



**Mass Intentions**

- Monday**      **September 8<sup>th</sup>**  
                     The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
 8:30 a.m.      Carole and Richard Patyak
- Tuesday**     **September 9<sup>th</sup>** Peter Claver, priest  
 8:30 a.m.      Living & Deceased of St. Mary Parish
- Wednesday** **September 10<sup>th</sup>**  
 5:00 p.m.      Sisters Justine and Xavier, CSA
- Thursday**    **September 11<sup>th</sup>**  
 8:30 a.m.      Lloyd Sugaski
- Friday**        **September 12<sup>th</sup>** The Most Holy Name of Mary  
 8:30 a.m.      Dan Kulas
- Saturday**     **September 13<sup>th</sup>** John Chrysostom, bishop  
 9:00 a.m.      Jean and Pete Slavin  
 4:30 p.m.      Eileen Murawski
- Sunday**        **Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>** The Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
 8:00 a.m.      Anthony and Stella Jezewski  
 9:30 a.m.      Living & Deceased of Herman & Dolores Plas Family  
 11:00 a.m.     Living & Deceased of St. Mary Parish



My Friends,

The beginning of a new school year usually marks the beginning of a new year of parish programming. After taking some time off to relax, it is time to re-engage in the ministries and activities of parish life. There are so many workshops for pastors and pastoral ministers these days that offer suggestions on how to reach out and engage all the members of the parish. There are all kinds of ideas on how to communicate the gospel in this age of social media. While these seminars offer many helpful ideas, I am becoming more convinced that the gospel is meant to be proclaimed person to person. He invites us into a personal relationship through the ministry of one another. You cannot friend/unfriend Jesus at the click of an icon.

I believe that our parish life and worship fully provides all that will make us happy and fulfilled in this life. Why is it not the number one priority in our life? I believe that our school and religious education program offers a wonderful environment in which to raise our children and immerse them in a life of faith. What is our commitment to grounding our children in a life of faith? I believe what we share in our life of faith is of tremendous benefit to our city and the whole of society. How do we make the power of the gospel come alive in our life and in our world?

As I already mentioned, I do not think there is a perfect program. Until we are ready to read the gospels and hear Jesus speak to us, we will never know their potential to bring joy into our lives. My 'ice bucket' challenge to you for the coming year is to urge you to develop your relationship with the Lord through the gospels. Whether you read them personally or as a family, enter the gospel scene with Jesus. Let the coming Sunday's gospel be the source of your reflection through the week. If we do this together, I can guarantee you that this is one program that will work.

Fr

**Charlie**

Catholic Relief Services asked that the Bishops of the United States take up a special collection next weekend [Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup>] to provide humanitarian relief and pastoral support for our affected brothers & sisters in the Middle East. The funds will be sent to CRS and will be used by them and other Catholic agencies working in partnership with the local Church to meet the most urgent humanitarian needs facing the people in Iraq, Gaza, Syria and surrounding countries where refugees have fled.

\* Any donation checks can be made out to St. Mary Church with the memo marked Middle East, we will send 1 check to Catholic Relief Services.

Readings for the Week of September 8<sup>th</sup>

Mon	Mi 5:1-4; Ps 13:16; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23
Tues	1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1-6, 9; Lk 6:12-19
Wed	1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26
Thurs	1 Cor 8:1-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 23-24; Lk 6:27-38
Fri	1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-27; Ps 84:3-6, 8, 12; Lk 6:39-42
Sat	1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Lk 6:43-49
Sun	Nm 21:4-9; Ps 78:1-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17



Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Catherine Elbert** and **Scott Dallos** who died this week and for the consolation of their loved ones.

*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, Ashleigh, Betty, Bev, Bill, Carmen, Curtis, Ed, Jack, Jim, Kevin, LaVera, Linda, Mary, Mary Ann, Matt, Nancy, Paula, Quintine, R.J., Ricki, Rosemary, Rosie, Sally, Stacie, Tony** and all who have asked for our prayers.



