



Mass Intentions

Monday	March 10th
5:00 p.m.	Rich Snyder
Tuesday	March 11th
8:30 a.m.	Deceased Members of St. Anthony's Fraternity
Wednesday	March 12th
5:00 p.m.	Special Intention
Thursday	March 13th
8:30 a.m.	Joanne Trissel
Friday	March 14th
8:30 a.m.	The Living & Deceased of the Larizza Family
Saturday	March 15th
9:00 a.m.	Frank and Patricia Humphrey
4:30 p.m.	Katie Kindle
Sunday	March 16th 2nd Sunday of Lent
8:00 a.m.	Helen Mahl
9:30 a.m.	Living & Deceased of St. Mary Parish
11:00 a.m.	Deceased of the Kirkbride & Gurney Families

Readings for the Week of March 10th:

Mon	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Tues	Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wed	Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thurs	Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7-8; Mt 7:7-12
Fri	Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Sat	Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sun	Gn 12:1-4; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8-10; Mt 17:1-9

In your prayers...

This week, please remember all in our parish community, the intentions in our intention book, our family and friends in need, especially: **Ann Lou, Barb, Bette, Bobby, Carmen, Christie, Fred, George, Jim, Joan, Joyce, Kelly, Lois, Margaret, Mary, Matt, Pam, Ruthie, Sean, Tony** and all who have asked for our prayers.



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Sunday Collection (03/02/14)	\$11,619.70
Envelopes	268
Helping Hands Ministry	\$1,415.00

Thank you for your generosity.

[2nd Collection March 9th - Black & Indian Missions]
[2nd Collection March 16th - Tuition Assistance]



My Friends,

Beginning tonight here at St. Mary's, our cluster Parish Mission will focus on the need for reconciliation in our lives and our world. It will prepare us for the diocesan celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday night. If you are unable to do anything else for Lent this year, I would really encourage you to participate in this mission. We are working to promote our Elyria community as a 'Compassionate City.' The work of reconciliation begins with the self. Our consciousness of sin awakens in us the need for redemption. Once we untie the knots and open our hearts to receive God's grace, compassionate living can begin. We begin to walk in the shoes of others rather than pursue our own selfish preoccupations. The disciplines of Lent foster this outward perspective. When we fast from our own self-absorption, we see the needs of the poor and suffering and respond through almsgiving. This is not just money, but as Pope Francis encourages, with our time and service. If sin is usurping the role of God, our prayer life puts things back in perspective as we re-connect with the source of all we have and are.

Our Lenten theme is: 'If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.' It is a wonderful mantra taken from Psalm 95 that we can repeat throughout our day. It can help us to bring the awareness of God's presence into our daily lives. There are numerous opportunities offered in today's bulletin to deepen your faith and spirituality. On Tuesday's we have 'Awakening Faith.' On Thursdays we have the community book club reflecting on Karen Armstrong's *The Twelve Steps to a Compassionate Life*. This is an ecumenical and citywide effort. This Thursday, we will be meeting at Wesleyan Village, 807 West Avenue. The Second Step, "Look at Your Own World," and The Third Step, "Compassion for Yourself" will be discussed. On Friday we have the Stations of the Cross at 1pm and 7pm. There are bulletin inserts and copies of *The Word Among Us* to assist you with your daily observance and reflection. A family recommendation would include a trip to the movie theater to see the movie, 'Son of God' and talk about it as a family.

Today we will be sending our catechumens and candidates to St. John's Cathedral to celebrate with Bishop Lennon their *election* as they prepare for full initiation into the Church at the Easter vigil. Please keep the following in your prayers: Candidate - Tanya Marie Meyer and Catechumens - William A. Jordan, Chayton Ashton Clark, Marc Anthony Clark, John Logan Autra, Benjamin Tyler Lauren and Kayla Elizabeth Hess. We look forward to their joining us at the table of the Lord.

One last footnote: the Diocese of Cleveland is presently researching the best way to communicate with the faithful of Cleveland. Some of you will receive a survey in the mail. I encourage you to fill it out and return it. We need to find out how best to spread the good news of the gospel. Your insights will be most helpful if finding out how you get your news.

Fr Charlie



A very special Happy Birthday to Martha Peloquin who celebrated her 100th Birthday on February 26th ~ God Bless You!



