



Monday	September 26th Cosmas and Damian, martyrs 5:00 p.m. Theresa Solet
Tuesday	September 27th Vincent de Paul, priest 8:30 a.m. Marie Borgmann
Wednesday	September 28th Wenceslaus & Lawrence Ruiz, & co., martyrs 5:00 p.m. Living & Deceased of the Foster Family
Thursday	Sept. 29th Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, archangels 8:30 a.m. Mary Ann Daley
Friday	September 30th Jerome, priest/dr of the church 8:30 a.m. Joan and Jim Reitz
Saturday	Oct. 1st Thérèse of Lisieux, vir/dr of the church 9:00 a.m. John and Clara Solet 4:30 p.m. Mary Daly
Sunday	October 2nd 27 th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 a.m. The Suetta Family 9:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary Parish 11:00 a.m. Marian Ternes

Readings for the Week of September 26th

Mon:	Jb 1:6-22; Ps 17:1-3, 6-7; Lk 9:46-50
Tue:	Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Ps 88:2-8; Lk 9:51-56
Wed:	Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10-15; Lk 9:57-62
Thur:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 ; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
Fri:	Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14; Lk 10:13-16
Sat:	Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24
Sun:	Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10



Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Bonnie Rae Whitney** and **Donald Schneider** and for the consolation of their 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, Arlene, Ben, Bev, Bette, Carmen, Carol, Carolyn, Charlie, Christopher, Doug, Ed, Eli, Frances, John, Judy, Kelly, Kim, Linda, Lois, Mary, Pat, Paul, Rene, Sharon, Tom** and all who have asked for our prayers.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Faith Direct (09/04/16)	\$5,994.00
Sunday Collection (09/18/16)	\$7,408.46
Louisiana Flood Victims	\$744.78
Envelopes	221

Thank you for your generosity.

[2nd Coll. Sept. 25th - Catholic Communications Campaign]
[2nd Collection October 2nd - Helping Hands Ministry]



My Friends,

This weekend members of our Finance Council will be making the annual financial report to the parish. As much as I would like to say that all is well, the numbers tell a different story. At issue is the viability of our school. As the number of students K-8 has decreased to 126, the cost of operating the school has gone up dramatically. We have some important decisions to make.

I think the school with its long tradition is certainly a blessing to our parish. We have a state of the art facility with up-to-date technology. With the present student/teacher ratio, I would say it is more like an academy. When all is said and done, I believe we need to do everything we can to continue its operation. I would like to make two suggestions of what we can do in the coming months.

First of all, I ask your continued financial support. At present, we are running a \$25,000 deficit. Your participation in the various school fundraisers is critical. Whether it is the 200 Club or cutting out box tops, there are many ways that you can be of assistance. Again this fall, we have the opportunity to match a grant of up to \$25,000. Last year, we only collected \$13,000. Please consider supporting the effort this year. We will pursue everything from Offertory giving to Legacy donations. We have been able to carry out major capital improvements thanks to some generous bequests.

My second suggestion is that you invite parents you know to send their children to our school. You are the best marketers we have. All the advertising in the world will not have the impact that you can have by encouraging families to send their children here.

The financial report is inserted in this bulletin. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact any of the finance council members or myself. May God bless our efforts to continue the mission of the Kingdom in this coming year.

Fr. Charlie

Today, we take up the Collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) which helps to spread the Gospel through Catholic social media activities and enriches our faith through podcasts, television, radio and print media. The CCC is how we share our experience of faith, worship and witness.



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 meeting will be this Sunday, **September 25th** from 6-7:30pm

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

26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



This Week in our Parish

Monday	September 26th
5:30 p.m.	Helping Hands Ministry - Conference Room
5:45 p.m.	Finance Council - Staff Room
6:30 p.m.	P.S.R. - St. Joseph & Marian Buildings
6:30 p.m.	6th Grade Bible Service - Church - followed by reception in Weigand Room
7:00 p.m.	Stewardship Committee - Staff Room
Tuesday	September 27th
5:00 p.m.	Hot Meals - Cafeteria
6:00 p.m.	Brownies - Green Room
7:00 p.m.	Evangelization - Conference Room
Wednesday	September 28th
7:00 p.m.	R.C.I.A. - Conference Room
7:00 p.m.	Choir - Choir Loft
Thursday	September 29th
9am - 5pm	Eucharistic Adoration - Lower Church
6:00 p.m.	Parish Council - Conference Room
Sunday	October 2nd
9:30 a.m.	Liturgy of the Word with Children
11:00 a.m.	Pre-School P.S.R. - St. Joseph Building

