ST. MARK CATHOLIC CHURCH LANCASTER, OH

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 27

6:30 p.m. Charles Joos by Barb & Ken Besancan

Sunday, December 28

8:00 a.m. John & Ann Muetzel by Tom Muetzel

10:30 a.m. For the People of St. Mark

Monday, December 29

8:00 a.m. Melissa Edwards (B) by Jeff & Patty Wyscinski

Tuesday, December 30

8:00 a.m. Mary Ann Kessler by Bill & Cheryl Oelker

Wednesday, December 31

6:30 p.m. Michael Sprague by Family & Friends

Thursday, January 1

8:00 a.m. Mary Bause by David & Laura Slay 10:30 a.m. Kenny Milliser by Jack & Helen Huber

Friday, January 2

8:00 a.m. Barb Gianvito by Family

10:30 a.m. Crestview Mass

Saturday, January 3

6:30 p.m. Audrey Dittoe by Rod & Pam Dittoe

Sunday, January 4

8:00 a.m. Helen C. Berens

10:30 a.m. For the People of St. Mark

Please call the parish office at 653-1229 to schedule Mass intentions. You can now make your Mass intentions donation with your Online Giving Account.

Sick Relatives & Friends

Week 1: Marcie Mericle, Robert Dittoe, Nancy Hanely

Week 2: Trish Mallon, Philp Malis, Kay Fouty

Week 3: Donald Gardner, Kathryn Workman, Barb Schmelzer,

Miriam Love, Noah Middaugh, Codie Natzier, Theresa Hall, James Doud, Helen Boyle

Week 4: Norm Lynch, Codie Natzier, Theresa Hall, James Doud, Mary and Paul Wright

Week 5: Larry Redd, Dennis Ring, Michael Hammond

Week 6: Clem Hite, Phil Boyle, Dixie Archer

Please pray for our active military: Brandon Elkins, Michael R. Kuhn, Keith Ballard, Robert Brunney, Billy Paskins, Jr., David Kalb, Katie Lane, Alan Dyer, Brian Self, William Fouse, D. J. Amini, Ryan Wunder,

Nathan Rutherford and Jason Brunney. Military pictures are posted in the hallway. If you wish to include a family member, please call the office.



Those in Nursing Homes: Ralph Mertz (Lanfair); Cora Moore (Sterling House); Mary Brune, Mildred Mathias; Beverly Thimmes, Kathryn Workman (Crestview); Bill Scallion (Springs at Carol); Paul Wright, Miriam Kilbarger (Rockmill); Rita Mason (Carriage Court); Elaine Mertz (AlternaCare Canal Winchester)

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21; Lk 2:22-30

Monday: 1Jn 2:3-11; Lk 2:22-35 Tuesday: Lk 2:36-40; 1 Jn 2:12-17 Wednesday: Jn 1:1-8; 1 Jn 2:18-21

Thursday: Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

Friday: Jn 1:19-28; 1 Jn 2:22-28 Saturday: Jn 1:29-34; 1 Jn 2:29-3:6



Available for your Convenience

Headsets for hearing Mass Cards available by doors to place in the collection for parishioners who use Online Giving.

Monday, December 29

8:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday, December 30

8:30 a.m.-11:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7:30 p.m. Light of Life Prayer Group, Room 1

Sunday, January 4

10:00 a.m. Rosary 11:30 a.m. Epiphany Party

IN THIS PAPISH

Bulletin Sponsor of the Week

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<u>December</u>

28 NO PSR

31 New Year's Eve Party

Guardian Angels

(Grades Pre-K-5; 1:00-3:00 p.m.)

Open Youth Center

(Grades 6-12; 4:00-6:00 p.m.)

Place cans in bins by front door, place ink cartridges in the box in the front foyer. Thank you!

Attention! Please save proof of purchase tabs from **Little Caesars Pizzas**, for the Youth Ministries program. The more we collect, the more we can obtain free pizzas! Place tabs in box in the hall under Youth Ministry bill board.

Supporting our Youth Supports our Future!!!

Around the Diocese

JANUARY IS POVERTY IN AMERICA AWARENESS MONTH – More than 46 million Americans live in poverty. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) is the domestic anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops. Learn more about poverty in our country and its root causes. Visit www.povertyusa.org or contact Social Concerns at 614-241-2540.

WORLD DAY OF PEACE is January 1. The theme of Pope Francis' message will be "Slaves No More, But Brothers and Sisters." He will urge us to recognize the "equal dignity" of our brothers and sisters who are enslaved and exploited through human trafficking. His message and other materials are available at www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/war-and-peace/world-day-of-peace.cfm or contact Social Concerns at 614-241-2540.

NATIONAL MIGRATION WEEK 2015 is January 4-10 with the theme, "We Are One Family Under God." For online resources for parishes and schools, go to www.usccb.org/about/migration-and-refugeeservices/national-migration-week or contact the diocesan Office for Social Concerns at 614-241-2540.

