

# ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

SEASON OF GREAT LENT

HEALING OF THE PARALYTIC – MARCH 10, 2024

READING 1 TIMOTHY 5:24 –6:5      GOSPEL MARK 2:1-12



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**CHORBISHOP ALFRED BADAWI**

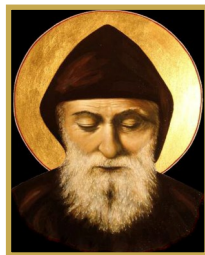
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**DIVINE LITURGY**

**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**

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**FRIDAY, MARCH 8TH****FOURTH FRIDAY OF LENT****5:30 PM - EUCHARISTIC ADORATION HOLY HOUR****6:30 PM - MASS & CONFESSIONS****[Living and Deceased Parishioners, by Clergy]****7:00 PM - STATIONS & BENEDICTION OF THE CROSS****LENTEN MISSION TALK GIVEN BY:****FR. FADI MUSSALLEM - "HOPE ... AL RAJAH"**

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**SATURDAY, MARCH 9TH**

- 4:00 PM— Jerry Elias 40 Day Remembrance**, by Sister-In-Law,  
Linda Elias and Family
- 4:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Peter Neam Family**,  
by Carolyn Neam
- 4:00 PM— Louisa Durie**, by Freda Mallouk
- 4:00 PM— Matty Moroun and his sister, Anne Moroun**, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Matthew Sami Daman**, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Albert and Mona Badawi**, by Donna Deeby
- 4:00 PM— Jacqueline Kassab**, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Neran Jamil**, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Angelina Besteni Anniversary Remembrance**, by Daughter,  
Linda Thomas

**SUNDAY, MARCH 10TH**

- 9:30 AM— Andy and Gregory Special Intentions**, by Family
- 9:30 AM— Luciano Gianino 1 Year Remembrance**, by Family
- 9:30 AM— Alessandro Fortuna 33 Year Remembrance**, by Family
- 9:30 AM— George and Mary Ann Sassin**, by Joseph Campbell II
- 9:30 AM— Mickey and Julia Thomas**, by Garpare and Rosann Palazzolo
- 9:30 AM— Cindy Koehler**, by Family
- 9:30 AM— James Koehler**, by Family
- 9:30 AM— Philip Ranno**, by Wife, Jean and Children
- 9:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Shaker Family**,  
by Family

**SUNDAY, MARCH 10TH**

- 11:30 AM— Jeanette Kassouf Special Intention Healing**, by Clergy
- 11:30 AM— Wendy Nawal Sweiss Special Intention Healing**, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Special Intentions Cara Noelle Hahn-Harik**, by Clergy
- 11:30 AM— Adma Rachid Elias Naddaf 40 Day Remembrance**,  
by Husband, Maroun and Children, Fadi, Roger, George,  
Rawaned and Families
- 11:30 AM— Angele Malkoun 3 Year Remembrance and Deceased  
Members of the Malkoun Family**, by Family
- 11:30 AM— George Chalhoub 12 Year Remembrance and Deceased  
Members of the Chalhoub Family**, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Vera Hakim**, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Raif and Hanane Harrik Family**, by Clergy
- 11:30 AM— Antoun Gemayel and Roland Gemayel 15 Year Remembrance**, by Chuck Gemayel and Family
- 11:30 AM— Joseph Rechdan Remembrance**, by Son and Daughter-In-Law, Pierre and Mona Rechdan and Family
- 11:30 AM— Yvette and Samir Mazrani Remembrance**, by Daughter and Son-In-Law, Mona and Pierre Rechdan and Family

**READERS****READERS FOR****SATURDAY, MARCH 9****4:00 PM - Katie Krzeczkowski****READERS FOR:****SUNDAY, MARCH 10****9:30 AM - Michael DeBruyn****READERS FOR****SUNDAY, MARCH 10****11:30 AM - Robert Gemayel  
George Naddaf****READERS FOR****SATURDAY, MARCH 16****4:00 PM - Amanda Butler****READERS FOR:****SUNDAY, MARCH 17****9:30 AM - Giana Neubacher****READERS FOR****SUNDAY, MARCH 17****11:30 AM - Marina Mondalek  
Khouloud Yammine****CAREGIVER NEEDED****CAREGIVER NEEDED**

Looking for an Arabic speaking  
(Lebanese dialect a plus!)  
overnight caregiver in  
Shelby Township home for adult.

