



Mass Intentions

- Monday February 23rd** Polycarp, bishop/martyr
5:00 p.m. Justin Hoover
- Tuesday February 24th**
8:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of St. Mary Parish
- Wednesday February 25th**
5:00 p.m. Robert Bergman
- Thursday February 26th**
8:30 a.m. Richard and Margaret Burrer
- Friday February 27th**
8:30 a.m. Leo Pitts
- Saturday February 28th**
9:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of St. Mary Parish
4:30 p.m. Barbara Smith Tuttle
- Sunday March 1st 2nd** Sunday of Lent
8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of St. Mary Parish
9:30 a.m. Henry and Ron Peloquin
11:00 a.m. Sophie McArtor

Readings for the Week of February 23rd

Mon	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Tue	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
Thur	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 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

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, Ann Lou, Becky, Bette, Betty, Bill, Blake, Carmen, Dottie, Gene, Jeff, Jim, Mario, Mary, Matt, Paul, Rita, Ruthe, Sally, Sarah, Tina, Tom, Vicki** and all who have asked for our prayers.



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Sunday Collection (02/15/15)	\$8,478.06
Envelopes	198

Thank you for your generosity.

[2nd Collection February 22nd - Black & Indian Mission]
[2nd Collection March 1st - Helping Hands Ministry]



OPERATION RICE BOWL
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.



My Friends,

While we do not have a mobile app for our parish *yet*, there are many resources that can enhance our connectivity and so build up our parish family. There are so many things vying for our attention that we often fail to focus in on events and opportunities that are truly beneficial to ourselves and our families.

Presently, we have a parish website that Mike Moore works hard to keep updated. The parish calendar and information are easily accessible. Not only do we include parish programming but we also provide links to other Catholic sites that make available useful information. It is a good source of opportunities for our Lenten observance. (At least you can check the times for the various services so as not to call the parish office.)

Each week, thanks to Angie Pluta, we are able to send out an email blast that conveys important parish information for that week. If you are not receiving it in your email, all you have to do is contact the parish office and give us your email address. This is the best means of keeping you up-to-date on parish activities each week.

A new endeavor this week is our ability to deliver a daily Scripture upon which to reflect. We are subscribing as a parish to *The Daily Gospel Delivered* that makes you eligible to receive the email. The Scripture is read, often with sound effects. It is a convenient way to bring God's word into your daily life.

We continue to reach out to our teens through *Flocknote*. Randy Kula is able to send texts with all the teen activities. If you are in high school and do not receive the texts, let the office know and we can get you registered. We have the youth renewal coming up March 7-8th. This will be an important foundation to building a youth ministry here at St. Mary's. I certainly encourage as many teens as possible to consider being a part of this weekend.

Fr. Charlie

St. Mary Parish will once again serve Pierogi Lunches on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays during Lent [NOT on Good Friday] from 11am-1:30pm in the Parish Hall. Lunches consist of 5 Sophie's Choice Pierogi, applesauce, tossed salad, roll & beverage. Cost is \$6.00. Dine in or pick-up call 440-323-5539 Parish Office or fax 440-322-2329.



*Pierogi Lunches can always use your HELP! From prep, to serving to clean up. There are 3 different times you can volunteer. If you are interested please contact Joyce Snyder at 440-775-1967 or chippers2@zoominternet.net. -OR- If you are unable to volunteer your time, but would like to help - you could donate \$20 towards the purchase of a case of Pierogi to be used for our Lenten lunches. [Your donation would help keep luncheon expenses to a minimum.]

