

WEEK OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED
SUNDAY OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED—FEBRUARY 12, 2012
READING 1Thes 5:1-11 GOSPEL Luke 16:19-31



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**THE MARONITE CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY OF SAINT SHARBEL
WARREN, MICHIGAN**

Weekday Liturgies

Tuesday thru Friday, 9:00 am Chapel

Weekend Liturgies

Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 9:15 AM

11:45 AM

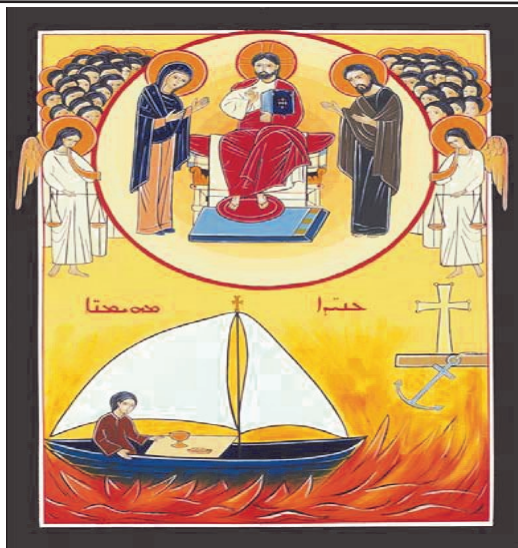
Rosary

*Every Second Wednesday
at 12:00 Noon (Day Chapel)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the month 9:00 am – Noon
in Chapel

First Saturday of the month 3:00 pm -
4:00 pm in Church



O true Hope who never fails,

Plant the true hope of your resurrection among those who have died and have fulfilled their lives hoping in you. Grant the power of Your resurrection to their bodies and the forgiveness of sins to their souls.

Lead them into your kingdom that they may be with you. And they will glorify and praise you, O Christ, your Father, and your living and Holy Spirit now and forever. Amen.

CONFESSION: Available anytime upon request and one-half hour prior to Weekend Liturgies.

BAPTISM & CHRISMATION: You must be a **registered** and **active** member of this parish. Please inform the Church Office when your child is born. Arrangements should be made with the Church three (3) weeks in advance of the date you desire to have your child Baptized and Chrismated. Godparents must be baptized, at least age 14 and must provide a letter of “Good Standing” from their lawful pastor. If you have any questions, please make an appointment.

MARRIAGE: You must be a **registered** member of this parish and fulfilling your financial obligations to the parish. Allow a **minimum of six months** for all necessary preparations including pre-marriage sessions. The Code of Canons for the Oriental Churches (CCEO) makes this time frame an absolute necessity. **Exceptions will be made only for extreme, valid reasons.** THE COUPLE TO BE MARRIED SHOULD THEMSELVES CONTACT THE CHURCH PRIOR TO MAKING ANY OTHER ARRANGEMENTS.

SICK CALLS: Please notify the Parish Office or one of the priests as soon as possible if a family member is in the hospital or nursing home. Please also notify us if any family member is a shut-in.

NEW PARISONERS WELCOME! Kindly register in the Church Office during regular hours or in the Sacristy following Weekend Liturgies.



**WEEKEND LITURGIES FOR FEBRUARY 11TH & FEBRUARY 12TH
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH**

4:00 pm— Dorothy Szydowski, by Husband
4:00 pm— Daniel Jacobs Sr. 1 Year Remembrance, by the Jacobs Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH— SUNDAY OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

9:15 am— John Cafagna, by Germaine Strobel & Margie Donofria
9:15 am— Miriam Hakim, by Joanne Salame & Family
11:45 am— Sam Tanous, by Wife, Nadia Tanous
11:45 am— Victoria Deza, by Sister, Georgette & Faraj Fajou

WEEKDAY LITURGIES FOR FEB 14TH —FEB 17TH

TUESDAY FEB 14TH

9:00 am—Delores Grobbel Special Intention, by Family

WEDNESDAY FEB 15TH

9:00 am—Elaine Gantos O'Brien, by Paul L. & Angela Pomerleau

THURSDAY FEB 16TH

9:00 am—Thomas & Abraham Family, by Family

FRIDAY FEB 17TH

9:00 am—Miriam Hakim, by Marlene Arida

**WEEKEND LITURGIES FOR FEBRUARY 18TH & FEBRUARY 19TH
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH**

4:00 pm— Mae Moses, by Husband and Family
4:00 pm— Mary Salomon, by Betty Ann Peoples

