St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church

Clinton Township, Michigan

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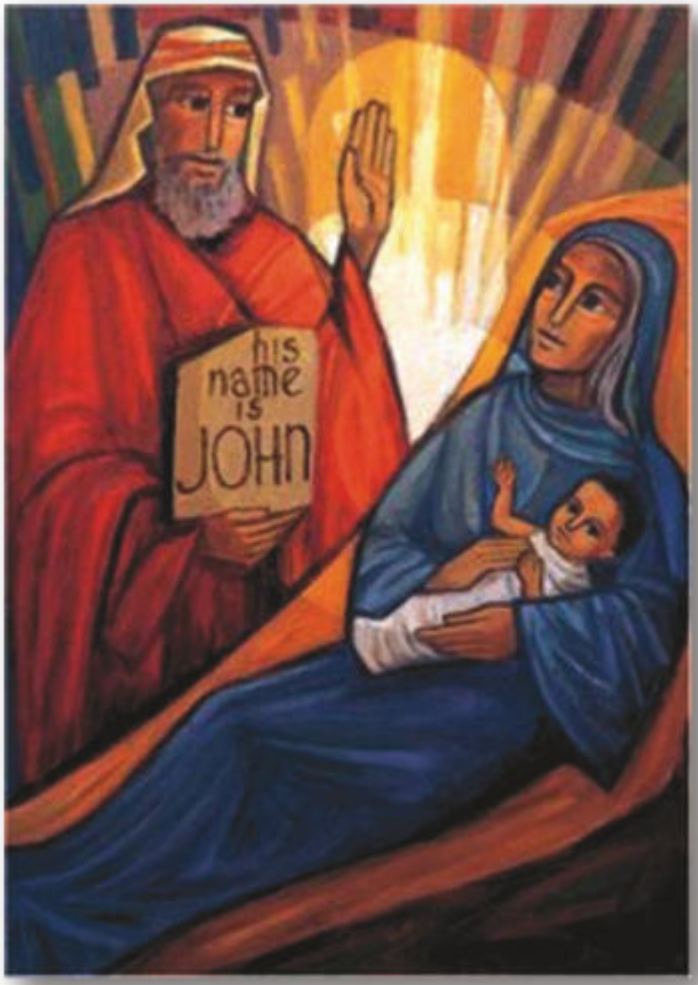
Season Of The Glorious Birth

The Birth Of John The Baptist - December 5, 2021

READING Galatians 4:21-5:1 **GOSPEL** Luke 1:57-66



Immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue set free, and he began to speak, praising God!

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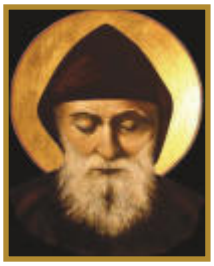

Divine Liturgy

Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Rosary / Confessions
30 MINUTES BEFORE
SATURDAY & SUNDAY MASSES

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION
1st Saturday: 3:30 PM

FAMILY OF SAINT SHARBEL
HEALING MASS & BENEDICTION
22nd Day of Every Month
6:30 PM (November - March)

Saint Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church

43888 Hayes Road
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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4TH

4:00 PM— Daniel & Mary Daniel and Living & Deceased Members of the Simon and Daniel Families, by Family
4:00 PM— Joseph M. Hakim, by Children
4:00 PM— Genevieve Abraham Anniversary Remembrance, by the Shaker Family
4:00 PM— Matty Moroun, by Sister, Anne Moroun
4:00 PM— Mona Badawi, by Deacon John & Bobbi Sfire

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5TH

MARONITE YOUTH MASS
9:30 AM— Dennis & Sharon Sleiman 25 Year Wedding Anniversary, by their Children
9:30 AM— Maronite Youth (MYO), by Families
9:30 AM— Pete J. Johns, Jr. Birthday Remembrance, by Wife, Karen and Family
9:30 AM— James Lertola, Jr. 4 Year Remembrance, by Mother, Georgia Andary and Family
9:30 AM— Deceased Members of the Andary and Eissa Families, by Georgia Andary and Family
9:30 AM— George J. Sassin, by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Campbell

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5TH

11:30 AM— Elias George Rizkallah Memorial Mass, by Mr. & Mrs. Pierre Shamas & Family
11:30 AM— Adeeb Abbo 40 Day Remembrance, by Wife, Khaleda & Sons, Wissam (Rasha), Houssam (Dalia) & Families
11:30 AM— Special intentions Jeanette Haroun, by Pastor
11:30 AM— Special intentions Steven Hanna, by Pastor
11:30 AM— For the intentions of the Chaldean Ladies Group, by Pastor
11:30 AM— Mona Badawi, by Laba & Marie Helou
11:30 AM— Sabah Hanna, by Family
11:30 AM— Therese Sfeir, by Raif & Hanane Harik
11:30 AM— Anis Chalhoub, by Family
11:30 AM— Sultan Hattar Birthday Remembrance, by Issa & Maysoon Sweidan
11:30 AM— Mother Praxede Raja Salem Sweidan Birthday Remembrance, by Issa & Maysoon Sweidan
11:30 AM— Samih Ksar, by Family
11:30 AM— Yousef Dababneh, by Family

