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Weekly Newsletter

February 26, 2017

SPIRITUAL MESSAGE

"The Wedding at Cana"

The first of the miracles at Cana is inspired from the manuscript of Qartamine (Tur Aabdin). This icon summarizes this miracle by the Lord, his Mother and the newly married couple, reunited around a semi-circular wine colored table, reflecting a depth without perspective. In front of the table, there are three jars, symbolizing the Trinity, filled with water changed into wine. The scene takes place under an arch giving the impression of an interior, the house of the couple.

ASHES Ashes will be distributed on Ash Monday,

PROCESSION (STATIONS) OF THE CROSS The Procession of the Cross and the Ziyah will be held

Sunday marks the beginning of the Season of Great Lent. This Season of the Church consists of seven Sundays (weeks) of preparation for the Great Feast of

February 27th, 2017 from 10:00 am to 12:30 p.m.

every FRIDAY AT 6:30 P.M. **SUNDAY REFLECTION**

the Resurrection of Our Lord. Briefly, the Church gives us the Season of Great Lent as a time to prepare for the Resurrection of the Lord. Fasting, acts of penance and self-denial, as well as intense self-reflection, mark this season. In addition, the Maronite Church has a unique approach in her presentation of this season: each Sunday commemorates one of the great miracles of Jesus. These miracles focus on healing by the Lord as signs of his power over sin and death pointing to his true identity as the long-awaited Messiah. Tradition ascribes to one of our great teachers of spiritual life, Saint Ephrem, the following prayer: "O Lord and Master of my life! Take from me the spirit of laziness, faintheartedness, lust of power, and idle talk. Rather give to Your servant the spirit of

chastity, humility, patience, and love. Grant me to see my own errors and not to judge my brother;

for You are blessed forever and ever. Amen."

MARCH FEASTS

Day 1: Saint Domnina & the Guardian Angel Day 2: Our father, Saint John Maron, patriarch of Antioch **Day 3: Saint Thomas Aguinas the theologian** Day 4: - Paul and his sister Juliani (or Youliani), martyrs - Saint Gerasimos **Day 5: Saint Albert the Great**



MASSES & CELEBRATIONS

Sundays – 11:00 a.m.

Daily Mass (Monday, Wednesday and Friday) at 6:30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

BLESSED SACRAMENT ADORATION EVERY THIRD FRIDAY 7:00 – 8:00 P.M.

30 minutes before each mass

In case of emergency, contact the priest.

VISITING THE SICK

If you, or someone you know is ill, please contact Fr. Michel and he

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will arrange to visit the sick.

Please contact Fr. Michel at least two weeks prior to the baptism date.

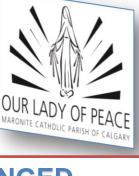
MARRIAGES

Please contact Fr. Michel a *minimum of four months* in advance of the desired date of marriage.

THE CLEANSING LEPER SUNDAY, March 5th, 2017 Reading (Rome 6:12-23) \ Gospel (Mark 1:35-45)

OUR LADY OF PEACE MARONITE CATHOLIC PARISH OF CALGARY

DONATIONS SUMMARY (FEBRUARY 19TH, 2017)
SUNDAY OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED
COLLECTION: \$ 720.90



THE SUNDAYS MASS TIME CHANGED

We Will be start celebrating the Holy Mass on Sundays

At

11:00 a.m. in front of 11:30 a.m.

Starting Sunday February 19th, 2017

FAMILY NIGHT

We are all invited to gather every Friday at the Church hall. We start by thanking God in our Holy Mass at 6:30 pm. we will gather to eat, play cards and have fun at the church hall.

FIRST COMMUNION

If your child will be receiving their First Holy Communion this year, please add your name, your child's name, and your phone number to the "sign up" sheet at the back of the church.

WELCOME!

We welcome all parishioners back for another year of cooperation and prosperity in our Lord, Jesus Christ. Our Lady of Peace pastor and parishioners would like to welcome all visitors and families who are new to the parish family.

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR LADY OF PEACE
MARONITE CATHOLIC PARISH OF CALGARY IN YOUR WILL.

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