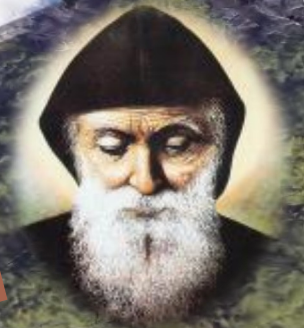


# SAINT SHARBEL MISSION

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## PARISH SCHEDULE

**SUNDAY LITURGY | at 11:00 AM**

***St. Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church***

600 Mount Vernon Church Road  
Raleigh, NC 27614

**Tel:** (919)917-7597

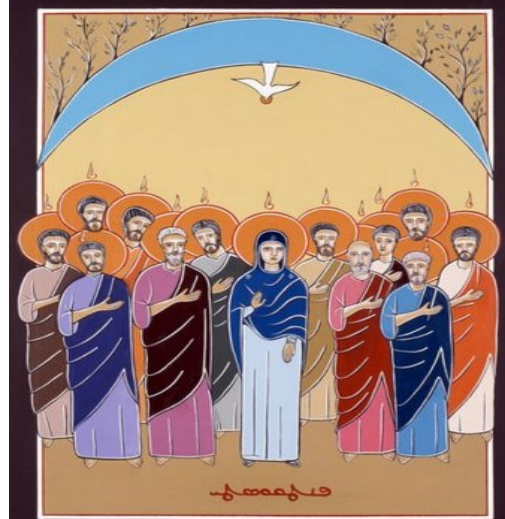
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**Administrator:** Rev. Robert Youssef Farah

**Subdeacon:** Claude Shiver

**Sunday Liturgy:** 11:00 AM



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# READINGS

## June / 2019

<b>June 9</b>	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b>	
	<b>Epistle</b>	<b>Gospel</b>
	Acts 2:1-21	Jn 14:15-20
<b>June 16</b>	<b>2nd Week of Pentecost</b>	
	<b>Epistle</b>	<b>Gospel</b>
	Rom 11:25-36	Mt 28:16-20



DATE	TIME	* LITURGY INTENTIONS *	FROM
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**Remember your loved ones with Mass Intentions**

June 9	11:00 AM	Personal Intentions	
June 16	11:00 AM	All the Fathers of the Parish	
June 23	11:00 AM	Available	

### HOSPITALITY - COFFEE HOUR / 2019

June 9	St. Sharbel Ladies Auxiliary
June 16	Available
June 23	Available



*To sponsor a coffee hour pls. contact Mrs. Anna Franca Abi-Aad  
Tel:(954) 806-9909 Or Email: [abetriz@yahoo.com](mailto:abetriz@yahoo.com) /Donation for coffee hour is appreciated*



### PARISH OFFERING

June 2, 2019

Weekly offering	\$782.00
Coffee Hour	\$35.00
Eparchial Collection	\$247.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$1,064.00</b>

*Thank You for your generosity and your support*

### Important Messages

#### General Parish Meeting June 16, 2019

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss ideas on how to improve church attendance on Sunday and how to engage our church family in our Faith Formation Program: Religious Education for our school-aged children, adults, as well as MYA and MYO activities.



**The dream has come true. Celebrating our First Divine Liturgy in the new Church on Hosanna Sunday was very moving, a real Home Coming. Let us thank God for His generosity to us and pray for him to help our community. My personal prayers to all those who have helped make it a reality.**

**May God bless all Donors**

***MYO-Youth Day Schedule - NAM Convention 2019***

**Wednesday June 26, 2019**

2:00 pm- 5:00 pm *Welcome to Miami !* Join us for meet and greet. We will enjoy lots of organized activities together.

**Thursday June 27, 2019**

2:00 pm-5:00 pm *Miami Sightseeing tour*

**Friday June 28, 2019**

9:00 am-10:00 am *Powerful Morning Prayers*

10:00 am-3:00 pm *Escape to the wilderness of the Florida Everglades*

**Saturday June 29, 2019**

10:00 am-11:00 am *Let our lives glow with Jesus, let's celebrate with Spiritual Graffiti*

11:00 am-12:00 pm *Talk and prayers* by Father Gary

1:00 pm-4:00 pm *Hooray! Pool and Beach Party !*

**UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS - 2019**

<b>June 16</b>	<b>12:30 PM</b>	<b>General Parish Meeting</b>
<b>July 20</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Vigil on the Eve of the Feast of St. Sharbel</b>
<b>July 21</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Feast of St. Sharbel</b>
<b>Sptember 28</b>	<b>All Day</b>	<b>Golf Tournament</b>
<b>October 13</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Dedication of Our Church</b>

## **Pentecost (John 14:15-20)**

In the Acts of the Apostles, St. Luke defined the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples on the Fiftieth day after Jesus' resurrection (Acts 2:1). He also specified the Ascension on the Fortieth after the resurrection (Acts 1:3). The event of the Resurrection, Ascension and Pentecost is a single historical and theological event. However, Church liturgical celebration separated them. The "Fortieth" day symbolizes a complete period of time through which a great salvific event is accomplished. The "Fiftieth" day refers to the fullness of time, meaning: The Seven Weeks. That is why it is called in the Torah the "Feast of Weeks" or the "Feast of Pentecost" referring to the "Feast of Gathering" and commemorating, on the day of the Gathering at the foot of Mount Sinai, the handing on of the Law to Moses and the seal of the covenant between God and his people. That was the purpose and the goal: "Exodus from Egypt" which means the Feast of the Passover. St. Luke applied this tradition to the new Christian community. On the Fiftieth day when the Israelites exited Egypt, God gave them the Law in Sinai. On the Fiftieth day of the Resurrection, and before he goes back to the Father, Jesus gave his Apostles the Holy Spirit, the Law of the New Covenant.

Pentecost is at the same time the beginning of a new liturgical season stretching until September 14, the Exaltation of the Cross. It is the Season of the Holy Spirit who perfects in us the work of the Father and the Son. It is the Season of the Church who lives, with all her children every day in the Holy Spirit, the mystery of Christ the living redeemer, throughout the ages until the end of time, and grows in Faith, Hope and Love.

The Season of Pentecost is organized into three different periods: (a) The first four Sundays cover the sending of the Holy Spirit to the Apostles and to the Church. In a salvific historical event, the Church receives the Holy Spirit. She is born anew through a special bond at the feast of Pentecost. (b) The fifth to the tenth Sunday cover the presence of the Holy Spirit in the mission of the Apostles and of the Church, their witness in the Church, and the Divine Wisdom speaking through them. This is closely connected with the feast of Saints Peter and Paul and the feast of the Twelve Apostles. (c) The eleventh to the eighteenth Sunday cover the presence of the Holy Spirit in the heart of every baptized faithful. It is seen in the fruits of the evangelic mission to the Jews and to all nations through preaching, listening and accepting the Word. It is also seen in our prayer life, in the love of the neighbor and in the everlasting love of God. All of these are closely connected with both feasts, the Transfiguration and the Assumption of the Virgin Mary into heaven and her maternal role in the Church.

In today's Gospel (John 14:15-20), during the last supper, Jesus promised his disciples that he will ask the Father to send them the Paraclete, the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of truth, to remain with them and to dwell within each one of them so that they will be able to see him alive, not physically, but through faith and through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Pentecost carries with it a new set of images related to the outpouring of God's Graces through the Spirit of Christ, along with the excitement and the fiery interplay of these gifts that form, move and reconstruct the church community and the social world around us in new grace-filled ways. These gifts of differing types may be explored and shared by the faithful of different ages with ways of putting them to good communal services.