



Mass Intentions

Monday	January 15th
5:00 p.m.	Mildred Novak
Tuesday	January 16th
8:30 a.m.	Charles Gormley
Wednesday	January 17th Anthony, abbot
5:00 p.m.	Mildred Novak
Thursday	January 18th
8:30 a.m.	Magdalene Elek
Friday	January 19th
8:30 a.m.	Fr. Joseph Weigand
Saturday	Jan. 20th Fabian, pope/martyr; Sebastian, martyr
9:00 a.m.	Venett Smith
4:30 p.m.	Dorothy Sas
Sunday	January 21st 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m.	Robert, Ben and Mary Mahl
9:30 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary Parish
11:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased of the Wukie and Matus Families

Readings for the Week of January 15th

Mon:	1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22
Tue:	1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28
Wed:	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1-2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6
Thur:	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-14; Mk 3:7-12
Fri:	1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19
Sat:	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21
Sun:	Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

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, Chris, Craig, Elaine, Eli, Evan, Greg, Harriet, Jessica, Jim, Kathy, Lillian, Linda, Mark, Mary, Mary Jane, Matt, P.J., Pat, Patrick, Robert, Susan, Tom, Victoria** and all who have asked for our prayers.



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Solemnity of Mary 01/01/18	\$931.00
Sunday Collection 01/07/18	\$9,492.47
Helping Hands Ministry	\$1,282.48
Envelopes	218

Thank you for your continued generosity.

[2nd Collection January 14th - Tuition Assistance]

[2nd Collection Jan. 21st - Catholic University of America]

Looking for volunteers for our up-coming Pierogi lunches! Please contact Joyce Snyder @ 440-775-1967 Lunches begin on Ash Wednesday (Feb. 14th) and will continue on Fridays during Lent.



2018 Calendars are available at the Church Entrances – please be sure to stop and pick one up.



My Friends,

This Monday is Martin Luther King Jr. Day and it won't be much of a holiday for me. I am scheduled to give two presentations. In the afternoon, Catholic Charities is having a gathering of pastors and workers to kick off the 2018 campaign. My reflection will center on the role of the pastor in promoting the campaign. As you are well aware, I believe the work of Catholic Charities tops the list of what we are to be as a Church. It is not something extra we do to show our faith in Christ. It is the centerpiece of what our Christian ministry should be about. I must confess that I take a little pride in our parish response to the campaign. Last year, our parish goal was \$66,000 and we pledged \$77,000! It is my hope (and maybe the reason I was asked to give the presentation) that we will have the same great success in the coming year.

In the evening, I am invited by Don Denevic to give a presentation at the Church of the Open Door this Monday evening at 7pm. Don and I have gotten to know each other through Elyria's Bicentennial Celebration. We worked together on the monthly 'Acts of Kindness' published by the various churches in promoting Elyria as a Compassionate City. The Church of the Open Door is running a 3-night seminar on tackling the opioid crisis in our county. While various experts and county services will also make presentations, my topic is to explore the Church's response to this epidemic. Like with Catholic Charities, authentic discipleship centers on how we reach out to the poor and those in need. I am grateful to Don for this invitation. The seminar is open to the public and everyone is invited.

Other important issues in these days include the problem of racism on this MLK Day and the anniversary of the Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion. The Church's credibility in the future will depend on our moral response to these issues today.

Fr. Charlie



SNOWFALL OF CASH



January 1 st :	\$100	Kathryn Malone
January 2 nd :	\$100	Kim Gabel
January 3 rd :	\$ 75	Briana Middlebrooks
January 4 th :	\$100	Michelle Adams
January 5 th :	\$200	Jean Kirchner
January 6 th :	\$100	Heidi D'Amico
January 7 th :	\$100	Jim Burrer
January 8 th :	\$100	John Snyder
January 9 th :	\$100	Al Katrinchak

All winners are notified by phone and/or email and names will be posted on the board outside the Weigand Room.

Stubs can still be turned in for a chance to win a cash prize for days remaining in January. Additional Calendars are still available in the Parish Office.



Thank you to all who sold and/or purchased *Snowfall of Cash* Calendars.