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7TH

9:30 AM— Joseph, Helen and Betty Shaker, by Family
9:30 AM— Owen Petrzelka, by Anthony and Lucy Shaker

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8TH

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY & CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH
9:30 AM— Victims of Oxford High School Tragedy, by Pastor
9:30 AM— For an end to Abortion, by Friends of Saint Sharbel
9:30 AM— For an end to all Acts of Violence, by Friends of St. Sharbel
9:30 AM— Mona Badawi, by Parishioners
10:00 AM— Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Prayers of the Holy Rosary
Prayers of Consecration to St. Joseph
12:00 PM— Benediction and Reposition

READERS

READERS FOR:
READERS FOR:
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4
4:00 PM - Terry Mahoney

READERS FOR:
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5
9:30 AM - Elissa Deban

READERS FOR:
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5
11:30 AM - Angelina Tohme
Sue Malkoun

READERS FOR:
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11
4:00 PM - Ann Marie Ferris

READERS FOR:
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12
9:30 AM - Staci Saker

READERS FOR:
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12
11:30 AM - Morgan Tohme
Elie Tohme

2021 CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Friday, December 24, 2021
Christmas Eve
4:00 PM Children Mass
7:00 PM
12:00 AM Midnight Mass

Saturday, December 25, 2021
Christmas Day
9:30 AM
11:30 AM - Live Streamed
Important!

***Please note: there will be NO 4:00 PM MASS on Christmas Day**
for the Sunday obligation.

2022 New Year Mass Schedule
Friday, December 31, 2021
New Year Eve
4:00 PM & 7:00 PM

Saturday, January 1, 2022
New Year's Day
10:30 AM

Saturday, January 1, 2022
4:00 PM Mass
for Sunday Obligation

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9TH

9:30 AM— Mona Badawi, by Parishioners
9:30 AM— Nadia Tannous, by Parishioners

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11TH

4:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Tony & Mary Ann Nader Family, by Pastor
4:00 PM— Deceased Members of the John & Susan Daniel Family, by Ed & Isabelle Thomas and Family
4:00 PM— Deceased Members of the Mike & Mary Thomas Family, by Ed & Isabelle Thomas and Family
4:00 PM— Michael Jacobs, by Ed & Isabelle Thomas
4:00 PM— Frank Lutfy, by Ed & Isabelle Thomas
4:00 PM— Jennieve Danial, by Ed & Isabelle Thomas
4:00 PM— Sadie Yamin, by Ed & Isabelle Thomas
4:00 PM— Michel Aouad, by Fred & Sandy Sahadi
4:00 PM— Betty Jolet Birthday Remembrance, by Family
4:00 PM— Matty Moroun, by Sister, Anne Moroun
4:00 PM— Nidhal Bodiya, by Toufic & Jeanette Soyad and Family
4:00 PM— Jose Farah, by Linda Thomas

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12TH

9:30 AM— Catherine (Kay) Latouf Birthday Remembrance, by her Children
9:30 AM— Donald and Marie Joseph, by Pastor
9:30 AM— Deceased Members of the Sam & Kathy Taormina Family, by Pastor
9:30 AM— Vivian Joseph Simon, by Family
9:30 AM— Virgil Medley, by Wife, Mary and Children
9:30 AM— George J. Sassin, by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Campbell
9:30 AM— Joseph, Helen and Betty Shaker Christmas Remembrance, by Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12TH

11:30 AM— Marcelle Alam Memorial Mass, by Family
11:30 AM— Mona Badawi, by Nazira Yasso
11:30 AM— Therese Sfeir, by Raif & Hanane Harik
11:30 AM— Anis Chalhoub, by Family
11:30 AM— Living and Deceased Members of the Elie & Marleine Tohme Family, by Family
11:30 AM— Sabah Hanna, by Family

THANK YOU!

WEEKLY COLLECTION

November 20 & 21, 2021
Envelopes: $5,036.00
Online: $1,405.00
Total Collection: $6,441.00

November 27 & 28, 2021
Envelopes: $5,971.00
Online: $435.00
Total Collection: $6,406.00

Thank you and God bless you for your kind generosity!

