SAINT SHARBEL MISSION



Feb 12

2:00 PM

WEEKLY BULLETIN #053

[February 5, 2017]

PARISH SCHEDULE

SUNDAY LITURGY | at 1 P.M



Chapel Of Mary Mother of the Angels St Francis of Assisi 11401 Leesville

Raleigh, NC 27613

OFFICE HOURS Tue Thru Fri 10 AM—4 PM

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SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism & Chrismation. Preparation is required. We encourage this to begin at least one month before the Baptism.

Sacrament of Marriage. Preparation for Pre-Cana and arrangements for the Sacrament of Marriage must be made with the priest at least 6 months prior to your anticipated wedding date.

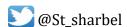
Sacrament of Reconciliation. Father Raymond is available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation before and after each Liturgy or by appointment.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. If you anticipate a procedure or surgery, and would like to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, contact the parish office to make arrangements.

Communion to the Homebound. If you or your loved one is homebound and wish to receive Holy Communion, please contact the parish office to arrange a visit.









UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

Feb 5	1:00 PM	Divine Liturgy. / St. Maron
Feb 5	2:00 PM	St. Maron Feast Day Luncheon
Feb 12	1:00 PM	Divine Liturgy



Please remember our Mission by maintaining your donation through our Online Service

by visiting our Website and clicking on the following link:

http://saintsharbelchurch.org/donate/

Your weekly donation will maintain our mission in her journey and keep our doors open.

Thank you in advance for your generosity

Life of Saint Maroun

<u>Background</u>

Saint Maroun, born in the middle of the 4th century was a priest who latter became a hermit, retiring to a mountain of Taurus near Antioch. His holiness and miracles attracted many followers, and drew attention throughout the empire. St John of Chrysostom sent him a letter around 405 AD ex-



pressing his great love and respect asking St Maroun to pray for him.

The Maronite Movement

St Maroun is considered the Father of the spiritual and monastic movement now called the Maronite Church. This movement had a profound influence on Northern Syria and Lebanon. Saint Maroun spent all of his life on a mountain in the region of Cyrrhus in Syria. It is believed that the place was called "Kefar-Nabo" on the mountain of Ol-Yambos, making it the cradle of the Maronite movement.

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READINGS	Feb 5- Feb 12, 2017			
Sunday	Sunday of the Priest			
	Epistle	Gospel		
	1Tim 4: 6-16	Lk 12: 42-48		
Monday St, Agatha	2Tim 1: 1-11	Mt 16:24-28		
Tuesday	2Tim 2: 1-13	Mt 18:1-5		
Wednesday	2Tim 2: 14-26	Mt 20:20-28		
Thursday St. Maron	2Tim 3: 10-17	Jn 12: 23-30		
Friday	2Tim 4: 1-8	Lk 22: 24-30		
Saturday Our Lady of Lourdes	Tit 1: 1-9	Jn 13: 13-17		
Next Sunday	Sunday of the Righteous and Just			
	Heb 12: 18-24	Mt 25: 31-46		

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Sunday Feb 5, 2017 - For Our Departed Priests

Sunday Feb 12, 2017 - 40 day Memorial Liturgy for **Renee Baroud**/ Requested by her Son Bassam Matar.



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Jan 29, 2017

Weekly Offering	\$ 512.00		
2nd collection (Maintenance Fund)	\$ 139.00		
Building Fund (St. Monica's-St. Lucy's.)	\$2100.00		
Donation	\$ 100.00		
calendar	\$ 7.00		
Total Income	\$ 2858.00		

UPCOM	IING 2nd COLLECTIONS		
Feb 5	Saint Maron		
Feb 12	Building Fund		
HACDI	TO ALLENY / COERER HOUR		
HUSPI	ITALITY / COFFEE HOUR		
Feb 5	St. Maron Feast Day Luncheon		

To sponsor a coffee hour pls. contact Mrs. Anna Franca Abi-Aad.

Parish Council Meeting

The Parish Council will meet on Tuesday February 7, 2017 at 7pm in the Rectory.



Parish News

- **contribution statement 2016.** if you need a copy of your contribution statement please let us know by calling the parish office or sending an email. We thank you for your contribution and support.
- **2017 Offering Envelopes.** Remember to pick up your offering envelopes from the church. If you don't have a Set yet please inform Fr. Raymond
- **2017 Calendars.** We are providing this year Liturgical Calendars for the year 2017. Calendars are displayed at the entrance of the church for a suggested donation of \$5.00
- Dear Parishoners,

I am pleased to announce our new Events Chairperson is Yvone Najm. She will plan, coordinate, and solicit volunteers for fundraising events. As parishioners of St. Sharbel, I would expect You to reach out to Her, your time and talent to share in these responsibilities. Let us all join together to make this position a rewarding experience for Yvone and for St. Sharbel Mission. Welcome, Yvone, We know you will do a superior job! Thank you,

Gloria Salim-Brown, Chair Pastoral Life Council

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The Maronite movement reached Lebanon when St Maroun's first disciple Abraham of Cyrrhus who was called the Apostle of Lebanon, realised that paganism was thriving in Lebanon, so he set out to convert the pagans to Christians by introducing them to the way of St Maroun. The followers of St Maroun, both monks and laity, always remained faithful to the teachings of the Catholic Church.



