

**OUR LADY OF MERCY
CATHOLIC CHURCH**



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"LOVE CHRIST...LIVE CHRIST"

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME~EUCHARISTIC SCHEDULE WEEK OF SEPT 10, 2017

Saturday, Sept 9	4:30 PM	+Douglas Batty by Dale Batty
Saturday, Sept 9	6:30 PM	+Margie Rich by Barb Neice (St. Mary)
Sunday, Sept 10	8:30 AM	+Loretta Fry by Mary & Stephen Newman
Sunday, Sept 10	11:00 AM	People of the Parish (St. Mary)
Tuesday, Sept 12	10:30 AM	Personal Intentions at Carroll Health Care and GAR
Wed, Sept 13	9:00 AM	+Wendy Neice by Frank & Cathy Greco (St. Mary)
Thursday, Sept 14	8:30 AM	+David Lorentz by Jim & Ruth Birong
Friday, Sept 15	8:30 AM	Ed Batt
Saturday, Sept 16	4:30 PM	People of the Parish
Saturday, Sept 16	6:30 PM	+Lesly Eichelberger and Lucas Kramer by L & Cel Kramer (St. Mary)
Sunday, Sept 17	8:30 AM	+Connor Keane by Cam Lanka
Sunday, Sept 17	11:00 AM	+ Jennifer Stewart by Dave and Barb Leyda (St. Mary)

Confessions before Mass

If you or any family member is ill or hospitalized, please inform the parish office

**OUR LADY OF MERCY
PARISH ACTIVITY CALENDAR**

Sun	10	PSR & Adult Ed 9:40-11AM Open House - New Church 4:00 PM
Mon	11	Ladies of Mercy 6:30
Tue	12	
Wed	13	Bible Study 11:00 AM Choir Practice 5:30 PM K of C 6:00 & 7:00
Thurs	14	
Fri	15	
Sat	16	
Sun	17	PSR & Adult Ed 9:40-11AM

**OUR LADY OF MERCY
Stewardship Week of Sept 3, 2017**

Adult \$1987 Loose \$217 Candles \$27
DPSC Rebate \$1,601
Bldg. Fund \$3190 LOAN: Balance \$345,464

ST. MARY

Stewardship Weeks of Sept 3, 2017
Adult \$ 1199 Loose \$ 92 Helping Hands \$ 227

OPEN HOUSE - THIS SUNDAY 4:00 PM - NEW CHURCH

Our new church is ready for inspection. Join your church family and the community in seeing the beautiful fruition of years of praying, giving, and planning. You might even want to pick out the pew you will probably be sitting in every Sunday. ☺

ST. MARY NEWS~ Helping Hands is collecting Acme register receipts dated from 8/10 to 12/20. They will receive 5% of the total for their programs. Please drop them in the collection basket and we will deliver.

PSR NEWS~ Classes begin this Sunday, Sept. 10 at 9:45 AM! All families are asked to complete a new registration form (in church entrance) along with student fees or paid in the PSR office opening day.

DEDICATION BOOK~ Our Dedication Book is nearing completion. A list of donors and those they wish to memorialize is at the back of the church. If our records do not agree with yours or there is anyone you want added through your building contributions, please get in contact with Janet Smith ASAP at 330-627-2293

MASS SCHEDULE~ The Mass Schedule for the week end of Dedication is as follows:

Saturday (9/23) - No Mass at OLM; Vigil Mass at St. Mary at 5:00 PM.

Sunday, (9/24) - No regularly scheduled Masses at OLM & St. Mary - **3:00 PM Dedication Mass at 748 Roswell Rd.**

RSVP~ Most of you have received at least one announcement/invitation to the Dedication Mass & dinner. Included was an RSVP card. Whether attending or not, please return the card so the planning committee can better do its job. If you passed some of these on to friends or family, please urge them to do the same. Much appreciated.

BIGGER CHURCH - MORE OPPORTUNITIES~ With our new church are going to come new challenges and needs, including the one for additional ushers, lectors, and extraordinary ministers. If you are not presently serving in any of these capacities, please be in prayer about becoming part of these vital ministries.

RCIA INFORMATIONAL CLASSES will begin this fall for anyone desiring to become a Catholic. Please see Fr. Batt or contact the church office.

SPECIAL 2nd COLLECTION~ The Dioceses is asking that a special collection be taken this week end (Sept. 9/10) for the victims of Hurricane Harvey. Please pray about this offering making checks payable to the Parish.



K of C Monthly Social Hour and Business Meeting Wed., Sept 13, 6:00 PM - Social (All are welcome);
7:00 PM - Meeting (Members Only).

