

DISCIPLES CALLED TO WITNESS

St John the Evangelist Parish / St. Mary Parish

Bellaire - Neffs - Shadyside - Powhatan Point

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Mission Statement : Inspired by the Holy Spirit and our Lord Jesus Christ,
we strive to grow in faith, love and service to God and our neighbors.

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 19TH, 2026

St John Church (SJ) - 415 37th St, Bellaire, OH 43906

St. Mary Church (SM) - 240 E 40th St, Shadyside, OH 43947

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4:00 PM - SM Saturday 5:30 PM - SJ

Sunday 11:00 AM - SM Sunday 9:30 AM - SJ

WEEKDAY MASS

5:15 p.m. (Mon.) SJ 8:00 a.m. (Wed. & Fri.) – SJ 8:00 a.m. (Tues. & Thurs.) - SM 8:00 a.m.



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. - SM

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. - SJ

Monday: 4:30 p.m. - 5:00p.m. - SJ

Tuesday & Thursday: 7:30 -7:45a.m. - SM

Wednesday & Friday: 7:30 a.m. - 7:45a.m. - SJ

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PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Show favor, O Lord, to your servants and mercifully increase the gifts of your grace, that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity, they may be ever watchful in keeping your commands. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Collect of The 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK - REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

1st Reading Question Wisdom speaks of God's power in terms of kindness, leniency, and mercy. *What words would you use to describe God?*

2nd Reading Question Paul explains that the Spirit intercedes on our behalf, especially when we struggle in our prayer life. *How can the Spirit help you in your prayer life?*

Gospel Question In the parable of the weeds and the wheat, Jesus warns the disciples of the presence of the devil active in the world. *How do we stay on guard against the evil one?* ©LPi

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR JULY 25/26

St. John's

July 25th EM: C. Bladen **Lector:** D. Respole

July 26th EM: J. Coup **Lector:** A. Busic

St. Mary's

July 25th EM: L. Gates **Lector:** P. Beveridge

July 26th EM: L. Kernik **Lector:** M. Kernik

MEN—JOIN US FOR COR THIS MONDAY!

We've got another great COR meeting scheduled for men this Monday, July 20 at 6:00pm in the St. John's Church Hall!

Fr. Dan's Intentions for the Week

Saturday, July 18th, 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00p.m. (SM) + Larry Phillips (Scarnechia Family)

5:30p.m. (SJ) + Rose Busack (Family)

Sunday, July 19th, 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30a.m. (SJ) + Mary M. & Jolene A. Hodorowski
(Husband ~ Joe)

11:00 a.m. (SM) + For the People of St. Mary's & St. John's

Monday, July 20th, St. Apollinaris

5:15p.m. (SJ) + David Cervelli (Mariann Merryman)

Tuesday, July 21st, St. Lawrence of Brindisi

8:00a.m. (SM) + Father's Day Novena

Wednesday, July 22nd, St. Mary Magdalene

8:00a.m. (SJ) + Father's Day Intentions

Thursday, July 23rd, St. Bridget

8:00a.m. (SM) + Zora Kernik (Betty Ann Brusnahan)

Friday, July 24th, St. Sharbel Makhluf

8:00a.m. (SJ) + Bruno, Bernice, Louie & Mike Maffe (Tom, Shelia, Casey, Megan, Gracyn & Berkeley)

Saturday, July 25th, 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00p.m. (SM) + William & Florence Donahue all Living & Deceased Children (Children)

5:30p.m. (SJ) + Louise Cicogna (Chick & Boys)

Sunday, July 26th, 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30a.m. (SJ) + Robert Beveridge (Mike & Kathryn Kelly)

11:00a.m.(SM) + For the People of St. Mary's & St. John's



Lord, bless and protect those serving our country, especially:

