# **ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**CLINTON TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN** 

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FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS - OCTOBER 18, 2020

READING Philippians 2:12-18 GOSPEL Matthew 25:1-13

The MESSAGE of

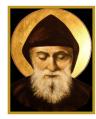
PASTOR CHORBISHOP ALFRED BADAWI

> DEACON MICHAEL MAGYAR

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DIVINE LITURGY SATURDAY: 4:00 PM SUNDAY: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

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)

LIVE the / Gospel of

"I am the Lady of the Rosary, I have come to warn the faithful to amend their lives and ask for pardon for their sins. They must not offend Our Lord anymore, for He is already too grievously offended by the sins of men. People must say the Rosary. Let them continue saying it everyday."

Our Lady of Fatima

1917, Fatima, Portugal

# RESPECT LIFE MONTH OCTOBER 2020

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## PUBLIC MASSES HAVE RESUMED

### LIVE STREAMED MASS SUNDAY AT 11:30 AM

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17TH 12:00 PM— Baptism Isabella Antonsiak

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17TH

- 4:00 PM— Jessy Abraham Mass of Thanksgiving 97th Birthday, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— Isabelle Thomas Mass of Thanksgiving 89th Birthday, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— Linda Elias Mass of Thanksgiving 77th Birthday, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— Deacon John Sfire Mass of Thanksgiving 75th Birthday, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— Toni Peters Mass of Thanksgiving 60th Birthday, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM- Living and Deceased Members of the Cecilia John Family, by Cecilia John
- 4:00 PM— Anthony & Kathleen Peters Anniversary Remembrance, by their Children
- 4:00 PM— Zina Kanan Elias, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— John Ostrowski, by Wife, Mary
- 4:00 PM— Matty Moroun, by Sister, Anne Moroun

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17TH

6:00 PM— Baptism Lourdes Rita Georgi

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18TH**

- 9:30 AM— Diane George Mass of Thanksgiving 105 Birthday, by the Pastor
- 9:30 AM- Owen Petrzelka (6 y/o) Memorial Mass, by Albert and Mona Badawi
- 9:30 AM- Lorraine Magyar 31 Year Remembrance, by Son, Deacon Mike Magyar
- 9:30 AM— Renato and Clara Farah, by Linda Thomas
- 9:30 AM- George Sakr, by Family
- 9:30 AM— Backos Joseph, by Mary Medley and Family
- 9:30AM—Emily Michael, by Terry Mahoney

### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18TH**

- 11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Deacon John & Bobbi Sfire Family, by the Badawi Family Grandchildren
- 11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Michel & Fadia Nahed Family, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM- Nadia Tannous, by Daniel and Salwa Thomas
- 11:30 AM— Akram Karromi, by Therese Issa and Family
- 11:30 AM— Joseph, Helen and Betty Shaker, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Georges Sfeir, by Son and Daughter-In-Law, Charbel & Yvette Sfeir and Family

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20TH

- PRIVATE
- **6:00 PM— Owen Petrzelka (6 y/o),** by Wajih and Leila Badawi
- 6:00 PM— Michael and Catherine Joseph, by Mary Medley

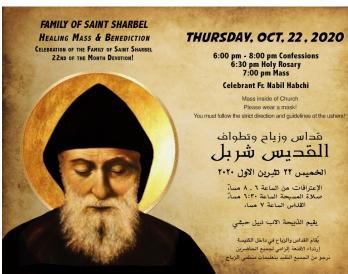
### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21ST

- PRIVATE
- **6:00 PM— Owen Petrzelka (6 y/o),** by Grandparents, Anthony and Lucy Shaker



### FAMILY OF SAINT SHARBEL HEALING MASS & DEVOTION

- **CELEBRANT: Rev. Nabil Habchi**
- 7:00 PM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Blake Hamama, by Family
- 7:00 PM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Marco Youssif, by Family
- 7:00 PM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for the Seman and Karana Families, by Family
- 7:00 PM— Special Intention for the Sick, Home Bound, Shut-Inns, Elderly, by Friends