DIOCESAN YOUTH CONFERENCE~ Attention all youth grades 7-12! The annual diocesan youth conference is scheduled for Oct. 15 at St. Mary's School in Marietta with the theme, "Put On Courage." For more information and to sign up for the conference contact Jessica Rodgers at 330-495-4399.

Msgr Bob Kawa: Apple Tree Nursing Home, Rm # 10, 1027 Lakeview Dr, Beverly, OH 45715

WHITE MASS~ Bishop Monforton will be celebrating a White Mass to honor physicians, nurses, and all who serve in the healthcare profession - Sunday, Sept. 17 at 11 AM at Blessed Sacrament Church in Wintersville and Sunday, Oct. 15 at 10 AM at Christ the King in Athens. All are welcome.

Happy Birthday: (OLM) Augustine Pesta 9/11, Thomas Jordan 9/12, Kathleen Pesta 9/14.

(St.Mary) Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to everyone celebrating in September.

Happy Anniversary: (OLM) Bill & Sandy Sprague 9/9 (50).

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

Lucille Fiddler, Brenda Sandefur,
Dave Leyda, Richard Otte, Sandy Fiddler, Beth Wolford,
Rose Marie Shine, Marilyn Schaeffer, The Grossi Family

Please pray for all serving in the military and thank them and all who have served our country.

Our Lady of Mercy

Clarence Halter, Jane Gyugo, Naomi Kowal, Erna Graham, Betty Shurtz, Mitchell Lanka, Denny Amelung, Vicky Oboy, Sister Cabrini, Jim Ferda, Cam Lanka, Bill Abrahams, Tina Lewis, Deb Thomas' father, Robert Jones, Theresa Machione, Grace Mahaney, Louise Furbee, Gary Shears, Greg Lanka

If you know of someone who is need of prayer,
please call Cam Lanka 330-806-5946.

Calendar

Monday

September 11

Weekday

Col 1:24–2:3

Lk 6:6–11

Tuesday

September 12

Weekday

Col 2:6–15

Lk 6:12–19

Wednesday

September 13

St. John Chrysostom,
Bishop and
Doctor of the Church

Col 3:1–11

Lk 6:20–26

Thursday

September 14

The Exaltation
of the Holy Cross

Nm 21:4b–9

Phil 2:6–11

Jn 3:13–17

Friday

September 15

Our Lady of Sorrows

1 Tm 1:1–2, 12–14

Jn 19:25–27 or

Lk 2:33–35

Saturday

September 16

Sts. Cornelius, Pope,
and

Cyprian, Bishop,
Martyrs

1 Tm 1:15–17

Lk 6:43–49

Sunday

September 17

Twenty-Fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Sir 27:30–28:7

Rom 14:7–9

Mt 18:21–35

Dear Padre,

I want my children to be merciful and forgiving like Jesus, but I don't want them to be permissive of sin because someone else thinks it's OK. How can I teach this balance?

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* teaches, "Education in the faith by parents should begin in the child's earliest years. This already happens when family members help one another to grow in faith by the witness of a Christian life in keeping with the Gospel" (CCC 2226). The balance of advocating the magnitude of God's mercy without diminishing the severity of sin is best taught through witness.

You should hold your children accountable (and vice versa) and explain with loving candor how lax attitudes and actions have consequences. As we are taught in Proverbs 27:5, "Better is an open rebuke than a love that remains hidden."

An intimate relationship with God also helps. It's easier to instill greater compassion in ourselves and in others when we've experienced God's infinite mercy firsthand. Jesus asked the woman caught in adultery, "Has no one condemned you?" She replied, "No one, sir." Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, [and] from now on do not sin any more" (John 8:10–11).

Christ loves the sinner and despises the sin—but he doesn't dwell on the sin. Instead, Jesus rejoices when sinners enter a newfound relationship with his merciful Father, knowing that the experience of God's mercy is the catalyst for ultimate change and lasting conversion, where neither the sinner is condemned nor the sin condoned.

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR | Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A Word From Pope Francis

"If you are not capable of performing fraternal reproof with love, with charity, in truth and with humility, you will offend, damage that person's heart: you will create an extra tale that wounds and you will become a blind hypocrite, as Jesus says...a sign which perhaps can help us: when one sees something wrong and feels that he should correct it but perceives a certain pleasure in doing so, then it is time

to pay attention, because that is not the Lord's way. In the Lord there is always the cross, the difficulty of doing something good."

—Morning meditation, "Mending holes in the fabric of the church," September 12, 2014

Our Parish COMMUNITY

September 10, 2017

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Ez 33:7–9

Rom 13:8–10

Mt 18:15–20

Correcting Lovingly

Today's readings are about fraternal correction. We are responsible for our brother's good, and God expects us to help him. This means being a good example and holding him or her to a gospel standard. If that means a hard dose of the truth, so be it, as long as that truth is given in love.

