

# ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

SUNDAY OF THE DECEASED PRIESTS - JANUARY 21, 2024

READING 1 TIMOTHY 4: 6-16 GOSPEL LUKE 12: 42 - 48



FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2024

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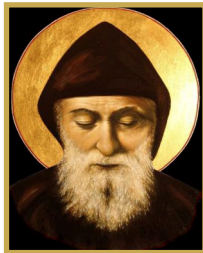
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DIVINE LITURGY

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 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**

**43888 HAYES ROAD**

**CLINTON TOWNSHIP, MI 48038**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 19TH**  
NO LITURGY

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 20TH**

1:00 PM— Baptisms Annabelle Olivia Higazen and  
Adrian Benedetto Higazen

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 20TH**

4:00 PM— Gary Naseef Special Intentions, by Family  
4:00 PM— Fred Naseef, by Family  
4:00 PM— Deceased Priests, by Clergy  
4:00 PM— Helen and Betty Shaker Anniversary Remembrance,  
by Chorbishop Alfred  
4:00 PM— Matthew Sami Daman, by Family  
4:00 PM— Frank Bolis 45 Year Remembrance, by Robert and  
Ann Marie Ferris & Sam Bolis and Family  
4:00 PM— Robert Thomas and Phyllis Thomas 10 Year Remembrance,  
by Dixie Hunrath

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 21ST**

9:30 AM— Deceased Priests, by Clergy  
9:30 AM— Mickey and Julia Thomas, by Leonard Thomas and Joyce Neumaier  
9:30 AM— Naif Ejbeh-Agby Birthday Remembrance, by Children &  
Grandchildren  
9:30 AM— Olga Kahraman Agby 7 Year Anniversary Remembrance,  
by Nieces & Nephews  
9:30 AM— Joseph Hakim Birthday Remembrance, by Nieces & Nephews  
9:30 AM— Dunia Issa Hattar Dababneh Remembrance, by Don & Liz  
Rabine and Family  
9:30 AM— Marilyn Provencher Birthday Remembrance, by Ed and  
Therese O 'Brien

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 21ST**

11:30 AM— Special Intentions Cara Noelle Hahn-Harik, by Clergy  
11:30 AM— Deceased Priests, by Clergy  
11:30 AM— Samir Boulos Almoundalek 40 Day Remembrance, by Son, Elie Almoundalek and Family,  
and Daughter and Son-In-Law, Rita and Elias Mouassri and Family  
11:30 AM— Abdo Badawi Anniversary Remembrance, by Family  
11:30 AM— Maribelle Elhaddad 1 Year Remembrance, by Mother, Mireille Elhaddad  
11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Raif and Hanane Harik Family, by Clergy  
11:30 AM— Vera Hakim, by Family  
11:30 AM— Toni Nofar, by Family  
11:30 AM— George Nicholas 26 Year Anniversary Remembrance, by the Choir

**MONDAY, JANUARY 22ND**

**HEALING MASS OF SAINT SHARBEL**

**DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE UNBORN**

6:30 PM— Protection of Unborn Children, by Family Life Ministry  
6:30 PM— Healing for those affected by an Abortion Decision, by Family Life  
6:30 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Farah Salem Family, by Clergy  
6:30 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Chaldean Community, by Clergy  
6:30 PM— Repose of the Soul of Nagham Saffo, by Dinah Ejbeh  
6:30 PM— Dr. Faouzi Shaya, by Wife, Georgette Marie Shaya and Family  
6:30 PM— The Simon Family: Frank, Lena, Carolena, Alena, Ramzi and Abraham, by Family  
6:30 PM— Rany and Mays Yaldo and Family, by Family  
6:30 PM— Sofia and Family, by Family  
6:30 PM— Rudi, Magan, Katherene, Isabelle and Anthony Yaldo, by Family  
6:30 PM— Abdo Badawi, by Family  
6:30 PM— Repose of the Soul of Beatriz Nunes, by Friends of Saint Sharbel  
6:30 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Sassy Family, by Family  
6:30 PM— Matthew Sami Daman, by Family  
6:30 PM— Rajiv Uttankar Special Intentions, by Rajiv Uttankar  
6:30 PM— Marc Marogi Special Intention for Healing, by Selvana Rayes  
6:30 PM— Vincent Shamoun Special Intention for Healing, by Mother, Sanan

