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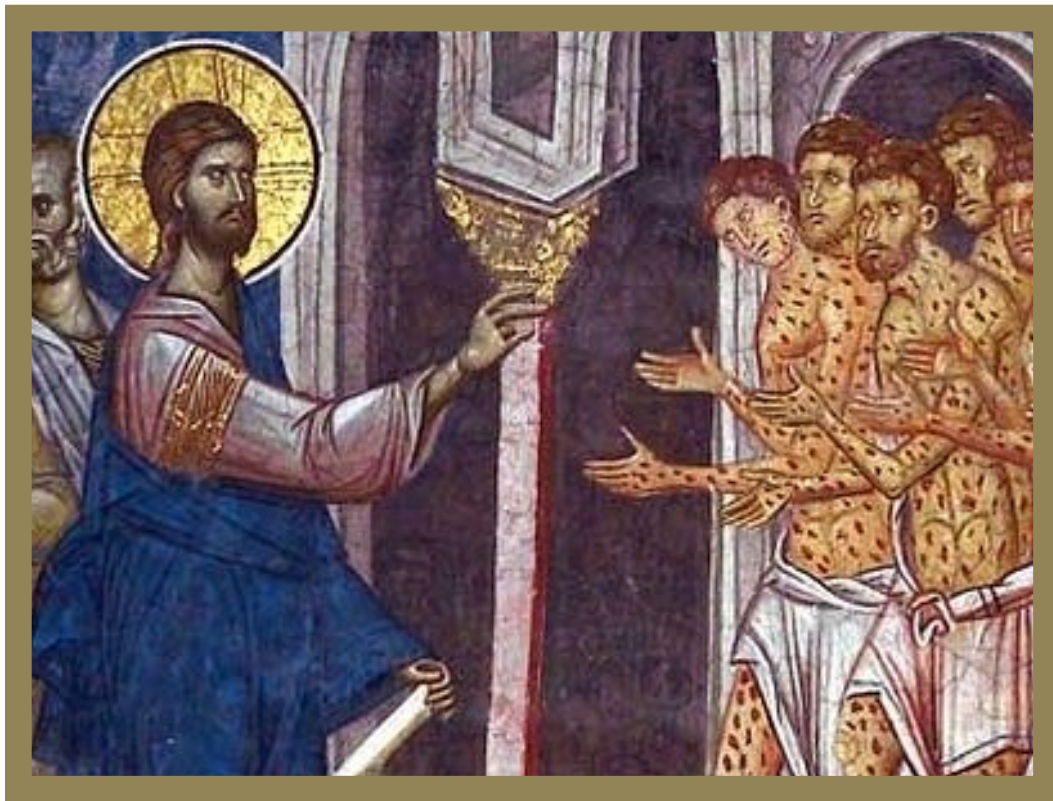
## CLINTON TOWNSHIP, MICHIGAN

SUNDAY OF THE HEALING OF THE LEPER - FEBRUARY 18, 2018

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SEASON OF THE GREAT LENT

READING Romans 6:12-23 GOSPEL Mark 1:35-45



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Chorbishop Alfred Badawi

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Michael Magyar

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Dianne Bartolomeo

### WEEKEND LITURGIES AT BEMIS JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

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Saturday: 4:00 PM  
Sunday: 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM

### FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION & PRAYERS

1st Saturday: 3:30 PM

### SAINT SHARBEL FAMILY PRAYERS

22nd Day of Every Month: 7:00 PM Weekday  
Liturgy at 7:00 PM followed by prayers  
St. Matthias Chapel  
Sunday Following 11:30 am Liturgy

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH**

**BEMIS JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL**

- 4:00 PM— All Married Couples, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— St. Sharbel MYO and Advisors, by Pastor
- 4:00 PM— Daniel Jacobs Sr. 7 Year Remembrance, by Wife, Rosabelle
- 4:00 PM— Dave and Doris Jacobs, by Rosabelle Jacobs
- 4:00 PM— Jeanette Aesy, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Catherine Joseph, by Daughter, Mary Medley and Family
- 4:00 PM— Living and Deceased Members of the Ty and Catherine Joseph Family, by Pastor

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH**

**BEMIS JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL**

- 9:30 AM— All Married Couples, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— St. Sharbel MYO and Advisors, by Pastor
- 9:30 AM— James Lertola, by Chris Herbert
- 9:30 AM— Edna Migala Anniversary Remembrance, by Daughter, Chris Herbert
- 9:30 AM— Helen Shaker, by William and Sandy Haddad
- 9:30 AM— Wadad Obeid, by Tony and Beline Obeid and Family
- 9:30 AM— Deceased Members of the Isaac Family, by Pastor
  
