ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

CLINTON TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN

أهلا وسهلا SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION - MAY 24, 2020 الأحد السابع من زمن القيامة

READING Acts 1:1-14 GOSPEL Mark 16:15-20



ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

PASTOR Chorbishop Alfred Badawi

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SATURDAY: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM SUNDAY: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM - 6:00 PM

> 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)

SAINT SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH 43888 Hayes Road Clinton Township, MI 48038



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 23RD

- 4:00 PM— For the Sick and Dying, all infected with the Coronavirus, for Healthcare Professionals, Essential Business Workers & Caregivers, by the REP Staff
- 4:00 PM— For all suffering from fear and threatened by the pandemic, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— For good health & well being of St. Sharbel Parishioners, by Deacon Mike
- 4:00 PM— Tanios Elias Michael Memorial Mass, by Son and Daughter-In-Law, Elias and Rima (Soyad) Michael
- 4:00 PM— Living & Deceased Members of the James & Rose Mary Kautz Family, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— Living & Deceased Members of the Dr. and Mrs. Michel Al Khalil Family, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— Madeline Bolis 15 Year Remembrance, by Bob and Ann Marie Ferris
- 4:00 PM- Naif Ejbeh-Agby 28 Year Remembrance, by Joseph Ejbeh

SUNDAY, MAY 24TH

- **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** Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Owen Petrzelka (6 y/o), by the Badawi Family
- 9:30 AM- Living & Deceased Members of the Dr. Peggy RahalFamily, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— Daniel Daniel Birthday Remembrance, by Family
- 9:30 AM— Thomas E. Carson 4 Year Remembrance, by Family
- 9:30 AM- Helen Trepanier Anniversary Remembrance, by Family
- 11:30 AM- Special Intentions Good Health & Well Being of Elias & Labibae Makeri, by Maysoon Sweidan
- 11:30 AM— Living & Deceased Members of the Pierre Shamas Family, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM- Living & Deceased Members of the George Sam Family, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM- Living & Deceased Members of the Dr. Sam Nasser Family, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM- Living & Deceased Members of the Michael & Claudia Hayek Family, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM-Living & Deceased Members of the Chadi & Casia Shaya Family, by Pastor

TUESDAY, MAY 26TH NO LITURGY

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27TH

PRIVATE

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

6:00 PM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Charbel Francis (10 month old), by Eli and Sandra Youssif

THURSDAY, MAY 28TH

PRIVATE

6:00 PM— Betty Shaker Birthday Remembrance, by Family

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SANCTUARY CANDLE

FOR THE MONTH OF MAY BURNS FOR:

In Loving Memory of

Emily Hakim

by Allan & Mary Brazier and Family

CONGRATULATIONS!

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to Christopher and Samantha Bassil as they celebrate their 3rd Wedding Anniversary!

May our Lord bless you as you continue to journey together to live out the love of God in your marriage!