## MASSES CONTINUED...

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24TH

- 4:00 PM- 2020 Raffle Sponsors and Supporters, by Pastor
- **4:00 PM** Living and Deceased Members of the Sadie Yamin Family, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Dr. Youssif and Mrs. Carol Rizk Family, by Pastor
- **4:00 PM— Backus Habib Birthday Remembrance**, by Daughter and Son-In-Law, Mary & Robert Niemic
- 4:00 PM— Matty Moroun, by Sister, Anne Moroun
- 4:00 PM— Joseph Asmar, by Pastor
- **4:00 PM— Timothy Lutfy 6 Year Remembrance**, by Allan & Mary Brazier

#### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25TH**

- 9:30 AM- 2020 Raffle Sponsors and Supporters, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— Fr. Albert M. Williams Anniversary Remembrance, by Mickey & Julie Thomas
- 9:30 AM— Charles Kassab Anniversary Remembrance, by Mickey & Julie Thomas
- 9:30 AM— Tony Thomas, by Deacon Mike Magyar
- 9:30 AM— Owen Petrzelka (6 y/o), by the Badawi Family
- 9:30 AM— Cindy Santilli Davey, by Husband Nelson Davey
- 9:30 AM— Louis Joseph, by Mary Medley

### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25TH**

- 11:30 AM— 2020 Raffle Sponsors and Supporters, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM— Sonia Ghostine Moussa 6 Month Memorial, by Son & Daughter-In-Law, Toni & Reina Moussa and Family
- 11:30 AM— Deceased Members of the Crispin, Shaker and
- Abraham Families, by Joe & Terry Shaker
- 11:30 AM— Nabiha and Munira Saleh, by Friends

### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25TH**

1:00 PM— Baptism Ivan Anthony Alatto

### **RECONCILIATION SERVICE**

**ST. SHARBEL CHURCH** 

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2020** 

### **6:30 PM PRAYER SERVICE**

### 7:00 PM CONFESSIONS

[IN ENGLISH AND ARABIC]

We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. 2 Corinthians 5:20b



## SANCTUARY CANDLE

### FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER BURNS FOR:

In Loving Memory of

Al & Kay Latouf

by their Children

## CHAPEL CANDLE

### FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER BURNS FOR:

In Loving Memory of

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by their Children

## **INCENSE AND CHARCOAL**

#### FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

In Loving Memory of

George & Henriette Chalhoub

by Family

### **THANK YOU!**

WEEKLY COLLECTION

October 10 & 11, 2020

Envelopes: \$5,188.00 Online: \$680.00

Total Collection: \$5,868.00

Donation \$50,000.00 Donation \$20,000.00

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

## BANNS OF MARRIAGE I

Chadi Maassarani & Jwanna Alkasmikha Anthony Elias & Lelaina Sharp November 7, 2020

## **STUDENT ARTICLE**

### Hello fellow parishioners,

My name is Evan Similuk and I have attended St. Sharbel for as long as I can remember. I've always enjoyed being a part of St. Sharbel as well as attending Mass here. I feel a special connection here that has been built by both my family and God.

I am currently a sophomore at Michigan State University. I am a student within the Eli Broad College of Business, planning on majoring in either Supply Chain Management or Marketing.

This school year has not gone as expected. When we were sent back home from campus last semester because of COVID-19, I thought that we would only be gone for a few weeks, potentially a month. I had no idea that its effects would last this long, as we are now on month seven of trying to contain it.

While classes remain online in a remote setting, it has proven to be challenging. I thoroughly enjoyed in-person classes and courses, and this online format has proven to be quite different. I feel that class is not the same anymore because we don't see our teachers face-to-face. Because of that, it's harder to ask questions and to understand some of the material. It is also difficult because we don't see our classmates face-to-face, making it harder to become closer with them.

This year has been quite a different year. We've experienced many trials and tribulations, proving to show how unexpected life is. The one thing, however, that we can all trust in is Christ. When we trust in Jesus, he takes all our hardships and challenges, giving us the strength that we need to get through it. While this year has made us sad and discouraged, Jesus is the light of the world that we can rely on who can help us. He understands what we go through and is with us every step of our life, guiding us safely to what he has in store for us.

As a result of all the changes we've experienced this year, I often think of one of my favorite bible verses.

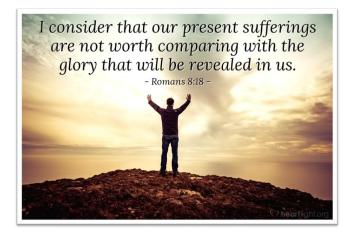
"I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed to us!"

