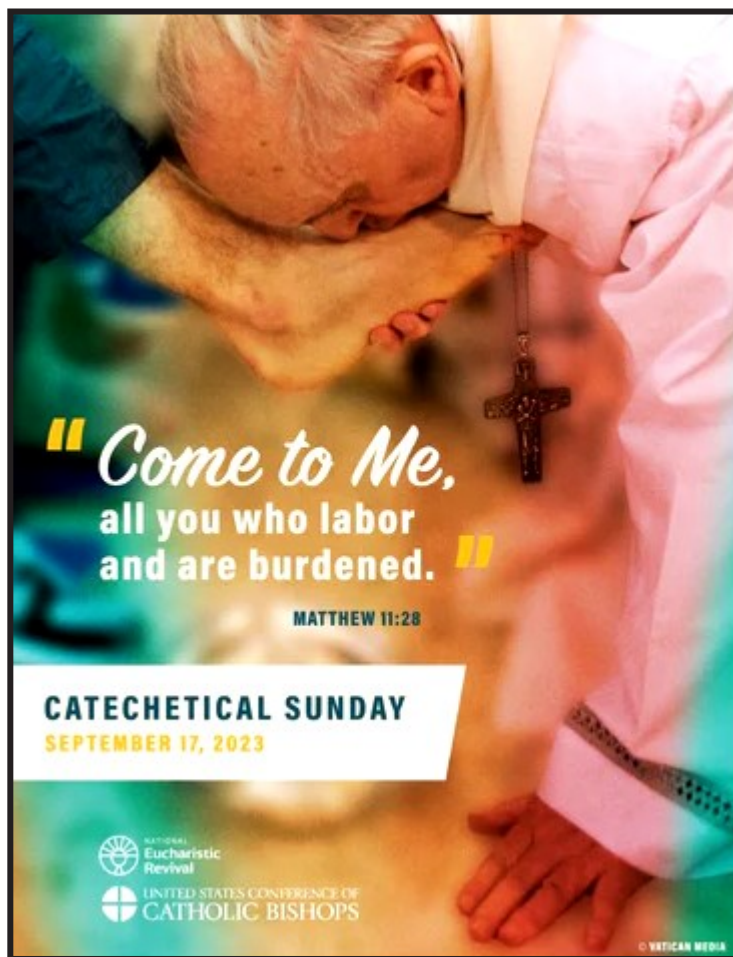


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FIRST SUNDAY OF THE HOLY CROSS - SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

READING 2 TIMOTHY 2: 1 - 10 GOSPEL MARK 10: 35 - 45

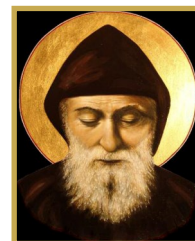


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DIVINE LITURGY

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM

SUNDAY: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

ROSARY: 30 MINUTES BEFORE
SATURDAY & SUNDAY MASSES

CONFESSIONS: BY APPOINTMENT

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION
1st Saturday: 3:30 PM

FAMILY OF SAINT SHARBEL
HEALING MASS & BENEDICTION
22nd Day of Every Month

***7:00 PM (April - October)**

6:30 PM (November - March)

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2023 - 2024
CATECHISTS
SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

