

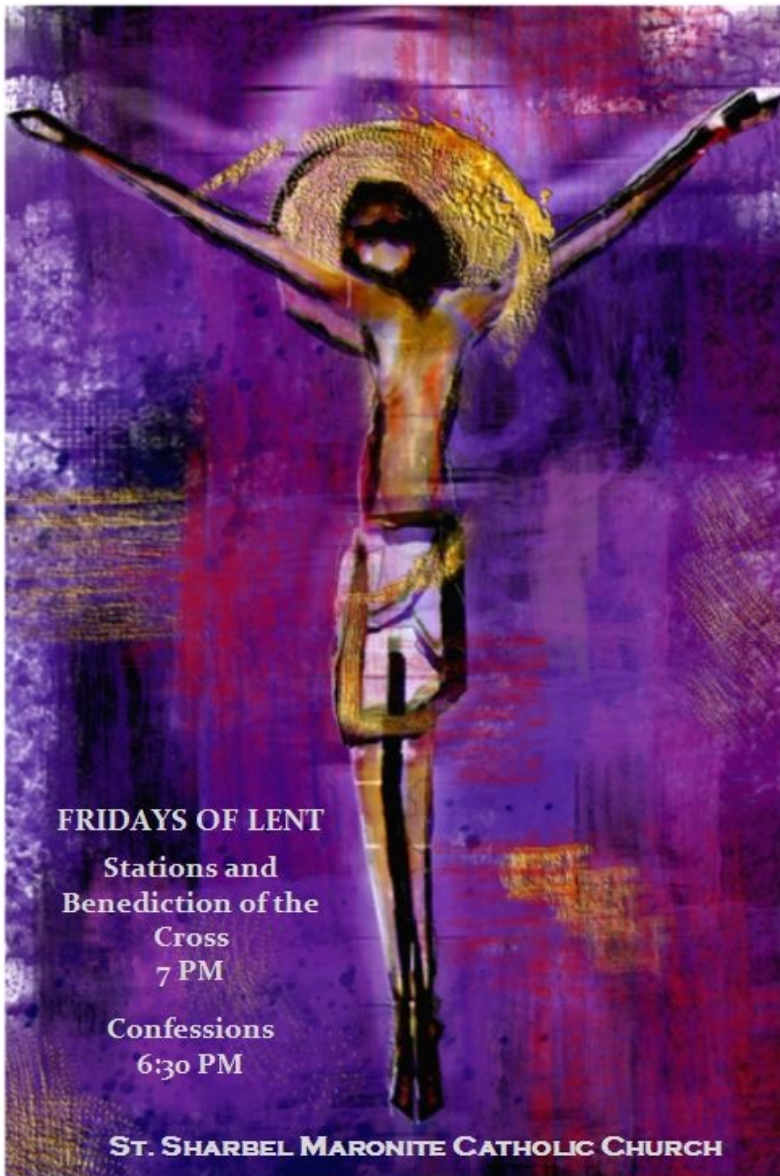
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THE GREAT SEASON OF LENT

SUNDAY OF THE LEPER – FEBRUARY 26, 2023

READING ROMANS 6:12–23 GOSPEL MARK 1:35 – 45

FRIDAYS OF LENT



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Stations and
Benediction of the
Cross
7 PM

Confessions
6:30 PM

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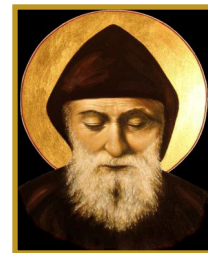
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DIVINE LITURGY

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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FRIDAYS OF LENT**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH**

6:30 PM - Confessions

7:00 PM - Stations and Benediction of the Holy Cross

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

4:00 PM— Joey Andary Anniversary Remembrance, by Judy Thomas & 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— Angelina Besteni Birthday Remembrance, by Daughter, Linda Thomas

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

9:30 AM— Alan Schwarzweller, by the Hellow Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH

11:30 AM— Mike Bacall Special Intention Swift Recovery, by Pastor

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— Patrick Jamoua Special Intentions, by Patrick Jamoua

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

11:30 AM— Naif Jarbo, by Family

11:30 AM— Vergeen Alcorm, by Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH

1:00 PM— Baptism Luke Michael Damachki

WEEKLY COLLECTION**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

February 18 & 19, 2023

Envelopes: \$6,321.00

Online: \$1,220.00

Total Collection: \$7,541.00

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

FASTING GUIDELINES FOR LENT

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 all Fridays of Lent.
- Great Friday of the Crucifixion is a day 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.

