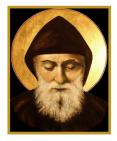
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أهلا وسهلا PENTECOST SUNDAY - MAY 31, 2020

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READING Acts 2:1-21 GOSPEL John 14:15-20



St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church

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DIVINE LITURGY

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM SUNDAY: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM - 6:00 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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PUBLIC MASSES RESUME THIS WEEKEND

LIVE STREAMED MASS SUNDAY AT 11:30 AM

SATURDAY, MAY 30TH

2:00 PM— Baptism of Hans Duraid Oraha

SATURDAY, MAY 30TH

FEAST OF PENTECOST

- 4:00 PM— In Thanksgiving for Well-being, Safety and Protection of Parishioners and Friends, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— In Honor of all Health Care Workers, Nurses, and Doctors of our Parish and Family, by Pastor
- 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— Living & Deceased Members of the James & Rose Mary Kautz Family, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— Emma Bochenek Birthday Remembrance, by Husband, Paul and Family
- 4:00 PM— Phyllis and Robert Thomas, by Fred and Sandy Sahadi
- 4:00 PM— Kathleen A. Peters 31 Year Remembrance, by her Children

SATURDAY, MAY 30TH

FEAST OF PENTECOST

- 6:00 PM Mickey Thomas 91st Birthday, by Pastor
- **6:00 PM** Ed Thomas 90th Birthday, by Pastor
- 6:00 PM— In Thanksgiving for Well-being, Safety and Protection of Parishioners and Friends, by Pastor
- 6:00 PM— In Honor of all Health Care Workers, Nurses, and Doctors of our Parish and Family, by Pastor
- 6:00 PM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Owen Petrzelka (6 y/o), by the Badawi Family
- 6:00 PM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Charbel Francis (10 month old), by Eli and Sandra Youssif
- 6:00 PM— Special Intention for Strength and Patience for Adam & Amanda Petrzelka, by Pastor
- 6:00 PM— Soumaya Habbouche, by Pastor

SUNDAY, MAY 31ST

FEAST OF PENTECOST

- 9:30 AM— In Thanksgiving for Well-being, Safety and Protection of Parishioners and Friends, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— In Honor of all Health Care Workers, Nurses, and Doctors of our Parish and Family, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— For Good Health & Well Being of St. Sharbel Parishioners, by Deacon Mike
- 9:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Batayeh and Marzouq Families, by Family
- 9:30 AM— Khalifa Batayeh 40 Day Remembrance, by Family
- 9:30 AM Living & Deceased Members of the Shaker Family, by Family
- 9:30 AM— Anthony Joseph, by Mary Medley and Family
- 11:30 AM— For Good Health & Well Being of St. Sharbel Parishioners, by Deacon Mike
- 11:30 AM— Good Health and Recovery for Nadia Kayrouz, by daughter, Joumana Kayrouz and Family
- 11:30 AM— Living Members of Dr. Youssif & Carol Rizk and daughter Hailey Rizk, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Saba and Doueiry Families, by Dr. Mike & Tracy Saba and Family
- 11:30 AM— Charles Matta Memorial Mass, by Dr. Mike & Tracy Saba and Family
- 11:30 AM— Raymond Moubarak, by the Order of St. Sharbel

SUNDAY, MAY 31ST

OUTDOOR MASS / CLOSING OF THE MONTH OF MAY

- 7:00 PM— In Thanksgiving for Well-being, Safety and Protection of Parishioners and Friends, by Pastor
- 7:00 PM— In Honor of all Health Care Workers, Nurses, and Doctors of our Parish and Family, by Pastor
- 7:00 PM Nadia Hamawee Memorial Mass, by sister, Mona Almass and family
- 7:00 PM— His Eminence Patriarch Nasrallah Sfeir 1 Year Remembrance, by St. Sharbel Parishioners
- 7:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Dr. and Mrs. Michel Al Khalil Family, by Pastor
- 7:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Dr. Peggy Rahal Family, by Pastor
- 7:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Salim Sessine Family, by Pastor
- 7:00 PM— Gerges Neiman Sleiman, by Pastor
- 7:00 PM— Assad and Alice Gully, by Family

MASSES CONTINUED ...

SATURDAY, MAY 30TH
2:00 PM— Baptism of Hans Duraid Oraha

TUESDAY, JUNE 2ND NO LITURGY

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3RD NO LITURGY

THURSDAY, JUNE 4TH

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

SATURDAY, JUNE 6TH

4:00 PM— For Good Health and Well-being of St. Sharbel Parishioners, by Men's Club

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

4:00 PM— For all suffering from fear and threatened by the pandemic, by Pastor

SATURDAY, JUNE 6TH

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

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

SUNDAY, JUNE 7TH

9:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Shaker Family, by Family

9:30 AM— Sheffia Thomas Birthday Remembrance, by Mickey & Julie Thomas

9:30 AM— Bill & Mary Saad Anniversary Remembrance, by Family

9:30 AM— Louis P. Jolet and Joseph D. Jolet 5 Year Remembrance, by Family

SUNDAY, JUNE 7TH

11:30 AM— Living Members of Dr. Youssif & Carol Rizk and daughter, Hailey Rizk, by Pastor

11:30 AM— Steve Garmo 6 Year Remembrance, by Vilda Garmo and Family

11:30 AM— Deceased Members of the Chuck & Jano Gemayel Family, by Pastor

SUNDAY, JUNE 7TH

6:00 PM— Parishioners and Friends of Saint Sharbel, by Pastor

6:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Dr. and Mrs. Michel Al Khalil Family, by Pastor

6:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Dr. Peggy Rahal Family, by Pastor

6:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Salim Sessine Family, by Pastor



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 23 & 24, 2020 Envelopes: \$3,750.00 Online: \$1,280.00

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

COLLEGE STUDENT ARTICLE

I have been a part of the St. Sharbel Parish since the day I was born. I attend Mass every Sunday, I am a member of the MYA, and I participate in the church choir. I thought that partaking in many church activities meant that my relationship with God was pristine, but recently I have realized that is not the case. The spiritual connection we make with Him is incredibly personal, relative to each individual, and most definitely not defined by these extracurriculars.