**READERS**

**READERS FOR**  
**SATURDAY, JANUARY 20**  
4:00 PM - Ann Marie Ferris

**READERS FOR:**  
**SUNDAY, JANUARY 21**  
9:30 AM - Liz Rabine

**READERS FOR:**  
**SUNDAY, JANUARY 21**  
11:30 AM - Alex Almoundalek  
Naji Chidiac

**READERS FOR**  
**SATURDAY, JANUARY 27**  
4:00 PM - Elizabeth Sweet

**READERS FOR:**  
**SUNDAY, JANUARY 28**  
9:30 AM—Laura Bacha

**READERS FOR:**  
**SUNDAY, JANUARY 28**  
11:30 AM - Tracy Saba  
Joyce Nasrallah

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 23RD**

9:30 AM— Helen Shaker, by Family

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24TH**

9:30 AM— Mickey and Julia Thomas, by St. Sharbel LAS

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 25TH**

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

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 26TH**

9:30 AM— Parishioners and Friends, by Clergy

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 27TH**

2:30 PM— Baptism Madelyn C Kemaïd

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 27TH**

4:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Linda Thomas Family, by Clergy

4:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Shaker Family, by Family

4:00 PM— Fred Naseef, by Family

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

4:00 PM— Matthew Sami Daman, by Family

4:00 PM— Albert and Mona Badawi, by Toufic and Jeanette Soyad

4:00 PM— Paul Elias 6 Year Remembrance, by Linda Elias and Family

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 28TH**

9:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Shaker Family, by Family

9:30 AM— Mickey and Julia Thomas, by Labib Haddad

9:30 AM— Paul Helou, by Ed and Therese O ‘Brien

9:30 AM— Philip Ranno, by Family

9:30 AM— Ibtisam Gorgis, by Family

9:30 AM— Souls in Purgatory, by Selvana Rayes

9:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Sally Akrawe Family, by Selvana Rayes

9:30 AM— Maryann Sassin 10 Year Remembrance, by the Family of George and Maryann Sassin

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 28TH**

11:30 AM— Special Intentions 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— Living and Deceased Members of the Shaker Family, by Family

11:30 AM— Vera Hakim, by Family

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

11:30 AM— Saeed and Mary Yousif, by Simon and Ghada Yousif and Family



**SANCTUARY CANDLE**

**FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY**

**BURNS FOR:**

In Loving Memory of

Joseph Yasso

by Wife, Nazira

**CHAPEL CANDLE**

**FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY**

**BURNS FOR:**

Living and Deceased Members of the

Elias and Zina Bassil

Family

**INCENSE AND CHARCOAL**

**FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY**

In Loving Memory of

George & Henriette Chalhoub

by Family

**BREAD AND WINE**

**FOR THE YEARS 2024 - 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

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*Thank you!*

**JOIN US ...DAY OF PRAYER**



**MONDAY  
JANUARY 22, 2024**

**DAY OF  
PRAYER  
FOR THE  
LEGAL  
PROTECTION  
OF THE  
UNBORN**

**12 PM PRAYERS FOR LIFE  
12:30 PM – 5:30 PM  
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION  
5:30 PM ROSARY FOR LIFE  
6:30 PM HEALING MASS**

**ST. SHARBEL CHURCH FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY**

God has carefully, tenderly created every person in His own image and likeness, to be in a loving relationship with Himself. From each tiny child knit within a mother's womb, to every person approaching death, all are loved perfectly and completely by God: "It is therefore a service of love which we are all committed to ensure to our neighbor, that his or her life may be always defended and promoted, especially when it is weak or threatened" (Evangelium vitae 77).

In a world in which those who are most vulnerable are so often overlooked and disregarded, Christ calls us to embrace and uphold the unconditional dignity of every human life. In answering this call, we help to build "a new culture of life, the fruit of the culture of truth and of love" (EV 77).

May the Holy Spirit continually renew us as we strive to faithfully defend God's gift of life.



## NAM 2024 NEWS!

# NAM 2024 Convention

**Mark your calendars!** In just six months, our parish will proudly host the National Apostolate of Maronites (NAM) 2024 Convention, July 4-7 at the Marriott Renaissance Hotel and Convention Center in downtown Detroit. This is your chance to connect with Maronites from across the country, learn from workshops and speakers, and celebrate the beauty of our shared faith. Join NAM today and be a part of this important organization!

### What is NAM?

NAM is the largest Maronite Organization in the United States and the world, uniting Maronites under both eparchies across the USA since 1964! NAM's purpose is to preserve our Syriac-Maronite heritage for future generations and shape the future of our church and Beit Maroon.

