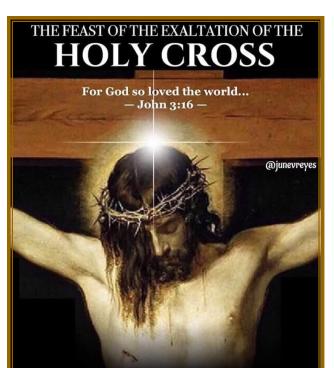
# ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

**CLINTON TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN** 

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FEAST OF THE HOLY CROSS - SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

READING 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 GOSPEL John 12:20-32



CHRIST HIMSELF OFFERED US THE ANSWER: "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me". - LUKE 9:23 - ST. SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

PASTOR CHORBISHOP ALFRED BADAWI

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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)

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

#### PUBLIC MASSES HAVE RESUMED

LIVE STREAMED MASS SUNDAY AT 11:30 AM

# SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH

4:00 PM— Donors to Caritas Lebanon, Red Cross and Beit Al-Baraka Relief, by Pastor

- **4:00 PM** Living and Deceased Victims of August 4th Disaster in Beirut, Lebanon, by St. Sharbel Church Community
- 4:00 PM— Zina Kanan Elias, by Tony & Jane Mattar
- 4:00 PM— Joseph, Helen and Betty Shaker, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Judith Deeby, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Jose Farah, by Linda Thomas
- 4:00 PM- Manuel (Matty) Moroun, by Pastor

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

- 9:30 AM— Donors to Caritas Lebanon, Red Cross and Beit Al-Baraka Relief, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— Living and Deceased Victims of August 4th Disaster in Beirut, Lebanon, by St. Sharbel Church Community
- 9:30 AM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Owen Petrzelka (6 y/o), by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Michael Moscone and Benny DiNallo, by the Kautz Family
- **9:30 AM** Georges Sakr 40 Day Remembrance, by His Children and their Families
- 9:30 AM— Anna Nahra Anniversary Remembrance, by Family
- 9:30 AM— Maureen McCarthy Anniversary Remembrance, by Dianne Bartolomeo
- 9:30 AM— Maroun Hakim, by Chris Herbert
- 9:30 AM— Virgil Medley, by Mary Medley
- 9:30 AM— Saad Ghali Birthday Remembrance, by Family

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

10:30 AM— Sacrament of Confirmation Lara Joseph Elian and Ryan Mancini

#### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH**

- 11:30 AM— Donors to Caritas Lebanon, Red Cross and Beit Al-Baraka Relief, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Victims of August 4th Disaster in Beirut, Lebanon, by St. Sharbel Church Community
- 11:30 AM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Marco Youssif, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Blake Hamama, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Khalil Batayeh 40 Day Remembrance, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Khalifeh Batayeh 4 Month Remembrance, by the Batayeh Family
- 11:30 AM— Issa Dababneh & Tamam Dababneh 1 Year Remembrance, by Sons and Daughters
- 11:30 AM— Marie Asmar and Elias Asmar, by Family
- **11:30 AM Najat Nasr**, by Granddaughter, Tracy & Dr. Mike Saba and Family
- **11:30 AM— Bachir Pierre Gemayel 38 Year Remembrance,** by the Lebanese Forces of Michigan
- 11:30 AM- All Lebanese Martyrs, by the Lebanese Forces of Michigan

#### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH**

4:00 PM— Wedding Maurice Farah and Renee Afram

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH

6:00 PM— Wedding Charbel Kemaid and Sarah Petros

### **BANNS OF MARRIAGE III**

Maurice Farah and Renee Afram September 13, 2020 St. Sharbel Church

Charbel Kemaid and Sarah Petros September 13, 2020 St. Sharbel Church

## **BANNS OF MARRIAGE II**

Hanna Tayar and Sandra Mikhael September 26, 2020 St. Sharbel Church

## ONLINE DONATIONS MADE EASY!

#### **RECURRING ONLINE DONATIONS!**

We are pleased to announce that you are now able to arrange for recurring online donations through our Online Donation Link found on our Website [stsharbelmichigan.com]. This can also be found in the weekly emails that are sent out by our Church.

\*Just enter your information one time, select amount and frequency: weekly, monthly, quarterly or annually.

You will receive an automatic email receipt upon processing your donation.

Should you have any questions, please call the Parish Office at (586) 630-0002 for assistance. Thank you!

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### MASSES CONTINUED ...

#### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH FEAST OF THE HOLY CROSS 9:30 AM— St. Sharbel Parishioners and Friends, by Pastor

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH PRIVATE 6:00 PM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Owen Petrzelka (6 y/o), by Pastor

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH PRIVATE 6:00 PM—Backos Joseph, by Mary Medley and Family

#### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH**

PRIVATE

6:00 PM— Donors to Caritas Lebanon Relief, Red Cross and Beit Al-Baraka Relief, by Pastor

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH 3:00 PM— Baptism Audrina Rita Feghali

#### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH**

- 4:00 PM— Living and Deceased Parishioners and Benefactors, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— St. Sharbel Church Dedication 2 Year Anniversary, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— Joseph, Helen and Betty Shaker, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Judith Deeby, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Joey Andary, by his Father, James Andary

#### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH**

- 9:30 AM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Owen Petrzelka (6 y/o), by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— Living and Deceased Parishioners and Benefactors, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— St. Sharbel Church Dedication 2 Year Anniversary, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— Maroun Hakim, by Linda Thomas
- 9:30 AM— Anthony Joseph, by Mary Medley and Family
- 9:30 AM— Joseph Isaac and Daughters, Madeline and Helen, by Family

#### **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH**

- 11:30 AM— Special Intention for Healing and Recovery for Marco Youssif, by Pastor
- **11:30 AM** Living and Deceased Parishioners and Benefactors, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM— St. Sharbel Church Dedication 2 Year Anniversary, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM— Living Family Members of the Shaker Family, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Faraj Fajou, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Joe Akl, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Walid Hanna 1 Year Remembrance and Lodi Hanna 6 Month Remembrance, by Family



### SANCTUARY CANDLE

FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER BURNS FOR:

Special Intention

## CHAPEL CANDLE

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

In Loving Memory of

Mary Saad

by Her Husband, William

### **INCENSE AND CHARCOAL**

#### FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

In Loving Memory of

George & Henriette Chalhoub

by Family

### **THANK YOU!**

WEEKLY COLLECTION September 6 & 7, 2020 Envelopes: \$4973.00 Online: \$470.00 Total Collection: \$5,443.00

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

Thank you to Leonard Thomas for his generosity in donating \$10,000 in Scholarship Funds gifted to 10 students of our parish!

This is his 8th year of helping students of our parish through the Leonard Thomas Scholarship Fund!

May God bless you, Leonard, for your generosity to the youth of our parish!

### **PRAY DAILY WITH EACH OTHER!**

#### "WHERE TWO OR MORE ARE GATHERED IN MY NAME, THERE I WILL BE IN THEIR MIDST. "

When Abouna suggested back in May that we pray the Rosary daily at 4:00 PM for the month of May, I became part of a small group who were interested in praying the Rosary together, over the phone. This prayer time has become so rich that three months later we are still praying together at 4:00 PM each day (except Saturday and Sunday)! Group prayer over the phone can be challenging because the voices are sometimes delayed, etc. However, we came up with a way of praying the Rosary that eliminated that problem.

With all that is going on in the world the need for prayer is great. This daily practice of praying with others on the phone is a grace filled time each day....30 minutes where **JESUS joins us as we pray**. 30 minutes to pray a Rosary, contemplating the mysteries of Christ's life, death and resurrection as we lift up our intentions and pray for each other's intentions. Many have stated what a difference this has made for

them in their day, allowing them to stay connected to our community despite the Covid restrictions! If you are interested in being connected with others to pray the Rosary over the phone each day, please call the Church Office and we will arrange this for you!

### **STUDENT ARTICLE**

Dear fellow parishioners,

These days, we are all going through an unpredictable and inevitable struggle. Though most of us feel lost and hopeless, it's crucial to remember that God is here with us through it all. The difference in religious activities then compared to now are drastic, and for many people, it is difficult to stay committed and dedicated to God. Many may feel that they are connecting and becoming closer to Him with all this free time. Some may feel that they are growing further and further away from God, while other's relationship with Him hasn't changed at all. Whichever you are, it's important to know that God will always accept you wherever you are on the path to Him and will help lead you to a more faithful life.

I have been interested in increasing my knowledge base of spirituality and culture and how others use their faith to embrace our differences. In the end, we are all the same and have similar goals we want to accomplish through religion. We all have a motive that keeps us moving forward whether you are aware of what it is or not. For many of us, it is God and His word that keeps us moving forward to make a difference in our own and other people's lives. God has the ability to help us out of dark times and lift us upwards into a more faithful life. This is important to remember during times like these, where everyone is encouraged to stay safe and hopeful that a positive change will come. One upside to these wearisome times is that we are all able to connect through God to help us get past hardships that we all have to face during times like these.