For more information, please call  
(267) 312-9645

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS****FRIDAYS OF LENT****GROUPS LEADING****STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

March 8 - MYO

March 15 - MYA

March 22 - Choir

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**TUESDAY, MARCH 12TH**

12:00 PM— Albert and Mona Badawi, by Family

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13TH**

9:30 AM— Parishioners, Benefactors and Friends, by Clergy

**THURSDAY, MARCH 14TH**

12:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Shaker Family, by Family



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**FRIDAY, MARCH 15TH**

**FIFTH FRIDAY OF LENT**

**5:30 PM - EUCHARISTIC ADORATION HOLY HOUR**

**6:30 PM - MASS & CONFESSIONS**

[Living and Deceased Parishioners, by Clergy]

**7:00 PM - STATIONS & BENEDICTION OF THE CROSS**

**LENTEN MISSION TALK GIVEN BY:**

**DEACON MIKE MAGYAR**



**SATURDAY, MARCH 16TH**

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

4:00 PM— Matthew Sami Daman, by Family

4:00 PM— Albert and Mona Badawi, by Toni and Mary Ann Nader

4:00 PM— Louisa Durie, by Freda Mallouk

4:00 PM— Owen Petrzelka, by Grandparents, Anthony and Lucy Shaker

**SUNDAY, MARCH 17TH**

9:30 AM— Judge Michael P. Hatty Special Intention on his Retirement,  
by Andrew and Vanessa Hatty and the Hatty Family

9:30 AM— Gabriel Migala 40 Day Remembrance, by Sister,  
Chris Herbert and Family

9:30 AM— Deceased Members of the Hatty Family, by Andrew and  
Vanessa Hatty and the Hatty Family

9:30 AM— George and Mary Ann Sassin, by Joseph Campbell II

9:30 AM— Joseph and Lee Hellow Remembrance, by Family

9:30 AM— Philip Ranno, by Wife, Jean and Children

9:30 AM— Mickey and Julia Thomas, by Mike and Sandy Morgan

9:30 AM— John Thomas 10 Year Remembrance, by Wife, Mary Ann and  
Family

9:30 AM— Donald Joseph 16 Year Remembrance, by the Joseph Family

**SUNDAY, MARCH 17TH**

11:30 AM— Special Intentions Cara Noelle Hahn-Harik, by Clergy

11:30 AM— Maha Khoury Mondalek 40 Day Remembrance, by Children:  
Ghada Mondalek Walker and Ghassan Mondalek and the  
Mondalek Family

11:30 AM— Wahib Mashini 7 Year Remembrance, by Wife, Theresa and  
Children

11:30 AM— Nadia Tannous 5 Year Remembrance, by Kozhaya Sfeir

11:30 AM— Mona Badawi Mother's Day Remembrance, by Family

11:30 AM— Aida Tawk Mother's Day Remembrance, by Son, Mehrez Tawk

11:30 AM— Josephine and Ramez Harb Remembrance, by Family

11:30 AM— Vera Hakim, by Family

11:30 AM— Dunia Issa Hattar, by Family

**SANCTUARY CANDLE**

**FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH**

**BURNS FOR:**

In Loving Memory of

Mary Saad

by Husband, Bill Saad

**CHAPEL CANDLE**

**FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH**

**BURNS FOR:**

In Loving Memory of

Joseph G. and Margaret J. Saad

by their Children

**INCENSE AND CHARCOAL**

**FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH**

In Loving Memory of

George & Henriette Chalhoub

**BREAD AND WINE**

**FOR THE YEARS 2024 - 2026**

Living and Deceased Members of the

Michel and Fadia Nahed Family

Living and Deceased Members of the

Elias and Zina Bassil Family

**FOR THE YEAR 2023 - 2024**

In Loving Memory of

Judith Anne Jacobs

**SAVE THE DATES!**

**ST. RAFKA CHURCH**

**ANNUAL BANQUET**

**CELEBRATING 10TH**

**DEDICATION ANNIVERSARY**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024**

For tickets, call St. Rafka Church Office.