This Covid-19 outbreak has inevitably locked us away, keeping us in the safety of our own homes. My initial reaction was to be angry, but anger quickly turned into fear. Not just fear of missing out on all I had planned, but fear that a loved one would contract this deadly virus. Since I was little my mom has told me that when faced with fear we turn to God, for he has all the answers and "with His love, He will calm all your fears" (Zephaniah 3:17). This experience has opened my eyes to the true strength of prayer, and I do not mean begging for an A on a test I have not studied for or simply looking up at my ceiling asking God to protect my loved ones. I mean taking the time to sit down and really pray. A simple Our Father and Hail Mary said with true love and passion in our hearts goes exponentially further than listing off all the things we want God to do for us, because He has a plan for everyone and knows exactly what we need.

I could not admit it before this outbreak, but I got so overpowered by what was going on in my life down on Earth that I did not realize my connection with God was slowly deteriorating. I replaced my nightly prayer with a Netflix binge or a night out with friends. I replaced the prayer I would say every time I got into my car with making sure my Bluetooth was connected so I could play music. Now it is 2020, the year taken over by Corona where some of those things are no longer permitted, but more importantly it is May, the month of Mary and the Rosary. Sitting down every night to pray with my family would not have been possible before this quarantine, our schedules never seemed to match up. We were distracted and always seemed to prioritize other activities. This time spent isolated from the world exposed the power prayer has, not only to strengthen our relationship with God, but also with our families. Now we prioritize praying as a unit which has allowed us to overcome the fear that has been taking over our minds during these times. It may seem cliché, but a family that prays together, really does stay together.

This virus has physically locked me inside, but has opened my mind up to all that I have been taking for granted. Going to church and being able to accept the Eucharist is never something I ever expected to be forbidden, I took that for granted. My family and connection to God, I took that for granted. I allowed them to take a backseat to school, friends, and fun, but no more. I now know that my spiritual relationship is defined by my ability to fully trust in Him, to let go and let God follow through with His plan for me and the world. Instead of looking back at this time trapped at home with sadness, anger, and fear I am going to look back at it fondly, for it gave me a much needed nudge towards the real important aspects of life.

I pray for the victims of Covid-19, for those feeling alone during these times, and for the health of the world. May God bless you all.

Melody DeBan Oakland University Nursing Class of 2023



UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

May 30/31 **Public Masses Resume with Restrictions** May 31 Sunday Mass Live Stream 11:30 AM

May 31 End of May Outdoor Mass/Celebration 7 PM

Graduates Mass June 13/14

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

October 3 First Communion Mass 10:30 AM

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.

Masks 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 ~ "The free person is the one who chooses what is good, what is pleasing to God, even if it requires effort, even if it is not easy."

As we close the month of May this weekend, we ask the Blessed Virgin Mary for her protection and for the grace to imitate her in her love of Christ, and Christ in His love of her. As the Mother of Christ, she is our mother, too, and we look to her for guidance as we look to our mothers on earth.

As we continue our struggles with the Covid-19 pandemic of 2020, we deal with the blurry lines between work, church, school and home. We try our best to create some structure and routine. One of the routines already available to us is found in our church calendar – our celebration of the Pentecost Season.

This weekend we celebrate Pentecost Sunday. Ten days after Jesus ascended into heaven, He and the Father sent the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and the early Church. Upon receiving the Holy Spirit, the Apostles were given the gift of preaching to all nations in different languages. This is the desire of the Holy Spirit: that all might live in union with Christ and receive the grace and mercy of God. We have a tendency to scatter, but the Holy Spirit unites, drawing us into the love of God now and forever.

A suggestion was made that we dedicate the 5 Masses this weekend of May 30-31 honoring our health care workers and first responders. This would be similar to the Mass we celebrate each year on the Sunday prior to 9/11 honoring our police, firefighters and EMTs.

This is another opportunity for us to keep in prayer those who lay their lives on the line each day of this health crisis.

Thank you to those who are continuing their Sunday Offertory donations to the parish, either though online giving, by mail or by dropping your envelopes off in our mailbox.

Many have been making "catch up" donations to cover the Sundays when we were unable to gather in person. Thank you for your faithfulness in caring for our parish.

Let us remain vigilant, let us stay safe and healthy, and most of all, let us continue to pray for a swift end to this threatening virus.

Saint Sharbel, through your intersession, we beseech you to assist those all over the world who are suffering from the spread of the Coronavirus, that they may find comfort through their difficulty and imminently obtain reestablishment of their health.

Amen

May God continue to bless us and protect us all.

Chorbishop Alfred Badawi

Pastor

ATTENTION: GRADUATES!

We will be celebrating all graduates the weekend of June 13th and 14th at our Divine Liturgies. Please submit your info to us no later than June 7th so that we can acknowledge you in the bulletin!

Please provide your full name, name of parents, school graduated from, degree earned, plans for the future of work or school.



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