



Mass Intentions

- Monday July 24th Sharbel Makhluf, priest**
5:00 p.m. Sophie Golski
- Tuesday July 25th James, apostle**
8:30 a.m. Fr. Joseph Weigand
- Wednesday July 26th Joachim & Anne,
parents of the Virgin Mary**
5:00 p.m. Tom and Becky Kaminski
- Thursday July 27th**
8:30 a.m. Don Gaydosh
- Friday July 28th**
8:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of the McCowan &
Knechtges Families
- Saturday July 29th Martha, disciple of the Lord**
9:00 a.m. Vicki Krugman
4:30 p.m. John Polacsek
- Sunday July 30th 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary Parish
9:30 a.m. Therese M. Solet
11:00 a.m. Mary Matus

Readings for the Week of July 24th

- Mon: Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1-6; Mt 12:38-42
Tue: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1-6; Mt 20:20-28
Wed: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-28; Mt 13:1-9
Thur: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20; Dn 3:52- 56; Mt 13:10-17
Fri: Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 13:18-23
Sat: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 50:1-2, 5-6, 14-15; Jn 11:19-27
Sun: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130;
Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52



Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Sharon O'Neill** 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: **Bev, Beverly, Bob, Carol, Don, Ed, Jan, Joe, Lois, Maggie, Mary, Mary Jane, Mitchell, Pat, Ronan, Roseanne, Tom** and all who have

asked for our prayers.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Sunday Collection (07/16/17)	\$7,951.19
Tuition Assistance	\$584.00
Envelopes	226

Thank you for your generosity.

- [2nd Collection July 23rd - Capital Improvement]
[2nd Collection July 30th - Tuition Assistance]



My Friends,

As part of the Elyria bicentennial celebration, a number of churches will be opening their doors to receive visitors next Sunday from 1-3pm (check the bulletin board for a listing of the churches). This is a wonderful opportunity to see and get to know about the various faith traditions that have been the foundation of our community. Following the Open House, everyone is invited to Washington Avenue United Church of Christ at 3:30 for a presentation by David Simmer from the Sacred Landmarks society at LCCC. He will show pictures of the various churches down through the years.

We have been an important part of that history. Going back to 1845, there were about 20 Catholic households in the area. Bishop Purcell of Cincinnati appointed a priest to say Mass once a month on a weekday. In 1847 Cleveland was made a diocese. In 1853, the first bishop, Bishop Rappe, appointed Fr. Michael Healy the first resident pastor. In 1854 the first church was built on the southwest corner of 4th and Middle Ave. My great-grandparents, John Diedrick and Katherine Laubenthal were married in that church on September 17, 1867. Our present church was built by Fr. Schaffeld in 1886. The bell and organ that we still use today were brought over from the old church!

Our school dates back to 1859. The old city hall had been moved onto the property. Classes were held there until the old church became available to be used as a school. In 1901, the Guardian Angel building was built. Thousands of students under the tutelage of the Sisters of Notre Dame have stories to tell about their years at St. Mary's School. It is a wonderful heritage that we need to continue. I visited my 8th grade teacher last Sunday at the sisters' motherhouse in Chardon as they celebrated their jubilees.

While we will have a float in the parade next Saturday, August 5th to celebrate our proud history in Elyria, let us recommitment ourselves to this wonderful legacy of building a strong and compassionate community.

Fr. Charlie



I Joseph Dickens & Cari Lauer

SAVE THE DATE:

St. Mary Parish Feast Day Mass & Celebration

Tuesday ~ August 15th 5:00pm Mass

followed by an enjoyable evening of hamburgers/hotdogs, ice cream, Altar & Rosary Bake Sale, Basket Raffle, 50/50 Raffle & more - St. Mary Hall

Volunteers are needed for help with set-up, ticket sales & clean-up. If you are able to help, please contact Angie Pluta: 323-5539 or email: stmaryelyria@aol.com.



Donations for the **Christmas in July** for Blessing House & Birthright can be left at the entrances of the Church July 22nd - 30th.

Thank you for your support!

