

# ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

SEASON OF GREAT LENT

HEALING OF THE BLIND MAN – MARCH 17, 2024

READING 2 CORINTHIANS 10:1 -7    GOSPEL MARK 10:46 -52

CELEBRATE THE HEALING MASS AND BENEDICTION OF

## Saint Sharbel



**FRIDAY MARCH 22<sup>nd</sup> 2024**

Adoration: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm  
Holy Rosary: 5:30 pm  
Confession: 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm  
Healing Mass: 6:30 pm  
Celebrant: Chorbishop Alfred Badawi

قداس وزياح  
القديس شربل

الجمعة ٢٢ آذار ٢٠٢٤

صمد القربان المقدس من الساعة الخامسة والنصف  
تلاوة المسبحة الساعة الخامسة والنصف  
الإعترافات مؤمنة من الساعة الخامسة والنصف  
القداس الساعة السادسة والنصف مساءً  
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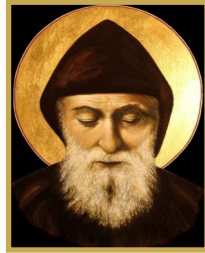
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DIVINE LITURGY

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**

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**FRIDAY, MARCH 15TH**

**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:**

**DEACON MIKE MAGYAR**

**THEME: "LOVE"**

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**SATURDAY, MARCH 16TH**

- 4:00 PM— Wendy Nawal Sweiss **Special Intention**, by Family
- 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— Wendy Nawal Sweiss **Special Intention**, by 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— Wendy Nawal Sweiss **Special Intention**, by Family
- 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— 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
- 11:30 AM— Vergeen Alcorn, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Eman Abdulad, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Elias Hannoudi, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Yousef Haddad, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Yousef Naber, by Nansi Haddad
- 11:30 AM— Mikhael Hermez, by Nina Hermez
- 11:30 AM— Mary Nehme, by Nina Hermez
- 11:30 AM— Ezabel Nehme, by Nina Hermez
- 11:30 AM— Janet Nehme, by Nina Hermez

**READERS**

**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

**READERS FOR SATURDAY, MARCH 23**  
4:00 PM - Toni Peters

**READERS FOR: SUNDAY, MARCH 24**  
9:30 AM - Laura Bacha

**READERS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 24**  
11:30 AM - Rene Farah  
Judith Farah

**READERS FOR HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 28**  
7:00 PM - Sandra Youssif  
Nabil Fawaz

**READERS FOR GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29**  
7:00 PM - George Habbouche  
George Fares  
Joumana Kayrouz  
Naje Mondalek

**READERS FOR EASTER VIGIL MASS SATURDAY, MARCH 30**  
4:00 PM - Allan Brazier

**READERS FOR: EASTER MIDNIGHT MASS SUNDAY, MARCH 31**  
12:00 AM - Christa Deban  
Ramella Badawi

**READERS FOR EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31**  
11:30 AM - Fadia Nahed  
Elie Touma

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

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

- March 15 - MYA
- March 22 - Choir

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**TUESDAY, MARCH 19TH**

**FEAST DAY OF SAINT JOSEPH**

- 12:00 PM— Albert and Mona Badawi, by Family
- 12:00 PM— Maha Special Intentions for Healing, by Family
- 12:00 PM— Rikan Barbat, by Family

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20TH**

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

**THURSDAY, MARCH 21ST**

- 12:00 PM— Living & Deceased Members of the Shaker Family, by Family
- 12:00 PM— Gorgees Dawood and Youssef Dawood, by Family

**FRIDAY, MARCH 22ND**

**HEALING MASS OF SAINT SHARBEL**

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

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

- 6:30 PM— Wendy Nawal Sweiss Special Intention, by Family
- 6:30 PM— Vincent Shamoun Special Intentions Healing, by Family
- 6:30 PM— Matthew Sami Daman, by Family
- 6:30 PM— Sick, Homebound, and Shut-ins, by Clergy
- 6:30 PM— Rodi and Maryam Yaldo Special Intention, by Clergy
- 6:30 PM— Rani and Mays Yaldo Special Intention, by Clergy
- 6:30 PM— Haitham & Sofia Yaldo and Children, Sean, Justin, Chris and Luke Special Intention, by Family
- 6:30 PM— Faouzi Shaya, by Wife, Georgette Shaya and Family
- 6:30 PM— Living & Deceased Members of the Chaldean Community, by Clergy

