

They devoted themselves to
the teaching of the apostles
and to the communal life,
to the breaking of the bread
and to the prayers.

ACTS 2:42

Peace Of Christ



Welcome

The Family of Saint Sharbel USA is proud to bring you its Newsletter, to highlight past and future events and projects. We are happy to have you onboard! Please spread the word among your family and friends, we would love to have you all join us.

Contemplation Corner



"Be monks in the heart of this world, even if you do not wear the habit. Sow the earth with prayer and incense. Be saints and sanctify the earth". From Raymond Nader's Third Experience with Saint Sharbel: "Your Work in this World".

[Visit The Experiences Page](#)

What's Ahead: Liturgical Schedule and Future Events

St Sharbel Feast Day



This year, the Family of Saint Sharbel and the National Shrine Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes celebrate St Sharbel's feast day on **Saturday, July 23rd, 2022** as follows:

Confessions: 10:45 am - 11:45 am

Divine Liturgy: 12:00 pm

Followed by the blessing with the relic of St Sharbel and ending with the veneration of the relic.

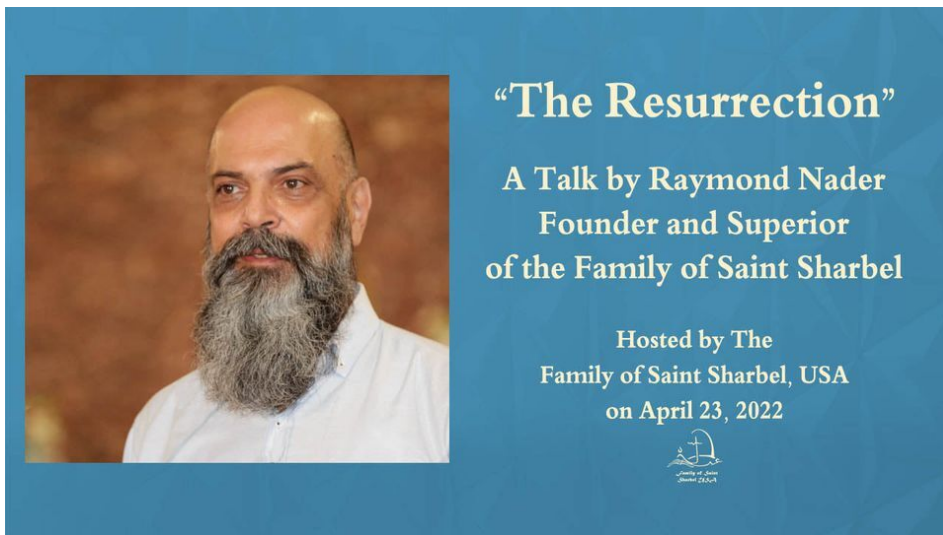
Please join us in celebrating this great feast

Address: 16330 Grotto Road, Emmitsburg, MD 21727

[Directions](#)

In Case You Missed It: Past Events

Talk by Raymond Nader



On April 3, 2022, the Founder and Superior of the Family of Saint Sharbel, Mr. Raymond Nader, gave a virtual talk in English on the topic of the Resurrection. To watch the talk, please follow this link:

[April 3 Zoom Talk with Mr. Raymond Nader](#)

Raymond Nader as a Guest on "Sarfe After Dinner"



Family of Saint Sharbel Founder and Superior, Mr. Raymond Nader, was a guest on "Sarfe After Dinner", a popular podcast produced in Lebanon. The podcast is in Arabic, with English subtitles for all to enjoy (more than 84K views so far), and we would like to invite you to watch it and share it within your circles.

Mr. Nader's episode was part of a series on spiritual topics, where he spoke in great detail about his encounters with St. Sharbel, which greatly influenced his life and understanding of God's message to us.

Watch it here: [Sarade After Dinner with Mr. Raymond Nader](#)

Birthday of St Sharbel Celebration



On May 7, 2022, we gathered at the National shrine Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes in Emmitsburg, MD, to celebrate the Birthday of St Sharbel (May 8).

[Read the full homily](#)

[More photos and videos](#)

[St Sharbel's biography](#)

The Causes We Support

The Family of Saint Sharbel devotes itself to lending a helping hand to those in need, and gets behind many humanitarian causes.

Here is a highlight on some of the humanitarian projects we are working on:

Twinning Lebanon



Twinning Lebanon is an initiative by The Family of Saint Shabel Lebanon, aiming to directly connect generous donors from all over the world with Lebanese Families in need, in a sustainable and reliable way. The donor can adopt a family and send them a financial donation through an International Money Transfer agent.