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH— MIRACLE OF CANA AT GALILEE

9:15 am— Miriam Hakim, by Michael Gantos
11:45 am— Mae Moses, by Husband and Family
11:45 am— Mahboub Eid, by Fady & Rima Habib
11:45 am— Atef Karim 40 Day Remembrance, by Parents, Mr. & Mrs. Karim and Therese Karam & Family

READERS FOR:

Sat., Feb 11th 4:00 pm
Dixie Hunrath
Sun., Feb 12th 9:15 am
Ann Marie Ferris
Sun., Feb 12th 11:45 am
Rita Fares – Arabic
Maria Nicholos – English

Sat., Feb 18th 4:00 pm
Nelson Peitz
Sun., Feb 19th 9:15 am
Danielle Agbay
Sun., Feb 19th 11:45 am
Walid Korkmaz – Arabic
Annie Korkmaz – English

Mon., Feb 20th 7:00 pm
Lucy Mourad - Arabic
Michelle Makhoul MYA - English



Adele Abood
Sadie Abraham
Aouad Family
Barbara Bachmann
Raymond Bachmann
George Chalhoub
Terry Francis
Joe Francis
Sue Hakim
Chris Herbert
George Joseph
Georgette Kaddo
Najat Khalil

Joe Mattar
Tony Michael
Ray Moses
Bill Murphy
Michael Najor
Agnes Roman
Ruth Shelide
Christine Najor Smith
Ernest Sweet
Nicholas Torpey
Laura Turkaly
Daniel Warren

SANCTUARY LAMPS....THIS WEEK

Chapel	IN MEMORY OF: Tracy Thomas By: Mickey & Julie Thomas
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Applications for Sanctuary Lamps are available outside of the Church and the Chapel.

ANNUAL OPERATING EXPENSES	
Property Insurance & Catholic Mutual	\$19,594.00/yr
Clergy Health Benefits & Retirement	\$16,260.00/yr
Diocesan Monthly Assessment	\$24,600.00/yr
	\$60,454.00/yr

February 5th Weekly Collection \$6,653.00

UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS

- Feb 19** Red Cross Blood Drive 8:30am—2:15pm
Feb 19 Altar Society Meeting following 9:15am Liturgy
Feb 17-19 MYO Regional Retreat, Akron, Ohio
Feb 18-19 Renewal of Marriage Vows at Liturgies
Feb 20 Ash Monday Divine Liturgies 8am, 12 noon, 7pm
Feb 24 Fridays of Lent Dinners Begin 5-7pm; 8-10pm
Mar 8-11 Lenten Parish Mission by Bishop Stephen Hector Doueih

RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE VOWS

All married couples are invited to renew your marriage vows at each Divine Liturgy on Saturday, February 18th and Sunday, February 19th as we celebrate the Miracle of Cana and begin the Season of Great Lent.

LITURGICALLY SPEAKING

The Liturgical Cycle of the Maronite Church celebrates three very special Sundays dedicated to "The Remembrance of the Dead." Today, the Maronite Church commemorates all the faithful Christians who have departed this life in the faith and also brings to a close the Season of Epiphany. This feast is the Syriac Church's equivalent to the Latin Feast of All Souls. We ask our Lord Jesus Christ to welcome all our deceased brothers and sisters who have been nourished by His body and blood into His Kingdom of Light. Not knowing the state of perfection they have achieved in their lives, we commend them to the mercy of God, with joyful hope and expectation. We should pray in a special way for those deceased who have been near to us - our parents, family, relatives, friends and benefactors. We commend the faithful departed to the Lord. May they rest in peace in the Harbour of the Blessed. May Your Body and Blood that we receive be for us the way, the bridge and the salvation, and help us pass from darkness to the light! In His judgment of fire, may baptism be for you a sail that does not tear!

NEXT SUNDAY IS CANA SUNDAY - OUR ENTRANCE INTO GREAT LENT

Great Lent is the penitential season of the Liturgical Year for all Catholic Christians. I am asking that, as parishioners of St. Sharbel, you begin your Lenten regime on Ash Monday, February 20th, which is the day the Maronite Church begins Lent.