### Why should I become a member?

Joining NAM is more than just a membership - it's your chance to fulfill your apostolic calling and connect with Maronites nationwide. From coast to coast, you'll be a vital link in our "unified force," bridging eparchies and strengthening our bond with Lebanon and the Middle East. As a member, you get to participate in our service programs and community events taking place virtually and across the country. Plus, you enjoy exclusive benefits such as discounts to conventions, scholarships, and become eligible to represent your parish at NAM. Let's celebrate our shared faith, heritage, and future together! Join NAM today!

### What is the cost and how do I join?

An Individual membership is \$20/year and a family membership is only \$35/year.

You can register or renew your membership online by visiting the "Become a Member" section at [www.namnews.org](http://www.namnews.org)

Forms are also available online to be printed and mailed to the organization.

Please connect with our NAM Delegates, Eric and Amanda Butler, if you would like more information.

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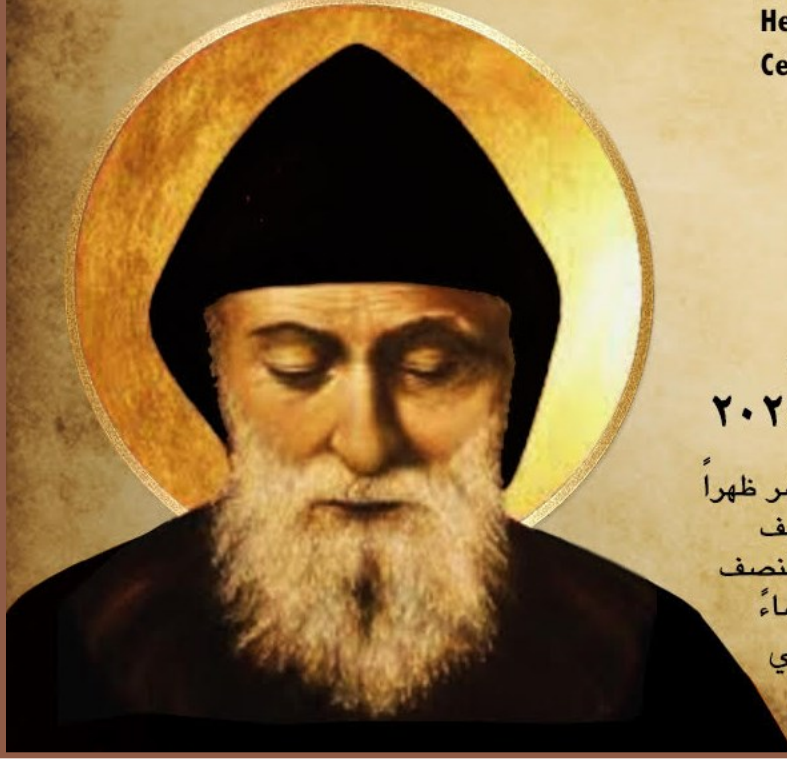
## WAY TO GO MYO!



We are beyond proud of our St. Sharbel MYO group that attended the 2024 MYO Regional Retreat in Centerburg, OH! We were the largest group to come to the retreat in over 10 years with 60 participants just from St. Sharbel Church! Our MYO sang in the choir, won the Talent Show, and inspired many other youth with their love and enthusiasm for their faith! Give a HUGE shoutout to our amazing MYO Advisors and chaperones with the leadership of Chorbishop Alfred and Fr. Chris! Please continue to pray for our "thriving" St. Sharbel MYO!

## HEALING MASS OF SAINT SHARBEL

CELEBRATE THE HEALING MASS AND BENEDICTION OF

*Saint Sharbel*THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE UNBORN.  
THE 31 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE MIRACULOUS HEALING OF  
MRS. NOUHAD ALSHAMI BY SAINT SHARBEL**MON. JAN. 22<sup>ND</sup> 2024**

Adoration: 12:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Holy Rosary: 5:30 pm

Confession: 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Healing Mass: 6:30 pm

Celebrant: Fr. Nabil Habchi

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يحتفل بالذبيحة الإلهية الاب نيل حبشي

**THANK YOU!****WEEKLY COLLECTION**

January 13 &amp; 14, 2024

Envelopes: \$5,892.00

Online: \$428.05

**Total Collection: \$.6,320.05**

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



## UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

Jan 21	Mass Live Streamed 11:30 AM
Jan 22	National Day of Prayer for Protection of the Unborn
Jan 22	Healing Mass of Saint Sharbel 6:30 PM
Jan 28	LAS Meeting 10:30 AM
Feb 2	Men's Night Card Party 7 PM
Feb 4	Men's Club Meeting 10:30 AM
Feb 9	Feast of St. Maron Holy Day of Obligation 9:30 AM Mass
Feb 11-Mar 31	Bishop's Eparchial Appeal
Mar 24	Palm Sunday Family Luncheon
May 1-Jul 20	Annual Raffle Fundraiser
July 1-7	NAM Convention
July 18-21	Feast of Saint Sharbel & Relics
Aug 23-25	St. Sharbel Church Food Festival