To do so, the donor should first download the "Twinning Lebanon" mobile application available for *Android* and *iOS*



Once registered on the app, the donor will see a list of anonymous family profiles, explaining the situation of each family (number of members, description of the areas they are struggling in...), giving the donor the freedom to choose to help whichever family/ies they desire.

Once the recipient is selected by the donor for twinning, the name and phone number of one family member will become visible as a point of contact. The donor will be able to use this information to make a direct donation to the selected recipient via Western Union (or a similar agent). Once the transfer is done, the donor will upload a photo of the transaction on the application, so the Family of St Sharbel can share it with the recipient, to be claimed.

The donation is received in full by the recipient, minus the Western Union fees applicable.

The donor is at liberty to contact the recipient, or to keep this charitable act confidential.

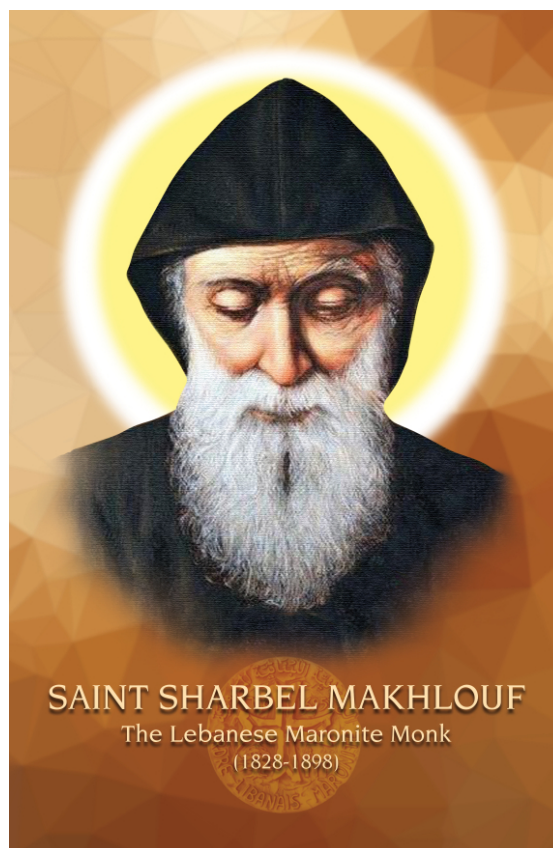
Below are the links to Twinning Lebanon on social media:

Instagram: [TWINAFAMILY.LB](#)

Facebook: [Twinning Program by SCF](#)

Reading Nook

SAINT SHARBEL MAKHLOUF: The Lebanese Maronite Monk (1828 - 1898) Kindle Edition



Title: Saint Sharbel Makhlof: The Lebanese Maronite Monk (1828 - 1898)

Author: The Family of Saint Sharbel

Abstract: This book depicts the Holy Life of Lebanese Maronite Saint Sharbel (1828-1898).

Language: English

File Size: 10595 KB

Publication Year: 2021

Available for purchase [here](#)

Our Amazon Store

Articles and More

Homily of Fr. Trinko



Our featured piece in this issue is the Homily given by Fr. Theodore Trinko (IVE) on the celebration of the birthday of Saint Sharbel.

Holy Mass was celebrated at the National Shrine Grotto on May 7, 2022.

Here are some highlights:

"He [St. Sharbel] was born to a poor Catholic Maronite family in Bekaa Kafa, and this little village is a mountain village. It is situated 5118 feet above sea level, it is the highest mountain village in the country of Lebanon. And so it's appropriate that somebody who would fly to the heights of sanctity would begin his life already at the top of the skies."

"One of his biographers said that as a monk, he would spend about five hours every night kneeling in front of the blessed sacrament."

"When the blessed virgin Mary received Communion, it was like an Annunciation all over again. The same Jesus who came into her womb at the Annunciation was coming into her at holy Communion. And that same heartbeat, which she felt within her, she would have in a sense felt again at holy Communion."

Full Homily

Our Weekly Zoom Prayer Meetings



Therefore I tell you, all that you ask for in prayer, believe that you will receive it and it shall be yours.

(Mark 11:24)

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Every Tuesday night at 8:00 PM (ET), the Family of Saint Sharbel from all over North America gets together to pray the Ramsho (evening liturgy of the hours) in Arabic. A priest will lead the celebration, cantors sing the hymns and lectors read Scripture passages. The priest then reads the Gospel of the day and gives a short homily. Following the prayers, the priest proceeds to give the scheduled teaching and engage in a Q&A session.

Come experience the serenity that prayer instills in us, and the fellowship our meeting creates among all the members of our Family.

You can join by clicking or copying and pasting this **link**:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/335616991>

Passcode: 816342

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