

# SAINT SHARBEL MISSION

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## PARISH SCHEDULE

SUNDAY LITURGY | at 11:00 AM

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**Administrator:** Rev. Robert Youssef Farah

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**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****December/2020****December 20****Genealogy Sunday****Epistle****Gospel**

Rom 1:1-12

Mt 1:1-17

**December 25****Glorious Birth of Our Lord****Epistle****Gospel**

Heb 1:1-12

Lk 2:1-20

**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**

Dec.20

11:00 AM

Personal Intentions

Dec. 25

Midnight  
11:00 AM

All Parishioners

Dec. 27

11:00 AM

Personal Intentions

**HOSPITALITY - COFFEE HOUR/2020**

December 20

Children Christmas Party

December 25

Coffee Hour outside in the Shelter

December 27

Coffee Hour outside in the Shelter

*To sponsor a coffee hour pls. contact Mrs. Ana Franca Abi-Aad**Tel:(954) 806-9909 Or Email: [abetriz@yahoo.com](mailto:abetriz@yahoo.com) /Donation for coffee hour is appreciated***PARISH OFFERING****December 13, 2020***Weekly offering***\$293.00***Donation***\$750.00***Christmas Dinner***\$1,250.00****Total Income****\$2,293.00***Thank You for your generosity and  
your support***Important Messages****Season of the Birth of the Lord**

Announcement to Zechariah

Announcement to the Virgin Mary

Visitation of the Virgin Mary to Elizabeth

Birth of John the Baptist

Revelation to Joseph

Genealogy Sunday

The Glorious Birth of Our Lord

The Circumcision of Jesus



## 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.

## Thank You for Supporting Your Church

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](http://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

## UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS - 2020

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

**If you cannot to come to Sunday's Liturgy, you may come on Wednesday thru Friday at 6:30 PM, and Saturday at 5:00 PM**

**A Children Christmas Party with Santa will follow our Sunday's Liturgy on December 20, 2020**

**On Christmas Day, there will be a Midnight and an 11:00 AM Liturgies**

## Genealogy Sunday

Qurbono P. 66; Creed P. 748; Pre-Anaphora P. 749; Anaphora of St. James P. 794

### Children's Christmas Celebration-Sunday, December 20th

Despite the challenges of this unusual year, at Saint Sharbel Church we believe in maintaining the Christmas traditions. In order to get our children in the spirit of giving and exchanging gifts, we collected the names and ages of 24 kids, 13 years and under, who wanted to be part of that gathering. The cards were drawn, and each will get a \$5.00 gift to the child whose name was picked.

The gifts will be exchanged on Sunday, December 20th right after the Divine Liturgy. Afterwards, children will be served pizza and will enjoy some Christmas crafts planned with COVID restrictions in mind.

Santa will be practicing social distancing and will be ready to take pictures with your child if you choose to.

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### Congratulations & Thank You

Last Saturday December 12, we had our “mini” Christmas Dinner with limited seating, and where the drawing of the Car Raffle took place. Many prizes were given; like the first drawn ticket and every 50th draw afterwards. Winners needed not be present to win. Along with the big raffle, there were many prizes for the small raffle we held for the attendees. The evening was lots of fun like a family get together, the food was great, and the music Christmassy.

I would like to express my gratitude to all who have helped putting the event together. Special thanks to Neomonde for donating the food, to Betty Saleh and her team for preparing, setting up, and serving; to Mary Najm for donating the Buche De Noel; to Steve Zaytoun and Mounir saleh for conducting the Raffle, and to all those who participated and helped continue the tradition.

Congratulations to the winner of the Car, one of our own parishioners:

### Mounif Aoun

who donated the car back to the Church. Many thanks to you Mounif and to your family for your generous donation. May our Lord bestow His blessings on you and your family.