

SAINT SHARBEL MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Dear St. Sharbel Parishioners and Friends:

As you know we are in the process of building our new church. It is Saint Sharbel's home and our spiritual home. It is a place where we are all equal in the love of God. It is not a simple brick and mortar building; it is the place where we all gather weekly, on holidays and on special events as one family to worship, praise and thank the Lord for everything He has given us in our lives. It is the place where we exchange peace and pray for the common good of each other. It is the place where each one of us accepts the power of the Eucharist that will keep us going day after day. The church is the glue that keeps our community together.

We are building our future legacy; we are building it for our new generation, to preserve our community. We want to reach out to our youth and strengthen their faith, and we want them to be proud of our heritage and traditional Christian values of love, caring, compassion, sacrifice, humility, kindness, mercy, leniency, patience, unselfishness, nonjudgmental, and forgiveness. We want them to be proud of what their parents and grandparents did for them.

This package includes the exterior and interior design and layout of our new church. It includes the construction time line, it includes letters from our Bishop and Chorbishop, and it includes the pledge card. Please read it very carefully before you pledge your support to our mission. The church belongs to each one of us, it is our second home. We do not have governments, countries, or big corporations to support and fund our plan. It is up to us the family of St. Sharbel to take the lead and support the mission of building our new home.

Your gift will help preserve our community and grow it in spirit and faith. If we, the family of St. Sharbel, do not participate and pledge our support to our mission, who will? And if not now, when?

Your donation and financial pledge to our mission is greatly appreciated. Please send it per the instructions included in this packet, or you can contact me at relaile@yahoo.com. For more information, please visit our website www.stsharbelbuildingfund.org. God bless you and thank you for your support.

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Director of Fund Raising Committee

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OUR PAST

Cherish
OUR PRESENT

Build
OUR FUTURE