MASS INTENTIONS**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH**

9:30 AM— Albert and Mona Badawi, by Ambassador & Mrs. Yousif B. Ghafari

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

9:30 AM— Sick, Homebound and Shut-Ins, by Parishioners

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1ST

9:30 AM— Dr. Paul G. Thomas, by Wife, Linda Thomas

9:30 AM— Joe Deeby, by Family

THURSDAY, MARCH 2ND**FEAST OF SAINT JOHN MARON**

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

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

9:30 AM— Flonna Saco, by Family

FRIDAY, MARCH 3RD**FRIDAY OF LENT**

6:30 PM - Confessions

7:00 PM - Stations and Benediction of the Holy Cross

SATURDAY, MARCH 4TH

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

4:00 PM— Fred Naseef, by Family

4:00 PM— Mickey and Julia Thomas, by Bob and Ann Marie Ferris

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

4:00 PM— Sub-Deacon George Fadoul, by Clergy

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

4:00 PM— Deceased Members of the Crispin, Shaker and Abraham Families, by Joe and Terry Shaker

4:00 PM— Mary Medley, by Family

SUNDAY, MARCH 5TH

9:30 AM— Philip Agby 13 Year Remembrance, by the Ejbeh-Agby Family

9:30 AM— Claire Elizabeth Rabine 15 Year Remembrance, by her Parents, Don & Liz Rabine

9:30 AM— Anne Moroun, by Family

9:30 AM— Mickey & Julia Thomas, by Christine Herbert

9:30 AM— Albert and Mona Badawi, Edward and Therese O'Brien

9:30 AM— Marilyn Provencher, by Edward and Therese O'Brien

9:30 AM— Paul Hellow, by Edward and Therese O'Brien

SUNDAY, MARCH 5TH

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

11:30 AM— Youssef Maroun, by Delores Eggen

11:30 AM— John Farah 22 Year Remembrance, by Niece, Linda Thomas

11:30 AM— Fawaz Youssef Bakky, by Family

11:30 AM— Albert and Mona Badawi, by Parishioners

11:30 AM— Therese Sfeir, by Raif and Hanane Harrik and Family

11:30 AM— Therese Issa, by Raif and Hanane Harrik and Family

READERS**READERS FOR:****SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25**

4:00 PM - Gwen Rashid

READERS FOR:**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26**

9:30 AM - Katie Krzeczowski

READERS FOR:**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26**11:30 AM - Nour Habib
Majeda Nackle**READERS FOR:****SATURDAY, MARCH 4**

4:00 PM - Naif Naseef

READERS FOR:**SUNDAY, MARCH 5**

9:30 AM - Joseph Ejbeh

READERS FOR:**SUNDAY, MARCH 5**

11:30 AM - Elissa Deban

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ANNUAL BANQUET

Live Music & Dancing

Tickets \$100 per person
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Dinner options: meat, fish or vegan dishes

Date	Place
Saturday, 18 March 2023	St. Mary's Cultural Center 18100 Merriman Rd. Livonia, MI 48152

Time
Cocktails & Hors d'oeuvre 6:30 PM
Dinner Served 7:30 PM

For tickets, contact the church office or
saintrafkamichigan.com/annualbanquet

Please reserve your tickets by
Tuesday, March 7, 2023

ST. SHARBEL MYO

2023 MYO Regional Retreat

February 17-19, 2023

On February 17, 2023, over 175 youth gathered at Damascus Retreat Center in Centerburg, OH for a weekend of faith, fellowship, and fun. We had over 35 members of our St. Sharbel MYO attend and participate in numerous activities and prayer services. Our St. Sharbel MYO not only participated but also led amazing icebreakers and prayer experiences as well as leading the choir for Sunday Divine Liturgy (Mass). We are beyond proud of our MYO here at St. Sharbel for being a shining example of men and women of faith who know how to *pray hard* and *play hard*.