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



This Week in our Parish

- Monday February 23rd**
5:30 p.m. Helping Hands Ministry - Conference Room
5:45 p.m. Finance - Staff Room
6:30 p.m. P.S.R. - Marian & St. Joseph Buildings
7:00 p.m. Stewardship - Staff Room
- Tuesday February 24th**
5:00 p.m. Hot Meals - Cafeteria
5:30 p.m. Awakening Faith - Weigand Room
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts - Green Room
7:00 p.m. Evangelization - Conference Room
- Wednesday February 25th**
7:00 p.m. Choir - Choir Loft
7:00 p.m. R.C.I.A. - Conference Room
- Thursday February 26th**
9am - 5pm Eucharistic Adoration - Lower Church
2:30 p.m. Brownies - Art Room
6:00 p.m. Parish Council - Conference Room
- Friday February 27th**
11am-1:30pm Pierogi Luncheon - Parish Hall
1:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross - Church
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross - Church
- Sunday March 1st**
9:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Children
11:00 a.m. Pre-School P.S.R. - St. Joseph Building
7:00 p.m. Living Stations of the Cross - Church

200 CLUB WINNER: 02/22/15 Mark Elek #190



The next Senior Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, March 3rd at 12:00 noon in the Weigand Room. Presentation and Book Signing by Pat Rullo, Cleveland Author [Speak Up and Stay Alive] & Radio Host [Speak Up and Stay Alive Patient Safety RadiOh! WHKW AM1220 @ 9:00 Sat. mornings]. The cost of the luncheon is \$5. Please call your reservation to Sister Mary Dorothy at 323-0140 by Fri., Feb. 27th. Time will be available for those who wish to stay and play bingo. We look forward to a great meal, sharing new ideas and hope that you will bring a friend with you.

The Living Stations of the Cross Sunday ~ March 1st at 7pm



presented by: Elyria Catholic High School Students

...a powerful performance, for the entire family,
that you won't want to miss!

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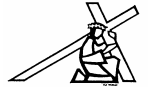
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Registration for the **2015-2016** school year for Preschool, Kindergarten and **NEW** students to St. Mary School has begun. Please contact the School Office at 322-2808 to set up an appointment to visit the School or for additional information regarding registration.

All are invited to join us for
Stations of the Cross
on Fridays during Lent at 1:00pm in Church

All are welcome.



St. Mary Teens: "FIX YOUR EYES ON GOD"

Teen JaM Youth Renewal Weekend @ St. Jude Church in Elyria. Join us for a weekend that can change your life! Bring a Friend and an open mind! **March 7th-8th**. Open to all High Schoolers. Space is limited, so Reserve Your Spot! Fill out a registration form [located on the tables at the church entrances] and return it to the parish office with payment by Mar. 1st. Cost is only \$35/person. Make checks payable to: St. Jude or St. Mary Church and write "Youth Renewal" in the Memo field. If you have any questions, please call or text Randy Kula @ (216) 409-2639.

This is the final weekend of the in-pew portion of the *2015 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal*. The Catholic Charities Annual Appeal represents the chance for all Catholics to make a pledge, to Catholic Charities in order to support its mission of a society that stands united in its support of the "least among us." Please consider a gift and pray for the success of this Appeal. You are invited to view stories of inspiration at www.catholiccommunity.org/2015Appeal. Thank you!

FIRST FRIDAY FORUM, MAR. 6TH: "St. Paul and the Role of Women: Sorting Through the Contradictions" Sr. Lisa Marie Belz OSU, PhD Professor Religious Studies Department & Graduate Ministry Department Ursuline College. Presentation explores, in a way informed by Church teaching, the tensions and questions that surround St. Paul's instructions about the proper place of women, in light of discoveries of the earliest surviving copies of Paul's letters. Join the First Friday Forum for spiritual refreshment, fellowship & good food - LCCC Spitzer Conference Center at 11:30am. Tickets: \$17. RSVP by calling the reservation line 440-244-0643 or fflorain@gmail.com by Monday, March 2nd.

Womens Cursillo - March 12th-15th

Ladies ~ Are you seeking a stronger, more personal relationship with God? Do you wish your prayer life could get deeper? This weekend has changed the lives of countless Catholics and enriched their prayer & personal lives in enormous ways. Contact Elaine at 440-865-8417 for an application or if you have questions. [Application deadline is March 6th.]