



Monday	April 25th Mark, evangelist 5:00 p.m. Walter Clare
Tuesday	April 26th 8:30 a.m. Fr. Joseph Weigand
Wednesday	April 27th 5:00 p.m. Karl and Albert Kobe
Thursday	April 28th Peter Chanel, priest/martyr; <u>Louis Mary de Montfort, priest</u> 8:30 a.m. Barbara Santo
Friday	April 29th Catherine of Siena, virgin/dr 8:30 a.m. Charles and Catherine Cavagna
Saturday	April 30th Pius V, pope 9:00 p.m. Dennis J. Mullin 'Menny' 4:30 p.m. Marie Borgmann
Sunday	May 1st 6th Sunday of Easter 8:00 a.m. John Radachi 9:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary Parish 11:00 a.m. Marie Borgmann

** Mass Intention requests for **2017** are now being accepted.
Stop in or call the Parish Office at 323-5539.

Readings for the Week of April 26th

Mon	1 Pt 5:5-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20
Tue	Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13, 21; Jn 14:27-31
Wed	Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8
Thur	Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11
Fri	Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17
Sat	Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21
Sun	Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rev 21:10-14, 22-23; Jn 14:23-29

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: **Arlene, Barb, Bette, Betty, Beverly, Bob, Carmen, Charlie, Chris, Dan, Doug, Eli, Issa, Jacob, Joe, Kelly, Larry, Linda, Lois, Mark, Mary, Matt, Richard, Sharon, Theodore, Tim, Tom** and all who have asked for our prayers.



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Sunday Collection (04/17/16)	\$8,823.42
Home for a Season	\$712.95
Envelopes	254

Thank you for your generosity.

[2nd Collection April 24th - Catholic Home Missions]
[2nd Collection May 1st - Helping Hands Ministry]

My Friends,

Two words that were not a part of our Catholic faith tradition are evangelization and stewardship. While we might have been doing them still the words sounded 'Protestant' to us. The fact of the matter is that both are critical to a life of faith in a parish community.

It was Pope St. John Paul II who called for a 'new evangelization' at the start of the new millennium. Christian Europe was not so Christian any more. They may have claimed the title, but they did not practice their faith. Evangelization essentially is proclaiming the gospel in our lives. St. Francis of Assisi put it this way: "Preach the gospel at all times, if necessary use words."

In this Easter season, we must ask ourselves if we are truly convinced of the fact that Jesus is risen from the dead. Because if we are, it has to change the way we live our lives in the world. Belief in the resurrection can only bring hope and joy into our lives. Pope Francis asserted this in his first encyclical, 'The Joy of the Gospel.' The 'new evangelization' is very much needed in our world today.

Like the apostles, once you are convinced, you cannot help but go forth in mission. This is where stewardship comes in. We dedicate our lives, that is our time, talent and treasure to carry out the mission Jesus has given the church. It is not something 'extra' that we do for the Lord. We are not owners. We are stewards of God's gifts. We cannot bury them in the ground. Stewardship is an essential element of a life of faith.

We give thanks to God that so many here at the parish are engaged in the mission of the church. There are many opportunities for service calling forth a variety of talents. This weekend, we are celebrating those who volunteer here at St. Mary's. There will be a brunch after the 11:00 Mass in the parish hall. The brunch is not a reward for a job well done. Rather with grateful hearts, the gathering inspires us as we support one another in our ministries. I thank all who give of themselves in service to our parish. I invite those who are not presently engaged in some form of ministry to consider your gifts and get involved in the life of your parish.

Fr. Charlie



Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Mary Daly** and **Joseph Ross** who died this past week and for the consolation of their loved ones.

