St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church

CLINTON TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN

أهلا وسهلا FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION - MAY 10, 2020 الأحد الخامس من زمن القيامة

READING Ephesians 2:1-10 GOSPEL John 21:15-19



St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church

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SATURDAY: 4:00 PM
SUNDAY: 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM
FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION

1st Friday: 9:30 AM MASS Eucharistic Adoration following until 3 PM

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION
1st Saturday: 3:30 PM
FAMILY OF SAINT SHARBEL
HEALING PRAYERS
22nd Day of Every Month
Liturgy and Benediction 7:00 PM (Spring/Summer)

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NO PUBLIC MASSES UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

ALL MASS INTENTIONS WILL BE OFFERED BY CHORBISHOP ALFRED BADAWI AT THE TELEVISED MASS ON SATURDAYAT 4 PM

SATURDAY, MAY 9TH

MOTHER'S DAY

4:00 PM— Living and Deceased Mothers in our Parish and Families, by Pastor

4:00 PM— For the Sick and Dying, all infected with the Coronavirus, for Healthcare Professionals, Essential Business Workers & Caregivers, by Pastor

4:00 PM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Owen Petrzelka (6 y/o), by Wajih and Leila Badawi

4:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Elias and Zina Bassil Family, by Pastor

4:00 PM— Gerges Neiman Sleiman Memorial Mass, by Daughter and Son-In-Law, Claudia & Raja Ashkar and Family

4:00 PM — Backos Joseph, by Mary Medley and Family

4:00 PM - Sadie Yamin Mother's Day Remembrance, by the Yamin Family

4:00 PM— **Nouhad Rizk Mother's Day Remembrance,** by Son & Daughter-In-Law, Dr. Youssef & Carol Rizk and their Daughter, Hailey Rizk

4:00 PM— Norma (Ramona) Machalani Mother's Day Remembrance, by Pastor

4:00 PM — Margaret J. Saad Mother's Day Remembrance, by Family

4:00 PM — Joseph G. Saad 9 Year Remembrance, by Family

4:00 PM— Charlotte Habib Moore, by Dr. Sam Nasser

SUNDAY, MAY 10TH

MOTHER'S DAY

9:30 AM— Living and Deceased Mothers in our Parish and Families, by Pastor

9:30 AM— Grandmothers, Mothers-In-law, Godmothers, Great Grandmothers & Mothers to Be, by the REP

9:30 AM— Special Intention for Healing for Charbel Francis (10 month old), by Elie and Sandra Youssif

9:30 AM— For the Sick and Dying, all infected with the Coronavirus, for Healthcare Professionals, Essential Business Workers, and Caregivers, by Pastor

9:30 AM— Helen and Betty Shaker Mother's Day Remembrance, by Family

9:30 AM— Anthony Joseph, by Mary Medley and Family

9:30 AM— Sadie Salloum, by Family

11:30 AM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery Bassim Alshaikh, by Elie & Fatina Najjar Alshaikh

11:30 AM— For all infected with the Coronavirus and all Healthcare

Professionals caring for them by St. Sharbel MYO 11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Mothers in our Parish and Families, by Pastor

11:30 AM— For all suffering from fear and threatened by the pandemic, by St. Sharbel MYA

11:30 AM— Joseph Hanna Alshaikh Memorial Mass, by Son and Daughter-In-Law, Elie & Fatina Najjar Alshaikh

11:30 AM— Jamalette Assaf Michael 2 Year Remembrance, by Son and Daughter-In-Law, Elias & Rima Michael and Family

11:30 AM— Josephine Harb, by Abdou and Samia Deban

11:30 AM— Akram Karromi, by Pastor

TUESDAY, MAY 12TH

PRIVATE

12:00 PM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Deacon John Sfire, by Pastor

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13TH

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

PRIVATE

12:00 PM— All Pregnant Mothers, by Pastor

12:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Thomas, Besteni, Farah, El-Hajj and Daye Families, by Family

12:00 PM— Anthony Joseph, by Mary Medley and Family

THURSDAY, MAY 14TH

PRIVATE

12:00 PM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Owen Petrzelka (6 y/o), by Wahib Badawi

MASSES CONTINUED ON PAGE 3



CONGRATULATIONS!

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations to

Anthony and Ashley Taormina

on the birth

of their new daughter,

Gianna Marie Taormina

born Monday, May 4, 2020! Congratulations and best wishes also

to the grandparents,

Sam and Kathy Taormina!

May our Lord bless you and your family with good health and happiness!

MASSES CONTINUED ...