Lt. Col. Brian Zeno, Airmen 1st Class Curtis McElfresh, Sgt. Christopher Wetzell, Lance Corporal Zachary Knowlton, SSG Kayne Melko, HTF Kory Melko, Sgt. Joshua Hall, SSG Aaron Loeffler, Tech Sgt. Craig DeBeni, Lt. Col. Trey Vasey, Capt. SSG Josh Pempek, Mitchell Rataiczak, MSG Chris Dipold, Sgt. Ryan James, Sgt. Dylan Frizzi, Sgt. Jake Foster, Pvt William Clegg, Petty Officer Alex Rader, SFC Shawn Selmon, SSG Colton Selmon, Seaman Brooke Selmon, 1st Lt. DJ Olexa, SSG Kelsey (Ryncarz) Turner, Senior Airman Cameron Opic, PFC D'eondre Burney, Petty Officer Jared Keiser, Petty Officer Brody P. Halenar, Major Alex Beveridge, Lance Cpl. Keenan Cook, Petty Officer 1st Class Meleah (Tiber) Hernik, Seaman Joshya D. Nelson, E -4 Specialist Luke G. Bell, SSG John Workman, Corporal Dane Mischovich, E-4 Specialist Wyatt L. Robertson



HELP THOSE IN NEED

St. Mary's Parish is collecting deodorant and hand soap for the Shadyside Food Pantry. We will be taking donations in June & July. Please drop your donations off in the back of church. Thank You!



IT'S ST MARY'S FESTIVAL TIME!

St. Mary's Festival will be held August 14-16th. There will be live entertainment, Rotisserie Chicken Dinners, Beer & Wine Garden, Chinese Auction, 50/50 drawing, Texas Poker, Kids Zone and much more! **We need donations of pop, water, baked goods, gift cards, Chinese Auction items, and, ... your Time!**

Offertory Collection

For the Weekend of July 11/12

St. John's: Adult (131env) \$5,588, Loose \$351, St. Vincent de Paul (9env) \$113, Grade School (5env) \$122, Building Fund (5env) \$135, Peter's Pence (1env) \$40

St. Mary's: Adult (72env) \$2,760, Loose \$252, Peter's Pence (1env) \$10, St. Vincent de Paul (5env) \$105, Grade School (3env) \$50, Cemetery (1env) \$15, Building Fund (3env) \$80, Food Pantry (2env) \$86, Candles \$86



Please Note: *This prayer list is an important part of our love for our brothers and sisters in need. Names will be included on this list for four weeks at a time. After four weeks a person's name will be removed but can be added again the next week simply by calling the office. Please pray for the following:* Lindy & Don Freed, Jax McCort, Dominic Alexander, Lou Ann Kinder, Mgrs. Gene Mullett, Fr. Tom Petronek, Quentin Scott Coyne, Baby Everett Sommers, Joe Boston Jr., Bob, & Tom, Mary Kay Hanasky, John Hanasky, Beverly Kolenich, Sandy Bass, Anthony De Genova Magan Nichole Sechrest, Monroe DeLuca, Albert DeBlasis, Mary Jo Garner, Camden Thomas, Ainsley Oliniski, Beth Baker Phillips, Tom Kucera, Brian B., Joanne Dantrassy, Rita Koval, Susan Gray, Danielle Watt, Paula St. John, Mary Stegman, John, Mary & Heidi Patt, Raisa Rodsky, Jacquie Jochumsen, Tom Waligura, Shari Taylor, Gerald Paolucci, Mark Barker, Ernest Kiss, Rose Reeher, Lou "Weegee" Bennington, Jean Morgan, Bill Shepherd, Peggy Byles, Adam Ruskowski, Janet (Rose) Green, Carol Zemba, Donna Richards, Jack Selmon, Jamie Ellis, Tom & Margie Merryman, Beau Boston, Emily LeMasters, Dalisay Donato, Adrienne Forbes, Stacey Gilli, Max Townsend, Debbie Respole, Julie, Brian, Patricia, Marie, Josie P. Warren Wright, Vince Lewis, Danny Nardo, Steve Loveless, Betsy Ashcraft, Bob Wallace, Verna Martin, Aleyna Zwack & Atlas Zwack-Howes, Pam (Schau) Mitchell, Taylor Foster, Diana McCulley, Janet Green, Darla Schau, Ella Karst, Richard Gates, Liz Gates, Peggy Gress, Kyle Beaver, Eileen Penyak, JoAnn Rankin, Sandina Leonard, Dick Johnson, Connor Hanasky, Brode Brown, Xander Wilson, James (Cracker) Graham, Gary DeVendra, Liz M., David Arnold, Tom Lengyel, Joe Munjas, Fr. Tim Shannon, Bill West, Johnny Rushman, Linda Tylka, Patty Smith, Martha Rollandini, Marty Strussion, Janice Whorton



