



Monday	April 10th
5:00 p.m.	Don and Clara Smith
Tuesday	April 11th
8:30 a.m.	Dawn Pope
Wednesday	April 12th
5:00 p.m.	Joan and Jim Reitz
8:30 p.m.	<i>Tenebrae Service</i>
Thursday	April 13th Holy Thursday
8:30 a.m.	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
7:00 p.m.	Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday	April 14th Good Friday
8:30 a.m.	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
12 Noon	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>
3:00 p.m.	<i>Passion</i>
Saturday	April 15th Holy Saturday
9:00 a.m.	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
12 Noon	<i>Food Blessing</i>
9:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary Parish
Sunday	April 16th EASTER SUNDAY
8:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary Parish
9:30 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary Parish
11:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary Parish

Readings for the Week of April 10th

Mon:	Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
Tues:	Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wed:	Is 50:4-9; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
Thur:	Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
Fri:	Is 52:13-53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42
Sat:	Easter Vigil Gn 1:1-2:2 ; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12-14, 24, 35; Ex 14:15-15:1; Is 55:1-11; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Rom 6:3-11; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mt 28:1-10
Sun:	Acts 10:34, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4; Sequence Victimae Paschali Laudes: Jn 20:1-9

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, Betty, Bev, Charlie, Chris, Don, Doug, Eileen, Eli, Joanne, Kelly, Linda, Loisann, Lois, Mary, Michael, Nichole, Pat, Sharon, Tom, Walt** and all who have asked for our prayers.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Sunday Collection (04/02/17)	\$11,582.57
Helping Hands Ministry	\$1,607.50
Envelopes	260

Thank you for your generosity.

[2nd Collection April 9th - Capital Improvement Fund]
[2nd Collection April 16th - Education Endowment Fund]

My Friends,

Beginning with this weekend's celebration of Palm Sunday, we enter into the holiest week of the year. Many see it as re-enacting the events that surround the passion and death of Jesus. We think back and remember what happened 2,000 years ago. As a result we do not understand the power and impact of the Holy Week liturgies.

When we gather in liturgy, we transcend space and time to enter into the mystery of Jesus' dying and rising. It is not so much 'scoring' graces as it is walking with Jesus to that Good Friday 'hour' when the power of sin and death were destroyed. Every liturgy transports us and invites us to participate in the moment of our redemption. Our sufferings when joined to Christ are part of the redemptive action. In Colossians, we read that 'our sufferings make up what is still lacking in the sufferings of Christ' (Col. 1:24).

If we truly appreciated this, our churches would be packed on Good Friday more than they are on Easter Sunday. My point in writing this is to encourage your participation in the Holy Week liturgies. On Wednesday night at 8:30pm we celebrate 'Tenebrae' a Latin word for darkness. It is like an overture in song and scripture that prepares us for the sacred three days. The Holy Thursday celebration of the Lord's Supper goes to the roots of our Eucharistic tradition that includes the feet washing and procession. You can keep vigil with Christ throughout the night in the lower chapel.

While we have the Stations of the Cross at noon on Good Friday, the heart of the day's observance is the 'Celebration of the Lord's Passion' at 3pm. In John's Gospel, the cross is our victory sign and we proclaim the death of the Lord. This is the moment of Jesus' exaltation and enthronement as he is 'lifted up.'

On Holy Saturday we begin our vigil at 9pm. We enter with our catechumens into the paschal mystery of dying in the waters of baptism and coming forth a new creation. This is where we are inserted into the Good Friday 'hour' through the power of liturgy and its rich symbols of light, water, bread and wine. I hope and pray that you can join us in sharing deeply in the graces of this holiest of weeks.

Fr. Charlie

St. Mary Parish will sponsor a FREE Easter Dinner on Sunday, April 16th from Noon-3pm. Donations of brownies, cupcakes or cookies are needed. Volunteers are needed to help with set up on Sat., Apr. 15th from 11am-Noon & on Easter from 11:30-4pm. If you can help, please email Angie at stmaryelyria@aol.com or leave a message at the Parish Office 323-5539.



