



Mass Intentions

Monday	March 9th Frances of Rome, religious 5:00 p.m. Peg Reichlin
Tuesday	March 10th 8:30 a.m. Gordon Freeman
Wednesday	March 11th 5:00 p.m. Living & Deceased of the Vinicky Family
Thursday	March 12th 8:30 a.m. Lou Hoover 7:00 p.m. Confirmation Liturgy
Friday	March 13th 8:30 a.m. Bob O'Donnell
Saturday	March 14th 9:00 a.m. Barbara Santo 4:30 p.m. Living & Deceased of St. Mary Parish
Sunday	March 15th 4 th Sunday of Lent 8:00 a.m. Helen Mahl 9:30 a.m. Jean Baumann 11:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of the James Ross Family

Readings for the Week of March 9th

Mon	Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4; Lk 4:24-30
Tues	Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 & 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
Wed	Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Thurs	Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 11:14-23
Fri	Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 & 17; Mk 12:28-34
Sat	Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13
Sun	2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

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, Clara, Dan, Dottie, Gene, Jeff, Jim, Lillian, Mario, Mary, Matt, Nancy, Paul, Rita, Ruthe, Sally, Sarah, Tina, Tom, Vicki* and all who have asked for our prayers.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Faith Direct (02/04/15)	\$5,095.00
Sunday Collection (03/01/15)	\$10,847.37
Envelopes	261
Helping Hands Ministry	\$1,354.00

Thank you for your generosity.

[2nd Collection March 8th - Capital Improvement Fund]
[2nd Collection March 15th - Tuition Assistance]



My Friends,

As we have mentioned before, our Holy Father, Pope Francis has elected to dedicate this year to exploring the Vocation and Mission of the Family in the Church and Contemporary World. He has asked for a broad consultation of the whole church in regards to the health of marriage and the family in our modern, secular society. He seeks input from all sectors of the Church.

To facilitate this effort in the Diocese of Cleveland, Bishop Lennon has created a survey on the diocesan website. You can go to our parish website and click on the **Consultation Survey** link. It will invite you to read the summary from last October's extraordinary synod. Then you click on next to fill out the survey. I encourage as many as possible to give their input. Since marriage and family are the basic building blocks of the church and society, we need to understand the forces that are impacting family life today. Half the population is not getting married. Only 1 in 4 marriages succeed in remaining intact. The insights of those who struggle each day to be faithful in their marriage and support a family will be invaluable to the success of the synod in October. If you are technologically challenged, we would be happy to assist you at the parish office. In order to compile the responses, the Bishop is asking that we respond to the survey by March 13th.

While you are on the diocesan website, I would challenge you to check out all the resources available to support you in your marriage. Whether you are struggling in your relationship or want to deepen your marriage bond, there are so many opportunities throughout the diocese to assist you. It is my hope here at St. Mary's to provide both informational and social programming to promote healthy marriages and family life.

Fr. Charlie



Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Carmella Muro, Gertrude Wirscham** and **John Lawrence III** who died this past week and for the consolation of their loved ones.

Cluster Mission: **"God Revives Our World"**

Sunday ~ March 15th 7pm - St. Mary Church
Where in the World is Our God?

Monday ~ March 16th 7pm - St. Agnes Church
How in the World Do We Relate?

Tuesday ~ March 17th 7pm - St. Jude Church
*What in the World Do We Do
and How Do We Make a Difference?*



St. Mary Parish will serve Pierogi Lunches on the Fridays during Lent [NOT on Good Friday] from 11:00-1:30pm in the Parish Hall. Lunches consist of 5 Sophie's Choice Pierogi, applesauce, tossed salad, roll & beverage. Cost is \$6.00.



This Week in our Parish

Monday **March 9th**
 5:30 p.m. Helping Hands Ministry - Conference Room
 6:30 p.m. P.S.R. - Marian & St. Joseph Buildings

Tuesday **March 10th**
 5:00 p.m. Hot Meals - Cafeteria
 5:30 p.m. Awakening Faith - Weigand Room
 6:30 p.m. Spiritual Development - Conference Room
 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts - Green Room
 6:30 p.m. PTU - Cahill Library

Wednesday **March 11th**
 7:00 p.m. Choir - Choir Loft
 7:00 p.m. R.C.I.A. - Conference Room

Thursday **March 12th**
 9am - 5pm Eucharistic Adoration - Lower Church
 2:30 p.m. Brownies - Art Room
 7:00 p.m. Confirmation Liturgy followed by a Reception in the Weigand Room

Friday **March 13th**
 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 15th**
 9:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Children
 11:00 a.m. Pre-School P.S.R. - St. Joseph Building
 1:30 p.m. Secular Franciscans - Lower Church
 7:00 p.m. Cluster Mission - Church & Weigand Room

200 CLUB WINNER: 03/08/15 Rhonda Kloock #192



“REVISITING OUR FAITH TRADITIONS” will be held in the Conference Room on Tues., Mar. 17th at 7pm. Our topic will be ‘*Passion as the Proof of the Love of God*’.

Altar & Rosary Society



The next Altar & Rosary meeting will be Thursday, March 19th. Please meet in the lower chapel for the Rosary and Benediction. A short business meeting and luncheon will follow in the Weigand Room.

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.

Our March Book Club book is titled: All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr. We will meet on Thursday, March 19th at 7pm in the Cahill Library. All are welcome.



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.



SERVICE BULLETIN BOARD:

A Service Bulletin Board will be included in the weekly online *BELLS*. You can ask for short term help such as meal prep if Mom breaks a leg, or elder-sitting when a caretaker needs to leave for a bit, snow-shoveling etc. Call Angie Pluta at 323-5539 or email her at stmaryelyria@aol.com. She'll help with wording & will send you the responses to your request.



Our Parish will be serving dinner this Sunday, March 8th, 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 be taking dinner to the St. Joseph's Catholic Overnight Shelter on Saturday, March 21st. If you would like to furnish a pasta with meat dish, salad, rolls/bread or dessert, please call me at 440-458-6159 by Wednesday, March 18th. Thank you! ~ *Maryann*

'NIGHT AT THE RACES' Many volunteers are needed on Apr. 18th from 5:30-10pm to make our 'Night At The Races' a success! This is a parish event with proceeds directed to roof repairs on the church & hall. Presently help is needed to solicit basket raffle donations and sell race sponsors, horses & tickets for that evening. Bakers will be needed to provide desserts. On race night volunteers will assist with the bead game, 50/50 ticket sales and raffles. If you have questions, are able to donate a prize for the basket raffles or are interested in volunteering, please contact/leave a message for Joan Patchin at the Parish Office, 323-5539 or email JMP82147@aol.com.

25th Annual Peace & Justice Dinner and Celebration

Reservations for the 25th Annual Peace & Justice Dinner and Celebration are due Mar. 9th. Dinner is Sat., Mar. 14th at the Sacred Heart Chapel Parish Hall, 4301 Pearl Rd, Lorain. The Catholic Action Commission of Lorain County (CACLC) hosts the annual event, which includes a Pick 'N Choose Raffle, Quilt Raffle and the presentation of the Bishop A.J. Quinn Justice Award and the Faithful Servant Award. Reservations: \$30/per person. Contact Rachel Schmidt, CACLC Program Administrator, 440-366-1106 x12, rschmidt@ccdacle.org.

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