LABOR DAY CAR SHOW

This Labor Day, Monday September 7th, St John's Church will be hosting our 2nd annual cruise-in-style car show. It will be from 10am -4pm and free to spectators. There is a \$10 entry fee. Thanks to your generosity last year our profit was \$7,500 that we were able to divide between the Salvation Army Emergency Center, St. Vincent de Paul, Bellaire Local Schools Weekend Food Program, the Living Bread Pantry & the Coat Closet at the Bellaire Presbyterian Church!

We are in need of Gift Cards for the Car Show. Please drop them off at the parish office by Wednesday Aug. 30th. Thank You! Any questions please call Dom at 740-579-6867



Celebrating and reverencing God's vision of human sexuality

This week is **Natural Family Planning Awareness Week!** It is a national educational campaign of our United States Conference of Catholic

Bishops. The dates of Natural Family Planning Awareness Week highlight the anniversary of Pope St. Paul VI's encyclical, *Humanae Vitae* (July 25), which articulates Catholic beliefs about human sexuality, conjugal love, and responsible parenthood, as well as the feast day of Sts. Joachim and Ann, the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mother, Mary (July 26). National Family Planning Week takes place every year on the Sunday before July 25 and ends the following Saturday. While *Humanae Vitae*, known to some as the "birth control" encyclical, did reaffirm the Church's perpetual teaching that the use of contraception is a grave sin, it is not primarily making a "Thou shalt not" statement. Bishop Robert Barron states, "The Church is proclaiming the beauty and importance of the marital embrace whereby spouses express their love for one another *and* become sharers in God's creative action. The importance of NFP Awareness Week is to call spouses to live out the truth of this *inseparable connection* but also to remind them that the Church, as a good mother, walks with them to support them fully to live out their vocation." The bulletin insert this weekend describes this beautiful teaching. We'll be scheduling opportunities soon for married couples to learn more about methods of Natural Family Planning. Stay tuned!



ICE CREAM SOCIAL

There will be an ice cream social downstairs in St. John's Church Hall on Saturday August 8th, 6:30p.m. **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**



REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Sally Flowers & Judy Rulong**. We offer our prayers also for the comfort of their loved ones. *If you have a family member that dies but was not buried from our parishes please call the parish office, we would like to include them here in this space.*



School Supply Donations

St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting school supplies until July 27th. We will have a bin in the back of the churches. Thank You!

Items that are in need:

*1 inch 3 ring binders / *2 inch 3 ring binders

*Dividers - 6 count & 8 count / *Packages of loose leaf paper

- wide & college / *1 subject notebooks — wide & college /

*Scissors for grades 4-6 / *Glue Sticks /*Marker dry erase

black (Black) / *Markers / *Colored Pencils /*Crayons /

*Index Cards / *Ear Buds and Head Phones

ST MARY FESTIVAL 50/50 Raffle Tickets!

Anyone needing additional 50/50 tickets for the St. Mary Church festival please contact Fran Sobray at 304-281-8556.

GOD WORKS WITHIN THE Mess



GOSPEL MEDITATION

A man recently told me he was losing patience with the Church. "It's supposed to be God's Kingdom on earth," he said, "but it's full of contradictions and hypocrisy. Why can't the Church just be better?" That last word landed with a judgmental thud. It hurt. Because at times the Church can look painfully ordinary, even disappointing.