NOTRE DAME ALUMNI URBAN PLUNGE RECEPTION: Alumni of the University of Notre Dame are invited to the Plunge reception on Friday, Jan. 9. ND alumni and parents are invited to a 5:15 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral and reception afterward at the Catholic Center, 197 E. Gay Street, Columbus. The Plunge is coordinated by Social Concerns and the ND Alumni Club of Columbus. For details, call 614-241-2540.

STAND AGAINST VIOLENCE WEEK is January 15-22. Parishes and dioceses across the U.S. are called to focus on peacemaking and policy efforts against violence from January 15, the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., to January 22, the anniversary of the *Roe v. Wade* decision. For more, visit www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/violence/confronting-a-culture-of-violence-acatholic-framework-for-action.cfm.

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY **DECEMBER 28, 2014**

JANUARY 22 - RESPECT LIFE MASS AND DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN: 10:30 a.m. at St. Joseph Cathedral. Bishop Campbell will be the celebrant. All are invited. For more, visit www.usccb.org/prolife or call Social Concerns at 614-241-2540.

ROE REMEMBRANCE AT STATEHOUSE: Greater Columbus Right to Life will sponsor the 42nd Annual Roe Remembrance on Thursday, January 22. The hourlong program will start at noon in the Statehouse Atrium. No signs or banners are permitted inside of the Statehouse. For more, visit www.gcrtl.org.

FR. PETER GIDEON will compete in Clergy Who Cook with other diocesan clergy on January 30 at the Josephinum Jessing Center. St. Mark parishioners can make him the People's Choice Chef with their donations at his culinary station. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Come and enjoy an evening of great food and fellowship while helping the Friends of the Josephinum support our seminarians. Reservations are required at \$40.00 per person and will close when capacity is reached. To reserve, visit www.pcj.edu or call 985-2234. Don't delay, this fun event has sold out every year!

CHRISTMAS - In the fullness of time Christ came as our Infant King. He invites each of us to come to Him for healing and hope, even from an abortion of long ago. He is waiting! Bethesda Healing Ministry confidential lines: 614-309-0157 or 614-309-2651 or visit our website at bethesdahealing.org.

RESOLVED: A BETTER MARRIAGE! For depth, growth, and enrichment in the sacrament of your marriage, consider taking a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend in the new year! The next two weekends are in the new year in Columbus on February 13-15 and April 10-12. For more information or to register, contact Paul and Marilou Clouse at 614-834-6880 or visit our website at www. wwmecolumbus.org.

In Our Parish

WORK ON THE YOUTH CENTER IS UNDERWAY, if you want to help in any way, please email John Kelly at jpkelly40@gmail.com and he will email you the work schedule. Everyone is welcome to help.

EPIPHANY PARTY - January 4th after the 10:30 Mass. Please bring a dish to share.

SAVE THE DATE: Coming in February, the Women's Conference February 21 and the Men's Conference February 28. More info to follow, but please mark your calendars; let's let them know that we are the "Emerald of the Diocese."

The ROSARY is said every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the church, please come join us.

As the end of the year draws to a close and another year begins and we plan our end-of-year contributions, please remember your St. Mark Parish Family.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN TRAINING: To register for dates and locations go to www.virtus.org, or call the parish office at 653-1229 (list also available in front hallway). Volunteer Code of Conduct located on the parish bulletin board and our parish website.

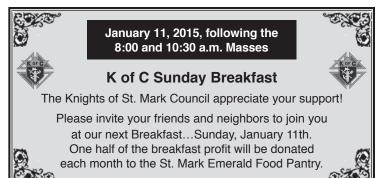
St. Mark Emerald Food Pantry;



Pantry needs: dish soap, saltine crackers Contact the parish office at 653-1229

if you would like to help with this ministry. New Pantry schedule as of November;

Tuesdays 3:00-4:45 p.m.; Saturdays 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.





Liturgical Schedule available on our parish website: www.stmarklancaster.parishesonline.com.

Next Weekend Schedule

Servers

Saturday: 6:30 p.m. Lyza Vail

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. Christopher Tooill, Tierra Tooill

10:30 a.m. Hannah Wildermuth, Hayley Griggs

Lectors

Saturday: 6:30 a.m. Steve Ford, Kathy Sullivan 8:00 a.m. Jim Spires, Eleanor Kaye Sunday: 10:30 a.m. James Aranda, Pam Dittoe

Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday: 6:30 p.m. Volunteer needed, Beth Ford, John, Theresa,

Kim Brunney

8:00 a.m. Bill & Cheryl Oelker, Tom Fleming, Sunday:

Carl & Jean Lefevre

10:30 a.m. Keith & Martha Riggins, Sharon Elder,

Nellie Hahn, Laurie LaRock

Money Counters

Ruth Hoch, Jerry Joos, Andrew & Leslie Yost



December 28th Jerry Joos, Mindy Lentz

Sign up for Online Giving by visiting our website at www.stmarklancaster.parishesonline.com.

St. Mark staff would like to wish everyone a Blessed Christmas and New Year!

