

# SAINT SHARBEL MISSION

WEEKLY BULLETIN #2019-25  
[June 23, 2019]



## PARISH SCHEDULE

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

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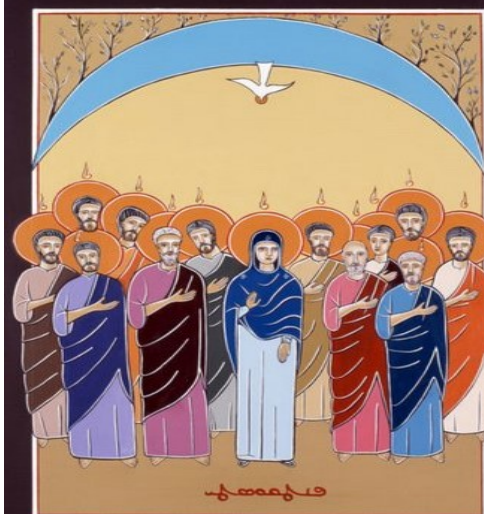
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**Administrator:** Rev. Robert Youssef Farah

**Subdeacon:** Claude Shiver

**Sunday Liturgy:** 11:00 AM



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**READINGS****June/ 2019****June 23****3rd Week of Pentecost****Epistle**

1 Cor 2:1-10

**Gospel**

Jn 14:21-27

**June 30****Sts. Peter and Paul****Epistle**

2 Cor 11:21-30

**Gospel**

Mt 16:13-20

**DATE****TIME****\* L I T U R G Y I N T E N T I O N S \*****FROM****Remember your loved ones with Mass Intentions**

June 23

11:00 AM

Elena Adam - 40 Day Memorial

Ramzi &amp; Marianne Tanas

June 30

11:00 AM

Available

July 7

11:00 AM

Available

**HOSPITALITY - COFFEE HOUR / 2019**

June 23

St. Sharbel Ladies Auxiliary

June 30

Available

July 7

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 9, 2019***Weekly offering**\$1,073.00**Coffee Hour**\$185.00**Donation**\$650.00***Total Income****\$1,908.00***Thank You for your generosity and  
your support***Important Messages****Saint Sharbel Sports**

Some members of our MYA started a Saint Sharbel Sports activities. It will debut on Sunday July 7, 2019 after the Divine Liturgy with volleyball teams to be created.

Anyone interested in joining the sports activities please contact Roger Najm at 919.272.4067



**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>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>August 24</b>	<b>Noon-8:00 PM</b>	<b>Taste of Lebanon at St. Sharbel</b>
<b>Sptember 28</b>	<b>Noon– 7:00 PM</b>	<b>Golf Tournament</b>
<b>October 13</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Dedication of Our Church</b>



## The Holy Spirit Teaches (John 14:21-27)

The unique characteristic of the New Testament is the event of the sending of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples, upon the early apostolic Church, upon each and everyone of us, upon all the children of the church wherever they may be in the world, from the day of Pentecost, throughout history, and down to this very day.

Today's Gospel, reminds us of the five words regarding the role and the function of the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete. This, in fact, is the continuation of the Gospel of Pentecost. When Judas, not the Iscariot, asked him why are you revealing yourself to us, and not to the world? Jesus responded to him with a twofold answer: In the first, he emphasizes that he who keeps the commandments of the Father, both the Father and Jesus will come to him and make their dwelling place in him and make of him a holy and spiritual temple. In the second, Jesus stresses the importance of the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples to teach them everything, to continue what he had started with them, to remind them of his previous teaching, to gradually make them understand the meaning of their unique apostolic experience which they have actually lived with Jesus, and finally to include them in the perfect and complete mystery of Jesus.

For Saint John, Love is the basis of everything. The love between God and Jesus spills over the world and is planted in the heart of all people. All people love God through Jesus and in turn they love each other. Through the love of Jesus heaven and earth are reconciled, man and God are reconciled, man and man are reconciled and are all bound by the bond of love. Further, Jesus here stresses the necessity of obedience—the only proof of true love. Obedience to God and his commandments brings about two great and saving elements: Safety and complete revelation: (a) Safety, because those who love God and obey him, they will be safe on the day of Christ's triumph in his second coming; (b) Revelation, because when Jesus rose from the dead, he revealed himself to those who have accepted him, not to those who were hostile toward him, i.e. No evil person can receive a revelation of Jesus. Revelation of Jesus is only reserved to those who seek him and to those who obey God's commandments. Therefore, this fellowship between God and humanity, which is characterized by God revealing himself to us is totally dependent on LOVE and love is dependent on OBEDIENCE.

Speaking about the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send to the world, Jesus provides with two basic statement: (a) ***The Holy Spirit teaches us.*** If we are willing to be learners, the Holy spirit will teach and lead us into the truth of God. (b) ***The Holy Spirit reminds us*** of what Jesus said. Jesus taught us the truth. Here, however, it is not the truth that we must discover, but the meaning of that truth. In addition, the Holy Spirit keeps us protected and guides us to act appropriately in matters of moral and behavior; saves us from faltering when we are tempted and speaks through us and for us when we are being falsely accused.