But Jesus' parables in today's Gospel meet that frustration head-on. He says, "**The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field,**" yet the weeds grow up with the wheat, and the master allows both to grow together until harvest. To his listeners, this sounded strange, even offensive. They expected God's reign to be pure, powerful, and glorious, anything but mixed up, hidden, or small.

Jesus is showing us something essential. The Kingdom always begins small and grows amid imperfection. Grace and weakness exist side by side until the harvest. That is why the Church often looks messy. Yet within that mess, God's quiet work continues. The weeds do not stop the wheat from growing.

When we see the Church's flaws or our own, it helps to remember that this is exactly the field in which Christ chose to plant. The miracle is not that everything looks perfect, but that his Word keeps taking root anyway.

Lord, give me patience with Your field, the Church. Help me see Your hidden life growing even among the weeds. Amen.

— Father John Muir

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Parish Picnic



PARISH PICNIC—MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

We've scheduled our annual Parish Picnic for **Sunday, September, 13**, 12:45-3:00pm at the shelter at the Park in Powhatan Point. The Parish will provide the hamburgers/hotdogs and drinks, you'll be asked to sign up to bring a side dish, salad, or dessert.

More details to come!



CHRISTMAS IN JULY PAINT WORKSHOP

This Thursday, July 23, 6:30-8:30pm, St. John Church hall. Check out flyers at church entrances!

Welcome.

There is **More to Life**

Bringing "Welcome" to our Parishes

Welcome, is an overnight weekend experience for our parishioners given by men or women of our parishes. Participants have the opportunity to step back from the everyday to reflect on their lives and their spiritual journeys. Everyone is invited to attend an informational meeting this Wednesday, July 22 at 6:30pm in the St. John Church Hall so that we can offer Welcome.

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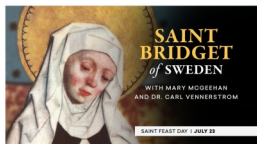
This Week on Formed

Week of July 19, 2026



St. James the Greater | Catholic Saints

On this episode of Catholic Saints, join Dr. Ben Akers and Mary McGeehan as they discuss the life of one of Jesus' inner circle disciples, St. James the Greater.



St. Bridget of Sweden | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Carl Vennerstrom and Mary McGeehan as they dive into the life of this medieval saint: St. Bridget of Sweden. A wife, mother, and visionary, St. Bridget was an evangelist both inside and outside the home. St. Bridget's visions of Christ's Nativity have greatly influenced its depiction in Christian art. Watch to find out more!



Saint Mary Magdalene | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp for a discussion on the life and witness of St. Mary Magdalene. Who was she, and why is she a saint? Find out in this conversation.

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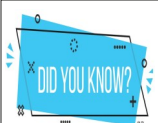
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CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question: When bishops from around the world gather in council to make decisions for the Universal Church, what is the council called?

Answer: An Ecumenical Council ©LPi



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NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS AND THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time / July 26, 2026

First Reading: "Give your servant, therefore, an understanding heart to judge your people and to distinguish right from wrong. For who is able to govern this vast people of yours?" (1 Kgs 3:9)

Psalm: Lord, I love your commands. (Ps 119)

Second Reading: We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. (Rom 8:28)

Gospel: "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." (Mt 13:44)

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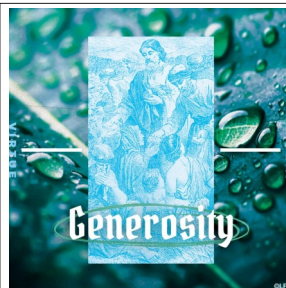
CCC 407: cannot ignore wound of sin in discerning human situation

CCC 1777-1785: moral decision making in rapport with God's will

CCC 1786-1789: seeking will of God in divine law in difficult circumstances

CCC 1038-1041: separation of good and evil at Judgment

CCC 1037: God predestines no one to hell



Virtues, Explained!

Generosity, Explained!