BEGINNING OF LENT

Please note that Lent for this year **begins with Ash Monday on February 20th**. Divine Liturgies and distribution of ashes will take place on that day at 8:00 am, 12 noon and 7:00 pm. All those who have reached their 14th birthday are to abstain from eating meat on Ash Monday and on all Fridays of Lent. Fasting should be from midnight until noon; of course you are all encouraged to also fast and do other kinds of penance on the other days during Lent, especially Fridays. Most important, instead of just "giving up" things, work on making up for things. Have a Blessed Lent!

THANK YOU FOR A JOB WELL DONE

Thanks to all who helped make St. Maron's Dinner such a huge success. Special thanks to Toni Maalouf (co-chair), Aziz Abou Shaya, Lisa Rock, Abdo Abou Jaoude, John Khoury, Toni Abi Samra. A special thank you to Deacon John and Mrs. Bobbi Sfire for sponsoring the St. Maron's Brunch. Thank you to the choir and Christiane Yasso for conducting the choir at St. Maron's Church on the feast day. Also thank you to the St. Sharbel Dabkeh Troupe for their outstanding performance and to their instructor, Antoinette Habbouche, and all the parents for their support. May God bless all who served the brunch and all who attended and supported this event in a very special way. Great Event!

PASTOR'S CORNER

Next Sunday is World Marriage Sunday. This is a day that we pray for those who live in the Sacrament of Marriage. May the love of husbands and wives also reflect the love that God has for all of us. Marriage is never just about two people; it is about the witness of the love that a man and woman have for each other, a love that is rooted and has its source in God's love for all His children. The witness of the love that a husband and wife have for each other is very important to our world because that witness can show us the kind of love we are all called to have for one another and the love that God has for us. The love of a man and woman in the Sacrament of Marriage calls them to put the other ahead of one individual. It is about the greatest love that enables a person to lay down their life for another. The love that a man and woman have for each other in the Sacrament of Marriage is not just based on feelings, but is a commitment of life and love for as long as they both shall live. So, let us pray for all married couples and for those preparing for marriage that God will bless their love and make it fruitful and enduring so that the world may come to know and believe in the love that God has for all of us.

CATECHISTS WARM UP HAVEN OF HOPE

After they made posters announcing they would be 'Warming Up the Haven,' on Saturday, January 21, 2012, more than a dozen **St. Sharbel middle school catechists** went to the **Haven of Hope Community Outreach** (HOHCO) in southwest Detroit to live the Gospel mandate to feed the hungry and clothe the needy. The students registered local neighborhood residents, and recorded the number of coats, blankets, boots, gloves and outerwear they gave away. After choosing warming outerwear, each neighbor received a bowl of warm homemade lentil soup with bread. Each week, the Haven of Hope, which is an IRS Sec. 501c3 non-profit corporation, distributes fresh food to 300 persons in the neighborhood. The Rev. Lena Teagarden, CEO of HOHCO, has operated the food distribution program with volunteer support, in cooperation with the Forgotten Harvest Corporation, for nearly eight years. *"The kind and generous actions of the St. Sharbel Parish clothing donors, students, and volunteers who came to the Haven of Hope warmed the bodies, minds and hearts of all who participated. Thank you and God Bless You,"* said Rev. Teagarden.

MARONITE VOICE DICOESAN NEWSLETTER

The monthly newsletter that you have been receiving by mail costs the parish \$1,500 annually. We are asking each household to donate \$10 to cover the expense. Please make your check payable to St. Sharbel. Thank you in advance.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

On Sunday, March 4th, at 10:15 am our 2nd graders will be receiving their First Reconciliation. Please keep all the children in your prayers.

LENTEN REGULATIONS

Ash Monday and Good Friday are days of total abstinence and fast. All those over age 14 are bound by the laws of abstinence; those for whom fasting is mandatory are those between the ages of 18 & 59. All the Fridays of Great Lent are mandatory days of abstinence for all those over age 14. Fasting generally means consuming nothing but water between the hours of midnight and noon and consuming only one full meal for the remainder of the day. Abstinence means that no meat or meat by products can be consumed.