16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



This Week in our Parish

Monday	July 24th
5:00 p.m.	Helping Hands - Conference Room
7:00 p.m.	Discipleship Commission - Staff Room
Tuesday	July 25th
5:00 p.m.	Hot Meals - Cafeteria
Thursday	July 27th
9am - 5pm	Eucharistic Adoration - Lower Church
Sunday	July 30th
1 - 3 p.m.	Elyria Bicentennial Church Tour/Open House + Refreshments - Weigand Room

200 Club Winner: 07/23/17 William Gross #270



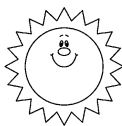
The next Senior Luncheon will be **Monday, August 7th**. We will begin with lunch at Noon. The cost of the luncheon is \$5. Mary Ewers, Senior Naturalist, Lorain County Metro Parks - Carlisle Visitor Center will present **Earth Day, Every Day!** Please call in your reservations to Sister Mary Dorothy at 323-0140 by Friday, August 4th. 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.



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.

"CASH EVERY DAY IN JULY"

It's not too late to take a chance ~ Calendars are still available in the Parish Office. Daily winners will be notified by phone and/or email + names will appear in the bulletin & on the Calendar Prize Board outside the Weigand Room.



Thank you to all those who sold & purchased tickets!

Winners:	July 11 th	\$50	Patrick & Suzanne Kilbane
	July 12 th	\$100	Jane Daly
	July 13 th	\$200	Charlotte Banasik
	July 14 th	\$100	Michelle Clark
	July 15 th	\$50	Janet O'Dell
	July 16 th	\$100	Jean Smith
	July 17 th	\$200	Carolyn Baumann

Congratulations!

Sponsor of the Week:

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School News

The School Office will be closed June 23rd-Aug. 5th and will re-open on Monday, Aug. 8th [9am-1pm]. If you need to contact the School, please call 322-2808 and leave a message, the answering machine will be on and monitored. Have a wonderful summer!

Please note: The **Labels for Education Program** is coming to an end - we are no longer collecting Campbell's Soup labels.

CYO Sports Physicals will be available at Elyria Catholic High School Coliseum/Cafeteria - Tuesday, July 25th from 5:30-7:30pm. Cost \$20.



TEEN JaM Info:

UPPER ROOM Meeting Dates: July 23rd
Aug. 20th & Sept. 10th ~ 6-7:30pm

We had an awesome time camping July 14-16 at Pleasant Hill Lake Park. The group went go-karting, played mini-golf, went on the aerial adventure park, attended Mass, ate lots of food & had ice cream both nights, among other fun stuff. If you missed it and want to be part of the group, join us for an upcoming activity! What are you waiting for??? Isn't it time you found out that being part of the youth group might just be exactly what you're looking for?

On **Sunday, Aug. 6th**, we're trying to get a group together to attend **The FEST** in Wickliffe at the Center for Pastoral Leadership. Great message & music, good food, lots of fun followed by Mass & fireworks. [<http://www.thefest.us/>] If you would like to attend as a family or by yourself, let me know.

STAY IN TOUCH:

www.stmaryelyria.org just click on the "TeenJaM" link. Follow us on Twitter & Instagram at #TeenJaMElyria or request to join our Facebook group [teenJaMElyria](https://www.facebook.com/teenJaMElyria).

Contact Randy Kula if interested in participating or if you have questions: randy@saintjudeparish.org or 216-409-2639.

A FULL LIFE!!



Sunday, Aug. 6th for The **FEST** - 17th Annual Catholic Family **FESTIVAL**, Noon-10pm at the CPL (28700 Euclid Ave., Wickliffe). A day of faith, family & great fun - all **FREE!** Listen to the inspiring music of Laura Story, Matt Maher, Crowder and for King & Country. Activities for your kids, displays to help strengthen your family life, and so much more. There's plenty of

FREE parking & affordable food (thanks to Executive Caterers and Marc's). There's something for everyone at The **FEST**. The day concludes with an outdoor Mass at 8pm followed by an incredible American Fireworks display. Details online: www.theFEST.us.

FIRST FRIDAY FORUM, AUGUST 4TH.

From St. John University in New York, NY, Dr. Meghan Clark - Assistant Professor, Theology and Religious Studies will present **"Practicing Solidarity and Mercy in the Everyday"**. Join the First Friday Forum for spiritual refreshment, fellowship & good food - LCCC Spitzer Conference Center at 11:30am. Tickets: \$18. RSVP by 6pm Mon., July 31st by calling the reservation line 440-244-0643 or fflorain@gmail.com.