# **ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

## **CLINTON TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN**

SIXTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST - JUNE 24, 2018 FEAST OF STS. PETER AND PAUL READING Apostles 13:26-39 GOSPEL Matthew 16:5-12



## LITURGIES CELEBRATED AT SAINT SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

43888 Hayes Road Clinton Township, MI 48038

## **CHURCH OFFICE**

42490 GARFIELD ROAD, SUITE 208 CLINTON TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN 48038 Email: stsharbelmichigan@gmail.com Website: www.stsharbelmichigan.com Church Office: [586] 826-9688 PASTOR Chorbishop Alfred Badawi SUBDEACON 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 Weekday - Liturgy and Benediction 7 PM

> **CONFESSIONS** Available Before Weekend Liturgies

## SATURDAY, JUNE 23RD

- ST. SHARBEL CHURCH
  4:00 PM— Paul A. Elias Birthday Remembrance, by Wife, Linda and Family
- 4:00 PM— Elizabeth Francis Birthday Remembrance, by Children
- 4:00 PM— Betty Shaker, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Michael and Catherine Joseph, by Mary Medley and Family

## SUNDAY, JUNE 24TH

- ST. SHARBEL CHURCH
- 9:30 AM— Emily J. Hakim 3 Year Remembrance, by Her Children
- 9:30 AM— Joseph and Helen Shaker, by William and Sandy Haddad
- 9:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Ty and Catherine Joseph Family, by Mary Medley
- 11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Deacon John and Bobbie Sfire Family, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM— Joe Akl 1 Year Remembrance, by Parents, Sassine and Vera Akl and Sister, Jessica Akl
- 11:30 AM- Mansour Zetouna, by Daughter, Dr. Maha Zetouna
- 11:30 AM- Steve Garmo, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM- Faraj and Georgette Fajou, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM— Youssif Akl, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM- Mahboub Eid, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM— Wadad Sakr 22 Year Remembrance, by Her Husband and Children
- 11:30 AM— Allan Rayes, by Pastor

TUESDAY, JUNE 26TH ST. SHARBEL CHURCH 9:30 AM— Michael Joseph, by Mary Medley and Family

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27TH ST. SHARBEL CHURCH 9:30 AM— Backos Joseph, by Mary Medley and Family

THURSDAY, JUNE 28TH ST. SHARBEL CHURCH 9:30 AM— Betty Shaker, by Family

FRIDAY, JUNE 29TH FEAST OF STS. PETER AND PAUL ST. SHARBEL CHURCH 9:30 AM— Living and Deceased Parishioners and Benefactors, by Pastor

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 29TH ST. SHARBEL CHURCH 4:00 PM— Wedding Steven El Aile and Rowa Matti

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 30TH

#### **ST. SHARBEL CHURCH**

- 4:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of Michael and Catherine Joseph Family, by Mary Medley
- 4:00 PM— Joseph and Helen Shaker, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Edward Malkoun, Jr. 25 Year Remembrance, by Sister, Rosabelle

## SUNDAY, JULY 1ST

- ST. SHARBEL CHURCH
- 9:30 AM— Peter and Jerome Migala Anniversary Remembrance, by Chris Herbert
- 9:30 AM- Karen Paczas 16 Year Remembrance, by Mother, Delores and Family
- 9:30 AM- Joseph Joseph, by Mary Medley and Family
- 11:30 AM— Antoine Hawilou 4 Year Remembrance, by Wife, Violette and Family
- 11:30 AM— Ron and Theresa Simon, by Roger and Carol Abiragi
- 11:30 AM— Deceased Members of the Crispin, Shaker and Abraham Families, by Joe & Terry Shaker
- 11:30 AM- George Moubarak, by Grandchildren

## **READERS FOR:**

SATURDAY, JUNE 23RD 4:00 PM Dee Boulus

READERS FOR: SUNDAY, JUNE 24TH Ralph Mancini 9:30 AM

SUNDAY, JUNE 24TH 11:30 AM Nour Habib - English Vera Akl - Arabic

READERS FOR: SATURDAY, JUNE 30TH 4:00 PM Janet Peters

READERS FOR: SUNDAY, JULY 1ST Kathie Folks 9:30 AM

SUNDAY, JULY 1ST 11:30 AM Lisa Yaccoub - English Kabalan Hawilo - Arabic



## WEEKLY COLLECTION June 17, 2018 \$7,345.00 May God bless you in return for your generosity and support of your parish!

## **POSITION WANTED**

## LOOKING FOR WORK

Experienced caregiver is looking for a position. Caregiver, nanny, and housekeeping experience. Please call Rand Elkhoury at (586) 339-6271.

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# SEPTEMBER 14-16, 2018 St. Sharbel Church has a new home

# JOIN US FOR A WEEKEND OF CELEBRATIONS!

# Cocktail Reception

Friday, September 14, 2018 6-8pm

St. Sharbel Church Hall 43888 Hayes Road Clinton Township, MI 48038

Come tour the Church, our beautiful grounds, enjoy a glass of wine and hor d'oevours.

## Dedication Gala

Saturday, September 15, 2018 6pm-12am

The Palazzo Grande 54660 Van Dyke Shelby Township, MI 48315

Advanced ticket sales of \$100.00 includes premium open bar, hor d'oeuvres and multi-course dinner.