It was a fast three days filled with amazing memories that these youth will carry with them onwards. Our St. Sharbel MYO's actions and presence that weekend truly echoed the voice of the Letter to Timothy which states, "Let no one have contempt for your youth, but set an example for those who believe, in speech, conduct, love, faith, and purity."

Thank you, St. Sharbel MYO, for being a beacon of hope and light for all of us here at the parish. And thank you St. Sharbel Parish for your unending support and care for our beloved MYO. Please continue to pray for our incredible youth because they are not only the future but also the **present**. Know that their zeal for God and His Church will continue to grow and prosper through your prayers and support. Continue to thrive St. Sharbel MYO!!

Sincerely in Christ,
Deacon Chris Nahra



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!

LET US PRAY HEALING PRAYERS FOR...

All Expecting Couples
 All Engaged Couples
 Raheel Abbawi
 Nafee Aboo
 David Ajbib
 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
 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
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 Saad Kirma
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 Javen Noiija
 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
 Bryan Walton
 Jad Yacoub
 Christina Yako
 Ghazi Aziz Yaldo
 Justin Yaldo and Family
 Nazira Yasso
 Emmanuel Zaya



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 Intentions of
 Elias and Zina Bassil

CHAPEL CANDLE

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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

40 CONSIDERATIONS FOR LENT

1. Pray and fast for one particular person every day of Lent. Sometime in the Easter season, send them a message telling them what you did and why.
2. If you struggle with identity or self-worth, then write down something nice about yourself every day.
3. Only buy things you absolutely need to have.
4. Pray the Rosary daily for someone that has caused you harm. Meditate on how much Jesus loves that person.
5. Get some exercise every day.
6. Intentionally give sincere compliments to everyone you have a conversation with.
7. Prepare your own food and eat out less often.
8. Minimize on-line time! Only use screens for work / school. Less social media time!
9. Turn off all noise and distractions for extended periods of time (hours at a time). Spend some time in silence.
10. Write a letter (or send a card!) to 40 different people every day of Lent telling them what they mean to you.
11. Call someone you don't talk to regularly every day.
12. Attend daily Mass every week day.
13. Spend 30 minutes (or 1 hour) of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every week.
14. Pray morning, evening, and night prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours (or another prayer book).
15. Volunteer some hours at a shelter, soup kitchen, retirement community, etc.
16. Host a donation drive or contribute to a local charity.
17. Coordinate a day of service for a local charity or volunteer your time.
18. Go on a retreat, for multiple days or just one.
19. Let God choose your Cross. Pray about what cross God has given you, then embrace it in faith to the best of your ability and for His glory!
20. Go to Confession every week.
21. Gain an indulgence every week.
22. Start a new monthly donation to a great ministry / apostolate that you have never donated to before.
23. Offer daily prayers for your Pastor and/or Bishop, or Deacons! Let them know what you did at Easter.
24. Give up speeding for all of Lent.
25. Fast from your favorite meal every day.
26. Spend an hour a day reading the Bible or Catholic books.
27. Invite someone who is isolated or has few friends to lunch or coffee. Do this every week.
28. Surprise someone in your neighborhood with a gift of flowers, a meal, basket of goodies, etc.
29. Make bags of food, water, socks, etc for others and hand them out whenever you see a person in need.
30. Get 8 hours of sleep every night.
31. If you have a long commute, then do it in silence and prayer.
32. Daily games with family.
33. Every time you go to Mass - find someone you don't know and introduce yourself.
34. Increase your charitable giving or start tithing.
35. Cut salt from all your food
36. Pray in front of an abortion clinic for an hour a week.
37. Resolve to ask more questions of others than they do of you.
38. Choose something meaningful to donate daily.
39. In speaking with one person every day, ask them for prayer requests. "Is there anything I can pray about for you?" Then make sure you do it!
40. Have your family / friends come up with 3 suggestions and choose from the list to do together.

UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

- Feb 24 Stations & Benediction of the Cross - 7 PM
- Feb 23-26 Icon of Saint Joseph Visit
- Feb 26 First Communion Parents Meeting 10:30 AM
- Feb 26 Mass Live Streamed 11:30 AM
- Mar 1 Lent Bible Study Begins 6:45 PM
- Mar 3 Stations & Benediction of the Cross - 7 PM
- Mar 5 1st Confession for 1st Communion Students 10:30 AM
- 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
- Jun 10/11 Masses of Thanksgiving and Reception for Deacon Chris' Ordination to the Priesthood
- July 15/16 St. Sharbel Food Festival

CONGRATULATIONS!

NEW BIRTH

We share the happiness and rejoice with
Drs. Joseph and Amanda Brazier
 on the recent birth of their first baby,
Leia Josephine Brazier!

Congratulations also to the proud Grandparents,
 Nabil and Samar Fawaz and
 Allan and Mary Brazier!

*Our warmest wishes to the
 beaming parents and grandparents
 for this precious gift of life entrusted to them.*



BAPTISM AND CHRISMATION

Congratulations to
Antonio and Danielle Mansour
 on the Baptism of their Son,
Antonio Malik Lucci Mansour
 at St. Sharbel Church
 on Sunday, February 19, 2023
 by Chorbishop Alfred Badawi.

*May Antonio be steadfast in his faith
 and grow constantly in the Lord!*

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to
Don and Liz Rabine
 as they celebrate their
22nd 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!*



PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Friends in Christ,
 This Sunday we celebrate the Sunday of the Healing of the Leper. As we are entering into the Season of Great Lent, we offer you some considerations to think about. As you consider what to "give up" for Lent, also think about what you "do" during this time. Add scripture reading to your day, attend daily Mass, volunteer at a place of your choice that needs assistance, bring a meal to a shut in. Go beyond yourself and reach out to see Christ in others. May your Lent be holy, filled with grace and repentance. See the suggestions on Page 2 of this Bulletin.

Thanks to all who donated so generously to the second collection for the victims of the deadly earthquake in Turkey and northern Syria. It is not too late to help. Simply make your checks to Saint Sharbel and we will send all that is collected to the Eparchy for distribution. Many thanks for your help and support.

OUR CONDOLENCES

We offer our deepest condolences to the Saad Family on the loss of their older Uncle, Frederick Saad. May his memory be eternal!

FRIDAYS OF LENT

Please join us every Friday of the Season of Great and Holy Lent as we pray together the Stations and Benediction of the Cross. Confessions will be heard at 6:30 PM and the Stations and Benediction of the Holy Cross at 7:00 PM. Prayers are prayed in Arabic and English.

Also on the Fridays of Lent, different members of the clergy will present a special Lenten mission reflection / talk.

THANK YOU

I want to thank the MANY people who work behind the scenes at St. Sharbel for the upkeep and smooth running of the parish. There are people and groups that we see helping out but even more who quietly and meticulously do the little things that keep our campus beautiful, our church organized and everything up to date.

Light bulbs and air conditioning filters have to be changed etc. It takes a whole lot of work to keep a parish running in top shape. Without these faithful volunteers, it would never be done! Thanks to all who help make St. Sharbel such a great faith community.

Continue to pray for those who are sick and suffering, We pray especially for those in hospice programs and those nearing the end of their life at this time. May God grant them grace for a peaceful passing and grant their caregivers compassion, patience, fortitude and charity as they minister to those entrusted to their care.

I remain sincerely yours,
 Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Pastor





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