**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

Sunday Collection (08/31/14)	\$8,176.11
Tuition Assistance	\$551.75
Envelopes	240

**Thank you for your generosity.**

[2<sup>nd</sup> Collection September 7<sup>th</sup> - Helping Hands Ministry]  
 [2<sup>nd</sup> Collection September 14<sup>th</sup> - CRS Middle East Aid]



*Congratulations to Sister Joan Tomchey who will be celebrating her 60<sup>th</sup> Jubilee on Friday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014!*

*May God continue to bless you in your ministry.*

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### This Week in our Parish

<b>Monday</b>	<b>September 8<sup>th</sup></b>
5:30 p.m.	Helping Hands Ministry - Conference Room
5:45 p.m.	Liturgy Commission - Staff Room
6:30 p.m.	Opening P.S.R. Family Mass - Church followed by Parent Information Meeting - Weigand Room
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>September 9<sup>th</sup></b>
5:00 p.m.	Hot Meals - Cafeteria
5:30 p.m.	Awakening Faith - Weigand Room
6:30 p.m.	Spiritual Development - Conference Room
7:00 p.m.	Cub Scout Information Meeting - Art Room
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>September 10<sup>th</sup></b>
7:00 p.m.	R.C.I.A. - Conference Room
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>September 11<sup>th</sup></b>
9am - 5pm	Eucharistic Adoration - Lower Church
2:30 p.m.	Brownies - Art Room
7:00 p.m.	SMS Band Meeting - Music Room
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>September 14<sup>th</sup></b>
5:00 p.m.	Hot Meals - Cafeteria

**200 CLUB WINNERS:** 09/07/14 Robert Leghart #164



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a journey process for those interested in the Catholic Faith. If you have never been baptized, were baptized in another Christian community, or were baptized Catholic and have not received the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation, or know of someone interested in learning about the Catholic Faith please contact Sister Mary Dorothy at 440-323-5539.



**PSR** - our faith formation program for younger children and students attending public school begins soon. Registration forms are available outside the Weigand Room after all Masses or call the Parish Office 323-5539 for more information.

**Elementary PSR** Classes for grades 1 through 8 are held on Monday evenings from 6:30-7:45pm beginning with an **Opening Mass** on **Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>** at **6:30pm** in **Church**, followed by a Program Information Meeting in the Weigand Room.

**Pre-School PSR** - for 3, 4 and 5 year olds will be held in the St. Joseph Building during the 11:00am Mass beginning on **Sunday, Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>**.

**Liturgy of the Word with Children** during the 9:30am Mass will begin **Sunday, Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>**.

*Awakening Faith Series* begins this Tues., Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm in the Weigand Room. The series offers an opportunity to

ask questions and have discussions regarding our Faith. The series will continue Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome.



### SCOUT NIGHT

Any boys in grades 1-5 [& their parents] who are interested in joining **Cub Scouts** are invited to an Information Meeting on **Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>** at **7pm** in the **Art Room**.



Our Parish will be serving dinner next **Sunday, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>** from **5-6pm** in the **St. Mary School Cafeteria**. Volunteers are always appreciated to serve or help with preparation beginning at 3pm.

**Natural Family Planning** - Learn a method of family planning that is marriage building, effective & morally acceptable. Great for achieving or postponing pregnancy. A series of NFP classes will begin Mon., Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> at University Hospitals Westlake Medical Building. Register online at [www.ccli.org](http://www.ccli.org).

3<sup>rd</sup> Annual St. Vincent dePaul Society *Friends of the Poor*® Walk on **Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup>** from **10am - Noon**.

This family-friendly event will be held simultaneously at both **St. Edward High School**, 13500 Detroit Ave. in Lakewood & at **Richfield Woods Park**, 4100 Broadview Rd. in Richfield. Both paved routes are less than one mile and are designed to accommodate strollers, wheelchairs & individuals of all ages. All money raised locally will be used to help economically-disadvantaged residents in Northeast Ohio. To participate or donate, register online at: <http://www.fopwalk.org>. For additional information, contact SVDP Cleveland at 216.696.6525, x3150.

**Catholic Family Day** at Progressive Field on **Sunday, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>**. Join the Cleveland Indians for Mass and a Ball Game! Pre-game Mass at 10:15am in the Ball Park. Tickets starting at \$11. Purchase on line at <http://TINYURL.COM/KMTYG8Z> [enter the special offer code 'BASEBALL'] For more information call 216-420-4162 or email [jplys@indians.com](mailto:jplys@indians.com).

The **Harvest for Justice ~ FAIR TRADE BAZAAR** will be held in the Weigand Room after Masses on **Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>** until 1pm. Shop from vendors that work to provide a fair income to those in need. Crafts and handmade items will be available. Learn about efforts to encourage peace & justice. Support the work of the poor from around the world.

**All Women & Men are invited to: St. Jude ~ Day of Retreat**

Tuesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2014 from 8:30am - 1pm

Call St. Jude Rectory 366-5711 to make a reservation.

[Sponsored by St. Jude Altar & Rosary Society and St. Jude Seniors]

**MARRIED COUPLES:** "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Today's gospel challenges us to come together in His name. Is God in your Marriage? The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is Oct. 17-19<sup>th</sup>, Apply or for more info call: Scott & Lori at 330-305-9963 or online [wwme.org](http://wwme.org).

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