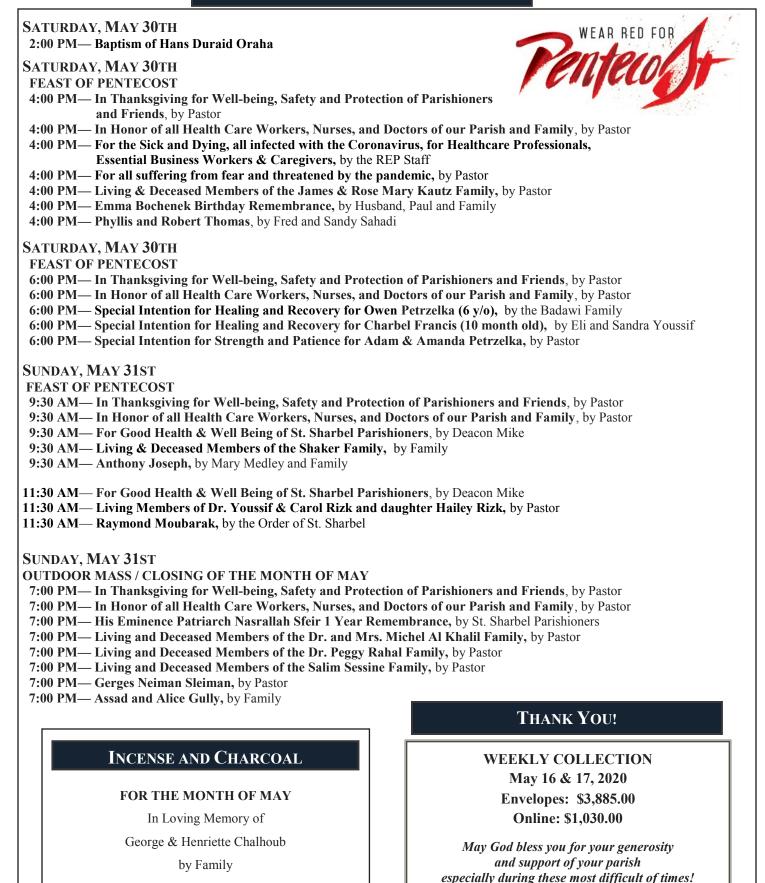
CHAPEL CANDLE

FOR THE MONTH OF MAY BURNS FOR:

In Loving Memory of Joseph G. Saad

by Children

MASSES CONTINUED



HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT ARTICLE

My fellow Parishioners,

I'd like to start off by saying I am honored and very thankful to be able to write this article to share my thoughts and hopefully bring some light and joy during this trying time. The power of prayer stands truly unmatched, and this becomes even more true when we are faced with life's greatest challenges. The world was not created in black and white, nor will it ever be as simple as that, and in our lives, we will face dilemmas that might not have an easy answer. Then how can we be comfortable living with the decisions we make? I have just recently discovered being torn in two between what society accepts and what is right with God, and I still do not know what to do.



The theme of the most recent MYO regional retreat was along the lines of running to God. To spend time alone with God and your thoughts is immensely healing and therapeutic in ways that can never be experienced otherwise. We forget that God created us and that He has a plan for us greater than anything we could imagine; we are children of God and He wants only what is best for us. So why do we run from Him instead of to Him? After all, Jesus did tell us we would have everything we need when He said "you are of more value than many sparrows" (Matthew 10:31). Instead of fearing what the future holds, we should pray to God that we be guided to the path He has for us and trust whole-heartedly that when we put our lives completely in His hands, we are taken care of.

That being said, like any relationship, we need to invest in ours with God. We cannot only run to God when we need something, but we should treat Him as family because He is our father. He wants to hear about what we are grateful for, our hopes, our dreams, as well as our fears. Instead of carrying out His will in fear, we should act as Jesus did because we truly love God. He made the ultimate sacrifice for us. Today, I hope that you might take some time to thank God for everything He has given you and remember that you are not alone.

With all my love and prayers,

Daniella Ghafari MYO E-board International Academy Okma Class of 2021

UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

May 22	Family of Saint Sharbel Outdoor Devotion
	Confessions 6:15 PM / Healing Mass 7 PM
May 23	Sunday Mass Live Stream 4 PM
May 31	End of May Outdoor Mass/Celebration 7 PM
Sept. 26 / 27	2-Year Anniversary St. Sharbel Church Dedication
October 3	First Communion Mass 10:30 AM
December 1	Civing Tuesdey

December 1 Giving Tuesday

MASSES RESUME

PUBLIC LITURGIES RESUME!

Next weekend of Saturday and Sunday, May 30th and May 31st, we will reinstate the public weekend Masses to be held inside of the Church.

MASS SCHEDULE

In order to limit the number of people present at each Mass for the required social distance, our new Mass Schedule is:

Saturday at 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Sunday at 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM - 6:00 PM

[With the exception of the outdoor Mass

on Sunday, May 31st at 7 PM instead of 6 PM]

Altar Servers will be limited to one per Mass. There will be no Handshake of Peace, no Holy Water in the fonts, and no Social Hour after Mass.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Communion will be distributed to those in attendance.

You must maintain social distancing of 6 feet while in line when coming up to the Altar for Communion by using the markers on the floor as a guide. Communion will be placed in your hands only and will not be given by mouth to prevent the transmission of any virus to those that follow behind. Your mask may be pulled down momentarily to receive Communion.

