona Badawi, by Violet Hawilo and Family

11:30 AM— Youssef Maroun, by Kozhaya Sfeir

11:30 AM— Dr. Paul Thomas, by Clergy

11:30 AM— Fawaz Youssef Bakky, by Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH

1:00 PM— Baptism Luke Michael Damachki

READERS

READERS FOR:

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18 4:00 PM - Terry Mahoney

READERS FOR:

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

9:30 AM - Joe Ejbeh

READERS FOR:

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

11:30 AM - George Habbouche Toni Maalouf

READERS FOR:

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25

4:00 PM - Gwen Rashid

READERS FOR:

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

9:30 AM - Katie Krzeczkowski

READERS FOR:

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

11:30 AM - Majeda Nackle



SAINT JOSEPH ICON VISIT

The Knights of Columbus will host the Pilgrim Icon of Saint Joseph at St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church Thursday, February 23rd through Sunday, February 26th.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2023

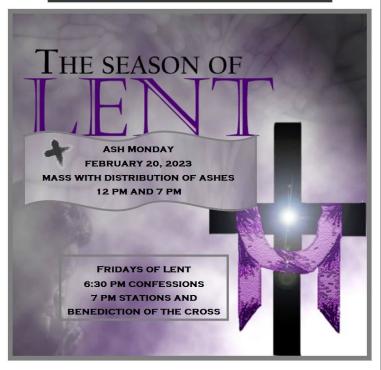
Prayer Service with the Icon

7 PM

Led by Deacon Mike

The Icon will be on display in our Chapel for prayer and veneration Thursday through Sunday.

LENT BEGINS



LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

We are pleased to announce that we will host a 6 week **Lenten Bible Study** facilitated by Joe Ejbeh held **from 6:45 PM - 8 PM** on the Wednesdays of Lent (with a few exceptions):

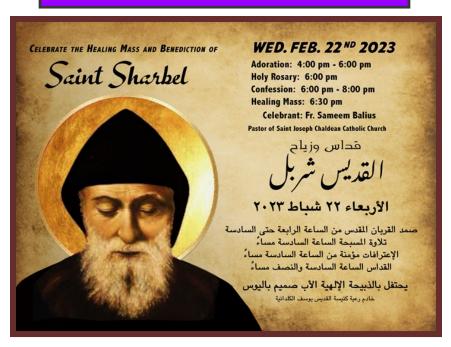
Wednesday, March 1st
Wednesday, March 8th
Wednesday, March 15th
Tuesday, March 21st
Wednesday, March 29th
Tuesday, April 4th (Holy Tuesday)

Joe is looking forward to speaking about various topics during these sessions, including God's grace, mercy, and justice and ways in which we understand the Old Testament and New Testament in fulfillment of each other.

Additionally, the Bible Study will have a hybrid format where we meet in-person in Meeting Room A, with a monitor and computer open during each session for any individual who would like to join through ZOOM.

All the youth and young adults of our parish are encouraged to join this enriching time of journeying with Sacred Scripture!

HEALING MASS OF SAINT SHARBEL





PARISH TALENT SHOW!

We are excited to announce that we will be holding a Talent Show this coming April! Jessy Srour will be accepting all names and information for those who wish to audition. Dates and times for auditions will be announced in the near future, as well as the date for the Talent Show.

All children or youth of our parish who wants to showcase how they play an instrument or showcase their talent is encouraged to participate!

More information will be forthcoming!

REFLECTION FOR LENT

Reflection on Cana Sunday: Entrance into the Season of Great Lent By: Deacon Chris Nahra

I can't believe we have already made it to Lent –time is just flying by. If you're like me then you probably have even thought about what you are going to give up for Lent this year. Every year, I say I'm going to give up chocolate or television or (dare I even say) coffee, however, each year Lent concludes, and I think to myself... so what did I accomplish or how did I change? Well, perhaps this year, the Season of Great Lent can be different for both you and me. Perhaps, this year, instead of striving to just endure our fasts, sacrifices, and extra prayers for 40 days, we thrive in our journey with God and ourselves where we encounter the true living God, Jesus Christ, who wishes to have a deep relationship with each and every one of us – no matter where we are in life.

Catherine Doherty, a Russian-Canadian Catholic social worker and founder of the Madonna House Apostolate, once said: "Lent is a time of going very deeply into ourselves... What is it that stands between us and God? Between us and our brothers and sisters? Between us and life, the life of the Spirit? Whatever it is, let us relentlessly tear it out, without a moment's hesitation." You see, brothers and sisters, Lent is a time of conversion, a time to journey with our Lord and with ourselves. This sacred season of Great Lent gives each of us in the Church an opportunity to look deep within themselves and discover where we need to grow. Many of us (including myself) sometimes treat Lent as a test of endurance thinking to ourselves: "how long can I go with giving up coffee." Then, when we break our fast, we become discouraged and try to restart again or simply give up. But there is SO much more to Lent than just endurance.

