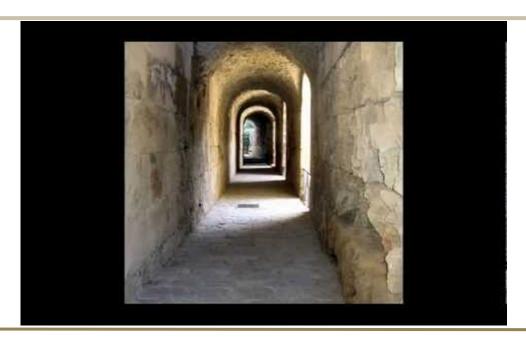
# ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH CLINTON TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST - SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

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READING Apostles 28:23-31 GOSPEL Luke 13:22-30



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DIVINE LITURGY
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 PM (Summer Schedule)** 

Strive to enter through the narrow door.

### SAINT SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

43888 Hayes Road Clinton Township, MI 48038 SATURDAY, AUGUST 31ST

**CELEBRANT: REV. MARK GEORGE** 

**4:00 PM**— **Michel Besteni 33 Year Remembrance**, by Daughter, Linda Thomas

4:00 PM - Michael Gabriel, by Mary Medley and Family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST

9:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Joseph and Medley Families, by Pastor

9:30 AM— Mary Saad 2 Year Remembrance, by Husband, Bill and Family

11:30 AM— Special Intentions, by the Shaker Family

11:30 AM— Sante Cundari 40 Day Remembrance, by Wife, Mona Ashkar

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST

CELEBRANT: CHORBISHOP ALFRED BADAWI 2:30 PM— WEDDING JAMES LOVELL & CHRISTINE AKROUSH

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD

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

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH

9:30 AM— Special Intentions, by the Shaker Family

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH

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

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH

FIRST FRIDAY LITURGY

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** 

9:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Deacon John & Bobbi Sfire Family, by Pastor

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH

3:30 PM— FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION AND PRAYERS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH

4:00 PM— Jeanette Aesy 3 Year Remembrance, by Family

4:00 PM - Joe Aesy 25 Year Remembrance, by Family

4:00 PM— Virgil Medley, by Wife, Mary and Children

4:00 PM - Anthony Abraham, by Pastor

4:00 PM— Daniel & Mary Daniel and the Deceased Members of the Simon and Daniel Families, by Children

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH

BIRTHDÁY OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

9:30 AM— All Annunciation Reunion Mass

9:30 AM— Intentions of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, by Pastor

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

11:30 AM— Special Intentions, by the Shaker Family

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READERS FOR:

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31ST 4:00 PM

Sheila Millett

**READERS FOR:** 

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST 9:30 AM

Rosemary Kautz

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST 11:30 AM

Elsa Adam - English Toni Moussa - Arabic

READERS FOR:

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH 4:00 PM

Amanda Butler

READERS FOR:

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH 9:30 AM

Courtney Kautz

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH 11:30 AM

Joumana Kayrouz - English Maysoon Sweidan - Arabic

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To request a Mass date or to sponsor a Sanctuary or Chapel Votive Candle in 2019, please telephone the Church Office at (586) 630-0002 or email the parish office at:

stsharbelmichigan@gmail.com. \$25.00 donation per month is suggested.

#### FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER BURNS FOR:

CHAPEL CANDLE

SANCTUARY CANDLE

FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER BURNS FOR:

In Loving Memory of

Deceased Members of the Bojalad and Abood Families

by Douglas & Elizabeth Abood

Special Intentions

#### LET US PRAY FOR...

Raheel Abbawi

Nafee Aboo

David Ajbib

**Marie Annis** 

Claire Aouad

Salam Askar

**Evelyn Begin** 

Rosemarie Bogucki

**Tim Cowper** 

Alma Dadoush

Haifa Dawood

**Patrick Doyle** 

**Delores Eggen** 

**Chuck Eisenman** 

**Nancy Esho** 

Keri Faircloth

Stephanie Felgenauer

Mary Floore

Fred Francis

Albert Gantos

Marie Gantos

Diane George

Phil Grobbel

John Grzadzinski

David Habib

Ellie Hadid

Dr. Sameer Hana

**Delores Hejjawi** 

**Anthile Hermese** 

**Judy Hindy** 

**Newborn Sebastian Hopper** 

Joseph Jacob

Edward & Suham John

Baby Jayden

**Dominic Joseph Solanus Juricic** 

Sylvia Kaltz

Lena Kanan

Leeno Kas-Mikha

Tom Kiernicki

Agnes Langschied

Ronald Latouf

Teresa Logan

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Fabiola Maduro

**Edward Moffett** 

**Tom Nahas** 

Raymond Nicholas

**Tony Nofar** 

Carmen Pozzi

Narden Alexander Saeed

**Ruby Salmen** 

Remone Salmen

Nadre Salmen

**Anwar & Suham Seman** 

and Children

**Eddie Sesi** 

**Nancy Sesi** 

**Bobbi Sfire** 

Jason Sfire

Alfred Shina

Saba Simon

Vivian Simon

**Baby Christian Charbel Slewah** 

**Ashley Smith** 

Fredericka Smith

Patricia Smith

**Terry Thomas** 

**Baby John Venturini** 

Jad Yacoub

Christina Yako

Ghazi Aziz Yaldo

Nazira Yasso

Emmanuel Zaya

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM



#### **REP REGISTRATION NOW!**

The REP program begins Sunday, September 15th, 2019.

**PARENTS** - Please register NOW if you have not already, so we can be fully prepared for your child(ren).

**VOLUNTEERS** - I have had several teaching changes for the upcoming year and am in need of both teachers and assistants.