2024 NAM QUESTIONS

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT NAM

1. How do I find out about the NAM package options for the convention? Information packets are being mailed to all NAM Members and registered parishioners of St. Sharbel Church. If you do not receive a packet in the mail, there will be forms and brochures in the back of church, or find more details at [www.NAMNews.org](http://www.NAMNews.org).
2. Is there a package that includes the hotel? All NAM packages are separate from the hotel rooms. There is a discount for anyone attending the Convention (local or from out of state) but the convention packages are sold separate from the hotel rooms.
3. Do you have to be a NAM Member to receive the Hotel Discount? No – anyone signing up to attend the NAM convention can receive the hotel discount – just use the code provided on the brochure.
4. Who can attend the Dinner/Celebration Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup> at St. Sharbel? Anyone who buys a ticket to the event can attend. People coming in from out of town will buy the Thursday to Sunday package which includes the party Thursday evening at St. Sharbel. Transportation options are listed on the registration form. Anyone local wanting to attend can buy tickets – watch the bulletin for details, as this is subject to availability and capacity.
5. How can I help if I do not want to drive downtown? We are working on transportation each day (Thursday, Friday and Saturday) from 8 am to 5 pm for those who do not want to drive alone. Volunteers are needed for the Registration Desk, Welcoming Committee, Hospitality, Transportation and Excursions. Also, we will need volunteers for the Thursday night celebration at St. Sharbel Church – set up, clean up, gift shop, keeping the church clean, etc. Contact the church office if you would like to volunteer to help with any of these duties.
6. How can I help if I don't want to go downtown at all that week? Sponsorship opportunities exist for all 'host parish' events – Hospitality, transportation, lunches, Auction Items, excursions, etc. Contact the church office if you'd like to donate for any of these festivities.
7. Should locals buy a package? Yes – this is a Maronite Convention open to everyone! There will be hundreds of people traveling from other cities and a perfect opportunity to meet new people and catch up with old acquaintances. The hotel stay is optional for locals.
8. Should I encourage my young adult children to attend? Absolutely – several married couples met at conventions just like this! This will be a long weekend full of Spiritual, Social and Professional interaction. Don't miss it!
9. Are there activities for children under 12 years old? Yes – NAM conventions are for Maronites of all ages – most activities are scheduled for MYO, MYA, Seniors and Adults, but we try to plan events for everyone. There will be a Children's Activity during the speaking engagements so parents can attend.
10. Can locals attend the excursions? Yes – anyone can attend the convention and the excursions – see registration materials for details. NAM members get a discount off the price of the convention package.

**59th Annual NAM Convention**  
 JULY 4-7, 2024 | ST. SHARBEL CHURCH  
 DETROIT MARRIOTT RENAISSANCE CENTER



**DETROIT, MICHIGAN**  
 MARONITES ON MISSION: CREATED. CALLED. SENT FORTH.

CONVENTION REGISTRATION Deadline: June 10th  
[www.namnews.org](http://www.namnews.org) | (914) 964-3070 | [info@namnews.org](mailto:info@namnews.org)

HOTEL BOOKINGS (\$189+/Night, Single/Double)  
<https://book.passkey.com/e/50700969> | (313) 568-8000

@NationalApostolateofMaronites - NAM

Canada is across the river! Bring your passports!

**59th NAM Convention Schedule**  
 St. Sharbel Church - Clinton Township, MI  
 Detroit Marriott Renaissance Center  
 July 4-7, 2024

**EXCURSIONS**

- MARONITE FAMILY REUNION**  
Celebrate the long awaited reunion at the grounds of St. Sharbel Church with food, fellowship and fun. (Thu 6:30 PM)
- FR. SOLANUS CASEY CENTER**  
A pilgrimage to the official home of the Cause for Canonization of Blessed Fr. Solanus Casey. (Fri 1 & 3 PM)
- DIAMOND JACKS BOAT TOUR**  
Dine on the boat and enjoy amazing views of the City of Detroit and Windsor, Ontario from the Detroit River. (Sat 1 PM)
- MYO POOL DAY**  
Lay back and relax! Splash and cool down with your friends at the Marriott Courtyard rooftop pool. (Sat 1 PM)
- MYA DETROIT ROLLING PUB**  
Puddle your way through downtown Detroit and learn about the city's rich history and landmarks. (Fri 2 PM)
- MYA THEOLOGY ON TAP**  
Have a drink and dive deep into faith with Bishop Elias Zaidan and Bishop Gregory Mansour. (Sat 1 PM)
- MYO RIVERWALK PARK**  
Gather for an afternoon of table d'acting, games, spiritual talks and more! (Fri 1 PM)
- PETER HERBECK**  
A conference speaker and the author of books and recordings about discipleship and life in the Spirit. (Sat 10:30 AM)
- NETWORK WITH PROFESSIONALS**  
Connect with Maronite professionals from across the country who seek to live their faith and grow spiritually amidst a successful career. (Sat 2 PM)
- VANESSA GARMO**  
An Evangelist, Christian Coach and host of Epiphany on Ave Maria Radio. (Fri 10 AM)