Spirituality

St Maroun's way was deeply monastic with emphasis on the spiritual and ascetic aspects of living. For Saint Maroun, all was connected to God and God was connected to all. He did not separate the physical and spiritual world and actually used the physical world to deepen his faith and spiritual experience with God.

St Maroun embraced the quiet solitude of the mountain life. He lived his life in open air exposed to the forces of nature such as sun, rain, hail and snow. His extraordinary desire to come to know Gods presence in all things, allowed St Maroun to transcend such forces and discover that intimate union with God. He was able to free himself from the physical world by his passion and fervour for prayer and enter into a mystical relationship of love











#	Question	Answer	Reference			
1	Fill in the blank: "And Jesus went about all of Galilee, in their		Matt 4:23-24			
	synagogues, the gospel of the kingdom, and all kinds of					
	sickness and all kinds of disease among the people. Then His fame went					
	throughout all; and they brought to Him all sick people"					
2	Fill in the blank: "But I say to you, your enemies, those who		Matt 5:44-45			
	curse you, do good to those who you, and for those who					
	spitefully use you and you, that you may be sons of your Father	\mathcal{A}				
	in heaven;"					
3	Multiple Choice: In Chapter 6, Jesus teaches the people how to pray.	11/1/1/	Matt 6:14			
	Following that prayer He tells us that "yourFather will also	/ / /				
	forgive you" if:					
	a. You repent					
	b. You forgive men their trespasses					
	c. You love the Lord and serve Him					
	d. None of the above					
4	Fill the blank and answer: Jesus asked His disciples, "Who do you say that I		Matt 16:16			
	am?" One of Jesus' disciples responded and said, "You are the,					
	the Son of the living" Jesus blessed the disciple and told him that this has been to him by God the Father. Which disciple was it					
	that confessed Jesus to be the Son of God?					
5			No# 17.5			
	Fill the blank and complete the saying: During the Transfiguration of		Matt 17:5			
	Jesus, a bright cloud him and suddenly a came out					
	of the cloud, saying, "This is My beloved Son in whom I am well pleased.					
	a. "Worship Him" b. "Glorify Him"					
	c. "Hear Him"					
	Fill in the blank: "But whoever causes one of these little ones who		Matt 18:6			
	in Me to sin, it would be better for him if a were hung around					
	his, and he were drowned in the depth of the sea."					

Our Beloved Parishioners.

A few days ago, we received from Fr. Joseph Thomas, our Canonical Founder and First Pastor of St. Sharbel, another \$ 2,100.00 from parishioners of St. Monica's-St. Lucy's.

We express our deepest gratitude to Fr. Joe for his continued love and support of our community and to the good people of St. Monica's and St. Lucy's and to their Pastor and Parochial Vicar, for helping our community with their



generous contribution that reached so far the amount of \$12,857. 00. Please keep them in your prayers asking our Lord, Jesus Christ, through the intercession of St. Sharbel to grant them joy, happiness and abundant graces all their lives.

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	Presentation of Christ in the temple	Sts. Simeon the venerable and Anna the Prophetess	4
4 Sunday of the Priests & St. Agatha	6	7	8	9 St. Maron (Holy Day of Obligation)	10	Our Lady of Lourdes
Sunday of the Righteous and Just & St. Meletius of Antioch	13	14 Sts. Cyril & Methodius	15	16	17	Pope St. Leo the Great, Doctor of the Church
Sunday of the Faithful Departed & The 500 Mar- tyrs of Tyre	St. James, the hermit of cyrrhus & President's day	21 St. Eustathius, Patriarch of Antioch	Establishment of the chair of St. Peter in Antioch	St. Polycarp of smyrna	24	25
Sunday of the entrance into Lent. Miracle at Cana in Galilee	Ash Monday St. Thalaleus, Disciple of St. Maron	Sts. Koura and Marana, Disciples of St. Maron				

Capital Campaign - Church Building

Pledges

Phase 1 Pledge Goal - To have \$1,000,000 in pledges

\$1,000,000

COMMITTED PLEDGES TO GOAL

\$869,770

OUTSTANDING PLEDGES NEEDED

\$130,230



- COMMITTED PLEDGES TO GOAL
- OUTSTANDING PLEDGES NEEDED

Pledges Received

Pledges Receipt Goal - To receive 33% of pledge goal by Dec 31st

\$331,683

ACTUAL RECEIPTS TO GOAL

\$253,747,58

OUTSTANDING RECEIPTS NEEDED

\$77,935.15



- ACTUAL RECEIPTS TO
- OUTSTANDING RECEIPTS NEEDED

Savings

2016 Savings Account Goal - To have \$500,000 in account by Dec 31st

\$500,000

\$321,787,38

OUTSTANDING SAVINGS NEEDED

ACTUAL SAVINGS TO GOAL

\$178,212.62



- ACTUAL SAVINGS TO GOAL
- OUTSTANDING SAVINGS NEEDED