**SATURDAY, MARCH 23RD**

**PALM SUNDAY VIGIL MASS**

**BLESSING OF PALMS & PROCESSION**

- 4:00 PM— Children in our Community and throughout the World, by Clergy
- 4:00 PM— Matty Moroun and his sister, Anne Moroun, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Matthew Sami Daman, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Tony Jolet Birthday Remembrance, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Frederick J. Francis Birthday Remembrance, by his Children
- 4:00 PM— Owen Petrzelka, by Grandparents, Anthony and Lucy Shaker

**SUNDAY, MARCH 24TH**

**PALM SUNDAY**

**BLESSING OF PALMS & PROCESSION**

- 9:30 AM— Children in our Community and throughout the World, by Clergy
- 9:30 AM— Mickey and Julia Thomas, by Mary Haddad -Raveane
- 9:30 AM— George and Mary Ann Sassin, by Joseph Campbell II

**SUNDAY, MARCH 24TH**

**PALM SUNDAY**

**BLESSING OF PALMS & PROCESSION**

- 11:30 AM— Special Intentions Cara Noelle Hahn-Harik, by Clergy
- 11:30 AM— Children in our Community and throughout the World, by Clergy
- 11:30 AM— Vera Hakim, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Raif and Hanane Harik Family, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Jamila and Dunia Hattar, Sabha & Mother Praxede, Theresa Sweidan, Mona Badawi, and Nadia Kayrouz Mother's Day Remembrance, by Issa and Maysoun Sweidan and 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

# 59th Annual NAM Convention

JULY 4-7, 2024 | ST. SHARBEL CHURCH  
DETROIT MARRIOTT RENAISSANCE CENTER



## DETROIT, MICHIGAN

MARONITES ON MISSION: CREATED. CALLED. SENT FORTH.

### TAILOR

#### TAILORING SERVICES

Claire Arayro

Phone/Text: +12487105028

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### 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

### THANK YOU!

#### WEEKLY COLLECTION

March 9 & 10, 2024

Envelopes: \$8,000.00

Online: \$525.00

Total Collection: \$8,525.00

#### 2024 EPARCHIAL APPEAL

Goal: \$16,000

Collected to Date: \$8,155.00

With sincere gratitude and thanks for  
your faithful and loving support!

### SAVE THE DATES!

#### ST. RAFKA CHURCH

ANNUAL BANQUET

CELEBRATING 10TH

DEDICATION ANNIVERSARY

SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2024

For tickets, call St. Rafka Church Office.



# 59th Annual NAM Convention - Registration Form

Hosted by St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church - Clinton Township, MI  
Sponsored by the National Apostolate of Maronites



Please register online at [www.namnews.org](http://www.namnews.org) or fill this form clearly. You will receive a registration confirmation via email or mail.

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Family members (Name, age): \_\_\_\_\_

**Pre-registration Deadline: June 1, 2024**  
**Final Deadline: June 10, 2024**

**Check all the categories that apply to you and your family and enter the # of individuals attending for each one:**

- NAM Member \_\_\_\_\_  NAM Delegate \_\_\_\_\_  
 NAM Board \_\_\_\_\_  Order of St. Sharbel \_\_\_\_\_  
 Conv. Comm. \_\_\_\_\_  Child (5-11) \_\_\_\_\_  
 MYO (12-18) \_\_\_\_\_  MYA (18-35) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Vegetarian Meal \_\_\_\_\_  Adult/Non-member \_\_\_\_\_

## PACKAGES

Select your desired packages and enter the # attending by age category. Proceed to calculate the total amount. Daily workshops are included with any package. NAM members who paid their 2024 dues receive \$15 off of the full package and \$10 off of all other packages. The discount is void after the deadline of June 1, 2024. If you wish to pay for your membership with this registration, please include a check payable to NAM. Membership options and Saturday banquet seating are available online or by calling (914) 964-3070.