**WORKSHOPS**

**ENTERTAINMENT**

- DJ FRANCO**  
Enjoy a great mix of Arabic and American hit songs the whole weekend as we dance the nights away. (Thu, Fri, Sat 10 PM - 2 AM)
- EMAD BATAYEH**  
Friday night dinner and haldi featuring Michigan's own premier singer, Emad Batayeh. (6 PM Cocktails | 7 PM Dinner + Dance)
- DANNY ACHKAR**  
Saturday night gala dinner and dance hall! Featuring Lebanese Superstar, Danny Achkar. (6 PM Cocktails | 7 PM Dinner + Dance)

**Maronites on Mission: Created. Called. Sent Forth.**

## DEACON'S CORNER

To begin this week's DC, I want to mention that time just seems to be on the fast track. Hard to believe that it is March, 2024 already. It is 4AM on this past Saturday morning and I have been up since 1:30AM. After reading this week's bulletin from St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church in Michigan, whose pastor is my very dear friend and mentor, now Bishop Alfred Badawi, I read this week's gospel of Lk 11-32, the gospel of the Prodigal Son. I have to make this the subject of this week's DC, so here we go.

The beginning of this story is when then Fr. Alfred was pastor at Our Lady of Lebanon in Lombard, IL and we were renting a church (Queen of Heaven), while beginning construction of our new church in Lombard. At that time a good friend, Ed Lebbos, asked Bobbi and I to come to Mass with him and the gospel that Sunday happened to be the Prodigal Son. While listening to the gospel and homily from Fr. Alfred, I was moved. Moved to understand that *"I had been lost but now I am found"* and realized that this is the place I need to be to enhance my own spiritual growth and Fr. Alfred was to be my mentor. You see, I had known Fr. Alfred from the time he was stationed at St. Maron's Church in Detroit and he had done a funeral and 40 day Mass for my Aunt Margaret and Bobbi and I, while living in Chicago, attended both and I told Bobbi at both services that *"I really like Fr. Alfred"*. He was moved to Lombard to build our new church which we did together and then was moved back to the Detroit area to build another new church which we also did together. I believe Fr. Alfred, now Bishop Alfred, is what I call a *"fixer"*. What I mean by that is Bishop Alfred's superiors understand that when a parish is in need of *"fixing"*, Alfred is the man to get the job done. And his last endeavor, the St. Sharbel campus in Clinton Township is a monument to Bishop Alfred's ability and I believe has the largest and most active congregation in the Maronite Church in the US.

It was on this Prodigal Sunday, many years ago, that I told then Fr. Alfred that *"I am home"*, and asked how I can increase my spiritual journey. After I completed my sub-diaconate training and began serving the altar and my priest, I asked Fr. Alfred when he was now in Chicago, what my next step to become more attached to Our Lord. He said; *"you can study to become a Deacon"*. So he and I went to the Mundelien Seminary in Libertyville and I enrolled in the Diaconate Program. After years of study, I was ordained a Deacon in the Maronite Church by Bishop Shaheen, now deceased and may he RIP.

Bishop Alfred and I have been traveling to Lebanon together every year, with the exception of covid, and I saw many of my relatives as my father was one of thirteen children, only three of which came to the US. By the way, my father died on his first trip back to Lebanon in 1965 at the age of 59. He hadn't been home since he came here 47 years earlier in 1919 at the age of 12. I was able to see the house where he grew up and spoke with many relatives still in Lebanon. I brought back a large piece of concrete from the floor of my dad's bedroom which was bombed during the war in the 70s in Lebanon.

I want to complete this DC by recognizing Bishop Alfred as my blessing from Our Lord who has helped me in so many ways to grow my spiritual life, so I say: *"I love you, Abouna, and thank you"*.