SANCTUARY CANDLE

FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER BURNS FOR:
In Loving Memory of
Margaret J. Saad

CHAPEL CANDLE

FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER BURNS FOR:
In Loving Memory of
Joseph G. Saad

INCENSE AND CHARCOAL

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

BREAD AND WINE

FOR THE YEAR 2021 - 2022
Living and Deceased Members of the
Michel and Fadia Nahed Family

Ladies Altar Society

Gift Basket Raffle

Drawing will be held on Sunday, December 19th at 11 AM

After all Masses
Saturday, December 18th
&
Sunday, December 19th

Sponsored by the
Ladies Altar Society

GET IN THE SPIRIT!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

THANK YOU!

Our annual **Thanksgiving Food Drive** was an overwhelming success! Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners who gave food items and money to purchase turkeys and perishable items, we were able to assemble and distribute Thanksgiving Food Baskets to **25 families**! Among those assisted were 8 refugee families made known to us through the **Hope, Care and Beyond Agency** in Clinton Township.

Special thanks to the **Ladies Altar Society** for overseeing this event, for collecting the food and shopping for the additional items, and assembling the baskets with tender loving care! Your dedication and heart for helping those less fortunate is a true gift! God bless each and every one of you!

UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

Dec 5 Confessions for Children at 10:45 AM
Dec 5 Sunday Mass Live Stream 11:30 AM
Dec 8 The Immaculate Conception of Mary - 9:30 AM Mass
Dec 8 Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration 10 AM - Noon
Dec 11 Christmas Recital 7 PM Church
Dec 12 Confessions for Children at 10:45 AM
Dec 15 Christmas Novena Begins
Dec 18/19 Christmas Play at all Masses
Dec 18/19 LAS Bake Sale
Dec 19 Confessions for Children at 10:45 AM
Dec 19 LAS Gift Basket Raffle Drawing at 11 AM
Dec 22 Healing Mass of Saint Sharbel at 6:30 PM

CONGRATULATIONS!

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to
Dennis & Sharon Sleiman
as they celebrate their
25th Wedding Anniversary!

May our Lord bless you as you continue
to provide witness to the love of God
by your commitment to each other and to your family!

WELCOME!

Deacon Chris Nahra

WE LOOK FORWARD TO RECEIVING YOU!
We are pleased to announce that Deacon Chris Nahra will soon be joining us here at St. Sharbel Church! Deacon Chris currently lives at the Maronite Seminary in DC where he is receiving his formation to the Priesthood!
He serves as a deacon while running the music ministry program at the seminary. Deacon Chris loves all kinds of music, sports/fitness, and talking about Jesus!
He will join us on December 17th for his internship and stay through January 17, 2022.
God-willing, he will be ordained to the Sacred Priesthood in June 2023. Please keep him in your prayers as he continues his formation and during his time with us! Please help him to feel welcome! Thank you!

PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Friends,

This Sunday we celebrate the Fourth Sunday of the Happy Announcements Season with the Sunday of the Birth of John the Baptist.

CLOSING OF THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH - DECEMBER 8
The Church will close the Year of Saint Joseph on Wednesday, December 8, 2021 which is also the Feast of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Parish of Saint Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church is inviting the parishioners to take part in this important activity prepared for its culmination.
"With the yearlong celebration of the 150th anniversary of the proclamation of Saint Joseph as Patron Saint of the Universal Church, we were all invited to undertake the interior path of the carpenter of Nazareth, so as to 'increase our love for this great saint, to encourage us to implore his intercession and to imitate his virtues and his zeal.'" As the faithful entrust themselves to Saint Joseph's fatherly care, protection and guidance, Deacon Mike emphasized that the goal of consecrating ourselves and our families to Saint Joseph is "to imitate his virtues, example and closeness with Christ."

ACT OF CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH
The nationwide call to pray the Holy Rosary and the Act of Consecration of Families to Saint Joseph will be led by Chorbishop Alfred on December 8th.
All households in our Parish are requested to pray the prayers of Consecration and entrust themselves to the patronage and protection of Saint Joseph. For those who are not able to participate in person, the prayers can be found on this link:
https://yearofstjoseph.org/consecration/

ST. JOSEPH - TERROR OF DEMONS
This week's tragedy at Oxford High School is a clear reminder of the need for heavenly protection and assistance in the battle against evil. Let us seek St. Joseph's intercession for ourselves and our families, especially under his title of "Terror of Demons." Let us pray:

PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH
TERROR OF DEMONS

St. Joseph, Terror of Demons,
cast your solemn gaze upon
the devil and all his minions,
and protect us with
your mighty staff.
You fled through the night
to avoid the devil's wicked designs;
now with the power of God,
smite the demons
as they flee from you!
Grant special protection,
we pray, for children, fathers,
families, and the dying.
By God's grace, no demon dares
approach while you are near,
so we beg of you,
always be near to us!
Amen.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Chorbishop Alfred Badawi, Pastor

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