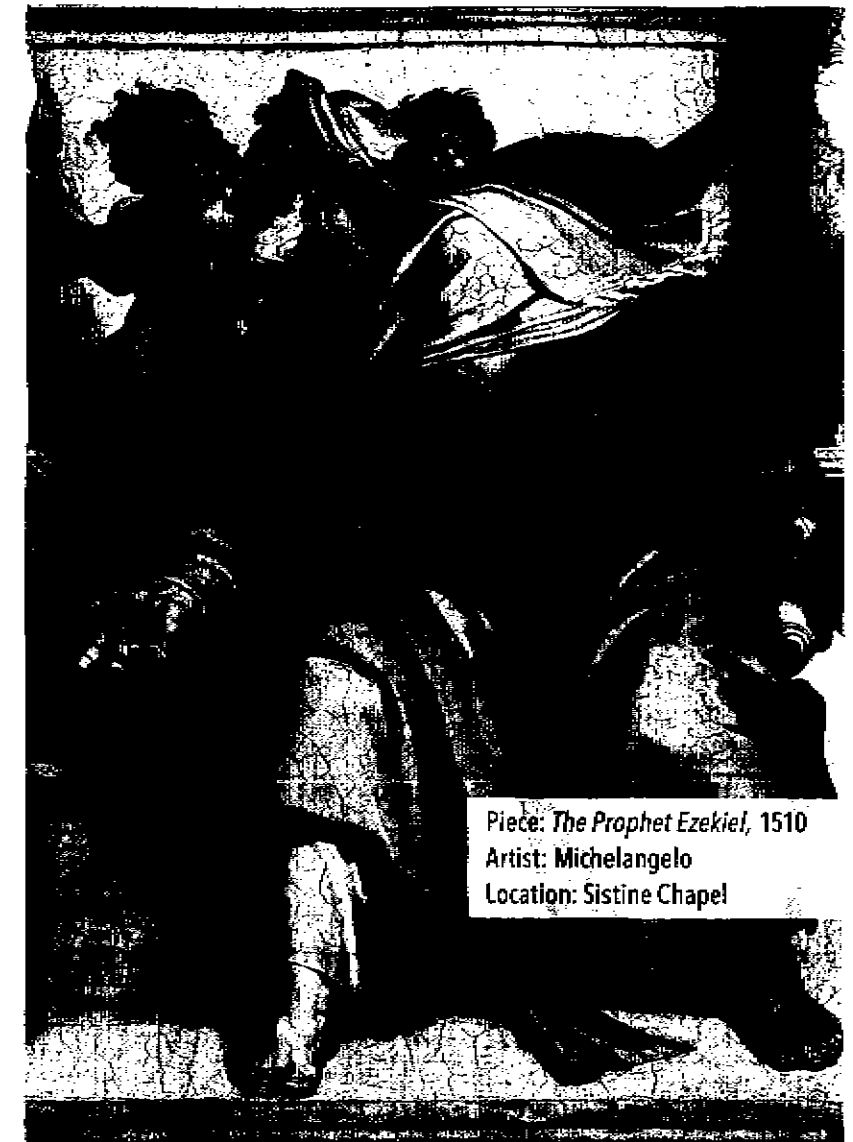
Ezekiel was a prophet who knew how to preach fire and brimstone, but he could also be tender and compassionate. He prophesied both about the destruction of Israel and how Yahweh would turn their hearts of stone into flesh. In Michelangelo's fresco on the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel, the strength of this rugged prophet is evident. That Ezekiel is turned to listen to a cherub says a lot about his humility as well.

God told Ezekiel that if he didn't preach to the wicked, God would hold him responsible for their deaths. However, if he did preach and the wicked still didn't heed him, Ezekiel would be safe. The moral is, when God asks us to preach, take it seriously!

Jesus tells us if our brother sins against us, we should confront him in the presence of two witnesses. He even encourages us to bring the Church in as judge if a dispute between believers isn't resolved. However, this should always be done with love.

As humble Christians, we should accept corrections when they are done correctly. No one likes to be told he or she is wrong, but if we are we should rejoice in the truth, even if it hurts. And we should thank those who love us enough to correct us.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



Piece: *The Prophet Ezekiel*, 1510
Artist: Michelangelo
Location: Sistine Chapel

For Reflection

Do I find the idea of charitable correction uncomfortable? Why or why not? How willing am I to receive correction from my peers? My spouse? My child? My boss?

"The commandments...are summed up in this saying, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself'" (Romans 13:9).