In the early Church, we read in the Acts of the Apostles, "all who believed were together and had all things in common; and they sold their possessions and goods and distributed them to all, as any had need." (Acts 2:44-45)

This doesn't mean we are obligated to sell our homes and cars, move in with our fellow parishioners and split the water bill. But it certainly does describe the spirit with which we must live as Christians — and it is a generous spirit, a spirit of self-denial, a spirit that prioritizes the welfare of our brothers and sisters as it does our own.

Generosity is a fruit of the Holy Spirit, cultivated in our hearts by a closeness to the sacraments and a persistence in prayer: "The one who provides seed for sowing and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed and increase the harvest of your righteousness." (2 Corinthians 9:10) ©LPi

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The Weeds We Need

Driving up my street in late spring, you can see which yard is mine from a whole block away: it's the one covered in dandelions. And I like it that way.

I fear neither my husband's shame nor the snarky comments of neighbors: I will never apologize for my dandelion-filled yard. "It's for the pollinators," I say, but it's a total lie. I just think it looks lovely. Who doesn't like a splash of yellow after a long, dreary winter?

People call dandelions "weeds," but it's just not true. Weeds are, by definition, any plant growing where it isn't wanted. A rosebush is a weed, if it's in the middle of a cornfield. I want my dandelions. Plants that are commonly considered weeds can even have beneficial properties. They attract pollinators, for instance, and they promote nutrient cycling, whereby soil health is improved.

We all have metaphorical "weeds" in the garden of our lives. I certainly do: facets of my personality I loathe, realities of my life I resent, limitations in my abilities I dread—these are my weeds, and their roots run deep, coiling closely around those of the plants I try to cultivate. But if I could rid my garden of any one of these weeds, would it really benefit me? And if I examined them all closely, could I tell them apart—the blessing from the curse, the struggle from the triumph?

One day, it will all become clear: what is the wheat, and what is the weed. We will be put to our ultimate purpose, and we will see ourselves for what we are meant to be.

Until then, we need the weeds. It's not harvest time yet. ©LPi

**LIVE THE LITURGY—
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

The mustard seed was the smallest seed, but it grew to be the largest plant because it was well-tended. This is faith: looking past what is to see what can be, if only we make the

necessary choice. ©LPi

**PRAYER – FOR EVERYDAY AND
EVERYBODY****Blessing for Summer**

O God, Pour your blessing upon these summer months of sun and clouds, flowers and growth. In this season of cultivation,

cultivate us as we worship, work, play, and rest in You. May this season, and all the others, serve to draw us closer to You. Amen. ©LPi

**WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE
EXPLAINED The Most Holy Trinity**

Question: *I accept on faith that God is a Trinity of Persons, and I know it's something we can't fully understand. Should I just accept that, or should I try to learn more?*

Answer: There's a legend from the life of St. Augustine. As the early Church grappled with the identity of Christ and his relation to the other Persons in the Trinity, the holy theologian wrote a book about the Trinity. The story goes that, while he worked on the piece, he took a break to walk along the seashore. He came upon a small boy who had dug a hole in the sand. He was carrying a bucket, which he'd fill up with seawater and pour into the hole. Back and forth he walked. St. Augustine gently chided the young boy, "*You can't pour the whole ocean into that hole.*" The boy responded, "*And you cannot fit the whole Trinity into your mind.*"

The Trinity is a mystery! Our finite mind can't comprehend the infinite God. Of course, the lesson isn't about giving up trying to understand God. St. Augustine did write that treatise, after all. The hunger to know more about God is good. We can read books about the Trinity or about the fatherly love of God, the life of Christ, and the movement of the Holy Spirit in our lives. More than that, we can deepen our life of prayer. The heart of our Trinitarian teaching is "God is love." The Three Persons are an infinite relation of love between one another. Real understanding of that comes less through our heads but through our hearts. ©LPi

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN
YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS****Do What Needs to Be Done**

A friend recently confided in me that although he prayed frequently each day and was involved heavily in his parish, he did not sense much fruit coming from it all and was left feeling unsatisfied. I assured him he was not alone. I told him of a deceased pastor of mine who had spoken frequently about being in this type of situation. Even as a priest, he knew all too well of how we can feel like we are simply going through the motions. It is precisely at those times that continuing to pray and practicing good stewardship is most important, because it would be easier to simply take a break and risk never coming back. He liked to say, "Do the drill," meaning just do what needs to be done.