- 11:30 AM— All Married Couples, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM— St. Sharbel MYO and Advisors, by Pastor
- 11:30 AM— Saliba Messawar 40 Day Remembrance, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Yvette (Khashan) Mazraani 2 Year Remembrance, by Daughter and Son-In-Law, Mona and Pierre Rechdan
- 11:30 AM— Samir Mazraani and Joseph Rechdan, by Son and Daughter-In-Law, Pierre and Mona Rechdan
- 11:30 AM— Colette Helou 31 Year Remembrance, by Sister, Samia Deban
- 11:30 AM— Mahboub Eid 11 Year Remembrance, by Daughter and Son-In-Law, Rima and Fady Habib
- 11:30 AM— The Deceased Members of the Fajou, Garmo and Akl Families, by Rima and Fady Habib
- 11:30 AM— Daher and Julia Chamoun, by Daughters, Therese Sfire and Nadia Tannous
- 11:30 AM— Sam Tannous and his Grandson, Taylor Tannous, by Wife, Nadia
- 11:30 AM— The Deceased Members of the Abraham, Shaker, and Crispin Families, by Joe and Terry Shaker
- 11:30 AM— Akl Abi Ragi, by Kabalan and Henriette Hawilo
- 11:30 AM— Emile Karam 15 Year Remembrance, by Daughter and Son-In-Law, Samar and Nabil Fawaz

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST**

NO LITURGY

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND**

**PRAYERS OF THE FAMILY OF SAINT SHARBEL  
OFFICE CHAPEL**

- 6:30 PM— Living and Deceased Benefactors, by Pastor
- 7:00 PM— Prayers of Saint Sharbel

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD**

**ST. MATTHIAS CHURCH**

- 6:30 PM— Living and Deceased Benefactors, by Pastor
- 7:00 PM— Stations and Benediction of the Holy Cross

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH**

**BEMIS JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL**

- 4:00 PM— Raymond Moses 4 Year Remembrance, by Children
- 4:00 PM— Michael Malkoun, by Rosabelle Jacobs
- 4:00 PM— Daniel Jacobs Sr. 7 Year Remembrance, by Wife, Rosabelle
- 4:00 PM— Joseph and Helen Shaker, by Family
- 4:00 PM— Backos Joseph, by Mary Medley and Family
- 4:00 PM— Anthony Joseph, by Mary Medley and Family

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH**

**BEMIS JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL**

- 9:30 AM— Michael Jacobs 26 Year Remembrance, by Roseanne Jacobs
- 9:30 AM— Deceased Members of the Crispin, Shaker and Abraham Families, by Joe and Terry Shaker
- 11:30 AM— Sarah M. Combs Memorial Mass, by Family
- 11:30 AM— Annie Shehade, by Nouhad Srour
- 11:30 AM— Deceased Members of the Kamel Family, by Semaan Kamel and Family

**READERS FOR:**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH 4:00 PM**  
Anthony Peters

**READERS FOR:**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH 9:30 AM**  
Ann Marie Ferris

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH 11:30 AM**  
Becky Mousawer - English  
Samia Deban - Arabic

**READERS FOR:**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH 4:00 PM**  
John Cafagna

**READERS FOR:**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH 9:30 AM**  
Laura Bacha

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH 11:30 AM**  
Lena Haidar- English  
Raymond Haidar - Arabic

**LENTEN RETREAT**

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
Parish Lenten Retreat with  
**RETREAT MASTER:**  
**DEACON JOHN SFIRE**  
on  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 2018**  
at St. Matthias Church.  
**9:30 AM—2 PM**  
Continental Breakfast  
&  
Lunch Included  
Please register by contacting the Church Office  
or at Mass on the weekend!  
Mark your calendars now!

**COLLECTION**  
**February 11, 2018 - \$4,975.00**  
*May God bless you in return for your generosity  
and support of your parish!*

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

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ENGAGEMENT**

Congratulations to  
**Patrick Nesheiwat and Nancy Akroush**  
on their engagement to be married!  
Please remember them and all our engaged couples  
in your prayers as they prepare for  
the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony!  
*May God bless you as you prayerfully prepare  
for your life together in Christ!*