This Week in our Parish

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| Monday
5:30 p.m.
5:45 p.m.
6:30 p.m.
* 7:00 p.m. | March 10th
Helping Hands Ministry - Conference Room
Liturgy Commission - Staff Room
P.S.R. Marian & St. Joseph Buildings
<i>Cluster Mission @ St. Agnes</i> |
| Tuesday
5:00 p.m.
6:00 p.m.
6:30 p.m.
6:30 p.m.
* 7:00 p.m. | March 11th
Hot Meals - Cafeteria
Cub Scouts - Green Room
Spiritual Development - Staff Room
PTU Meeting - Cahill Library
<i>Cluster Mission @ St. Jude</i> |
| Wednesday
5pm - 8pm
7:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m. | March 12th
Diocesan-wide Reconciliation - Church
R.C.I.A. - Conference Room
Awakening Faith - Cahill Library |
| Thursday
9am - 5pm
2:30 p.m.
6:00 p.m. | March 13th
Eucharistic Adoration - Lower Church
Daisies - Art Room
Daisies - Green Room |
| Friday
11am-1:30pm
1:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m. | March 14th
Pierogi Luncheon - Weigand Room
Stations of the Cross - Church
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| Sunday
After Masses
9:30 a.m.
11:00 a.m.
1:30 p.m. | March 16th
Blood Pressure Checks - Weigand Room
Liturgy of the Word with Children
Pre-School P.S.R. - St. Joseph Building
Secular Franciscans - Lower Church |

200 CLUB WINNERS: 03/09/14 Peggy Russell #70



The next ECHOES OF FAITH SERIES will be held in the Conference Room on Tues., March 18th at 7pm. Our topic will be *'The Last Supper: Christian Tradition and Jewish roots'*.

Altar & Rosary Society



The next Altar & Rosary meeting will be Thursday, March 20th. Please meet in the lower chapel for the Rosary and Benediction. A short business meeting and luncheon will follow in the Weigand Room.

St. Mary Parish Pierogi Lunches will be served from 11am-1:30pm on Fridays during Lent in the Weigand Room. Lunches consist of 5 *Sophie's Choice* Pierogi, applesauce, tossed salad & beverage. Cost is \$6.00.



Blood Pressure checks will be available next weekend Mar. 15th & 16th after all Masses in the Weigand Room.



Registration for the **2014-2015** school year for Preschool, Kindergarten and **NEW** students to St. Mary School has begun. Please contact the School Office at 322-2808 to set up an appointment to visit the School or for additional information regarding registration.



Please join us for Stations of the Cross Fridays during Lent at 1:00pm in Church All are welcome.



Our Parish will be serving dinner this Sunday, March 9th, from 5-6pm In the School Cafeteria. Volunteers are always appreciated to serve or help with preparation beginning at 3pm.

...and Jesus said...FEED THE HUNGRY!
We will take dinner to St. Joseph's Overnight Catholic Shelter in Lorain on Saturday, March 15th. If you can furnish a pasta dish, salad, bread/rolls or dessert please call Maryann at 440-458-6159 by Wednesday, March 12th and thank you.



We are invited to **pray** with our families and faith communities; **fast** in solidarity with those who hunger; **learn** more about our global community & the challenges of poverty overseas; and **give** sacrificial contributions to those in need. Rice Bowls are available at the entrances of the Church. Please take one home and bring it back filled with your donation on Palm Sunday. Thank you.

Cluster Mission
"Journey to Reconciliation"

Fr. Bill Padavick: *'Beginnings and Endings'*
Sunday ~ March 9th 7pm - St. Mary Church

Sr. Rita Mary Harwood: *'How Far Does Reconciliation Reach?'*
Monday ~ March 10th 7pm - St. Agnes Church

Fr. Joe Callahan: *'Making a Good Confession...'*
Tuesday ~ March 11th 7pm - St. Jude Church

Grief Support Group "*Hopeful Hearts*", for seniors 60+, will meet Tues., Mar. 25th, 1-2:30pm at Holy Spirit Church Family Center 410 Lear Rd. Avon Lake. Meetings are held the 4th Tues. of each month, are open to the community at no charge. No reservations required. Sponsored by: Hospice of the Western Reserve & Holy Spirit Bereavement Ministry. For information contact JoDee Coulter, Bereavement Coordinator, 440-892-6680 or Mary Lou, 440-933-4423.

Sponsor of the Week:
St. Mary Cemetery - Elyria
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