My blessings to all,

Deacon John Sfire

## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

## HOSANNA SUNDAY

March 23, 2024

Saturday

4 PM Vigil Mass

Procession with Palms

March 24, 2024

Sunday

9:30 AM &

11:30 AM Mass

Procession with Palms

Monday - Wednesday

March 25 - 27, 2024

6 PM Confessions

6:30 PM Mass

7 PM Benediction of

the Holy Cross

## Holy Week

ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

## HOLY THURSDAY

Thursday, March 28

7 PM Mass &

Washing of the Feet Ceremony

8 PM - 11 PM

Exposition of the

Blessed Sacrament

\*Church doors open until 11 PM

## GOOD FRIDAY OF THE CRUCIFIXION

Friday, March 29

11 AM Pre-Sanctified Mass

Signing of the Chalice

12 PM - Stations of the Cross with Mary

6 PM - 6:45 PM Confessions

6:15 PM Novena to the Divine Mercy Begins

7 PM - Service of the Burial of our Lord

\*Church doors open until 1 AM to visit the Tomb

## HOLY SATURDAY

Saturday, March 30

11 AM Prayer of Forgiveness

## أحد الشعانين

السبت ٢٣ آذار

الساعة ٤:٠٠ بعد الظهر

القداس الإلهي يليه رتبة تقديس الأغصان وزياح الشعانين

الأحد ٢٤ آذار

الساعة ٩:٣٠ صباحاً

الساعة ١١:٣٠ صباحاً

القداس الإلهي يليه رتبة تقديس الأغصان وزياح الشعانين

## أسبوع الآلام

الإثنين ٢٥ آذار والثلاثاء ٢٦ آذار . الساعة ٦:٣٠ مساءً

القداس الإلهي يليه زياح الصليب

الأربعاء ٢٧ آذار . الساعة ٦:٣٠ مساءً

القداس الإلهي ورتبة القنديل (تبريك الزيت)

## برنامج احتفالات

## أحد الشعانين وأسبوع الآلام

ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

## خميس الأسرار

الخميس ٢٨ آذار . الساعة ٧:٠٠ مساءً

القداس الإلهي ورتبة الغسل يليه زياح وصمد القربان المقدس

تفتح ابواب الكنيسة حتى الساعة ١١:٠٠ ليلاً لزيارة القربان المقدس

## الجمعة العظيمة

الجمعة ٢٩ آذار

الساعة ١١:٠٠ صباحاً . رتبة القداس السابق تقديسه

الساعة ١٢:٠٠ ظهراً . رتبة درب الصليب

الساعة ٦:١٥ مساءً . تساعية الرحمة الإلهية

الساعة ٧:٠٠ مساءً . رتبة سجدة الصليب ودفن المصلوب

تفتح ابواب الكنيسة حتى الساعة الواحدة ليلاً لزيارة قبر المعمع

## سبوت النور العظيم

السبت ٣٠ آذار

الساعة ١١:٠٠ صباحاً . صلاة الغفران

الإعزازات مؤمنة أيام الإثنين، الثلاثاء، الأربعاء، والخميس من الساعة السادسة مساءً

ATTENTION: MEN!

BRING YOUR FAVORITE GAME AND JOIN US FOR...

TARNEEB LEEKHA AND MORE!

# MEN'S NIGHT

## Card Party

RSVP TO NABIL FAWAZ (248) 894-1375

\$25 PER PERSON  
FOOD AND SOFT DRINKS INCLUDED

Friday April 12, 2024  
7:00pm - 12:00am

St. Sharbel Church Hall - 43888 Hayes Rd. Clinton Twp, MI

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
MSGR. MICHAEL ABDO COUNCIL  
#8231**

During the season of Lent, we are conducting a recruitment drive. All men of the Parish are invited to join us in our Mission of Charity, Fraternity, and Unity, for the support of our Clergy and our Parrish.

Members of the council are present at all Lenten activities to assist you with filling out your membership application on-line on your phone or at home on your computer. Using the code on the link your membership is free to join.

Here is the link: [KofC.org/join](http://KofC.org/join)  
Parrish is St. Sharbel Council #8231  
Viva Jesus!  
Ed O'Brien (313.378.0253)



THANK YOU!

**WEEKLY COLLECTION  
March 2 & 3, 2024  
Envelopes: \$8,483.00  
Online: \$585.00  
Total Collection: \$9,068.00**

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

## UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

Mar 10	Mass Live Streamed 11:30 AM
Mar 10	Daylight Savings Time - Spring ahead!
Mar 17	LAS Meeting 10:30 AM
Mar 24	Palm Sunday Family Luncheon
Mar 28	Holy Thursday Washing of Feet Ceremony
Mar 29	Good Friday of the Crucifixion
Mar 30	Holy Saturday
Mar 31	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection
Feb 11-Mar 31	Bishop's Eparchial Appeal
Apr 2	Food Festival Meeting 6:30 PM
Apr 12	Men's Game Night 7 PM - 12 AM
Apr 7	Divine Mercy Sunday
May 11	Mother's Day Luncheon 12 PM - 3 PM
July 1-7	NAM Convention
July 18-21	Feast of Saint Sharbel & Relics
Aug 1-Sep 15	Annual Raffle Fundraiser
Aug 24/25	St. Sharbel Church Food Festival
Oct 5/6	LAS Bake Sale
Dec 7	Annual Christmas Luncheon
Dec 14	Christmas Concert 7 PM

## GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!



43888 Hayes Rd. Clinton Twp. MI  
ST. SHARBEL CHURCH  
PRESENTS...

# Palm Sunday Luncheon

Sunday March 24th at 1:00pm

Special Guest Appearance from the Easter Bunny!

