



## PARISH SCHEDULE

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

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

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**Pastor:** Rev. Robert Youssef Farah

**Subdeacon:** Claude Shiver

**Sunday Liturgy:** 11:00 AM

**Saturday Liturgy:** 5:00 PM

**Wednesday & Friday Liturgy:** 6:30 PM

**Thursday Liturgy & Adoration:** 6:30 PM



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# READINGS

December/2022

December 11

Revelation to Joseph

Epistle

Gospel

Eph 3:1-13

Mt 1:18-25

December 18

Genealogy Sunday

Epistle

Gospel

Rom 1:1-12

Mt 1:1-17



TIME

\* LITURGY INTENTIONS \*

FROM



Remember your loved ones with Mass Intentions

Dec. 11

11:00 AM

Available

Dec. 18

11:00 AM

Available

Dec. 25

11:00 AM

All Parishioners

By: The Priest

## HOSPITALITY - COFFEE HOUR / 2022

Dec. 11

Ishak Family

Dec. 18

Available

Dec. 25

Available



To sponsor a coffee hour pls contact Ana Franca Abi-Aad :954.806.9909, [abetriz@yahoo.com](mailto:abetriz@yahoo.com) or Amale Gebrael:919.633.3557, [amal1014@yahoo.com](mailto:amal1014@yahoo.com) Donation for coffee hour is appreciated

### PARISH OFFERING

December 4, 2022



Weekly offering

\$1,220.00

Donations

\$100.00

Coffee Hour

\$371.00

Total Income

\$1,691.00

Thank You for your generosity and your support

### Important Messages

#### Daily Readings

Monday: Rom 10:14-21; Jn 7:1-10

Tuesday: Rom 11:1-12; Jn 7:11-18

Wednesday: Rom 12:1-8; Mt 4:18-25

Thursday: Rom 11:25-36; Jn 7:31-36

Friday: Rom 12:1-8; Jn 7:37-44

Saturday: Rom 12:9-21; Jn 7:45-53



## 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.

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- 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
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## Upcoming Second Collection

December 25: Pastor's Collection

## UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS - 2022

December 11:	Children Christmas Party & Recital after Divine Liturgy
December 14:	St. Nemtallah El-Hardini Feast Day
December 15-23:	Christmas Novena with a Divine Liturgy
December 17:	Annual Christmas Dinner
December 17:	Raffle: \$10,000 First Prize; \$2,000 Second; \$1,000 Third
December 25:	Glorious Birth of Our Lord

## Revelation to Joseph

Qurbono P. 57; Creed P. 748; Anaphora of St. John p. 815

## Christmas Novena

The Christmas Novena, beginning on December 15 is nine consecutive days of prayer and is a wonderful way of preparing ourselves for the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ and getting into the Christmas spirit. Historically, the Christmas Novena was not part of the traditional Maronite Liturgy. It is a tradition that was inherited from the Latin Rite Catholic Church of the West in the 1500's when the Jesuit (Latin) Monks came to Lebanon and influenced the Maronite Church in many ways. Our Maronite Fathers took this tradition and added their own **flavor** to it so that it became part of our Church's preparation for Christmas and thus our own tradition.

The incensing of the Blessed Sacrament, the prayers, the Syriac hymns and the processions all help us to worship and glorify the Word of God who is coming to save us and live among us – Emmanuel. After the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the congregation kneels in worship and the chant “Shoubho-l-how qolo” or “Glory to the Word that became flesh” starts off the Novena. Traditionally this “Ziah” is chanted in Syriac and it is a glorious experience which is guaranteed to elevate the participant into a state of grace and harmony like the sweet smelling aroma of the incense which lifts up our prayers.

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