



**Mass Intentions**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>January 11<sup>th</sup></b>
5:00 p.m.	Clemence H., Carolyn A., Robert Alan & Richard C. Faecking
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>January 12<sup>th</sup></b>
8:30 a.m.	Fr. Joseph C. Weigand
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>January 13<sup>th</sup> Hilary, dr of the Church</b>
5:00 p.m.	Frank and Florence Kaminski
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>January 14<sup>th</sup></b>
8:30 a.m.	Marie Borgmann
<b>Friday</b>	<b>January 15<sup>th</sup></b>
8:30 a.m.	Gordon Freeman
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>January 16<sup>th</sup></b>
9:00 a.m.	Matt Jurco
4:30 p.m.	Charles Gormley
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>January 17<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
8:00 a.m.	Andrew O'Connor
9:30 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary Parish
11:00 a.m.	John Radachi

Readings for the Week of January 11<sup>th</sup>

Mon	1 Sm 1:1-8; Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19; Mk 1:14-20
Tue	1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-8; Mk 1:21-28
Wed	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10; Mk 1:29-39
Thur	1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40-45
Fri	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22; Ps 89:16-19; Mk 2:1-12
Sat	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1; Ps 21:2-7; Mk 2:13-17
Sun	Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

*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 Lou, Ben, Bette, Bob, Carmen, Claire, Colin, Dennis, Dorothy, Doug, Eli, Jacob, Jim, Jo Ann, John, Kelly, Linda, Mary, Mary Ellen, Paul, Tom, Vicki, Zak** and all who have asked for our prayers.



**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

Faith Direct (12/15/15)	\$7,060.00
Christmas Collection	\$18,704.87
St. Mary Education Endowment Trust Fund	\$2,467.08
Envelopes	318
Sunday Collection (12/27/15)	\$6,641.30
<i>Home for a Season</i>	\$763.79
Envelopes	210
Solemnity of Mary (01/01/16)	\$2,570.65
Sunday Collection (01/03/16)	\$10,968.66
Helping Hands Ministry	\$1,303.00
Envelopes	281

*Thank you for your generosity.*

[2<sup>nd</sup> Collection January 10<sup>th</sup> - *Home for a Season*]  
[2<sup>nd</sup> Collection Jan. 17<sup>th</sup> - Catholic University of America]



My Friends,

As this Christmas season draws to a close with the celebration of the Baptism of our Lord, we might ponder what Jesus did those 30 years before he began his public ministry at the time of his baptism. Luke tells us that he returned home with his parents and "advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man." What would it have been like growing up with Jesus? His own self-understanding seemed to come to full awareness at his baptism. The voice from heaven proclaims him the beloved Son of the Father. It seems to me that Jesus spent most of his life cherishing the simple life he had with his family and friends.

There is an important lesson here for us. God spends much more time relating to us in our everyday life than in proving himself in dramatic miracles. If we fail to see Christ in our marriage relationship, if he is not at the center of our families, if he is exiled from our world, everything begins to unravel. It is very difficult to love and forgive if we cannot draw upon God's grace and favor. Today, so much of our culture is focused on self-interest.

It is in this context that Pope Francis has announced a 'Year of Mercy.' The Christian insight focuses on the other rather than the self. When everybody does this there is much joy in living. The Church in teaching us to live out this mystery gives us the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. We have inserted these works of mercy in this week's bulletin. I would encourage you to use them as a checklist this coming year. You could possibly focus on one each month. God walks among us. He reveals himself to us in our everyday living. Let's be on the lookout.

As we conclude the Christmas season I want to express my thanks to all who made Christ present among us. We experienced his presence in our liturgies with the wonderful music and beautiful decorations in the church. We fed him in our Christmas dinner and gave him gifts under our 'Giving Tree.' So many people were helped and blessed through your generous donations. The list would go on forever. I know God will continue to bless us because it is in the giving that we shall receive.

*Fr. Charlie*

Our Helping Hands Ministry is in need of gift cards - Restaurant, Grocery, Walmart/Target or Gas gift cards that can be distributed to those in need in our community. If you received a gift card over the holidays that you don't think you'll use, please consider donating it. Just place the card in an envelope marked 'Helping Hands' and drop it in the collection basket at any weekend Mass. Thank you for your continued support of the St. Mary Helping Hands Ministry!