(Romans 8:18)

This verse is important to me because it shows that what we are going through is only temporary. Our current hardships will pass one day, and we will be exposed to the joys that God has planned for us, leading to his ultimate glory. If we trust in God and put him in the center of our lives, he will provide us the strength that we need in life and will lead us to a happier path. God saves and loves, and through his trust and guidance, we can conquer anything.

## Evan Similuk

Michigan State University





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## **UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS**

October 18Sunday Mass Live Stream 11:30 AMOctober 16/17Thanksgiving Food Drive Begins thru Nov. 22ndOctober 22Family of Saint Sharbel Healing Mass 7 PMOctober 30Drive thru Trunk or Treat 6 PM - 7:30 PMNovember 1New Liturgical Year BeginsNovember 2All Souls Day Masses 9 AM and 7 PMNovember 14Reconciliation Service 6:30 PMDecember 1Giving Tuesday

## **CONGRATULATIONS!**

### **BAPTISM AND CHRISMATION**

Congratulations to **Raymond and Elsa Adam** on the Baptism of their Son, **Cameron Raymond Adam** at St. Sharbel Church on Saturday, October 10, 2020 by Chorbishop Alfred Badawi.

May Cameron be steadfast in his faith and grow constantly in the Lord!

### **REP News!**

#### **REP FAMILIES**

I wish to thank you all the parents of our Religious Education Students for your continued patience and collaboration as we move forward through these challenging times.

Classes are being held virtually on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM. I am thrilled to say we have added a few new students to the rosters as well. Registration can be found on the parish website and forms are available in the lobby of the Church.

Thank you also to all of the teachers and staff for going beyond the ordinary means to make sure our program is successful and the faith is being passed on to our young people. In the past, teachers have not sent out emails to communicate with the parents. Under the circumstances we feel this is an important year, in particular to emphasize communication. The communication with the teacher should be strictly in regard to curriculum and assignments.

If you have concerns with logistics, learning issues, or really anything else, those questions and concerns should be directed to Staci Saker, the Director of our program. We want your experience with your child's teacher to be one of support and learning. The email the teachers are sending will have instructions on picking up materials or what the protocol will be for your child's class. This process is still so new for us. We are navigating as best we can. Lots of planning goes into everything we're doing.

If you have any concerns, please reach out to Staci Saker, DRE, at <u>REP@stsharbelmi.org</u> and we will try and accommodate as best we can. Thank you and God bless you!

## SAJ SUNDAY THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who helped make Saj Sunday a success last Sunday! Thank you to all who donated supplies, to those who helped prepare the food, to those who helped with set up, clean up and everything in between! Also, a big thank you to all who supported us with their purchase! God bless you all!

### **PASTOR'S CORNER**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Pope Francis has asked all Catholics to pray the Rosary daily during the month of October, asking Mary and St. Michael the Archangel to intercede for the protection of the Church in a moment of "spiritual turbulence." A September 29th statement from the Vatican said that Pope Francis had recently affirmed that prayer "is the weapon against the Great Accuser who 'goes around the world seeking to accuse.' Only prayer can defeat him." "The Russian mystics and the great saints of all the traditions advised, in moments of spiritual turbulence, to shelter beneath the mantle of the Holy Mother of God," the statement added. The Pope said that recitation of the Rosary would invoke Mary's intercession, placing the Church under her "protective mantle."

The statement also encouraged the prayer of Sub Tuum Praesidium:

"We fly to Thy protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin."

The Pope did not specify the "spiritual turbulence" to which he referred, but did say that prayer could help the Church to become "more aware of the faults, the errors and the abuses committed in the present and in the past, and committed to combating without any hesitation, so that evil may not prevail."

Pope Francis also encouraged that Catholics end the Rosary with the recitation of the prayer to St. Michael the Archangel, composed by Pope Leo XII:



"Saint Michael Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; may God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen."

## **ANNUAL THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE**

Our annual Thanksgiving Food Drive collection will begin this weekend. Please bring your nonperishable food items with you to Church on the weekend and leave them in the lobby. We will collect food items through Sunday, November 22nd. This is a great way to help out those in our community who have been affected by the loss of income due to the Covid pandemic. It is also a beautiful Corporal Work of Mercy! If you know of a family who is in need, please contact the Church Office with their information. Thank you!

Have a great week and stay healthy,

Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Pastor

