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# Saint Charbel's Parish Maronite Catholic Church - Established 1983



**Monthly Bulletin** 

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# Season of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross زمن الصليب المقدس



The Exaltation of the Holy Cross marks the beginning of the final liturgical season of the Maronite year. The feast originated after Saint Helen found the True Cross of Christ when she was on a pilgrimage to the Holy lands. Born in the 3rd Century, St Helen converted to Christianity and was the mother of the Emperor Constantine who was the first Christian Emperor of Rome. In the Hoosoyo of the liturgy of the feast we are reminded that the Holy Cross is the instrument of our salvation. The instrument of death became the life-giving tree. The wood of Adam's tree of sin became Christ's tree of life. After converting to Christianity, Saint Helena, the mother of Emperor Constantine, went on a pilgrimage to Jerusalem to search for the cross used in the Crucifixion. She positioned groups of believers on all of the hilltops between Constantinople and Jerusalem. During the search, she found three crosses down in the valley between the hills. To verify which Cross belonged to Jesus, Saint Helena brought sick people with her. Each sick person touched the crosses and it was when the sick person touched the third one and was healed that she knew it was the True Cross. She lit a bonfire as a signal which was then passed to Constantine with bonfires on all the hills and in villages

### **Ministries of Sacraments**

### **Anointing of the Sick:**

Please call the Church Office:(506) 444-6023

#### **Confessions:**

Available upon Request & 30 minutes prior to mass

#### **Baptism:**

Please call the Church Office, One month prior

### Marriage:

Please call Church Office, Six months prior

#### **Office Hours:**

Tuesday to Friday 10:00AM-2:00PM















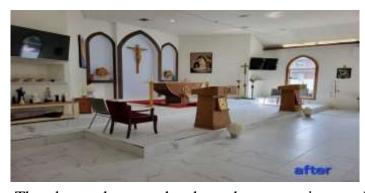
### **Altar Restorations**













The above photographs show the restoration work of the altar of St. Charbel's Church, Fredericton according to the Maronite tradition. The before and after depicts the magnitude of the restoration. With gratitude and many thanks to Monsignor Pierre Azzi, the Pastor of the parish, who ensured that this project was completed before he moved to Mississauga (Ontario) to take over the duties of the parish of Saint Charbel there. Our prayers for all the benefactors who have contributed to this work, we ask God that our churches in Canada remain spiritual beacons and a lighthouse for the faithful in all Canadian cities.

# **Divine Liturgy Time**

# جدول توقيت الذبيحة

Sunday: 11:30 AM (English & Arabic)

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday
See schedule below (English & AArabic)

Monday & Tuesday: (No Mass)



الأحد:11:30 ظ (عربي و إنجليزي) الأربعاء، الخميس، الجمعة والسبت (عربي و إنجليزي) الأثنين والثلاثاء (لا قداس)

# Mass Intentions



### Sunday Sptember 8, Mass 11:30 AM Feast of the Birth of Our Lady.

The feast of the Birth of Our Lady September 8 pays tribute to the essential role Mary had in salvation history. Her womb of mercy bought forth the Lord our Saviour and this feast emphasizes that she was pure from the very beginning.

Sunday Sptember 15, Mass 11:30 AM
Celebrating the Feast of the Exaltation of
the Cross September 14.

Sunday Sptember 22, Mass 11:30 AM
Monthly Remembrance of Saint Charbel

Sunday Sptember 29, Mass 11:30 AM

# Msgr Pierre Azzi Message

أحباءنا أبناء رعية مار شربل المباركة،

لكم مني كل الشكر والأمتنان على المحبة الأخوية، وأني أرفع دائماً الصلاة من أجلكم، ونحن في هذا الشهر نحتفل بعيد ارتفاع الصليب المقدس علامة انتصار الرب على الموت وهو العلامة التي تميز أيماننا بأننا رغم الألم والمشقة، نقهر العذاب بالرجاء والأنتصار بالقيامة.

وأني على يقين بانه بالوقت القريب سيصل الكاهن الجديد الذي سوف يتابع مسيرة الإيمان في هذه الرعية؛ وسوف تستكمل الرعية نشاطها الروحي والاجتماعي. ولكن مهما بعدت بيننا المسافات، حتماً سوف يبقى لهذه الرعية المكان الأفضل في قلبي وكياني... لكم مني كل المحبة مع الدعاء والصلاة لمزيد من نعم الرب وبركاته عليكم جميعاً.

المونسنيور بيار قزي



## Saint Charbel oil LAMP

**Saint Charbel Oil Lamp light for a week** is Available in memory of a loved one or for a special intention. Suggested donation \$10.00. See Msgr. Azzi to select a week.

## Offertory for the Month of August

Collection Aug 4: \$567.00 Collection Aug 11: \$1230.00 Collection Aug 18: \$1010.00 Collection Aug 25: \$1475.00



Donations to St. Charbel's Parish Use-E-Transfer: to BMO Direct Deposit Via Email:fredericton.stcharbel@gmail.com Thank you in Advance, God Bless.

# Farewell Mass & Gathering for Msgr Pierre Azzi



























On behalf of Saint Charbel Parish, we are very grateful for the time that Msgr Pierre Azzi have spent with us and the impact that he had made on our Parish and our lives, we will miss him dearly. We are very thankful for the way that he helped us grow in our spiritual journey. Our Parish was extended to other cities in NB: Moncton, Saint John, Miramichi...

The Altar and surroundings are a living example of his hard work, labor of love, perseverance and commitments. It's been an absolute pleasure and privilege to have him as our Pastor, we have been truly blessed. Thank you for his dedication, faithfulness, leadership and compassion to Saint Charbel Parish. He was an inspiration and a blessing to us. We wish him all the best in his new Parish and May the light of Christ go with you in your journey. Thank you.