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MASS INTENTIONS**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH****FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS**6:00 PM— **Bobbi Sfire Special Intention Healing**, by the Badawi Family**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH**9:30 AM— **Joseph, Helen and Betty Shaker**, by Clergy**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH**11:00 AM— **Baptism Tamar Sam Tarek****SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH****CATECHETICAL SUNDAY**4:00 PM— **Vera Hakim Special Intention Healing**, by Family4:00 PM— **Bobbi Sfire Special Intention Healing**, by Clergy4:00 PM— **Religious Education Teachers and Students**, by Clergy4:00 PM— **Matty Moroun and Anne Moroun**, by Family4:00 PM— **Matthew Sami Daman**, by Family**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH**5:30 PM— **Wedding Ghaleb Sweiss and Randa Bakoss****SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH****CATECHETICAL SUNDAY - COMMISSIONING OF REP TEACHERS**9:30 AM— **Religious Education Teachers and Students**, by Clergy9:30 AM— **Mickey Thomas 1 Year Remembrance**, by Daughter and Son-In-Law, Helene and George Felgenauer and Family9:30 AM— **Khoder Attecha Special Intentions**, by Family9:30 AM— **Bobbi Sfire Special Intention Healing**, by the Shaker Family9:30 AM— **Joseph, Helen and Betty Shaker**, by Family9:30 AM— **Julia Thomas**, by Family9:30 AM— **Helen, Madeline, and Joseph Isaac Remembrance**, by Family9:30 AM— **Naif and Susan Thomas Remembrance**, by Daughter-In-Law, Linda Thomas**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH****CATECHETICAL SUNDAY**11:30 AM— **Religious Education Teachers and Students**, by Clergy11:30 AM— **Special Intention Cara Noelle Hahn-Harik**, by Clergy11:30 AM— **Bobbi Sfire Special Intention Healing**, by Clergy11:30 AM— **Tony Abboud 1 Year Remembrance**, by Wife, Nazira and Family11:30 AM— **Albert and Mona Badawi**, by Joe and Rosine Soyad11:30 AM— **Owen Petrzelka**, by Grandparents, Anthony & Lucy Shaker11:30 AM— **Saad Ghali Birthday Remembrance**, by Wife, Yasmin Thomas and Children**READERS****READERS FOR****SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16**

4:00 PM - John Cafagna

READERS FOR:**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**

9:30 AM - Katie Krzczkowski

READERS FOR:**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**11:30 AM - Elissa Deban
Pierre Rechdan**READERS FOR****SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**

4:00 PM - Ann Marie Ferris

READERS FOR:**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

9:30 AM - Anthony Alaoui

READERS FOR:**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**11:30 AM - Lincoln Henderson
Antoinette Habbouche*A Prayer for Catechists*

oving Father, we pray today for our catechists. We thank you for their gift of ministry in your Church.

Grant them your wisdom that they may grow in the understanding and teaching of your Word. Grant them also your love that they may be fruitful heralds of your Word and lead others to love you.

Pour forth your Holy Spirit upon them to grant them wisdom about what is important; knowledge of the truths of faith; understanding of their meaning; right judgement about how to apply them in life; courage to persevere even in the face of adversity; reverence before all that is sacred and holy; and that loving zeal which leads others to a transforming encounter with your Son.

We pray this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH**

6:00 PM— Living and Deceased Parishioners, by Clergy

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH

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

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST6:00 PM— Deacon John and Bobbi Sfire Special Intention Healing,
by the Badawi Family**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND****HEALING MASS OF SAINT SHARBEL WITH BENEDICTION**

7:00 PM— Unity and Healing of Families, by Clergy

7:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Sassy Family, by Family

7:00 PM— Those who Suffer with Mental Health Issues, by Clergy & FLM

7:00 PM— Special Intentions Healing of Chloe Atcho and her parents,
Haitham & Intisar Atcho Special Intentions, by Family Life
Ministry

7:00 PM— Bridget Stokes Special Intentions, by Family

7:00 PM— Youssef Boulos Maroun 9 Month Remembrance, by Family

7:00 PM— In Loving Memory of Moubarak and Marie Yammine, by
Family

7:00 PM— Matthew Sami Daman, by Family

7:00 PM— Sick, Home Bound and Shut-Inns, by Clergy

7:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Chaldean Community,
by Clergy

7:00 PM— Blanck Hamama, by Family

7:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Georgette Marie Shaya
Family, by Friends**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD**

4:00 PM— Vera Hakim Special Intention Healing, by Family

4:00 PM— Mickey and Julia Thomas, by Bob and Ann Marie Ferris

4:00 PM— Matty Moroun and Anne Moroun, by Family

4:00 PM— Matthew Sami Daman, by Family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH

9:30 AM— Donald Herbert Remembrance, by Wife, Chris Herbert

9:30 AM— Mickey and Julia Thomas, by Don and Mona Dzuik

9:30 AM— Bobbi Sfire Special Intention Healing, by the Shaker Family

9:30 AM— Owen Petrzelka, by Grandparents,

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH

11:30 AM— Special Intention Cara Noelle Hahn-Harik, by Clergy

11:30 AM— Mariam Jibrail Rayes 40 Day Remembrance., by Husband, John Rayes and
Children

11:30 AM— Mounir Habbouche, by the Badawi Family

11:30 AM— Raymond Chidiac, by Clergy

11:30 AM— Joseph, Helen and Betty Shaker, by Family

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH

4:30 PM— Baptism Mila Rose Kassis



**GOOD HEALTH PRAYER
"GOOD MENTAL HEALTH"**

God my Deliverer, please rescue me from dysfunctional thought patterns and bless me with good mental health. May I not be held captive by feelings of anxiety or fear or anger or sadness, and may my brain function with order and control. I am blessed when I take refuge in You. I am so thankful that You sustain me and You are the lifter of my head. I can rest and enjoy Your peace that passes understanding. Amen.

SECOND COLLECTIONS**UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS**

October 22 - World Mission Sunday

December 3 - Maronite Patriarchal Charities

UPCOMING WEDDINGS**ST. SHARBEL CHURCH****UPCOMING WEDDINGS**

Saturday, September 16, 2023

Ghaleb Sweis and Randa Bakoss

Saturday, October 14, 2023

Christopher Gully and Rochelle ElNachar

Saturday, November 4, 2023

Aaron Meadors and Vivian Sweiss

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND

PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY
 CELEBRATE THE HEALING MASS AND BENEDICTION OF

Saint Sharbel

PRAYERS FOR FAMILY UNITY & HEALING

FRI. SEP. 22ND 2023

Adoration: 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
 Holy Rosary: 6:00 pm
 Confession: 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
 Healing Mass: 7:00 pm

Celebrant: **Rev. Sameem Balias, Pastor**
 St. Joseph Chaldean Church

Healing Mass of Saint Sharbel
SPECIAL INTENTIONS
FAMILY UNITY & HEALING
on September 22, 2023

Let us join hands and prayers and lift our families up to our Lord, through the powerful intercession of Saint Sharbel, especially for broken families and families dealing with difficult circumstances and relationships.

"How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!"
 Psalm 133:1

Saint Sharbel,
pray for our families!

HEALING PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY



LET US PRAY HEALING PRAYERS FOR...



All Expecting Couples
 All Engaged Couples
 Raheel Abbawi
 Milad Abona
 Nafee Aboo
 David Ajbib
 Baby Charbel Al-Jarawi
 Sohaila Aljarbo
 Claire Aouad
 Salam Askar
 Adeet D. Aiyer
 Maria Atallah
 Sr. Fadia Bashee
 Antoinette Batayeh
 Joan Bernadette
 Paul Bochenek
 Joanne Burton
 Stephanie Clark
 John Comito
 Tim Cowper
 Haifa Dawood
 Chuck Eisenman
 Nancy Esho
 Keri Faircloth
 Jennifer Farrar
 Pat Farrar
 Stephanie Felgenauer
 Dorothy Ferrara
 Charbel Francis
 Mary Frensch
 Lamia Gabriel
 Albert Gantos
 Wala Gapy
 Adrianna, Jaxson, and
 Jameson Gorgis
 Larry Glasgow
 John Grzadzinski
 David Habib
 Ellie Hadid
 Tammy Hakim
 Cara Noelle Hahn-Harik
 Blake Hamama
 Duraid Hanna
 Anthile Hermese
 Judy Hindy
 Sarah Hurmiz
 Joseph Jacob
 Edward & Suham John
 Anthony Joseph
 Dominic Joseph Juricic
 Chukri Kadado
 Lena Kanan
 Leeno Kas-Mikha