2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



This Week in our Parish

- Monday January 15th**
5:30 p.m. Helping Hands Ministry - Conference Room
- Tuesday January 16th**
5:00 p.m. Hot Meals - Cafeteria
- Wednesday January 17th**
5:45 p.m. Liturgy Commission - Conference Room
7:00 p.m. R.C.I.A. - Conference Room
7:00 p.m. Cana Club - Cahill Library
7:00 p.m. Choir - Choir Loft
- Thursday January 18th**
9am - 5pm Eucharistic Adoration - Lower Church
11:00 a.m. Altar & Rosary - Rosary & Benediction
+ Luncheon & Meeting - Weigand Room
7:30 p.m. Book Club - Cahill Library
- Sunday January 21st**
9-11am Blood Pressure Checks - Weigand Room
9:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Children
11:00 a.m. Pre-School P.S.R. - St. Joseph Building
11:00 a.m. SMS Class Mass grades 1 & 3
+ Reception following in Weigand Room
1:30 p.m. Secular Franciscans - Lower Church

200 Club Winners: 01/07/18 Michael J. Tomko #171
01/14/18 Gayle Lugas #151

CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS: Thursday, March 1st 2018, Abbot Gary Hoover will be celebrating the sacrament of Confirmation in our parish. Adults having received Baptism and First Holy Communion who wish to receive the sacrament of Confirmation, please contact Sister Mary Dorothy at the Parish Office 323-5539.

Altar & Rosary Society



St. Mary's Altar & Rosary Society will meet Thurs., January 18th in the Lower Church at 11am for the Rosary and Benediction followed by refreshments and a business meeting in the Weigand Room. All Ladies of the Parish are welcome to join us!



January's Book Club Book is titled: Indestructible by John R. Bruning. We will meet on Thursday, January 18th at 7:30pm in the Cahill Library. All are welcome.

St. Mary married couples...please join us for our January CANA Club get-together. We will meet in the Cahill Library this Wednesday, January 17th at 7pm. For more information, please call Laurie at 440-823-8473 or Pat at 323-8634.

Pre-Baptism Class will be held **Wednesday, February 21st** from **6:30-8:30pm** in the Weigand Room. Babies & Godparents are welcome. To register, please call the Parish Office at 323-5539. Our next class will be May 9th 2018.



Blood Pressure checks will be available next Sun., Jan. 21st from 9-11am in the Weigand Room.



St. Mary School
will host an **Open House**
on **Sunday, January 28, 2018**
from **11am to 2:00pm.**

Our school enrolls children in grades kindergarten through grade 8. We also have a preschool for four year olds. We invite all parishioners, especially those considering the education of their children, to meet our teachers, tour our buildings, and learn about our challenging curriculum in a Christ-centered environment. If you have any questions, please call the school office at 440-322-2808 to discuss them. We hope to see you on January 28th.

PTU Texas Roadhouse Fundraiser: St. Mary PTU is selling Texas Roadhouse gift cards in increments of \$5.00. Please call the school office 322-2808 to order your gift cards. The PTU receives a portion of each card sold. Additional order forms are in the school office or on the school website under the Wednesday folder tab [stmmarycatholicsschoollelyria.com].

SAVE THE DATE:
March 10, 2018 ~ 2nd Annual St. Mary P.T.U. Reverse Raffle



Our Parish will be serving dinner this Sunday, Jan. 14th 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

This will be our 15th year of taking dinner once a month to the Catholic Homeless Shelter now St. Elizabeth's Center in Lorain. If you would like to participate the menu is pasta with meat, salad, dessert & rolls. Our January date is the 20th, so please call me by the 17th if you wish to furnish part of the meal. Also, I do need a driver. Thank you, Maryann 458-6159.

FIRST FRIDAY FORUM, FEBRUARY 2ND: Most Reverend Nelson J. Perez, Bishop of Cleveland Diocese will be our speaker. Join the First Friday Forum for spiritual refreshment, fellowship & good food - LCCC Spitzer Conference Center at 11:30am. Tickets: \$18. RSVP by calling the reservation line 440-244-0643 or fflorain@gmail.com by Mon., Jan. 29th.

Catholic Renewal Ministries will host a **Charismatic Mass Fri., Jan. 19th - 7pm.**, at **St. Peter Parish, 35777 Center Ridge Rd., N. Ridgeville.** Fr. Bob Franco will be the celebrant. Praise & worship begins at 7pm. Liturgy at 7:30. Healing prayer teams will be available after Mass for individual prayer. There will be a social after Mass. For more information, contact Fr. Franco at 440-327-2201 or CRM @ 440-944-9445. Come & bring a friend! This will be a time to truly encounter the Lord.

Save the Date: **28th Annual Peace & Justice Dinner**
Saturday ~ March 10, 2018 at 6pm
St. Vincent dePaul Parish 41295 N. Ridge Rd. - Elyria

The Elyria Hospitality Center is open on **Mondays, Wednesdays** and **Thursdays** from **10am-Noon.** Please contact them at 323-9409 directly if you have questions or need to make arrangements for donation drop-off. Thank you.