Staci Saker

Director of REP - 248.494.1470

#### SAVE THE DATE!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS OFFICER INSTALLATION MASS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH 6 PM Liturgy

followed by Installation of Officers

Reception to follow for all families and friends!

Make plans to attend!



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS**

September 6 First Friday Devotion and Eucharistic Adoration

Mass 9:30 AM Adoration until 3 PM

September 7 First Saturday Devotion 3:30 PM

September 8 Raymond Nader Testimony 9:30 & 11:30 AM Mass

September 15 LAS Meeting 10:30 AM

September 16 K of C Mass 6 PM with Installation of Officers

September 22 Family of St. Sharbel Healing Mass & Devotion 7 PM

October 19 St. Sharbel Gala at Andiamo

October 25 Trunk or Treat Party

November 9-10 LAS Bake Sale

November 24 Lebanon Day Celebration 12:30 PM

December 3 Giving Tuesday

December 11 Annual Christmas Luncheon 12 PM

December 15 Children's Christmas Party
December 31 Annual New Year's Eve Party

#### THANK YOU!

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A special "thank you" goes out to all who helped with the Ice Cream & Pizza Party that was held on Wednesday, August 21st! About 40 children enjoyed a fun-filled time playing games and choosing toppings for their ice cream! Thank you to all the parents and volunteers who helped out! A very special thank you to Valerie Menassa and Mary Niemic for sponsoring this event!



#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION

The devotion on First Friday after the Holy Mass and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin on Fridays as of September 6th. I encourage you all to take advantage and to participate in the First Friday devotion and make it a regular part of your monthly devotions as well as First Saturday devotion to the Blessed Mother.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** will also take place after the 9:30 am Holy Mass on the First Friday of every month until 3 PM. I encourage you to visit Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament during that time.

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM**

Religious Education Classes begin on Sunday, September 15, 2019. Please register your child (ren) as soon as possible. Thank you!

#### **WEEKLY ROSARY**

Come pray with us on the weekends before Mass in the Church on Saturday at 3:30 PM and on Sunday at 9 AM and 11 AM before Mass. With the prayers of the Holy Rosary, we will ask Our Lady to intercede for our Holy Father's special intention of the month, as well as for our own intentions, and for world peace without the threat of terrorism or wars. If there is a special intention that you would like to have remembered during the weekly Rosary, please come to the Rosary to add your intention.

#### **GALA SPONSORSHIPS**

On behalf of the Gala Committee, I am asking all parishioners to do their best to help obtain sponsorships for this year's Gala. All ads will be published in a commemorative Ad Book to help the parish with the 2019-2020 Capital Campaign. All proceeds of the commemorative Ad book will go toward the Building Fund and other pastoral ministries. Please consider placing an Ad on behalf of our community. We are hoping for your support. Thank you!

#### PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Friends.

On this first Sunday of the month of September, our Church calendar celebrates the 13th Sunday of the Pentecost Season.

#### SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The 8th Annual Leonard Thomas Scholarship is available to registered, active parishioners at St. Sharbel Church. You must be a student attending a Catholic high school, or in college.

Submit a letter of application stating which catholic school or college you are attending, grade or level, and your reason (s), for choosing a Catholic school/university, and your parents' names to the Parish Office no later than **September 15, 2019**. Thank you! Have a blessed and safe Labor Day weekend! You remain in my prayers!

Chorbishop Alfred Badawi

#### **CONSTRUCTION UPDATE**

Dear Parishioners and Supporters of St. Sharbel Parish,

I hope you are enjoying this Summer season! One year ago this month we took out a loan to support the payment of the construction of our beautiful spiritual home of St. Sharbel Church. The original loan was in the amount of \$1,9M. As of this month, our loan status is \$1,684,102.45. We could not have done this without the generosity of our benefactors, your pledges, along with your support and sacrifices. During the last three years we were able to raise about \$3.6M through your pledges, gifts and donations. This money was all used to support the construction and lower our future financial obligation. As you know our plan was to build the Church, temporary Church Offices, Church Hall and Religious Education Classrooms in Phase One, and build the Rectory (Priest House) and permanent Church Offices in Phase Two.

I would like to give you an update of our Phase Two Construction. After a long state/county and city approval process, on August 12, 2019 the City of Clinton Township approved the site construction plans for the Rectory and Church Offices. The next step is for the architect to complete the construction drawings, which will take two to three weeks, submit them to the City for approval, and provide them to the contractor for the final construction cost estimate. Based on the architect's completion date, and the contractor's cost and timing, we will decide when the construction will start. Chorbishop Alfred and I are trying not to take out any additional loan to support the Phase Two construction even if it means to build the Rectory first and then the Church Offices later after we have the funds to complete it.

As I said it before, Phase Two Construction is funded separately from the Church fund. Once it is complete, our spiritual home complex will be one of the largest and most beautiful Maronite Church complexes outside of Lebanon. This a testament of our love, adoration, reverence, and devotion we have to our Patron Saint and the trust in his family in Michigan. It is about how we act, respond, and react that shows who we are. The next few months, we have a couple of fundraising events: our Gala on the 19th of October, and Giving Tuesday on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. These two events are great opportunities to raise money to lower our future financial obligation and I hope you will support them.

I conclude these words with the famous saying.

## "Together we rise, together we fall, together we are winners, and winners take all."

God Bless you and may Saint Sharbel lighten up your days with hope, peace and love.

Rachid El Aile, Capital Campaign Coordinator

## SAVE THE DATE!

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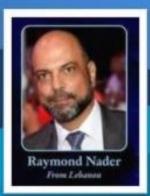
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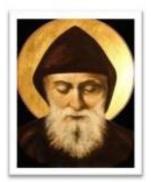
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