

Saint Sharbel Maronite Catholic Church

Saint Sharbel, Pray for Us!

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March 26, 2017 The Healing of the Paralytic



Next Sunday is Hosana Sunday Healing of the Blind Man

2 Cor 10:1-7 (Accusation of Weakness) Mk 10:45-52 (The Blind Bartimaeus)

Your Gifts To God

Offering Report for March 12th-19th

Online	\$151.00
Collection	
Weekly Total	\$2,476.00

YTD Total......\$18,925.00 YTD Goal.....\$22,152.00

YTD Difference....-\$3227.00

Liturgy Intentions

Sunday, March 26th, 10:30 am

Available Intention

Monday, March 27th

Available Intention

Tuesday, March 28th

Available Intention

Wednesday, March 29th Stewart Family

Thursday, March 30th

Available Intention

Friday, March 31st

Available Intention

Saturday, April 1st + Milagros Murillo Sozska

Sunday, April 2nd

Available Intention

Adoration/Exposition every Sunday at 9:00 am before the morning Liturgy.

Confession every Sunday at 9:15 am before the morning Liturgy.

Also join us to pray the Rosary on Sundays at 10:00 am before the Liturgy begins.

Altar Sponsorship

Sunday, March 26th

Redmond Family

Sunday, April 2nd

Available

Parish Events

LENTEN 2017 REMINDERS

Stations of the Cross (Lead by the Deacons) — 7pm with communion service presided by the Deacons

Fridays During Lent:

March: 24, 31

April: 7

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY (MYA) Ages 18-35

APRIL:

8th: Basketball Night —Teaming up w/Crossroads and Maronteens Youth at THPRD Athletic Center 5-6pm and dinner at Sweet Tomatoes afterwards* (**MUST RSVP**)

9th: Service on Palm Sunday (Shaneeni) —Serve brunch at St. Sharbel 8:30-2pm (Must stay until cleanup is complete)...followed by a round of the nurder mystery board game Clue in the church basement.

22nd: Taco Night At Claude and Gennifer's home and discussion of *Answering the Questions of Jesus* chapters 8-9*

MAY:

6th: Dinner at Bethany Public House and game night at Bethany Starbuck's across the street* (**MUST RSVP**)

27th: BBQ and discussion of *Answering the Questions of Jesus* Chapters 10-11*, followed by late night basketball at Claude and Gennifer's.

JUNE:

10th: Day hiking trip TBA and discussion of final chapter of *Answering the Questions of Jesus** (MUST RSVP)

*Contact Claude or Gennifer Karam at **971-205-8076 or** jmjkaram3@gmail.com to RSVP, get location, get PDF of chapters emailed to you, or learn about the MYA.

JOIN US FOR SPIRITUAL, SOCIAL, AND SERVICE EVENTS

Community Events

Antonine Sisters Vocation Discernment

Vocation discernment for young women 15 years and older

Come & See, Go & Tell

- Come, discover God's plan for you
- Come, experience prayer life
- Come, learn about the Antonine Sisters' ministry
- Go and tell, the joy of living together

Program Starts Friday May 19 @ 6:30pm until Sunday May 21 @ noon 2017

For More information call Sr Jinane at: 330-538-9822 or send an email at anto9srs@aol.com

Address: 2675 North Lipkey Road-North Jackson, Ohio 44451

Upcoming Events in the Archdiocese

4/2 Human Trafficking Silent Prayer Vigil:

St. Andre Bessette Catholic Church, 601 West Burnside Street, Portland, Sunday, April 2, from 11:15-11.45 AM. Please join together to pray for victims and an end to human trafficking.

4/8 Mother and Child Education Center Volunteer Opportunities:

Can You Help Sort Donations + Bundle Baby Clothing? Mother & Child is looking for individuals (or groups up to 5) to help sort through donations received and bundle outfits to be shared with our families at our monthly Open Houses. Please call <u>503-249-5801</u> for more information.

4/9 Monthly Prayers for Life:

There will be a prayer service including the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy for the culture of life at St. Agatha's Catholic Church on April 9, at 1:00 PM. St. Agatha's is located at 7960 SE 15th Avenue, Portland. If you would like a ride, please call Sharon at 503-675-1874.

4/22 2017 Oregon Right to Life Conference: "Life...Because Everyone Deserves a Chance".

Join us Saturday, April 22, from 8:45 AM - 5:30 PM at the Portland Holiday Inn Airport, 8439 NE Columbia Blvd.,
Portland. Early Registration before April 14, \$40 Adults and \$30 Seniors/Students. Call 503-463-8563 or go to www.ortl.org for more details and to register.

ABOUNA'S CORNER

Healing of the Paralytic

The miracles of Jesus in the Gospel of Mark establish a direct link between the healing powers of Christ and his divine mercy. The symbolic correlation between sin as weakness and paralysis – and Christ's power to transform us into health – is not lost on us.

Moreover, the Gospel reveals Jesus Christ, not only in his capacity to heal and forgive, but also in his capacity to "disclose the secrets of the hearts." Thus, the Healer of our bodies and souls is also the reader of our minds and our hearts. The implication here is that the Lord knows what is in the mind and heart of each one of us — for neither our good deeds nor our sins are hidden from him. Let us approach him — that he may heal us and forgive us!

In the Mazmooro the Church proclaims with Joy this healing love of Christ echoing from within her:

O merciful Physician sent From God the Father to save us You came to earth, O Son of God, To heal our pain and forgive us.

During this passage of Holy Lent let us re-discover the love of the Lord for us, overflowing – like the living waters – through the heart of his Bride, the Church; may we find healing and peace.



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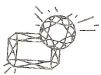
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