

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

RTLMC is promoting ongoing membership. Membership in our local chapter is \$15/individual and \$20/family.

Your membership will help keep our chapter going and help defray our many expenses (i.e. RTL phone bill; to purchase pro-life literature for Health Fairs and events; for our newsletter mailings; and pro-life billboards, etc.). Without **YOUR GENEROSITY AND HELP**, RTLMC cannot exist. All of our Board members are non-paid volunteers who devote MANY hours to work for the unborn...

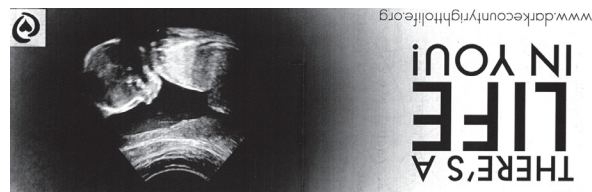
PLEASE make your membership check out to **Right To Life Mahoning County** and mail to:

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and put membership in the memo space.....

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU!!

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49th Anniversary of Roe V. Wade to be Observed

The annual March for LIFE to commemorate the 49th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade, will be held Friday, January 21st, 2022 in Washington DC. For those interested in attending, please call the Youngstown Diocese (330) 744-8451 for busses going from the local area.

Our local observance will take place the same day (January 21st) 1:30 p.m., in front of the Federal Building at the bottom of the Wick Ave. bridge. Most people can't go to Washington DC, so this gives them the opportunity to participate locally, in conjunction with the National March. Please come and join us, for this all-important event.

WHITE CROSSES

Our white crosses have been placed in storage for the Winter. Please call us (330) 799-6160 in March if you'd like to display them in early Spring!

F.Y.I.

Please follow the National and State news, re: Pro-Life activity — and consult websites in this newsletter — and Google Right to Life National for very important legislative updates.

MASSES FOR LIFE

- Tuesday, January 18th, 2022, 6:30 p.m., Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chapel, Walsh University Campus, North Canton, Ohio.
- Sunday, January 23rd, 2022, 4p.m., St. Columba Cathedral, Wood Street, downtown Youngstown. (Pro-Life EXPO/Reception with light refreshments to follow afterwards.)

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**Our sincere thanks to all of you also
and God Bless you!!**

WEBSITES FOR REFERENCE:

- www.rtlfomahoningco.org <<http://www.rtlfomahoningco.org>> (ours)
www.ohiolife.org <<http://www.ohiolife.org>> (Ohio Right to Life's)

*Have a Blessed Merry Christmas
and
A Happy Healthy New Year!*

FALL PRO-LIFE EVENTS

Our Canfield Fair Exhibit was a huge success this year, thanks to our chairperson Jessica Rosario, one of our Board members. Again, our sincere thanks to her, Sally Perunko (our President), and all the volunteers who set up, dismantled and staffed the booth. God Bless You all! Without your help, this project would never be possible.

BILLBOARD UPDATE

GOOD NEWS! We're finally getting a billboard up on 680, the big one behind St. Lukes — *VERY* visible going North & South. (Same message will be on both sides) We're able to do this because we are collaborating with K of C Council #11369 — our Sincere Thanks to them for helping us get this project going again...and to *ALL* of our Donors who have contributed. *(Be on the lookout for this early in 2022)*

DONATIONS NEEDED

Again, we must remind and request AGAIN for more donations to our local chapter — We send out 2,000 newsletters — if everyone would consider sending even just \$5.00 that would be \$10,000 in income for us! Our average per year is only 50-60 donors (some give monthly or a few times annually) With the onset of new (very contagious) Omicron virus, we may not be able to hold our May and June Flower sale fundraisers. So, your donations and help are really needed. (We haven't had our flower sales for 2 years, due to the pandemic) Please send them in to our P.O. Box (back of the newsletter). (Also, we hope to institute PAY PAL in the near future, this is still pending)



In Memorium

Mr. and Mrs. John Martin *in memory of Mary Elizabeth Martin*
May They All Rest In Peace!

ANNUAL RIGHT to LIFE ESSAY CONTEST 2022

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS AND SENIORS!

It's that time again for our Pro-Life Essay Contest:

To participate — you must submit a 500 - 700 word (excluding the articles “a”, “and” and “the”) Pro-Life essay, double spaced with pages numbered, and sources listed and mail to our P.O. Box (back of this newsletter) by February 23, 2022. First prize: \$200.00, second prize: \$100.00...with the chance to advance to the State and National Oratory Contest...

For more information or if you have any questions, please call our contest co-ordinator, Don at (330) 788-1314. *Good luck students!*

The Texas Heartbeat Act is an act of the Texas Legislature, which was signed into law on May 19, 2021, and went into effect on September 1, 2021. It is the first six-week abortion ban in the United States, and the first of its kind to rely on civil rather than criminal enforcement. The Center for Reproductive Rights filed an emergency motion before the Supreme Court of the United States on August 30, 2021, seeking to block the Act. In a 5-4 vote, the Supreme Court denied the motion before the September 1, 2021 commencement date, and subsequently the Act came into force.

How Ohio's Heartbeat Bill Paved the Way for Ohio's First Sanctuary City for the Unborn

On May 25th, 2021, Lebanon, Ohio became the first city in the state to become a Sanctuary City for the Unborn. After a unanimous vote, the Lebanon City Council passed an ordinance that outlawed abortion in their city and declared abortion-inducing drugs contraband.

The Sanctuary City for the Unborn (SCU) movement, first conceived in Texas, has sparked a national response. At the time of this article's publication, thirty cities across the U.S. have designated themselves Sanctuary Cities for the Unborn. Lebanon's ordinance represents a groundbreaking moment in the movement's history: it is the first city in Ohio to enact such an ordinance and geographically, the farthest east. All other Sanctuary Cities for the Unborn have been localized to states west of the Mississippi— namely, Texas and Nebraska. A handful of cities in other states, emboldened by the movement's success, are also looking to pass such ordinances in their communities.

Why Chemical Abortion Regulations Must Be a Pro-Life Priority

Ohio's abortion numbers have dropped drastically over the last decade. Half of Ohio's abortion facilities have closed, and our abortion rate has decreased by over 30%. The pro-life movement has gained unprecedented ground in Ohio. However, a closer look at Ohio's abortion statistics show a startling trend. The number of chemical abortions in Ohio—and across the rest of the U.S.— is skyrocketing. As surgical abortions have become no longer financially lucrative, the abortion industry has pivoted to focus increasingly on chemical abortions. As the abortion industry pivots to push the abortion pill by any means necessary, it becomes even more imperative that the pro-life movement prioritize our fight against chemical abortions.

ATTN: *If you would like to become a board member for RTLMC call 330-799-6160 for date of our next meeting. It is tentatively set for 2/28/22 at 1:30pm.*