> Entertainment: Emad Batayeh Kristin Glasgow & Susan Hatty St. Sharbel Dabke Troupe

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# Consecration and Divine Liturgy

Sunday, September 16, 2018 11am

St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church 43888 Hayes Road Clinton Township, MI 48038

Join us in the Celebration of our Divine Liturgy to Consecrate our new home!

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS**

July 17-20	St. Sharbel Novena Mass 7 PM and
	& Benediction 7:30 PM
July 21 & 22	Feast of Saint Sharbel Festivities
September 14-16 St. Sharbel New Church Dedication Weekend	
September 14	Meet and Greet 6-8 PM Church Hall
September 15	St. Sharbel Church Gala at Palazzo Grande
September 16	St. Sharbel New Church Dedication Ceremony and
	Liturgy at 11:00 AM
November 11	Subdeacon Mike Magyar Deaconate Ordination
	10:30 AM Liturgy with Bishop Zaidan

December 31 New Year's Eve at Villa Penna on Hayes Road

## **PASTORAL REFLECTIONS**

"The first words of our Lord's public ministry include the call to repent (Mk. 1:14-15). The early preaching of the apostles includes no less a call to repentance as well: "Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away" (Acts 3:13-19). Therefore, repentance is the necessary first step for any believer in Jesus Christ. One cannot be a disciple of Jesus Christ unless he is willing to examine his life in the light of the Gospel.

The Gospel illuminates not just our relationship with God but also our relationship with others. All have been created in the image and likeness of God (Gen 1:26-17). Each person bears within himself the very image of God. He possesses an inherent dignity upon which all moral authority is founded (CCC 1930). Therefore, any act or attitude that diminishes another's dignity is not in accord with the teachings of our Lord. As Christians, we have a solemn obligation to treat others with the same dignity that we possess. We are also obliged to form our consciences so that our attitudes – from which our actions flow – are conformed to this fundamental truth.

#### Acts of racism [prejudice] are sins.

Racism produces three evil fruits. First, the recipient of these racial prejudices is greatly harmed. He is deprived of his inherent human dignity by actions or attitude of another person and thereby may struggle to realize his God-given value. Second, there is a societal harm from racism. As attitudes of injustice are transmitted to others, it becomes harder for us to reflect the equality of all men through societal structures. Finally, as with all sin, there is a self-inflicted harm. The perpetrator of racial prejudice disfigures his own understanding of right and wrong and obscures his ability to see truth through the light of the Gospel.

Our mission is to proclaim the life-changing power of Jesus Christ. It is in him – through the power of his Holy Spirit – that we become "a new creation" (2 Cor. 5:17). As a new creation, the lives and words of Christians must be beacons of light, pointing others to Jesus Christ. We do not do this in a vacuum; rather, it is in the particular circumstances of our local community that Jesus Christ must be preached.

As we seek to build a more just society – one in which we can truly say that racism has been defeated – we must begin, as Christians, with our personal commitment to Jesus Christ. It is by imitating Him that I can provide a credible witness to the world. This can only happen when we are strengthening each other on the journey: "Growth in holiness is a journey in community, side by side with others."

As we confront the sin of racism within ourselves, in others, or in our society, we do not do it alone... becoming a community of believers – a band of joyful missionary disciples – who affirm each person's human dignity and are continually returning to the source of that dignity, the Triune God: Father of all men and women; Jesus Christ, who shed his blood to save everyone; and the Holy Spirit, the bond of love who unites the community of believers."

## **PASTOR'S CORNER**

#### Dear Parishioners,

This year, I am very pleased to announce that St. Sharbel Church will be offering a one week Novena to prepare the parishioners to celebrate the Feast of Saint Sharbel from Monday, July  $16^{th}$  through Sunday the  $22^{nd}$ .

I would like to encourage you to make every effort for you and your entire family and friends to attend this spiritual novena. You, along with your families, will be blessed.

Hopefully, you are all enjoying the stunning grounds surrounding St. Sharbel Church. If you could spare 2 to 3 hours to help on Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> and Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup> between 10 AM and 1 PM to assemble the classrooms tables, or whatever time you have available, the job would be done even more quickly. Please consider offering some of your time; it would be greatly appreciated. Need to bring your tools.

If you have any questions, please call the office or talk with me after Mass. Your help and dedication make my job easier. Altogether, the many volunteers our parish is blessed to have reminds me so much of the family spirit here at St. Sharbel Community. Everyone pitches in and helps keep the family home clean and tidy because it's important to them. And please remember, everyone is always encouraged and welcome to join.

## PASTORAL REFLECTIONS

I'd like to share an excerpt from a recent pastoral note written by Detroit's Archbishop Allen H. Vigneron. Please pause for a few moments and read his inspired words. Let us reflect on these words in light of our own lives and examine our own prejudices towards others. Be it race, creed, or ethnicity.

Thanks again for all you do to make St. Sharbel a home.

Have a blessed week. Sincerely yours in Christ, Chorbishop Alfred Badawi

## **CONGRATULATIONS!**

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to Richard and Maria Salloum as they celebrate their 57th 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!

## **DEDICATION WEEKEND NEWS**

**TICKETS FOR THE GALA ARE NOW ON SALE!** Please see Abdou Deban, Nabil Fawaz, Eddie Safadi or Elias Yammine for tickets. For more information, please call the Church Office. Thank you!