Just a reminder...**Elementary P.S.R.** [held on Monday evenings from 6:30-7:45pm], **Liturgy of the Word with Children** [during the 9:30am Mass] and the **Pre-School PSR** - for 3, 4 & 5 year olds [held in the St. Joseph Building during the 11:00am Mass] have all begun. For information, please call the Parish Office.

200 Club Winner: 09/26/16 Ken Freeland #81



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a journey process for those interested in the Catholic Faith. If you have never been baptized, were baptized in another Christian community, or were baptized Catholic and have not received the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation, or know of someone interested in learning about the Catholic Faith, please contact Sister Mary Dorothy at 440-323-5539.



The next Senior Luncheon will be Tues., October 4th. We will begin with lunch. Linda Rourke will talk on 'The Prodigal Father, A Ministry of Fr. Michael Denk'. The cost of the luncheon is \$5.00. Please call in your reservations to Sister Mary Dorothy at 323-0140. We look forward to a great meal, good fellowship and game of BINGO for those who wish to stay. Bring a friend and enjoy a great afternoon.



Altar & Rosary Society

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY PURSE SALE!
Saturday, October 15th
9am-4pm in the Weigand Room.

Please consider donating any gently-used purses and wallets no longer needed or wanted. Items can be deposited in the containers outside the Weigand Room. Proceeds from the sale will assist the parish with expenses for wine, hosts, candles and altar linens.



Thank you for supporting our *Fall Mum Sale!*
~ The Students of the St. Mary Environmental Club



CLAM JAM AT THE FARM

sponsored by the St. Mary Sports Committee
at Schuster's Pumpkin Patch ~ 8638 Murray Ridge Rd.
Saturday, October 1st beginning at 4:00pm

For additional information, contact Jen Whitten at 453-6810.



St. Mary Cub Scout Pack 135
will be selling popcorn after all Masses this
weekend - **September 24th/25th**.

Your support of the Scouting Program
is greatly appreciated.

SAVE THE DATE:

HEALTH FAIR

Sunday, March 26, 2017 ~ 9am – 1pm

Sponsored by the St. Mary's Parish Wellness Committee

To increase awareness through education and prevention

- Health Screenings
- Informational Booths
- Health related programs, services and providers available within our community



Your participation will help our efforts. If you would like to participate in a booth, provide health-related materials, or volunteer at the fair please contact committee Co-Chairman, Kit Kirkbride at kit.kathy@yahoo.com or 440-365-3798.

This is a new committee and we need the support, ideas & talents of all. We welcome and encourage anyone interested to join the Parish Wellness Committee - we meet at 7pm on the 1st Tuesday of the month in the Conference Room.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP "*Hopeful Hearts*" is for grieving seniors 60+. It meets the 4th Tues. of each month from 1-2:30pm in the Holy Spirit Parish Family Center, 410 Lear Rd. Avon Lake. The next meeting is Sept. 27th. Meetings are open to the community at no charge, are ongoing, with no reservations required. Sponsored by Hospice of the Western Reserve & Holy Spirit Bereavement Ministry. For information call: Chemarra Bryant, Bereavement Coordinator, HWR, 440-892-6680 or Mary Lou 440-933-4423.

FIRST FRIDAY FORUM, OCTOBER 7TH: Rev. Joseph M. Koopman, S.T.D., Asst. Prof. Moral Theology St. Mary Seminary & Graduate School Theology will present "THE CRISIS OF MORALITY". Fr. Koopman's presentation will explore the state of morality, not only in the secular world, but also in the Church. Join the First Friday Forum for spiritual refreshment, fellowship and good food at LCCC Spitzer Conference Ctr. at 11:30am. Tickets: \$18. RSVP by calling the reservation line 440-244-0643 or fflorain@gmail.com before 6pm Mon., Oct. 3rd.

Sponsor of the Week:

SCHLATHER
INSURANCE AGENCY, INC.

Please support our Bulletin Sponsors.