Tickets For Sale Now  
Nabil Fawaz: (248) 894-1375  
Sam Chanbour: (248) 854-3833  
Fadi Habib: (586) 243-8112  
**No Tickets at the Door**

\$30 per person  
\$15 per child (10 years and under)

Menu:  
Tossed Garden Salad  
Butterfly Pasta  
Roast Sirloin of Beef  
Breaded Chicken Piccante  
Roasted Red Skin Potatoes  
Fresh Green Beans  
Chicken Tenders & French Fries (Kids)

Food catered by Palazzo Grande

## A JOURNEY TO THE CROSS

5 Week Lenten Bible Study  
"Lent as a Journey of Healing" **Wednesdays at 6:30pm**

Interactive Talks, Small Group  
Discussions, Fellowship, Episodes from "The Chosen," Prayer Time and More!  
Open to All 18+

February 28th  
March 6th  
March 13th  
March 20th

Let by: Fr. Chris Sabra  
No RSVP Required!  
Come as You Are!

New Activity Room  
Leonard A. Thomas Administrative Center  
43888 Hayes Rd. Clinton Twp. MI

## PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners, Friends and Visitors,  
Today we celebrate the Sunday of the Healing of the Paralyzed Man. This weekend Daylight Savings Time begins! Move your clocks ahead one hour Saturday night before you go to bed!

The Holy Season of the Great Lent will be almost over and the Feast of the Resurrection of the Lord will be upon us. Lent, as you know, is that special liturgical season to prepare us to hear the words: "He is risen." Lent is not so much about our giving up something to please God.

Lent is about our Lord Jesus Christ.

- How have we prepared to receive His Good News?
- Have we used this period of time for introspection, self-examination, penance and forgiveness?
- Have we become reconciled to a relative or friend with whom we have disagreed?
- Have we forgiven someone who has hurt us in any way?
- Have you asked forgiveness from someone? Do you realize that not one of us is perfect and it is our sins that need penance and forgiveness?
- Have you opened your heart to God's grace by removing bitterness, anger and hatred? There is no room in our hearts for the Love of Jesus if it is cluttered with those things that separate us from one another.

I pray that you will use the remaining weeks of Lent to come closer to our Lord Jesus Christ and His Mother. She will help us if we ask her.

## ANNUAL CHILDREN'S EASTER PARTY

Our Annual Children's Easter Party will take place on **Palm Sunday, March 24, 2024**, in the Church Hall immediately after the both Masses. All the children of the parish are cordially invited to attend and receive some Easter goodies from the Easter Bunny.

## FOOD FESTIVAL MEETING

The next meeting for the 2024 St. Sharbel Food Festival will take place on **Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at 6:30 PM** in Conference Room A. Everyone interested in helping out is encouraged to attend! Save the date!

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM CLASSES

No Religious Education Program classes will be held on Palm Sunday (March 24th) or on Easter Sunday (March 31st). Classes will resume on Sunday, April 7, 2024 at 10:30 AM.

## MARONITE YOUTH ORGANIZATION (MYO)

We are excited to announce two upcoming events for the MYO. The first is on Palm Sunday, March 24 with the Easter Bunny visits after both Liturgies. Secondly, early bird registration is being held for the National Summer Youth gathering this June 24-29, 2024 in Pittsburgh, PA. The cost for the Conference is \$499 per participant. More details will be forthcoming. Please support our youth...the future of the parish.

## FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 2024

Please join us this **Friday, March 8, 2024**, and welcome Fr. Fadi Mussallem from the Antonine Congregation in Windsor, Ontario will be with us to give the Lenten reflection on "Hope... Al Rajah"

May the Feast of the Resurrection that we will soon celebrate find us to be a renewed people with a strong faith in our hearts. I ask a remembrance in your prayers as you are in mine! See you in Church this weekend. Have a blessed and holy Great Lent!

Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Pastor

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