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The second collection on Easter will be for the Education Endowment Trust Fund.

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PALM SUNDAY



This Week in our Parish

Monday April 10th
 5:30 p.m. Helping Hands Ministry - Conference Room
 5:45 p.m. Girl Scouts - Green Room
 6:30 p.m. P.S.R. - St. Joseph & Marian Buildings
 + Stations of the Cross - Church @ 7:30pm

Tuesday April 11th
 5:00 p.m. Hot Meals - Cafeteria

Wednesday April 12th
 8:30 p.m. Tenebrae - Church

Friday April 14th
 12 Noon Stations of the Cross - Church
 3:00 p.m. Passion - Church

Saturday April 15th
 11:00 a.m. Set-up for Easter Dinner - Parish Hall
 12 Noon Food Blessing - Weigand Room

Sunday April 16th
 Noon -3pm Easter Dinner - Parish Hall

200 Club Winner: 04/09/17 Joan LaGrotteria #213

Altar & Rosary Society



Easter Memorial Fund donations can be dropped in with the Sunday collection – please be sure to include your name and in whose memory you would like the donation to be made. [Special envelopes were included with your contribution packet.]



A Memorial list will be published during the Easter Season.

Our April Book Club book is titled Lincoln in the Bardo: A Novel by George Saunders. We will meet on Thursday, April 20th at 7:30pm in the Cahill Library. All are welcome.



teenJaM

You are invited to a **Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser** to Help Kids with Cancer!!!

[A Girl Scout Gold Award Project - Olivia Horstmann, T50952]

Sunday, April 23rd after all Masses - St. Mary Parish Hall

Cost: Goodwill offering to help our fundraising effort!

Are you a teenager and would like to Help? Contact Randy Kula - randy@saintjudeparish.org or 216-409-2639 or call the St. Mary Parish Office at 323-5539.

This event will be run by the Teen JaM Youth Group.

teenJaM meeting schedule: Apr 9&23, May 7&21, Jun 11&25

STAY IN TOUCH: We're on the web www.stmaryelyria.org Just click on the "TeenJaM" link.

Follow us on Twitter & Instagram at **#TeenJaMElyria** or request to join our Facebook group **teenJaMElyria**.

CONTACT US: It would be great to hear from you.

Contact us at: randy@saintjudeparish.org or 216-409-2639.



Registration for the **2017-2018** 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.

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The final results are in from the Reverse Raffle held on Mar. 11th. We are glad to say that total raised was \$7,011. Without the support of our parishioners, school families, teachers and friends this wouldn't have been possible. Again a **Big Thank You** to everyone who helped and supported the fundraiser. God Bless each and every one of you!
 ~ Mari Brosky and The PTU



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

...and Jesus said...FEED THE HUNGRY

Our next date to take dinner to St. Joseph Catholic Overnight Shelter is April 15th. If you can furnish a pasta with meat, rolls, salad or dessert please call Maryann 458-6159 by Wednesday, April 12th. Thank you.

Schedule of Holy Week Services

Monday, April 10th: 5:00pm Mass
6-7pm Confessions

Tuesday, April 11th: 8:30am Mass
7:00pm Chrism Mass at Cathedral

Wednesday, April 12th: 3:30-4:30pm Confessions
5:00pm Mass
6-7pm Confessions
8:30pm Tenebrae

Holy Thursday, April 13th: 8:30am Morning Prayer
7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Followed by Adoration

Good Friday, April 14th: 8:30am Morning Prayer
12 Noon Stations of the Cross
3:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday, April 15th: 9:00am Morning Prayer
12 Noon Blessing of Food - Weigand Room
9:00pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, April 16th: 8:00am Mass
9:30am Mass
11:00am Mass

OPERATION RICE BOWL



Thank you for participating in OPERATION RICE BOWL. Rice Bowls will be collected this weekend & on Holy Thursday. [Baskets at the back of Church] - They can also be brought to the Parish Office.

Sponsor of the Week:

Elyria Fence Inc.

Please support our Bulletin Sponsors.