Lent is a daily journey rooted in our relationship with God and with others which does include our fasting, prayers, almsgiving, and sacrifices. During this season of Great Lent, we have the opportunity to spiritually join ourselves to all our Christian Catholic brothers and sisters across the world who are also journeying in Lent. Through our daily prayers, Scripture readings, and sacrifices, we begin to grow closer to Christ personally and as a whole Church. Lent is also a time when families can grow closer together. It's the small things that will make a difference such as gathering to pray before a meal or going to Sunday Divine Liturgy as a family. As a family, you could go on a pilgrimage to a Catholic Shrine and look for service opportunities in your local parish and/or community. Lent is a time of spiritual reflection. Many individuals go on a weekend retreat or a one-day retreat to get away from the noisy world and calm their thoughts and minds in solitude with God. Lastly, Lent is also a time for fasting. However, I invite you not to just fast for the sake of fasting. Fast from things that draw you away from God and your vocation in life. For example, if you watch too much TV and it strips you away from your work and/or family, then give up TV (Netflix, TikTok, etc). Ultimately, we know ourselves best, and so this Lent is an opportunity to really discover what takes us away from God and from our mission in life.

In conclusion, brothers and sisters, rejoice and be glad because the season of Great Lent is upon us which means, today, is the day to begin our journey with God and with ourselves. Do not be afraid to look deep within yourself and discover where you need to grow this Lent. It's not about endurance, it's about a journey. Walk with Christ each day and you will conclude Lent on Resurrection Sunday as a new person. Draw closer to your family and friends during Lent through prayer and service. Fast from things that genuinely take you away from God and take some time to retreat from the busy and noisy world around us. Finally, remember that this season of Great Lent is about our relationship with God, the God who deeply desires to draw closer to each and every one of us. However, we must open wide the doors of our hearts to let Christ in. Never forget that Great Lent is truly a gift that "makes justice abound and holiness thrive" (Maronite Qurbono, 186)



LET US PRAY HEALING PRAYERS FOR...

All Expecting Couples All Engaged Couples Raheel Abbawi Nafee Aboo **David Aibib** Sohaila Aljarbo Claire Aouad Salam Askar Adeet D. Aiyer Sr. Fadia Bashee Joan Bernadette **Paul Bochenek** Joanne Burton Stephanie Clark John Comito **Tim Cowper** Haifa Dawood **Chuck Eisenman** Maribelle Elhaddad Nancy Esho Keri Faircloth Jennifer Farrar Pat Farrar Stephanie Felgenauer **Dorothy Ferrara Charbel Francis Mary Frensch Albert Gantos** Adrianna, Jaxson, and **Jameson Gorgis** John Grzadzinski **David Habib** Ellie Hadid **Tammy Hakim** Cara Noelle Hahn-Harik Blake Hamama **Duraid Hanna Anthile Hermese Judy Hindy** Sarah Hurmiz Joseph Jacob Edward & Suham John **Anthony Joseph**

Dominic Joseph Juricic

Chukri Kadado Lena Kanan Leeno Kas-Mikha Salvador Kassab Tom Kiernicki Saad Kirma Jackie Lael **Agnes Langschied** Teresa Logan Fabiola Maduro Michele Makhlouf Ron McKellar Sara Mevou **Edward Moffett Chervl Moultrie** Paul Nahra Javen Noija **Cindy Pryor** James Ruhana Pauline Saba Narden Alexander Saeed Ghalia Sagmani **Ruby Salmen** Remone Salmen Nadre Salmen **Frances Sam Guy Sam Anwar & Suham Seman** and Children Alfred Shina Saba Simon **Christian Charbel Slewah** Taryne Spirobski John Sykes **Terry Thomas** Lexi Underwood **Brvan Walton** Jad Yacoub Christina Yako Ghazi Aziz Yaldo Justin Yaldo and Family Nazira Yasso

Emmanuel Zaya



SANCTUARY CANDLE

FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY BURNS FOR:

Intentions of Elias and Zina Bassil

CHAPEL CANDLE

FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY BURNS FOR:

Intentions of Elias and Zina Bassil

INCENSE AND CHARCOAL

FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

In Loving Memory of George & Henriette Chalhoub by Family

BREAD AND WINE

FOR THE YEAR 2023-2024

Living and Deceased Members of the Michel and Fadia Nahed Family In Loving Memory of Judith Anne Jacobs

by Anthony Jacobs and Family

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UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