*Congratulations to  
Deacon Randall & Mary Redington  
on the celebration of their  
50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary ~ January 8<sup>th</sup>.*



Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Larry Babb** who died this past week and for the consolation of his loved ones

# BAPTISM OF OUR LORD



## This Week in our Parish

- Monday January 11<sup>th</sup>**  
 5:30 p.m. Helping Hands Ministry - Conference Room  
 6:30 p.m. P.S.R. - St. Joseph & Marian Buildings
- Tuesday January 12<sup>th</sup>**  
 5:00 p.m. Hot Meals - Cafeteria  
 6:00 p.m. Brownies - Green Room  
 6:30 p.m. Spiritual Development - Conference Room  
 6:30 p.m. P.T.U. Meeting - Cahill Library
- Wednesday January 13<sup>th</sup>**  
 3:30 p.m. Academic Challenge - Weigand Room  
 6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts - Green Room
- Thursday January 14<sup>th</sup>**  
 9am - 5pm Eucharistic Adoration - Lower Church  
 2:30 p.m. Girl Scouts/Brownies - Art Room
- Saturday January 16<sup>th</sup>**  
 7:00 p.m. Cursillo Ultreya - Weigand Room
- Sunday January 17<sup>th</sup>**  
 9:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Children  
 11:00 a.m. Pre-School P.S.R. - St. Joseph Building  
 12-5 p.m. Bridal Fair - Parish Hall  
 1:30 p.m. Secular Franciscans - Lower Church

200 CLUB WINNER: 01/10/16 Sue Cunningham #222

**CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS:** On Thursday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> 2016, Bishop Roger Gries 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.



“REVISITING OUR FAITH TRADITIONS” will be held in the Conference Room on Tues., Jan. 19<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Our topic will be ‘Egypt & Exodus’ Part II - Exodus chapters 19-40.

### Altar & Rosary Society



St. Mary’s Altar & Rosary Society will meet Thurs., Jan. 21<sup>st</sup> in the Lower Church at 11am for the Rosary and Benediction followed by a luncheon and business meeting in the Weigand Room. All Ladies of the Parish are welcome to join us.

Book Club will meet Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 7pm in the Cahill Library. This month’s book is: Language of the Sparrows by Rachel Phifer.



**THANK YOU!** This bulletin is furnished to the Parish without charge. The advertisements that appear completely defray all publishing costs with which the church would otherwise be burdened. Please patronize these sponsors as a thank you for their kind generosity.



St. Mary School, will host an **Open House** on Sunday, **January 31, 2016** from 10:30am to 1pm. Our school enrolls children in grades kindergarten through grade 8. We also have a preschool for three and 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 31<sup>st</sup>.

### HIGH SCHOOL TEENS... SAVE THE DATES!!

**Teen JaM’s 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Renewal Weekend** is scheduled for Feb. 12-14 at Holy Spirit Parish in Avon Lake. It is open to all high school students. We promise, you will have an awesome time and will create memories that will last a lifetime. Bring a friend or two. Space is limited so reserve your spot. Registration forms are available in the back of the church. Cost is only \$20 for the weekend. If you have any questions, contact Randy Kula at [RANDY@SAINTJUDEPARISH.ORG](mailto:RANDY@SAINTJUDEPARISH.ORG) or (216) 409-2639.



Our Parish will be serving dinner this Sunday, Jan. 10<sup>th</sup> 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

We will be taking dinner to the St. Joseph’s Catholic Overnight Homeless Shelter on Saturday, January. 16<sup>th</sup>. If you could supply a pasta with meat dish, rolls/bread, salad or dessert, please call 458-6159 by Wed., January 13<sup>th</sup>. Thank you so much. ~ Maryann

### Snowfall of Cash Winners:

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| ❄ | January 1 <sup>st</sup> : \$200 | Linda Crabeels         |
| ❄ | January 2 <sup>nd</sup> : \$100 | Dave & Sue Hendrickson |
|   | January 3 <sup>rd</sup> : \$200 | Jim Novak              |
|   | January 4 <sup>th</sup> : \$100 | Jim Fitzpatrick        |
|   | January 5 <sup>th</sup> : \$100 | Daniel P. Caine        |



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

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

This weekend, after Masses, people can sign up for the Lorain County Right To Life Signature Ad & Billboard Campaign. These ads will appear in the local news media, electronically produced and printed, on or about Jan. 22, 2016 [the 43<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court’s decisions legalizing abortion-on-demand for all 9 months of pregnancy.] The ads will include Pro-Life educational info. & the names of all people who sign up for the ads. Same-theme billboards will be displayed in the Lorain County area during the month of January. The purpose of the ads and billboards is to educate about abortion, and to publicize that many people in the county care about those victimized by abortion. The cost for sign-up is \$5/per name line.



Blood Pressure checks will be available after 8 & 9:30 Masses in the Weigand Room Sun., Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>.