**LET US PRAY FOR**

- Claire Aouad
- Evelyn Begin
- Joe Briere
- Noe Buenostro
- Steve Burton
- Chuck Callatwart
- Stefanie Clark
- Tim Cowper
- Diana Cromie
- Alma Dadoush
- Michael DeBruyn
- Joanne Deramo
- Patrick Doyle
- Dylan
- Delores Eggen
- Faye Elias
- Zina Elias
- Keri Faircloth
- Therese Farrar
- Fred Francis
- Albert Gantos
- Marie Gantos
- Delores Hejjawi
- Judy Hindy
- Joseph Jacob
- Edward & Suham John
- Pete Johns
- Najat Kalil
- Sylvia Kaltz
- Lena Kanan
- Jordan Koehler
- Janice Kroll
- Agnes Langschied
- Ronald Latouf
- Teresa Logan
- Matthew Lomasney
- Maureen McCarthy
- Maureen McKernan
- Isabella McMath
- Edward Moffett
- Cheryl Moultrie
- Sherry Myers
- Raymond Nicholas
- Tony Nofar
- Carmen Pozzi
- Joel Rivera
- Jason Schrader
- Maria S.
- Bobbi Sfire
- Noah Shefke
- Ashley Smith
- Dr. Paul Thomas
- Terry Thomas
- Dave Vermillion
- Chris Walczy
- Jad Yacoub
- Christina Yako

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE**



**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN &  
CONSTRUCTION NEWS**

St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church  
is closer to completion!



*We still need your help!*  
Please consider donating to the St. Sharbel Building Fund.  
visit [www.stsharbelbuildingfund.org](http://www.stsharbelbuildingfund.org)

**DONATION STATEMENTS**

2017 Donation Records are  
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to request your Donation Statement.  
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upon request.  
Thank you!

**ST. SHARBEL, PRAY FOR US!**

# NAMING OPPORTUNITIES

## NEW CHURCH

### **HOLY WATER FONTS**

Donation: \$900 each

**DONATED - 4**

### **MISSAL STAND**

Donation: \$1500

**DONATED**

### **ALTAR CRUCIFIX**

Donation: \$1500

**DONATED**

### **SANCTUARY BELLS**

Donation: \$1100

**DONATED**

### **INCENSE STAND**

Donation: \$1200

Need: 1

### **INCENSE CENSER AND BOAT**

Donation: \$1700

Need: 1

### **CHALICE #1**

Donation: \$3000

**DONATED**

### **CIBORIUM #1**

Donation: \$3000

Need: 1

### **CHALICE #2**

Donation: \$2000

Need: 1

### **CIBORIUM #2**

Donation: \$2000

Need: 1

### **INTINCTION SETS - 3**

**DONATED**

### **CRUETS AND TRAY SETS - 2**

Donation: \$400 each

**DONATED**

### **PROCESSIONAL CANDLESTICKS**

Donation: \$1700 each

**DONATED - 1**

Need: 3

### **PROCESSIONAL CRUCIFIX**

Donation: \$2450

**DONATED**

### **ALTAR CANDLESTICKS #1**

Donation: \$700 each

**DONATED - 4**

### **STANDING SANCTUARY LAMP**

Donation: \$3500

Need: 1

### **HOLY WATER POT AND SPRINKLER**

Donation: \$800

Need: 1

### **FLOWER STANDS**

Donation: \$1200 each

Need: 2

### **ALTAR CANDLESTICKS #2**

Donation: \$1250 each

Need: 2

### **CHAPEL TABERNACLE**

Donation: \$7500

Need: 1

### **FUNERAL PALL**

Donation: \$1000

**DONATED**

### **TREE OF LIFE**

Donation: \$6000

Need: 1

### **CHURCH PEW**

Donation: \$3000 each

**DONATED - 46**

### **ALTAR LINENS - White**

Donation: \$1500 each set

**DONATED - 2**

Need: 1

### **ALTAR LINENS - Red**

Donation: \$1500 each set

Need: 2

### **ALTAR LINENS - Gold**

Donation: \$1500 each set

Need: 2

### **ALTAR LINENS - Blue**

Donation: \$1500 each set

Need: 2

### **ALTAR LINENS - Purple**

Donation: \$1500 each set

Need: 2

### **ALTAR LINENS - Green**

Donation: \$1500 each set

Need: 2

### **BIBLE COVER - Gold Plated**

Donation: \$2500

Need: 1

### **PIANO**

Donation: \$5000

**DONATED**

### **CHURCH ORGAN**

Donation: \$22,000

**DONATED**



UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

- February 16 Mass at 6:30 PM at St. Matthias Church  
7:00 PM Stations & Benediction of the Holy Cross
- February 17/18 Marriage Blessing at all Liturgies
- February 18 LAS Meeting 10:30 AM
- February 19 K of C Meeting 7 PM Church Office
- March 7 Church Dedication Festivities Volunteer Meeting  
7 PM Church Office
- March 9-11 Lenten Retreat with Deacon John Sfire

LITURGICALLY SPEAKING

Lent: Living the 40 days...