Feb 18/19	Renewal of Marriage Vows
Feb 19	Men's Club Meeting 10:30 AM Church Hall
Feb 19	Mass Live Streamed 11:30 AM
Feb 20	Ash Monday - Lent Begins
	Mass with Distribution of Ashes - 12 PM & 7 PM
Feb 20	Eparchial Charity Appeal Begins through April 24
Feb 24	Stations & Benediction of the Cross - 7 PM
Feb 23-26	Icon of Saint Joseph Visit
Mar 1	Lent Bible Study Begins 6:45 PM
Mar 3	Stations & Benediction of the Cross - 7 PM
Mar 10	Stations & Benediction of the Cross - 7 PM
Mar 11	Adult Parish Lenten Retreat (18 y/o and older)
Mar 17	St. Joseph Feast Day Pasta Dinner & Stations
Mar 24	Family Potluck & Movie Night following Stations
May 6	First Holy Communion
July 15/16	St. Sharbel Food Festival

CONGRATULATIONS!

MARRIED IN CHRIST

Our Congratulations and Best Wishes to

David Hart and Mary Skotzke

who were married on Saturday, February 11, 2023 by Chorbishop Alfred Badawi.

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

WITH GRATITUDE!

Dear Chorbishop Alfred and Congregation,

The MYO would like to take this time to say a heartfelt thank you to all of you! Chorbishop, as always thank you for your hospitality, guidance and leadership. The bake sale was a success because of you all! The Ladies Altar Society came together to help us! Their time, dedication, guidance and donation of baked goods meant so much to us!

The MYO parents supported the youth with providing wonderful bake goods! The congregation's participation in purchasing bake goods was extraordinary!

I'm glad to let you know that we managed to achieve our goal. The proceeds will pay for the transportation costs for the retreat. We have 30 youths attending the retreat. The retreat is truly a spiritual and powerful experience for our youth to grow closer to God.

We are filled with joy at seeing how this community comes together to support one another. We will be forever grateful for your support, kindness, and love. Indeed you revealed that the true foundation of this Church is kindness and love. It's a true blessing to be a part of St. Sharbel Community. May the grace of the Lord be with you all for coming together and helping at the bake sale.

Lisa Yacoub and the Maronite Youth of St. Sharbel Church

PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Friends in Christ,

Cana Sunday greetings to all! This Sunday we celebrate the Wedding at Cana, the traditional entrance into Great Lent, and the time that we take for the Renewal of Marriage Vows.

ASH MONDAY

Tomorrow is Ash Monday [February 20] when we will gather for Liturgies and the distribution of ashes. The Liturgy for Ash Monday [February 20] will be at 12 PM and 7 PM. The Blessing of Ashes will take place during each Liturgy.

LENTEN MEAL - BRING A DISH TO PASS

Following the 7:00 PM Liturgy on Ash Monday, a simple Lenten meal will be served in the parish hall. Please bring a dish to share with your fellow parishioners.

LENTEN FASTING GUIDELINES

Ash Monday is a day of complete fast and abstinence. The following Lenten guidelines are observed in the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon.

- All Maronites who are physically capable are to abstain from meat on Ash Monday (February 20) and all Fridays of Lent.
- Ash Monday and the Great Friday of the Crucifixion are also days of fasting. Fasting in the Maronite Church involves eating and drinking nothing at all (except water and medicine) from midnight until noon. The rest of the day normal meals can be taken, but without meat.
- All Maronites who are physically capable are too fast on these two days.

FRIDAYS OF LENT

On the first Friday of Lent [February 24] and ALL Fridays of Great Lent, members of the Clergy will be present to give a special Lenten "Mission" Reflection to our parishioners and friends.

Our Lenten Services will begin on Friday, February 24, 2023, and every Friday of Lent thereafter. Confessions will be heard at 6:30 PM and the Stations and Benediction of the Holy Cross at 7:00 PM.

LENT BIBLE STUDY

Our Lent bible Study will begin on Wednesday, March 1st and will be held for 6 weeks. Joe Ejbeh will be the facilitator.

TRAGEDY AT MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Let us keep in our prayers all those affected by this week's tragic occurrence on the Campus of Michigan State University. The effects are wide spread and have touched our own community, as many of our young people are currently enrolled as students; we have many alumni as well. We pray for peace, comfort and consolation for all, as well as healing for those students critically injured.

May our Lord have mercy on all and hear our prayers. Saint Sharbel, pray for all the victims. Amen.

Continue to pray also for those who are sick and suffering, especially those in hospice programs at this time. May God strengthen the sick with grace and fortitude to their loving caregivers.

I remain sincerely yours,

Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Pastor



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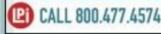


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