



Mass Intentions

Monday	November 20th
5:00 p.m.	Jeanne Esch
Tuesday	Nov. 21st Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:30 a.m.	Millie Kerg
Wednesday	Nov. 22nd Cecilia, virgin/martyr
5:00 p.m.	Ed Henderson, Jr.
Thursday	November 23rd Thanksgiving Day
	<u>Clement I, pope/martyr; Columban, abbot;</u>
	<u>Bl Miguel Agustín Pro, priest/martyr</u>
9:00 a.m.	Helen Mahl
Friday	Nov. 24th Andrew Dung-Lac, priest & co., martyrs
8:30 a.m.	Carl, Helen, Jim, Gene & Donna Smith; Ed Webber
Saturday	Nov. 25th Catherine of Alexandria, virgin/martyr
9:00 a.m.	Stig Öist
4:30 p.m.	Jim and Joan Reitz
Sunday	November 26th Christ the King
8:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary Parish
9:30 a.m.	Theodore Giovannazzo
11:00 a.m.	The Martin and Meanor Families

Readings for the Week of November 20th

Mon:	1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158; Lk 18:35-43
Tue:	2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-8; Lk 19:1-10
Wed:	2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15; Lk 19:11-28
Thur:	Sir 50:20-24; Ps, 138:1-5; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
Fri:	1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10-12; Lk 19:45-48
Sat:	1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16,19; Lk 20:27-40
Sun:	Ez 14:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46



Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Linda Kaminski** and for the consolation of her 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, Betty, Bob, Charlie, Chris, Craig, Elaine, Eli, Jessica, Jim, Kathy, Linda, Maggie, Mark, Mary, P.J., Patrick, Paul, Robert, Sharon, Tom, Victoria** and all who have asked for our prayers.



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Faith Direct (11/04/17)	\$6,859.50
Sunday Collection 11/12/17	\$8,485.48
Tuition Assistance	\$798.05
Envelopes	242

Thank you for your continued generosity.

[2nd Coll. Nov. 19th - Catholic Campaign for Human Dev.]
[2nd Collection November 26th - Capital Improvement Fund]



Thanksgiving is already upon us. There is something about the 'busyness' of our everyday activity that distracts us from reflecting on the more important meaning behind our hectic schedules. In this 'age of entitlement' it might be good to give some serious thought to that for which we are grateful. Gratitude is the response of the heart to gifts it has received. It is hard to give thanks if we feel we are entitled to all that we possess.

The Greek word, 'Eucharist' means thanksgiving. God offers us a very sharing in His life by commingling His Body and Blood with ours in the Eucharist. If we truly appreciated this gift, would we be so casual in our attitude toward participation in Sunday Mass. Is it just another obligation in our busy schedule? I can remember when Sunday Mass and dinner was family time.

The basic building blocks of any society are marriage and family. When these break down, there is little to hold the society as a whole together. The 'self' becomes the priority over the common good. Civility and respect disintegrate. Our streets, once the neighborhood playground, are no longer safe for our children.

Built into the fabric of this week is the joy that families experience when they come together. We are truly blessed as a nation and we need to thank God. If we have truly grateful hearts, we will be generous in sharing the gifts we have received from God with others. This goes beyond the food we donate for the pantry. It includes the meal we share on Thanksgiving Day with those who are alone or hungry. It is giving thanks to God by serving Him in our brothers and sisters. Let us give thanks to the Lord for His love is everlasting.

Fr. Charlie

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St. Mary Church along with its family & friends are sponsoring a **Free Thanksgiving Dinner** on Thanksgiving Day from **12-3pm** in the Parish Hall. All Are Welcome!

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Beginning Nov. 25th, we will have our "GIVING TREE" set up outside the Weigand Room. As you have in the past, we encourage you to participate in the "GIVING TREE" again this year. We have requests for items from Blessing House, Birthright, Catholic Charities Family Center, Genesis House and additional families who are in need. These requests will be placed on Christmas tree ornaments and hung on a tree located outside the Weigand Room. Parishioners are encouraged to take one (or more) of the tree ornaments, purchase the gift, wrap it and place it under the tree. Please be sure to attach the tags securely to the packages so that they will get to the correct organization. This outreach program brings Christmas to those most in need in our community and is a great way of showing concern for one another. **All gifts will need to be collected by SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10th** in order for them to be distributed in time for Christmas. ~ Thank You!