## CONGRATULATIONS!

## NEW BIRTH

Congratulations to  
**Giovanni and Kirstie Eid Aluia**  
on the recent birth of their baby,  
**Juliette Aluia!**

Congratulations to  
**Kevin and Celine ElKhoury Pittel**  
on the recent birth of their baby,  
**Kaycie Ann Pittel!**

*May God bless these families with His  
loving protection always!*



## END OF THE YEAR STATEMENTS

End of the year contribution statements will be issued upon request to all our active donors. If your address or phone number has changed, please call or email the church office and update your file. It is vital that we keep your file up-to-date.

## GREAT LENT

## SEASON OF GREAT LENT

The Season of Great Lent begins on Ash Monday, February 12, 2024. Starting on Friday, February 16, and every Friday of Lent thereafter, we will have a Divine Liturgy followed by the Benediction with the Holy Cross. The Liturgy for Ash Monday, February 12 will be at 9:00 AM, 12:00 PM and 7:00 PM. Blessing of Ashes will take place at the Liturgy. Ash Monday is a day of complete fast and abstinence.

## LENTEN APPEAL

## 2024 EPARCHIAL LENTEN APPEAL

Materials for the 2024 Eparchial Lenten Appeal will be mailed directly to your household from the Chancery Office. This appeal is one of the most important fundraising tools to help offset the eparchy's missions. Your continued support is greatly appreciated by the Bishop and the Clergy. Our goal at St. Sharbel Church is \$16,000.00.

## REMINDER

Please return the blessed Palms from last year to be used on Ash Monday. Drop them in the basket located in the lobby of the Church.



## PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners, Friends and Visitors,  
This Sunday we celebrate the Sunday of the Deceased Priests. Today, on our Maronite Calendar we open a series of three weeks of prayer for the deceased. This week we commemorate the priests, next week the saints and the third week, which falls before Lent, we commemorate the faithful departed. This commemoration declares our belief in the communion between us and the souls that are in heaven. As we profess in our creed, "we believe in the communion of saints."

Thank you to the church sacristans and all of our volunteers, who joined together in the church to transform our prayer space from Christmas to the Epiphany Season. Their dedicated work over the past few months made a major difference in each of the Masses and prayer services we held during these special seasons. We appreciate your generous service!

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2024

Glory to God!

On January 19, 2024 at 9:30 AM a mosaic depicting the image of St. Charbel Makhlouf will be solemnly placed in the Vatican Grottoes located in the basement of St. Peter's Basilica. His Eminence Card. Mauro Gambetti, Archpriest of St. Peter's Papal Basilica, will preside over the Rite of Blessing.

At 10:00 AM, also in the Vatican Grottoes but precisely in the Hungarian Chapel, His Excellency Archbishop Rafic Warcha, Procurator of the Maronite Patriarch at the Holy See and Rector of the Pontifical Maronite College, will preside at the Mass of Thanksgiving.

Due to the nature of the venue, the event is not open to the public. Instead, we are all called to participate with prayer and to share in the joy of the event.

Cardinal Rahi is asking the Bishops of Lebanon to ring a bell for 5 minutes during the unveiling of the mosaic in honor of the solemnity of this monumental event. We are all asked to observe a period of prayer in thanksgiving this Friday.

## WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

The annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity began this past Thursday, January 18, and concludes this coming Thursday, January 25 on the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle. Since 1968, we have joined with other Christians throughout the world in praying as the Lord prayed, "that all may be one" (John 17:21). This year's theme for the annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is inspired by the Gospel of Luke, "You shall love the Lord your God ... and your neighbor as yourself" (Luke 10:27). This annual week of prayer gives us the opportunity to recognize that there is more that unites us rather than divides us.

## WELCOME ABOUNA!

We extend a warm welcome to **Abouna Jean Abou Chrouh**, to Michigan and to St. Sharbel Church! Fr. Chrouh is newly assigned to the Maronite Order of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Ann Arbor, MI. We look forward to welcoming you in person!

## FEAST OF SAINT MARON

The Feast of Saint Maron, the Founder of the Maronite Church, is celebrated on Friday, February 9, 2024, and is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Divine Liturgy will take place at 9:30 AM.

We are roughly halfway through the month of January. Take care and keep healthy during the winter and the flu season. May God continue to bless us with all that we need, and more. See you in Church! Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Pastor

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