PACKAGE OPTIONS (Does not include Hotels and Excursions)	# Attending Adult and Young Adult 18+ Years (high school grad)		# Attending Youth 12-18 Years (not a high school grad)		# Attending Child Under 12		TOTAL \$ AMT	*Pls answer if selecting FULL PKG only:  For the Maronite Reunion on Thu., 7/4, will you need transportation to St. Sharbel Church from the hotel?  Yes: ___ No: ___  # of passengers: _____
	Before 6/1/2024	After 6/10/2024	Before 6/1/2024	After 6/10/2024	Before 6/1/2024	After 6/10/2024		
<b>Full: Thursday - Sunday</b>	\$500 _____	\$520 _____	\$490 _____	\$510 _____	\$225 _____	\$245 _____		
<b>Long Weekend: Friday - Sunday</b>	\$450 _____	\$470 _____	\$440 _____	\$460 _____	\$115 _____	\$135 _____		
<b>Weekend: Saturday and Sunday</b> ( Sat. Dinner Party & Sunday Brunch)	\$265 _____	\$285 _____	\$255 _____	\$275 _____	\$115 _____	\$135 _____		
<b>Saturday Night Only</b> (Grand Banquet Dinner + Entertainment)	\$175 _____	\$195 _____	\$175 _____	\$195 _____	\$90 _____	\$110 _____		
<b>Friday Night Entertainment Only</b> (18+ entry at 10pm after Dinner)	\$125 _____	\$145 _____	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
<b>Saturday Night Entertainment Only</b> (18+ entry at 10pm after Dinner)	\$125 _____	\$145 _____	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		

## EXCURSIONS

Select any additional excursions desired and enter the # attending by age category. Proceed to calculate the total amount. The "Covenant of Behavior" form must be completed for all children and youth registrants. Forms are available online at [www.namnews.org](http://www.namnews.org). More Excursion details and information can be found in *NAM Brochure*.

DATE	EXCURSION Includes bus transportation where applicable	TIME	PRICE Adult/Young Adult/Youth	PRICE Child	Excursion Only No Transportation	# Attending Adult/Young Adult/Youth	# Attending Child Under 12	TOTAL \$ AMT
<b>Friday, July 5</b>	Blessed Solanus Casey Center	2-4 PM	\$30	\$30	N/A			
	Detroit Pedal Tour (MYA)	3-5 PM	\$25	N/A	N/A			
	Detroit River Walk (MYO)	2-4 PM	\$10	N/A	N/A			
<b>Saturday, July 6</b>	Diamond Jacks Boat Cruise (Lunch Included)	1-4PM	\$30	\$30	N/A			
	Theology on Tap (MYA)	1-3 PM	\$25	N/A	N/A			
	Pool Party (MYO)	2-4 PM	\$10	N/A	N/A			
	Networking Workshop	2-4 PM	FREE	N/A	N/A			

**GRAND TOTAL \$:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please make **checks** payable to "NAM Convention" and mail to NAM at address: 2110 Redwood Pl. Canfield, OH 44406 \*Cash is not accepted. You can register online at [www.namnews.org](http://www.namnews.org) using a credit card. For more information, please call us at (914) 964-3070.

The **Marriott Renaissance Hotel** in downtown Detroit is \$189.00 a night + tax (single/double occupancy). For reservations, please call the hotel at (313) 568-8000 and ask for the National Maronite Convention Room Block or **book online** at <https://book.passkey.com/e/50700969>  
The **nearest airport** is Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport (**DTW**). Airline Discount Codes: **United:** ZP65918866 | **Delta QR Code** on **NAM Website**

For complete package information and registration, please visit [www.namnews.org](http://www.namnews.org).

**NEXT SUNDAY**



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

# Palm Sunday Luncheon

**Sunday March 24th at 1:00pm**

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

**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 \***

**Menu:**  
Tossed Garden Salad  
Butterfly Pasta  
Fresh Cod Fish  
Breaded Chicken Piccante  
Roasted Red Skin Potatoes  
Fresh Green Beans  
Chicken Tenders & French Fries (Kids)

**Food catered by Palazzo Grande**

**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 (تبروك 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 الالهية  
الساعة ٧:٠٠ مساءً . رتبة سجدة الصليب ودفن المصلوب  
تفتح ابواب الكنيسة حتى الساعة الواحدة ليلاً لزيارة قبر المسيح