LENT: LIVING THE 40 DAYS AS CATHOLICS

The 40 days of Lent recall the 40 days of Jesus being tempted in the wilderness (Mt 4:1-11, Mk 1:12-13, Lk 4:1-13). The story of Jesus' time in the desert is always read on the first Sunday of Lent as a reminder that we are each called to explore our own temptations and the deserts within us that allow them to flourish.

The Gospels tell us that it is the Spirit who leads Jesus into desert to face the devil, and only after he has conquered temptation is Jesus able to begin his mission on earth. The same is true for us. Throughout the season of Lent, the Spirit calls us to face the devil's influence in our lives and to turn away from sin. The temptations that Jesus faces in the desert are those that many of us struggle with every day: materialism, ego, and power. Over these next three weeks, we will take a look at each one and reflect on how it pertains to us personally.

The first temptation...

THE FIRST TEMPTATION - MATERIALISM

The Gospel of Luke tells us that it is at the end of his 40 days of fasting in the desert that the devil approaches him: "The devil said to him, 'If you are the son of God, command these stones to become bread'" (Lk 4:3).

What is the real temptation here? Jesus is hungry and clearly has the power to work this miracle. But bread represents earthly goods, and Jesus knows that his hunger can be satisfied by God alone.

Throughout the Gospels, Jesus does not condemn the material goods that we need to survive and thrive as human persons; rather, he challenges us to give up those "things" that keep us from being faithful to God. We are children of God, and in God is the fullness of our identity. When the rich official approaches Jesus in Lk 18:18, Jesus tells him everything that he must do inherit eternal life. When Jesus reminds him to keep the commandments, the man insists that he has done so for his entire life. But what Jesus knows about this man is that his heart is set on something other than God. So Jesus tells him, "Sell all that you have and distribute it to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." The Gospels tell us that the rich official, clearly dismayed by this advice, "went away sad."

For reflection...

- What are the "things" in my life that keep me from giving my whole self — body, mind, and spirit — to God?
- What value do I place on material goods?
- Is it difficult for me to share what I have been given with people who are less fortunate?

PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Parishioners,

This past Ash Monday we began Lent with abstinence and fasting. During Lent we turn our hearts, minds, and bodies in a very particular way towards God as we look forward to Easter. We do this by prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Before Jesus began his public ministry, He went out into the desert for 40 days of prayer and fasting. He needed to pray and spend time with His Father in prayer so He would be fully prepared for the great mission that He was about to undertake. He needed to listen to what the Father wanted to tell Him. During Lent, we too, should spend more time in prayer with Our Heavenly Father and listen to Him. We need to leave the busyness of the world and go into the desert of quietness and just be with God. What is He trying to tell us and teach us during this time of preparation to receive the Risen Lord? If we are tempted to give up our resolution to spend more time in prayer; we might remember Jesus was also tempted in the desert. Offer those temptations to Jesus and He will see you through to victory. Fasting disciplines us and helps us not give into temptations. We can fast in many small ways. If we are having trouble being patient, we can possibly start by being more patient in traffic. Once we've conquered the traffic, we can take on another instance of where we lack patience. As we discipline ourselves more and more, we are able to handle bigger temptations, which we need in this world where anything goes as long as it feels good. Almsgiving is giving up something you really like for the good of another. When Jesus suffered the Passion, He did not do it for Himself; He did it for all of us. Some good examples of almsgiving are the generosity of the parishioners during the Thanksgiving food drive and providing Christmas gifts for those less fortunate. Prayer, fasting and almsgiving all tie together. They help up to recognize everything is a gift from God and the depth of the sacrifice Jesus was willing to go through to save us; so we may have eternal life. May we all live this Lenten season well!

As we continue our efforts to raise money for the completion of the new church, I appreciate all the generosity our parish family has shown as we continue to see the building of our new church to its dedication on September 16th at 11:30 a.m. May God continue to bless us as we continue to build the community of St. Sharbel and look forward to our new church! Thank you all for your generous participation in all of these efforts!

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Chorbishop Alfred Badawi

FRIDAYS OF LENT

Join the Saint Sharbel Parish Community for STATIONS & BENEDICTION OF THE HOLY CROSS at 7:00 PM at St. Matthias Church each Friday of Lent.

The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 6:30 PM. Various groups of our parish will lead the Stations.

- Friday, February 16th Men's Club
- Friday, February 23rd Religious Education Program
- Friday, March 2nd Knights of Columbus
- Friday, March 9th MYO/MYA
- Friday, March 16th Choir
- Friday, March 23rd Ladies Altar Society

THANK YOU!

THE MEN'S CLUB wishes to thank everyone who participated in the SUPER BOWL FUNDRAISER. With everyone's donations, the Men's Club raised \$2,500.00. Thank you!!



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