

SAINT SHARBEL MISSION

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PARISH SCHEDULE

SUNDAY LITURGY | at 11:00 AM

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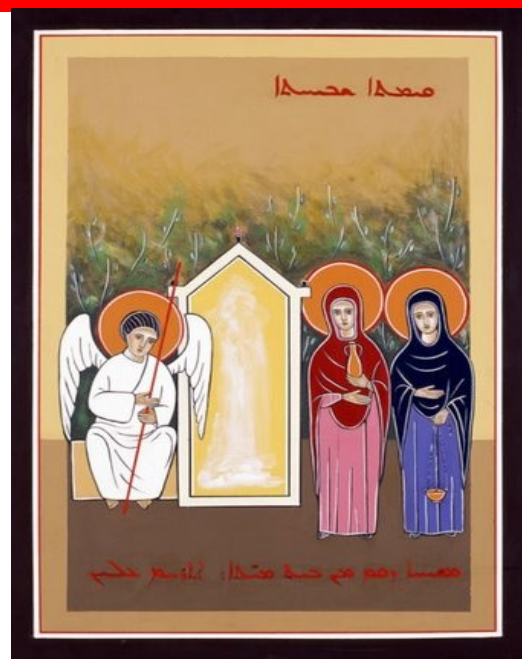
Subdeacon: Claude Shiver

Sunday Liturgy: 11:00 AM

Saturday Liturgy: 5:00 PM

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 6:30 PM

Holy Days of Obligation: 6:30 PM



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READINGS**May / 2020****May 17****6th Sunday of Resurrection****Epistle****Gospel**

Rom 10:1-13

Lk 24:36-48

May 21**Ascension of Our lord: Holy day of Obligation****Epistle****Gospel**

Acts 1:1-14

Mk 16:15-20

**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**

May 17

11:00 AM

Personal Intentions

May 21

6:30 PM

Personal Intentions

May 24

11:00 AM

Personal Intentions

HOSPITALITY - COFFEE HOUR / 2020

May 17

No Coffee Hour

May 21

No Coffee Hour

May 24

No Coffee Hour??

*To sponsor a coffee hour pls. contact Mrs. Ana Franca Abi-Aad**Tel: (954) 806-9909 Or Email: abetriz@yahoo.com / Donation for coffee hour is appreciated***PARISH OFFERING****May 10, 2020****Important Messages**

Weekly offering	\$270.00
Donation	\$1,000.00
Total Income	\$1,270.00

*Thank You for your generosity and
your support*

Marian Month of Mary

Every Sunday during this month of May, and before the Divine Liturgy, we will be praying the Rosary at exactly 10:30 AM. Please make a point of joining us through our Facebook page to pray for Our Lady's intercession on our behalf.

Have a Blessed Month



THE SANCTUARY LAMP

Is a vigil light burning 24/7 and kept near the Blessed Sacrament. The light indicates the unfathomable mystery of the Eucharistic presence of Jesus. It reminds us of the reverence due to the Sacrament. The burning light is a pious custom as a way of prolonging our adoration and prayer to honor His presence.

Ascension Thursday

Ascension Thursday is the fortieth day after Resurrection. It marks the entering of the Lord Jesus into the Glory of heaven and sitting at the right hand of God the Father. Thus the forty day Qurbano in our Maronite Tradition. This is why it is an important landmark in our Liturgical Calendar. **It is a Holy Day of Obligation.** Remember that it is a sin to miss a Sunday or a Holy Day of Obligation. The Qurbano is celebrated Thursday at 6:30 pm.

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Thank You for Supporting Your Church

During these difficult times of Coronavirus that is forcing everyone to take extreme precautions and remain at home, your Church needs your support and asks you to continue making your financial offerings. You may do so in various ways:

- By Mail at: 600 Mount Vernon Church Rd., Raleigh NC 27614
- Via our website www.saintshatbelchurch.org by clicking on Donate
- Direct Deposit to First Citizens Bank : Routing #: 053100300, Acc # 000861430571
- Vanco: by downloading on your smartphone the free Give+ application.

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UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS - 2020

Due to the Coronavirus, no social activity will take place until further notice.

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Our 11:00 AM Sunday Liturgy will be broadcasted live on our Facebook page: "Saint Sharbel church Raleigh NC"

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

O Divine Ocean of Mercy and Compassion, be with us in our time of trial and difficulties. To-day I make an act of spiritual communion with you, the Life-Giving Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. At this time I am not able to receive the sacred body and blood of my Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ, but I choose to live in union with him and in the unity of the Holy Spirit. I offer my day, my daily life, my joys and sorrows to you, for those around me, and for the whole world. Be with us O life-giving Triune God, for we know that nothing in this world has power over us. O Lover of all people, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

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Qurbano P. 315; Creed P. 748; Pre-Anaphora P.749; Anaphora of The Twelve Apostles P. 754

Jesus Appears to the Apostles in the Upper Room Luke 24:36-48

The appearance of Jesus to the Apostles in the upper Room is the conclusion of Saint Luke's Gospel. They have experienced first hand the physical presence of the risen Lord in his glorified body. Unlike his presence among them before Great Friday of the Crucifixion, his presence in the Upper Room is completely new. The evidence of the crucifixion in his risen body is the perfect sign of his triumph over death.

Death, in the physical sense as well as in the figurative sense such as suffering, fear, disasters, and failure... was not abrogated. However, Jesus entered death and infused in it resurrection and life. In the Gospel of Luke, the appearances of the risen Jesus are characterized by identifying the history of God's salvific plan and its complete fulfillment in the Lord Jesus Christ. The Scripture, the life of Jesus on earth, his preaching and his death would remain obscure to his disciples as well as to all those who did not experience his resurrection. The apostles themselves would not understand anything about the resurrection on their own. The word of God in the Torah, the Prophets and the Psalms, and the Incarnate Word of God, through the preaching of Jesus, was among them for three years. This word was as good as a dead letter, for the apostles, until the risen Jesus opened their minds so that they are able to understand the Scriptures.

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