We are all called to be mature disciples who answer the call of Jesus Christ regardless of the cost. We cannot choose when and where the call will come. We cannot schedule our stewardship in a way that is always most convenient for us. Even when the fruits of our faithful efforts seem hidden from us, we hold to the promise that we are never called to give of ourselves for nothing. God is working through us and in us. No matter how dry the land may seem, seeds are being planted to yield a harvest greater than we can ever realize. Stay strong and do the drill!

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Who Does God Want You To Be

How time flies! This coming year I will have one child graduate from college, one from high school, and one starting high school. I am exhausted thinking about it. My prayer for all my children is that they take the Holy Spirit with them in all that they do, and call on God to aid them in discerning their future. That is my prayer, but I know that it will not always be easy for them to follow this path. The key will be for each of them, if they choose, to be what God intended them to be, as opposed to trying to be what they want to be.

It sounds great to say to a child, "You can be anything you want to be." But at the core of this statement is often the lie that true happiness lies in fulfilling your will for your life. I have seen many people in my life that reached their goals only to find an emptiness and longing for something more. The reality is that our ultimate fulfillment and joy is becoming the person, not that we wanted to be, but the person that God created us to be. This does not mean that we are stuck in some predestined situation. There are many ways we can live out our destiny and use fully use the gifts God gave each of us. But it does mean that we have chosen a path based on where God is leading us and informed by an insight of the distinct gifts with which we have been created. At the end of that path is a life filled with joy, peace, and contentment.

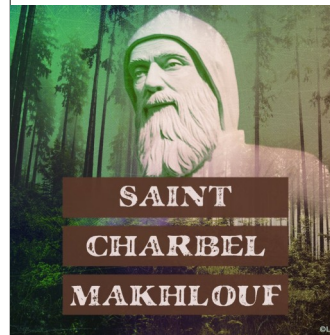
This is what I want for my kids. May they find their success by discerning God's will and becoming the wonderful people that God intended.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS © LPi



BUILDING A CULTURE OF LIFE Pope Benedict on Life

"The causes that lead to such painful decisions as abortion are of course many and complex. If, on the one hand, faithful to her Lord's commandment, the Church never tires of reaffirming that the sacred value of every human being's life originates in the Creator's plan, on the other hand, she encourages the promotion of every initiative in support of women and families in order to create the favorable conditions in which to welcome life, and the protection of the family institution founded on the marriage between a man and a woman. Not only has permitting recourse to the termination of pregnancy not solved the problems that afflict many women and a fair number of families, but it has also made another wound in our society, unfortunately, already burdened by deep suffering" (Address of Pope Benedict XVI to Italy's Pro-life Movement, May 12, 2008).



St. Charbel Makhlouf | July 24

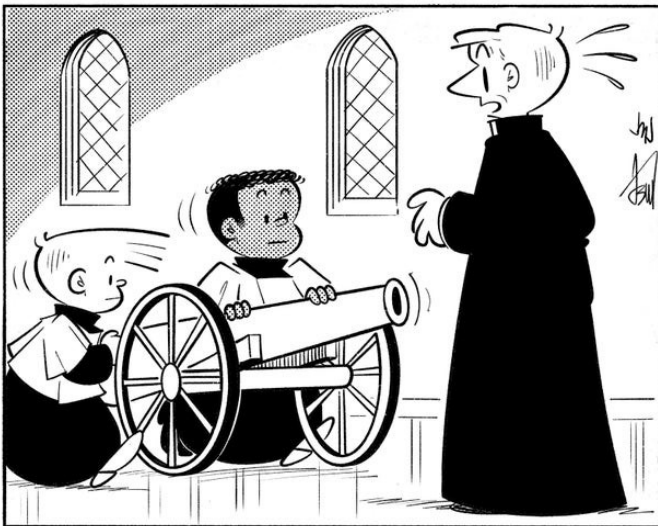
St. Charbel (May 8, 1828 – December 24, 1898) was born Joseph Zaroun Maklout in the Lebanese mountain village of Beka-Kafra, the youngest of five children. When he was only three years old, his father died. As a child and youth, he took care of the family cow and spent much of