# Minh-Nhi Daniels

Academy of the Sacred Heart, 2024





Give me an army praying the Rosary and I will

conquer the world. 39

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### **UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS**

Sept. 13	Sunday Mass Live Stream 11:30 AM
Sept. 12/13	40 Day Remembrance Masses for Lebanon
Sept. 16	REP Program Classes Begin
Sept. 22	Family of Saint Sharbel Healing Mass 7 PM
Sept. 26 / 27	2-Year Anniversary St. Sharbel Church Dedication
Sept. 26	Raffle Ticket Drawing
October 3	First Communion Mass 10:30 AM
December 1	Giving Tuesday

# **REP** News!

Religious Education Classes start Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at 7:00 PM. Classes will be virtual to start the year, moving to an in-person Sunday morning session when appropriate to do so. The time and date were changed to allow for in-person participation at Sunday morning Masses while we are holding classes virtually.

At this time, we are planning to provide classes for all children ages 4 - 18. However, should we experience a shortage in teachers we may need to modify offerings. At this time, please register for all classes you wish to have your children attend.

#### Staci J. Saker

Director, Religious Education St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church REP@StSharbelMI.org 248.494.1470 (Mobile)

# AVE MARIA UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP

#### AVE MARIA UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Thomas Monaghan founded **Ave Maria Catholic University** in southwest Florida after selling Domino's Pizza in 1998. It is an academically outstanding college in addition to being faithful to the magisterium of the Catholic Church!

In an effort to reach out to Eastern Rite Catholic Students, they have developed the Eastern Catholic Brilliant Jewel Scholarship, which will award \$7,000.00, renewable up to four years!

For more information, contact: Eric VanHeusen (845) 238-9984 Or visit website: avemaria.edu





## Pastor's Corner

#### Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I pray all of you are doing well. Please know that I am praying for each of you on a daily basis. As time goes on we hear of the controversy of whether or not schools should open. From the rumor we hear that many people are saying that many businesses and schools will once again be forced to close in the Fall. We are not sure of any of this. One thing I know as being factual is the fact that we need to support our families, especially our youth.

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM**

We had hoped to have Religious Education classes each week; but to the Covid -19 we will not be holding formal classes but rather class by ZOOM. Having said that we really are dependant upon the parents in helping us achieve what is most important; the education of our children in the Faith. As a young priest, I would hear of the great successful Religious Education Program Saint Sharbel Church had. The credit goes to not only to the Clergy here but the Catechists as well. We had and still have a fine Catechetical Program for our children. What is lacking is the commitment on the part of many of the parents. Reminder: Parents, you the primary teachers of the Faith!

I am asking the parents of all our youth to help us in spreading and learning the faith as well as aiding your children with their needs. I hear from the youth and many of the parents that the children are struggling with this new "normal" that was forced upon all of us. Please parents: help us in helping you!

### ST. SHARBEL CHURCH RAFFLE

The Raffle will take place on Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. Please send in your stubs no later that Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. We will hold the drawing outdoors at 9:00 PM under the tent. You may purchase additional tickets at the drawing but we really would prefer to have all sales returned prior to the date of the drawing. Light food will be served from 5:00 PM to 8:45 PM. Thank you and God bless you and your loved ones.

### FIRST COMMUNION CLASS 2020

I have decided to hold the First Communion Mass on Saturday, October  $3^{rd}$  at 10:30 AM Liturgy. I will hear their Confessions on Saturday, September  $26^{th}$  at 10:30 AM.

### SAFETY FIRST

Since our Mass attendance seems to be growing each week it is important that we are getting use to this temporary "new way". It is our goal to make it as easy as possible. We thank you for all your continued cooperation in keeping safe distance. And a special thanks to all who have volunteered their time to serve on the Safety Committee to ensure the safety of all our parishioners and guests who enter the building.

#### FAMILY OF SAINT SHARBEL 22ND OF THE MONTH HEALING MASS AND DEVOTION

عائلة مار شربل

شهريًا و في كل 22 من الشهر تكون ذكرى شفاء السيّدة نهاد الشامي Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> 7:00 PM St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church Clinton Township, MI – on the 22nd of each month In memory of the miraculous cure of Mrs. Nohad El Chami.

In Our Lord and Saint Sharbel, I remain Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Pastor