33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME




This Week in our Parish

Monday November 20th
5:30 p.m. Helping Hands Ministry - Conference Room
6:30 p.m. P.S.R. - St. Joseph & Marian Buildings
7:30 p.m. PSR Thanksgiving Family Prayer Service-Church

Tuesday November 21st
5:00 p.m. Hot Meals - Cafeteria

Wednesday November 22nd
11am-12:30pm Set-up for Thanksgiving Dinner - Hall
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts - Green Room
7:00 p.m. Choir - Choir Loft
7:00 p.m. R.C.I.A. - Conference Room

Thursday November 23rd

12 Noon-3pm Thanksgiving Meal - Parish Hall

Sunday November 26th
9:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Children
11:00 a.m. Pre-School P.S.R. - St. Joseph Building

200 Club Winner: 11/19/17 Timothy Green #286



Altar & Rosary Society

**Annual Bake Sale
This Weekend! - November 18th & 19th**

Let the Altar & Rosary Society ladies do your holiday baking this year. Stop by after Mass to purchase delicious holiday treats outside the Weigand Room.

All proceeds will benefit the Altar & Rosary Society and assist them with all they do for St. Mary Church.



Please stop and see what the ladies have to offer.

ADVENT FAMILY NIGHT ~ The Spiritual Development Commission is sponsoring an Advent Family Night, in the Weigand Room on **Fri., Dec. 1st** from **6-8:30pm**. This special evening is designed for families to prepare together to celebrate the season of Advent. We will see a movie, play an Advent/Christmas game and pray together. The evening is meant to be fun as well as educational. Children of all ages are most welcome. Invite grandparents and other family friends to share this experience with you. A light supper & beverages will be provided. The cost for the evening is \$10.00 per family. Registration forms are available at the entrances of the Church. Registration deadline is Wed., November 29th.



Blood Pressure checks will be available this Sunday, November 19th from 9-11am in the Weigand Room.

Thanksgiving Masses - Prayer Services

If you are attending the: **PSR Family Prayer Service** - Monday, November 20, 7:30pm,
the **All School Mass** - Tuesday, November 21, 8:30am,
or the **Thanksgiving Day Mass** - Thursday, November 23, 9:00am



We encourage you to bring a non-perishable food donation as part of the Offertory Procession. Thank you!
[Donations will benefit the Elyria Hospitality Center.]

Ecumenical Prayer Service – Tuesday, Nov. 21st - 7pm
at Wesleyan Village, 80 West Ave., Elyria
Come, Give Thanks & Celebrate with your Sisters and Brothers!



All teens 8th - 12th grade are invited to get active with **Teen JaM**, a Teen Ministry for St. Mary & St. Jude Parishes in Elyria! Upcoming events are on the St. Mary and St. Jude websites. Just click on the **Teen JaM** link.



The Upper Room

Do you want to have a place where you can be heard;
be comfortable in a non-judgmental setting;
build new or stronger relationships with others;
strengthen your own Catholic faith?

Then it's time for you to join other teens at the Teen JaM "Upper Room" at St. Mary's.

Our next meetings will be: Sun., Nov. 19th from 6-7:30pm &
Sun., Dec. 10th from 6-7:30pm

Questions? Contact Randy Kula at: randy@saintjudeparish.org or rkula@cox.net or 216-409-2639



**CASH EVERYDAY IN JANUARY CALENDARS
ARE NOW AVAILABLE!**

Each calendar sells for \$10 and entitles you to 31 chances to win that day's cash prize. Please be sure to stop outside the Weigand Room and pick up an envelope of calendars.



They make great Christmas stocking stuffers!

FIRST FRIDAY FORUM, DECEMBER 1ST: Rick Krivanka, Director of the Jesuit Retreat House will present *Advent: Living Our Faith in the Workplace & Daily Life*. Join the First Friday Forum for spiritual refreshment, fellowship & good food at LCCC Spitzer Conference Center 11:30am. Tickets: \$18. RSVP by calling 440-244-0643 or fflorain@gmail.com by Mon., Nov. 27th.

Celebrate the holiday season with **The Voices of Christmas** - [Elyria Northern Cascade Chordsmen, Lorain Golden Crescent Chorus & Lake Ridge Legacy Chorus of Sweet Adelines Intl.] Enjoy hearing all your yuletide favorites on **Sunday, Dec. 3rd** at the **Lorain Palace Theater** beginning at **3pm** - all seating \$10. Come early for a pre-show performance by Dean Kelble on the mighty Wurlitzer organ. For tickets call the Palace Box Office 440-245-2323 or go online: www.lorainpalace.com.