



# SAINT SHARBEL PARISH

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March 31, 2024

## PARISH SCHEDULE

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

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**Pastor:** Rev. Robert Youssef Farah

**Sunday Liturgy:** 11:00 AM

**Saturday Liturgy:** 5:00 PM

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

**Thursday: Eucharistic Adoration:** 6:30 PM

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# READINGS

March-April 2024

March 31

The Glorious Resurrection

Epistle

Gospel

1 Cor 15:12-26

Mk 16:1-8

April 7

2nd Sunday of the Resurrection: New Sunday

Epistle

Gospel

2 Cor 5:11-21

Jn 20:26-31



\* LITURGY INTENTIONS \*

FROM

Remember your loved ones with Mass Intentions

March 31

12:00 AM

11:00 AM

All Parishioners

By: The Priest

April 7

11:00 AM

Available

April 14

11:00 AM

Available

## HOSPITALITY - COFFEE HOUR / 2023

March 31

MYA: Easter Egg Hunt

April 7

Eya & Mike Najm

April 14

Nathalie & Jack Daoud



To sponsor a coffee hour pls contact Gloria Salim-Brown: 919.345.3483, [gsalim@aol.com](mailto:gsalim@aol.com).  
Donation for coffee hour is appreciated

## PARISH OFFERING

March 24, 2024



Weekly offering

\$1,439.00

Bishop's Appeal

\$348.00

Donation

\$350.00

**Total Income**

**\$2,137.00**

*Thank You for your generosity and  
your support*

## Important Messages

### Daily Readings

Monday: 1 Cor 15:1-11; Mk 16:9-14

Tuesday: Rom 6:3-11; Jn 21:1-14

Wednesday: Col 3:1-11; Jn 21:15-25

Thursday: Eph 2:1-10; Mk 16:15-18

Friday: Rom 10:4-12 Lk 24:36-45

Saturday: Col 2:8-15; Jn 20:19-25



## 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

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

## Upcoming Second Collection

- March 31: Pastor's Collection
- April 21: Catholic Home Missions Appeal
- May 5: National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon

## UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS - 2023

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| March 31: | The Glorious Resurrection                          |
| April 7:  | Divine Mercy Sunday                                |
| May 5:    | Feast of Our Lady of Lebanon                       |
| May 9:    | The Ascension of Our Lord (Holy Day of Obligation) |
| May 12:   | Mother's Day                                       |

## **Hosanna Sunday (Palm Sunday)**

**Qurbono P. 315; Creed P. 748; Anaphora of St. John p. 815**

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### **CHRIST IS RISEN**

This is the foundational proclamation of our Apostolic Faith. As the angel at the Tomb of Jesus tells the women who had come to anoint his body; He is Risen and will show himself to Peter and the other Apostles. He will strengthen and confirm their faith in his Resurrection, so they might assume their ministry as pillars of the Church, and when he leaves them, they will be given the Holy Spirit of truth.

Sacred Scripture has taught us that the wages of sin was death. That before Jesus all who had died, even the righteous were trapped in the darkness of death. Death had not only isolated us from our Creator, but it also had become the great destroyer of all the hopes, longings, and desires of our human nature for eternal peace, and love.

Jesus, the Eternal Logos of the Father enters into our human history, indeed, he makes history salvation history. He is like us in all things but sin and accepts the bitter cup of sacrifice, so that by his death, death's grip on us is broken, by his resurrection we rise to new life, and by the gift of the Holy Spirit, we too become bearers of the truth, and proclaimers of the great deeds of the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ.

On Easter, we are like the women who came to the Tomb, discover he is not there, he is risen. On Easter, we are like the Apostles await his arrival, no longer as rabbi but as Lord. We await the King of Glory, who still bearing the marks of sacrifice, glows with the light of the Resurrection. We are allowed to see what kings, prophets, and the righteous always longed to see, the Lord of Life, the Prince of Peace.

“Christ is Risen”

This is our Easter joy, this is hope fulfilled, this is life eternal.