Salvador Kassab
 Tom Kiernicki
 Saad Kirma
 Jackie Lael
 Agnes Langschieid
 Teresa Logan
 Joseph Lopez
 Fabiola Maduro
 Michele Makhoulouf
 Youssif Makhoul
 Matthew
 Ron McKellar
 Sara Meyou
 Edward Moffett
 Cheryl Moultrie
 Paul Nahra
 Mary Niemic
 Javen Noiija
 Cindy Pryor
 Pauline Saba
 Narden Alexander Saeed
 Ghalia Sagmani
 Ruby Salmen
 Remone Salmen
 Nadre Salmen
 Frances Sam
 Guy Sam
 Boutros Saman
 Anwar & Suham Seman
 and Children
 Alfred Shina
 EddieSesi
 Nazik Sesi
 Saba Simon
 Christian Charbel Slewah
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 Issa Sweidan
 John Sykes
 Terry Thomas
 Lexi Underwood
 Bryan Walton
 Samira Wanis
 Jad Yacoub
 Christina Yako
 Ghazi Aziz Yaldo
 Justin Yaldo and Family
 Nazira Yasso
 Kathy Yousif
 Emmanuel Zaya
 Justin Zaytouna
 Anthony Zora

SANCTUARY CANDLE

**FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER
 BURNS FOR:**
 Elias and Zina Bassil
 and Family

CHAPEL CANDLE

**FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER
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 and Family

INCENSE AND CHARCOAL

FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER
 In Loving Memory of
 George & Henriette Chalhoub
 by Family

BREAD AND WINE

FOR THE YEARS 2023 - 2026
 Living and Deceased Members of the
 Michel and Fadia Nahed Family
 In Loving Memory of
 Judith Anne Jacobs
 by Anthony Jacobs and Family

THANK YOU!

WEEKLY COLLECTION
 September 9 & 10, 2023
 Envelopes: \$6,561.00
 Online: \$900.00
 Total Collection: \$7,461.00

**With sincere gratitude and thanks for your
 faithful and loving support of our parish!**

CONGRATULATIONS!

MARRIED IN CHRIST

Our Congratulations and Best Wishes to
Yousif Elia and Klimentine Trajchevska
 who were married on
 Saturday, September 9, 2023!

*We pray that the Lord God may grant
 this couple happiness and joy
 in their lives together as husband and wife!*

BAPTISM AND CHRISMATION

Congratulations to
Austin Thorpe and Morgan Dushaj
 on the Baptism of their Son,
Valon Luvig Dushaj
 at St. Sharbel Church on
 Saturday, September 9, 2023
 by Chorbishop Alfred Badawi.

CHRISMATION

Congratulations to
Xander Dushaj
Julian Dushaj
Lillian Dushaj
 on receiving the
 Sacrament of Chrismation
 at St. Sharbel Church on
 Saturday, September 9, 2023
 by Chorbishop Alfred Badawi.

*May Valon, Xander, Julian and Lillian
 be steadfast in their faith
 and grow constantly in the Lord!*

ST. SHARBEL GALA
 MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH
 2023

Celebrating Our 5TH Anniversary

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**SATURDAY
 SEP 23**



COCKTAIL 6:30 PM
 DINNER 7:30 PM

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2024 REGIONAL RETREATS

MIDWEST JAN 12 -14, 2024
 DAMASCUS CATHOLIC MISSION - CENTERBURG, OH

WEST COAST FEB 2 - 4, 2024
 PAIL RETREAT - RUNNING SPRINGS, CA

SOUTH FEB 23 - 25, 2024
 TEJAS CAMP & RETREAT - GIDDINGS, TX

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UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

- Sep 17 Catechetical Sunday - 9:30 AM Mass
- Sep 17 LAS Meeting 10:30 AM
- Sep 17 Mass Live Streamed 11:30 AM
- Sep 22 Healing Mass of St. Sharbel 7 PM
- Sep 23 St. Sharbel Annual Gala - Palazzo Grande
- Oct 16 St. Sharbel Choir 30 Yr. Anniv. - 11:30 AM Mass
- Oct 1 MYO Movie Night
- Oct 8 Order of Saint Sharbel Sunday
- Oct 20-22 National NAM Board Visit
- Nov 28 #Giving Tuesday
- Dec 9 Choir Christmas Recital 7 PM
- Dec 16 Christmas Luncheon

PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Friends,

“Life is a journey, along different roads, different paths, which leave their mark on us. We know in faith that Jesus seeks us out. He wants to heal our wounds, to soothe our feet which hurt from traveling alone, to wash each of us clean of the dust from our journey.”