**سبت النور العظيم**  
السبت ٣٠ آذار  
الساعة ١١:٠٠ صباحاً . صلاة القربان  
الإعترافات مؤتمنة أيام الإثنين، الثلاثاء، الأربعاء، والجمعة من الساعة السادسة مساءً

**ATTENTION: MEN!**



BRING YOUR FAVORITE GAME AND JOIN US FOR...  
**TARNEEB LEEKHA AND MORE!**

# MEN'S NIGHT Card Party

**\$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

RSVP TO NABIL FAWAZ (248) 894-1375

## UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

Mar 17	Mass Live Streamed 11:30 AM
Mar 17	LAS Meeting 10:30 AM
Mar 18	K of C/COR Meeting 6:30 PM
Mar 24	Palm Sunday Family Luncheon
Mar 28	Holy Thursday Washing of Feet Ceremony
Mar 29	MYO Carnation Sale for Good Friday Service
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 4	First Holy Communion Mass 10:30 AM
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

## CONGRATULATIONS!

## ENGAGED TO BE MARRIED

Congratulations to  
**Saeed Yousif and Souzan Hanna**  
 on their Engagement to be Married!

*May our Lord bless this couple as they prayerfully  
 prepare to enter into the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony!  
 Let us keep them and all engaged couples in our prayers  
 to safeguard their journey with Christ and each other!*

## CONGRATULATIONS!

We extend our Congratulations to the following St. Sharbel  
 Religious Education Program students  
 who received their Sacrament of Reconciliation on  
 Sunday, March 10, 2024. The remaining students will receive their  
 Sacrament of Reconciliation this Sunday, March 17, 2024!

Jacob Adam  
 Alexander Alam  
 Redeemer Baraya  
 George Basha  
 Rosemary Batto  
 Natalie Chidiac  
 Grace Elian  
 Jayden Fajou  
 Jordan Fakhouri  
 Ava Fares  
 Sophia Fares  
 Aiden Gowro  
 Eleanor Habib  
 Rachel Icho  
 Rebecca Icho  
 Yara Jirjees

Zander Jones  
 Yousif Kacho  
 Nathaniel Kadou  
 Daniel Kassab  
 Isaac Kassab  
 Marcel Palanjan  
 Miquel Saffo  
 Skylar Saffo  
 William Salman  
 Tia Sayedah  
 Mia Seferian  
 Joseph Shoashandi  
 Mark Yaqo  
 Minas Yaqo  
 Rihanna Yousaf  
 Alexander Youssef

## PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners, Friends and Visitors,  
 On this third Sunday of March, we celebrate the fifth Sunday  
 of Lent with the Sunday of the Healing of the Blind Man and  
 we shift gears in our Lenten journey. Throughout the past  
 week, the daily Scripture readings have been our guide.

During Lent, we often hear about repentance, forgiveness,  
 mercy, love and hope. In fact, the Sunday readings in our  
 Maronite Liturgical Calendar during Lent highlight various  
 stories of physical and spiritual healings.

A sure way to achieve spiritual healing and full health is  
 through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, which is a fitting  
 way to prepare us for the great feast of Easter,  
 the Resurrection of our Lord, the cornerstone of our faith.

In today's world, people often believe and act in a relative  
 perspective: "I do everything right." Sin has lost its meaning.  
 Consequently, there is no need to repent and reconcile, but in  
 the Gospel Jesus points and explains it differently: "Let  
 anyone among you who is without sin be the first to throw a  
 stone at her" (John 8:7). Christ taught us a great lesson on  
 forgiveness: "Forgive them for they do not know what they  
 are doing" (Luke 23:34).

## PALM SUNDAY LUNCHEON

Our Palm Sunday Luncheon will be held next Sunday, **Palm  
 Sunday, March 24, 2024**, in the Church Hall at 1 PM.  
 Tickets must be purchased ahead of time! No tickets will be  
 sold at the door. Please make sure to buy your tickets this  
 weekend for this delicious family-fun event!

## 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.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

No Religious Education 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.

## 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!

## FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION

Due to Holy Week, the Patriarch is moving the Feast of the  
 Annunciation to **Wednesday, April 3, 2024**.

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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