SEATING INSIDE THE CHURCH

All who attend Mass must sit a distance of 6 feet from each other. Those living together can sit together without distancing. Seating will be allowed in alternating pews with one pew separation. Pews will be marked.

ENTERING THE BUILDING / MASKS

EVERYONE MUST WEAR A MASK BEFORE ENTERING THE BUILDING. IT MUST COVER BOTH YOUR NOSE AND YOUR MOUTH AND REMAIN ON UNTIL YOU LEAVE THE BUILDING. Mask are mandatory for everyone including children over the age of 2.

Please bring your own mask from home.

HAND SANITIZER is available for you to use upon entering the doors. Please use before you enter into the main Church

You may bring your own hand sanitizer from home to use before receiving Communion.

Our Church and restrooms will be disinfected after each Mass to ensure the safest environment possible.

LEAVING THE BUILDING

At the end of Mass, the Ushers will dismiss you row by row, one row at a time to maintain social distancing. Please remain in your seat until the Usher comes to your row.

DO NOT REMOVE YOUR MASK until you are outside and dispose of properly in the TRASH CONTAINERS provided.

Please go directly to your car and do not gather and socialize outside.

DO NOT TOUCH THE ICONS OF THE BLESSED MOTHER AND SAINT SHARBEL

Allow the Blessed Mother and Saint Sharbel to touch your hearts! You may light candles. You must wear disposable gloves that are found on the table in the vestibule and discard them in the trash container once outside.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

A word from Pope Francis \sim "May the Virgin Mary help us so that, we do not allow ourselves to be distracted by external things, but make room in our hearts for the One who has already come and wants to come again to heal our illnesses and to give us his joy."

As we continue our struggles with the Covid-19 pandemic of 2020, we pause to celebrate the Ascension of Our Lord. May we continue our celebration of the Lord's Resurrection with the Seventh and Last Sunday of Easter. We move into the final part of the Easter season and turn our attention upon Jesus' parting gift of the Holy Spirit, "Pentecost!"

Thank you to all who continue to provide their stewardship support of the parish through online giving or mailing their weekly envelopes to the parish. It is greatly appreciated.

While our parish building has been closed, operations continue. Deacon Mike and myself are present at the Church to handle mail and deliveries, to keep current with our bills and accounting, and conduct our Masses.

Even though the office doors are not open, all office functions have continued off site like many other businesses. We have met the challenging circumstances and exceeded goals set as we continue to serve you. Phone calls, emails and all correspondence is addressed and responded to, questions are answered - often times with having to research new avenues to bring them about. Sacraments are scheduled, and prayer requests and Mass intentions are received. These have all been opportunities to keep the spiritual health of each person and family alive with hope in Christ.

Great attention has been given by means of personal and spiritual support to those experiencing crisis, and consolation has been extended, and ongoing, to those families and individuals who are suffering, or bereaved due to the untimely loss of a loved one.

We have kept up with the latest changes in our state and Church regulations, developed new daily newsletters via emails to keep you informed of changes, as well as our weekly bulletins and website.

We have put forth great effort and collaboration among team members in coordinating our ministries, live streaming our Masses via social media, holding special prayer services outdoors, and now training in new procedures for the safety of all and purchasing additional needed materials and items to meet these new standards of safety, while preparing to address the re-opening of the Church. And the recruitment and training involving a great many volunteers. These are only a handful of ways that we continue to assist you during these unprecedented circumstances.

THANK YOU ST. SHARBEL PARISHIONERS

Your response to the needy families during this difficult times is AMAZING! May God bless your generosity and reward you abundantly.

I pray that if you are in need, you will reach out to me. The community of St. Sharbel is one that cares for each other and are willing to help each other in times of need.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WHO ARE GRADUATING! Stay close to our Lord. Allow Him to renew you each day and fill

you with His gifts of knowledge and wisdom. Please submit your info to us by June 7th.

Let us take time to notice and appreciate this beautiful season of the year – God's gift to us in a difficult time. May God continue to bless us and protect us all. Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Pastor



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