SATURDAY, MAY 16TH

4:00 PM— For the Sick and Dying, all infected with the Coronavirus, for Healthcare Professionals, Essential Business Workers & Caregivers, by St. Sharbel Knights of Columbus

4:00 PM— For all suffering from fear and threatened by the pandemic, by St. Sharbel Choir

4:00 PM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Owen Petrzelka (6 v/o), by the Badawi Family

4:00 PM— Emma Bochenek 1 Year Remembrance, by Husband, Paul

4:00 PM — Mark Werner Birthday Remembrance, by Wife, Denise

4:00 PM— Joseph & Shomas Francis, by Grandchildren

4:00 PM— Joseph G. Saad, by Children

4:00 PM— Emily Hakim, by Allan and Mary Brazier and Family

4:00 PM — George & Henriette Chalhoub, by Family

SUNDAY, MAY 17TH

9:30 AM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Charbel Francis (10 month old), by Eli and Sandra Youssif

9:30 AM— Living Members of Dr. Youssif & Mrs. Carol Rizk and daughter Hailey Rizk, by Pastor

9:30 AM— Felix & Evelyn Nagurka by Paul Nagurka & Rose Ann Jacobs

9:30 AM— Judith Deeby, by St. Sharbel Friends of Donna Deeby

9:30 AM— Louis Joseph, by Mary Medley

9:30 AM— Basil Pio, by Anne, Linda and Joseph

11:30 AM— For Good Health and Well Being of St. Sharbel Parishioners, by Pastor

11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Kozhaya & Therese Sfeir Family, by Family

11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Elias & Zina Bassil Family, by Pastor

11:30 AM— Josephine Harb, by Friends

11:30 AM— Ramez Harb 10 Year Remembrance, by Family

11:30 AM— **Karam Karam 31 Year Remembrance**, by Daughter and Son-In-Law, Leila & Dr. Tom Sloan and Family



SANCTUARY CANDLE

FOR THE MONTH OF MAY BURNS FOR:

In Loving Memory of Emily Hakim

by Allan & Mary Brazier and Family

CHAPEL CANDLE

FOR THE MONTH OF MAY BURNS FOR:

In Loving Memory of Joseph G. Saad by Children

INCENSE AND CHARCOAL

FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

In Loving Memory of
George & Henriette Chalhoub
by Family

THANK YOU!

WEEKLY COLLECTION

May 2 & 3, 2020

Envelopes: \$3,000.00 Online: \$2.025.00

May God bless you for your generosity and support of your parish especially during these most difficult of times!

COLLEGE STUDENT ARTICLE

Dear fellow Parishioners,

It is with great pleasure that I write to you this article. The past weeks have been filled with a mix of emotions including sadness and frustration, and I cannot begin to comprehend the hardships of those afflicted with COVID-19 and the heroic workers who are putting forth their best efforts to help them. While indeed an important topic, I do not wish to dwell on it, for this weekend is an opportunity for us to celebrate and show gratitude for the important women in our lives.

Mothers play the essential role in bearing life, and countless other significant roles in day to day life. Many women who may not have children of their own may still exhibit motherly love and affection to the children of others. With such a widespread presence and influence, this begs an important question: why Mother's <u>Day</u>? There is no doubt that it is an important day which reminds us of the women that we have been blessed with in our lives; however, let us strive to make every day Mother's Day. We should learn from the appreciative behavior that we exhibit on this day and apply it every day not only to our own mothers, but all the potential mothers that we may encounter on a daily basis. We also must not become complacent with passive or implied gratitude, but rather we should go out of our way to explicitly express our gratitude whenever possible.

With that being said, Happy Mother's Day to all. The focus this weekend was certainly for the mothers yet let us not be blinded to all of those who we may be grateful for in our lives. It may seem especially difficult to be grateful when much of the world seems to be shrouded in darkness, but I urge you not to give up. Even a slight display of gratitude may be enough to brighten another person's day.

Let us not forget that God put us on this earth to carry out His will. We should not focus on the many things that we cannot do right now, but rather we should focus on the one thing that we can always do: that is to love each other and to love God, just as He has loved us.



I thank you for your time, may God bless you all forever and always, Maurice Tohme University of Michigan Class of 2022





THANK YOU!

Heartfelt thanks to Mr. Elie Eid

for his kind and humble service to St. Sharbel Church!
You will regularly see Elie tending to the grounds and flower
beds of St. Sharbel Church and Statue of Saint Sharbel
since the opening of our Church!

Thank you kind and humble servant for your faithfulness!

Our love and prayers are with you always!

UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

May / Holy Hour Live Stream / Five	May 7	Holy Hour l	Live Stream 7 PM
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May 8 Birth of Saint Sharbel Private Mass at 12 PM

May 9 Sunday Mass Live Stream 4 PM May 16 Sunday Mass Live Stream 4 PM

May 22 Family of Saint Sharbel Healing Mass 7 PM

Sept. 26 / 27 2-Year Anniversary St. Sharbel Church Dedication

October 3 First Communion Mass 10:30 AM

December 1 Giving Tuesday

2020 GALA UPDATE

Dear St. Sharbel Parishioners and Friends,

I hope you and your family are doing well in these difficult circumstances. The impact of the Corona virus [Covid-19] has affected our economy, our family life, our social life, and our physical, emotional and spiritual life and practices. It has separated families, co-workers and friends. It has forced precious life events to be cancelled or postponed. It closed factories, offices, businesses and houses of worship including our own St. Sharbel Church.

I miss you all and my heart aches when I celebrate our weekly Masses without seeing you and greeting you after Mass. However, I care deeply about your safety and well-being, more than physically seeing you. I understand the need of the lock down and the social distancing to stop the spread of this vicious virus. I expect the practice of social distancing to be part of our normal life until the medical establishment has better control of this virus through therapeutic medicine or a preventive vaccine.

Given the impact of Covid-19 on all of us and looking out for your safety, well-being and security, I have decided to cancel this year's Gala at the Palazzo Grande.

This is an extremely difficult decision to make knowing the financial impact this will have on our annual fundraising efforts. However, in good conscience, it is not worth the possibility of putting any one of you at risk of contracting the virus during this popular and crowded event.

In lieu of the annual Gala, this year we will hold our Raffle Ticket Sales as a fundraising event. I ask you that upon receiving the raffle tickets that you please either purchase or sell the raffle tickets sent to you.

At some point in the future, depending on the medical establishments success of controlling the impact of this virus, we may decide to hold a small social gathering in our hall, if it is deemed and cleared to be a responsible thing to do without posing a risk to any one attending.

Thank you for your continued support. I love you all, please stay safe.

May the blessing of Saint Sharbel and the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you and protect you and your families during these difficult times.

Chorbishop Alfred Badawi

Pastor



PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Happy Mother's Day! Today we gather to celebrate the gift of motherhood in all of its forms including biological, adoptive and spiritual. Motherhood is a special mission, it is a special presence offered through women that is unlike anything on earth.

The role of a mother as a woman of faith finds a pathway to our Blessed Mother. She was a girl who said yes to the Angel Gabriel. She was a woman who had to give birth while away from her one own hometown. She was a woman who accepted pain and suffering and endured her Son's agonizing death as a criminal. She was a woman who listened intently to all that was being said about her Son as He became the source of forgiveness and healing for the world. Mary found strength in the mission given to her by God. How blessed are so many who can find that same strength and calm through her example.

For me, thinking about all of those images is just a reminder of how my own mom's strength came from something beyond her physical abilities. She always has a sense of calm while dealing with 6 boys. She has an unwavering faith and she has a trust that none of us could explain. My mother keeps saying, "When God wants me, He will take me." I have been blessed by her example and I too find strength in the images of the Blessed Mother while remembering what my mom taught me. On this day may God bless all woman of faith in their many roles found within the ministry of motherhood.

The times we are experiencing now are a time like no other and we are invited to deepen our relationship with God. He has not abandoned us, but is offering us new opportunities to live our faith.

I would like to thank everyone for their incredible and generous support of St. Sharbel Parish. Many more of you have transitioned to our weekly online giving, along with the envelopes which have been mailed in or dropped off. Your collective generosity is helping us to thrive.

To keep you informed of the Operating Account cash situation for the stay home orders which started 3/13/20 and runs through 5/1/20 compared to the same time period from 2019:

Donations decreased \$39,400 Cash Expenses decreased \$ 3,200 Net decrease in Operating Cash \$37,200

We have made spending cuts just as every household has. We are with you. I am humbled by your stewardship and financial giving. I am also thrilled at all those who are helping with donations to assist needy families.

As we continue the celebration of the month of May with uncertainty as to what or how things will take place, May remains a month of honor and devotion to our Blessed Mother. It is my hope we can all join together to refocus some extra prayer time with Mary, the Mother of God. From praying the Rosary and the litany and the Memorare, May offers us a month to remind ourselves of the goodness of God through Mary, who was chosen among all women to be the mother of our Savior Jesus. I picked the time for all of us to pray the Holy Rosary at 4:00 pm and let others know you are praying for them. May can become a month of renewed holiness. Let us ask our Blessed Mother to intercede for all of us and let us ask Saint Sharbel to help us. May the weeks ahead bring us closer to the only begotten Son of God through their intercession.

Yours in Christ,

Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Pastor



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