his time in the countryside in quiet contemplation. In fact, he was so pious the villagers called him "the saint." Against the wishes of his mother and uncle, he left home in 1851, traveling on foot to the Maronite Monastery of Our Lady of Mayfouk to join the monks there. Upon entering the order, the saint chose the name Charbel (or Sharbel) in honor of a second century martyr.

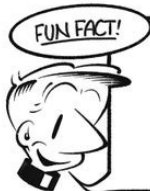
In 1853, St. Charbel joined the Monastery of St. Maron at Annaya where he professed his final vows and was ordained 1859. He lived and worked at the monastery until 1875 when he requested to go live as a hermit like his maternal uncles. Initially denied the request, he was granted permission after the lamp in his cell miraculously burned for hours without oil. In his life as a hermit, St. Charbel practiced severe bodily mortifications, eating and sleeping little, wearing a hair shirt, and sleeping on the hard ground. He performed many miraculous works in his lifetime, was renowned for healing, casting out demons, and levitating during prayer.

St. Charbel had a deep personal love of God's Eucharistic presence, and it was while he was saying Mass at the age of 70, as he held up the host, that he suffered a stroke and died several days later. Millions have visited his tomb and sought and received his intercession, even those of other faiths. Pope Paul VI beatified St. Charbel in 1965 and canonized him 12 years later. He is the patron of Lebanon. St. Charbel Maklout, pray for us!

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"Oh no, fellas! I didn't mean THAT kind of canon!"



The "Canon of Sacred Scripture" is the list of books in the Bible that the Catholic Church recognizes as inspired by the Holy Spirit.

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ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH / ST MARY PARISH : BELLAIRE, NEFFS, SHADYSIDE, POWHATAN

Readings for the week of July 19, 2026

Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8/Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11/Mt 13:10-17

Friday: Jer 3:14-17/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Mt 13:18-23

Saturday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Mt 20:20-28

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

THIS WEEK

Sunday: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: 6:00p.m. COR Men's Mtg (SJH)

Tuesday: 9:00a.m. – 5:00p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday: 6:30p.m. "Welcome" Parish Retreat Training (SJH)

Thursday: 6:30-8:30p.m. Caring Crafters Christmas in July Paint Workshop (SJH)

Friday: 4:30p.m. Westlake/Krupa wedding rehearsal (SJ)

Saturday: 8:15a.m. – 9:00a.m. Men's Book Study (SM)

2:30p.m. Westlake/Krupa Wedding (SJ)

No 3:00pm Confession at St. Mary's

Next Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Occupy your mind with good thoughts, or the enemy will fill them with bad ones."

— St. Thomas More

In Loving Memory of The
Westlake, Gress & Novy Families
By Terry & Linda

In Loving Memory Of
The Sharpe & Cerasoli Families
By Anita & Jeannine

In Loving Memory Of
John, Rose & Cathy Magistro
By Bruce & Mary Ann

In Loving Memory of
The Masciarelli & Smigill Families
By Sunny & Anita Smigill

In Loving Memory of the
Kuchinka, Teasdale & Stolz Families
by Marion & Jeff

In Loving Memory Of
The Boston & Donahue Families
By Cheryl Boston

In Loving Memory of
Joseph, Patricia & Erin
Padyjasek ~ Peter &
Frances (Pronishun)
Stemkowski ~ Andrew & Helen
(Ashmanas) Padyjasek.
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~Peter



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