~Pope Francis

Next week Saturday, September 23, 2023 we will host our 2023 Gala. Thank you to all of the committees who have been working so hard behind the scenes to make this a special and successful celebration! This occasion marks the 5 Year Anniversary of the Dedication of the new St. Sharbel Church in Clinton Township, Michigan.

As we conclude the end of these five years this weekend, we also recognize the changing of the seasons. I too, with the grace of God, have tried to navigate these changing times and issues. Like everyone in the world, these five years have been filled with ups and downs, triumphs and challenges, joys and sorrows. Again, it has gone by like a “blink of the eye.” Yet, throughout all the moments of rain and sun, I try to keep my gaze steady on Jesus. He helps me to carry my cross in times of trial and rejoices with me in times of joy. Therefore, when people ask me, how do you feel about being the pastor of St. Sharbel Church, I constantly and wholeheartedly respond: “I feel both happy and blessed!”

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many men and women of St. Sharbel Church who serve tirelessly and ever joyfully. My prayers and gratitude go out to all those who give generously from their time, talent and treasure. As we come together to celebrate this anniversary, and our dreams for the future, let us continue to remember and honor the people who helped us get here.

As I approach my 12th year here at the parish of St. Sharbel, I know that things will continue to change and present challenges here and in the world. However, as I take these next steps going forward, I do so with faith, hope and trust in God and with great gratitude for all of you. I am so blessed to have an amazing Pastoral Team here at St. Sharbel, to work closely along side Fr. Chris and Deacon Mike, and the various ministries that serve each of you. We are in this changing world together, but we can trust that one thing does not change:

“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.”

In Him we trust! Life is a great journey filled with challenges and joy as we strive to always put God first in our lives. Amen!

WELCOME BACK FALL!

We are very happy to welcome you back from the recreating days of summer. If your Mass attendance took a vacation during the summer months, we are also glad to have you back with us. Autumn and the start of the school year are a good time to recommit ourselves to faithfully joining our parish community for Mass each weekend. It is only in the celebration of the Liturgy that we are able to receive Jesus in the most intimate way - fully present body, blood, soul and divinity in the Eucharist. He awaits you and wants to lavish His love and graces onto you. Don't stay away. Return to Him with all your heart! See you in church!

Have a great Season of the Holy Cross,
Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Pastor

LITURGICALLY SPEAKING



Each year, the Catholic Church in the United States designates the third Sunday in September as “Catechetical Sunday”— a day on which to celebrate and pray for the Church’s mission to teach the Gospel to all people.

This year’s theme is “Come to me all you who labor and are burdened.” (Matthew 11:28)

As a catechist, you are responding to a call to share the gift of faith with others, even as you deepen your own faith. This call may have reached you through your pastor, the director of your parish’s religious education program, or through your role as a Catholic school teacher. But know that this calling ultimately comes from God, whose Holy Spirit inspires and guides you.

It is recommended that a commissioning of catechists including catechists of children in the parish faith formation, and facilitators of MYO, MYA, Young Professionals, bible studies and other small faith sharing groups be commissioned during the Sunday liturgies. A blessing for parents as the first catechists of their children is also highly encouraged.

We pray for and thank all our catechists, past and present, who answered the call to volunteer and teach in Faith Formation.

2023 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM STAFF

Director: **Noha Agini**

Assistant: **Staci Saker**

Kindergarten: **Deborah Hackstock** and
Layan Ghali

1st Grade/ 1st Year Communion Prep:
Jean DeBruyn and **Sophia Agini**

2nd Year Communion Class:
Najoi Sleiman and **Nagham Hage (Haj)**

3rd Grade: **Jeanette Fakhouri** and
Aliya Hatty

4th Grade: **Gianna Neubacher** and
Ryan Neubacher

5th/6th Grade: **Rob DeBruyn**

7th Grade: **Mike DeBruyn**

8th Grade: **Tom Hatty**

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