"God's Family Tree" is outside the Weigand Room with a basket of leaves and adhesive. If you know someone who is no longer practicing their Catholic Faith, please put their first name (or initials if they have a distinctive first name) on a leaf and fasten it to the tree with the adhesive by the basket. We will be praying for them in the coming months.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



This Week in our Parish

Monday	April 25th
5:30 p.m.	Helping Hands Ministry - Conference Room
6:30 p.m.	P.S.R. - St. Joseph & Marian Buildings
5:45 p.m.	Finance Committee - Staff Room
Tuesday	April 26th
5:00 p.m.	Hot Meals - Cafeteria
7:00 p.m.	Evangelization - Conference Room
Wednesday	April 27th
6:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts - Green Room
Thursday	April 28th
9am - 5pm	Eucharistic Adoration - Lower Church
6:00 p.m.	Parish Council - Conference Room
Sunday	May 1st
9:30 a.m.	Last Liturgy of the Word with Children
11:00 a.m.	Last Pre-School P.S.R. - St. Joseph Building
12 Noon	Pre-School PSR Final Celebration - Lower Church followed by Reception in Weigand Room

200 CLUB WINNER: 04/24/16 Tom Ehlke #259



The next Senior Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, May 3rd at 12:00 noon in the Weigand Room. The cost of the luncheon is \$5. Our guest speaker will be Bidy St. Marie who will share her experience of seeing Pope Francis when he visited the United States. Please call your reservation to Sister Mary Dorothy at 323-0140 by Friday, April 29th. Time will be available for those who wish to stay and play bingo. We look forward to a great meal, sharing new ideas and hope that you will bring a friend with you.

Altar & Rosary Society



Ladies... We invite you to join us as our guests for
A Day of Recollection for Women
May 2nd, 2016 from 9:00am - 1:30pm
open to the women of:
St. Mary, St. Agnes, St. Jude
& Our Lady Queen of Peace Parishes

Our Guest Speaker will be Sister Joan Tomchey

Please call reservations in to the Parish Office 323-5539
by Wednesday ~ April 27th.

Pre-Baptism Class will be held **Wednesday, May 11th** 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 August 10th.



Registration for the **2016-2017** has begun. If you are interested in enrolling your child/children in the Pre-School, Kindergarten or grades 1-8, please contact the School Office at 322-2808 to set up an appointment to visit the School or for additional information regarding registration.

* Registration Packets are available on the table outside the Weigand Room.



Calling all VBS Volunteers!

It's time to get ready for our Elyria Cluster Vacation Bible School which will be held June 13-17th. Please join us on **Tuesday, May 3rd at 7pm** in the **St. Jude Family Center** for our VBS 2016 Kickoff Meeting.

Volunteers, grade 7 and higher are needed before, during & after the event - there are plenty of different jobs to do! If you are unable to attend, but still want to help, please contact Kristen Craig at 366-5711 or kristen@saintjudeparish.org to be added to the roster. We look forward to seeing you there! Our Theme this year is "Scar Force" which is a direct play on Star Wars, with heroes, villains and yes - even light sabers!

Registration forms are available on the tables at the Church entrances.

FIRST FRIDAY FORUM, MAY 6TH:

"Where Do I Fit? Reflections on Being a Young Adult Catholic" Much has been discussed within the Church today regarding our young adults and their involvement in the life of the Church. Find out what a young religious, a businessman, campus minister, and a college student perceive as their faith journey, their role in the church, and the church's role in their lives. 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 Monday, May 2nd.

Grief Support Group *"Hopeful Hearts"* for seniors 60+ will meet Tuesday, April 26th, 1-2:30pm at Holy Spirit Family Center, 410 Lear Rd., Avon Lake. Meetings are held the 4th Tuesday of each month, and are for those who have lost a loved one in the past year. Open to the community at no charge, no reservations required. Sponsored by Hospice of the Western Reserve & Holy Spirit Bereavement Ministry. For more information, contact Chemarra Bryant, Bereavement Coordinator, 440-892-6680 or Mary Lou Kraven, 933-4423.

Sponsor of the Week:

Bob Evans
RESTAURANT

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