



Our Lady OF Hope

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

September 20, 2015

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

BAPTISM: Parent preparation program required. Please call the rectory at least three months prior to the birth of the child. Arrangements for the Baptism may be made upon completion of instructions. **TIME:** First Sunday of the month, 12:30 p.m. (or during one of the Masses).

CONFESSIONS: Saturday, 3:30 p.m. or anytime by appointment.

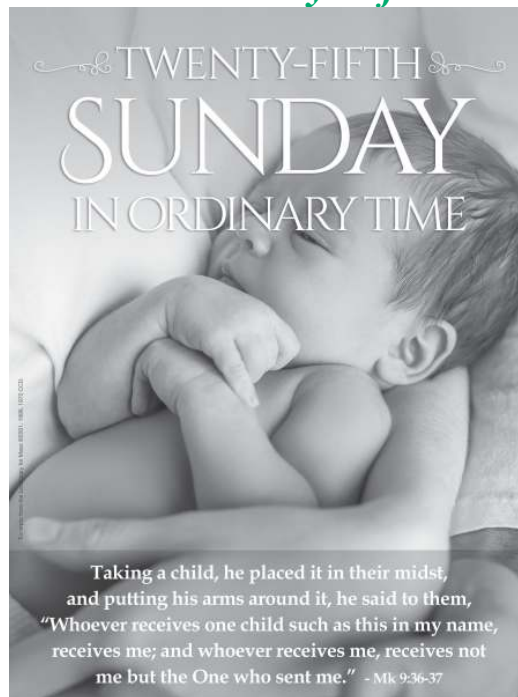
MARRIAGES: Limited to registered parishioners only. Arrangements for date and time must be made six months in advance. Final preparations should be made five weeks before the wedding date.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS (PRIESTHOOD/DIACONATE):

For information please contact Fr. Begin. For information on Religious Life, please contact S. Irene.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION: Please call Rectory office.

REGISTRATION: If you are new in the parish, please register at the rectory. If you moved out of the parish, please notify the rectory.



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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.-12:00 noon & 1:00-4:30 p.m. Anytime for emergencies.

"Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me." This statement from Jesus is actually very similar to the famous passage from Matthew's Gospel where he says, "Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me" (25:40). But in Matthew, this idea of serving Jesus by serving others is applied to more dramatic cases: the hungry and thirsty, the sick and imprisoned, the naked and the stranger. Isn't it interesting to note that caring for children can also be a way of experiencing Christ's presence among us?

For many people, "receiving" a child is part of their daily routine. Those of us who are parents obviously welcome children into our families and continue to serve them throughout their lives. Grandparents, siblings, other relatives, foster parents, and sometimes neighbors and friends also make room in their homes and their hearts to welcome the children God has placed in their circle. Teachers, physicians, therapists, and others who work with children on a professional level are also in the "business" of receiving children. How wonderful to think that all of this normal activity can offer us the opportunity to encounter Christ!

Because dealing with children can become routine, or at times even be filled with challenges and frustrations, we might need to pause to remind ourselves about the blessings that they bring. Certainly their joy and innocence is a gift in itself, but in today's Gospel we are reminded that their presence brings more than that. When we serve children in a spirit of generosity, when we "receive" them as they are--with all that entails--we are in turn receiving Jesus ... who first came to us as a child.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

OUR LADY OF HOPE CHURCH:

Sunday, September 20

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:15 a.m. Bernice Aspery

11:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners

Monday, September 21

8:00 a.m. Julija Ciceran's Health

Tuesday, September 22

7:30 a.m. Rosary

8:00 a.m. Crawford, Katich & Slosarik Families

Novena of the Miraculous Medal after Tuesday Mass.

ST. MARY CHURCH:

Wednesday, September 23

8:00 a.m. Lou Zaller

Thursday, September 24

8:00 a.m. Stanley & Catherine Backlay Family

OUR LADY OF HOPE CHURCH:

Friday, September 25

8:00 a.m. Ann O'Donnell

Saturday, September 26

3:30 p.m. Confession

4:30 p.m. Daniel Volk

Sunday, September 27

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:15 a.m. Mary Ann Greif

11:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS:

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Boy Scout Mtg., 7:30pm in Scout Room

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Cub Scout Mtg., 7pm in East Wing Up

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Bedford Unity A.A. Group Mtg., 8pm in Club Room.

OUR LADY OF HOPE NEW WEBSITE!!

Visit our new website: www.ourladyofhopebedford.org.

It is both interactive as well as informative providing information as to not only what's happening in our parish community but also providing you with information from around the world. Follow up to date information on Pope Francis. Any parish group wishing to display their news and activities on our web page please contact Deacon Bill. In addition to our new web site you can now follow Our Lady of Hope on Facebook and Twitter. Look us up, check us out, stay informed!!

OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTIONS

September 5/6, 2015

Weekly Collection \$5,336.05

Envelopes used..... 277

Comfort the Needy..... \$475.00

Repairs & Maintenance..... \$511.00

Special Collections

Assumption-\$2.00; Faith & Values-\$12.00; Catholic Communication-\$5.00; Propagation of the Faith-\$10.00; All Saints-\$7.00.

September 12/13, 2015

Weekly Collection \$4,265.40

Envelopes used..... 224

Comfort the Needy..... \$222.00

Repairs & Maintenance..... \$382.00

Special Collections

Catholic Communication-\$9.00; Assumption-\$10.00; Faith & Values-\$10.00.

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YOUR PRAYERS ARE NEEDED . . .

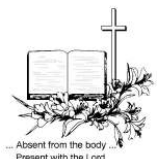
Please remember in your prayers all of the sick in our parish and families, especially: Elayne Stefanek, Maria Sbiar, William Palumbo, Kathleen Tesmer, Trudy Zimo, Sharon Brauer, Brian Tench, Jenie Royer, Bryndl Healy, Avianna Wichert, Rosemary Holycross, Mary Jean Mitchell, Bob Salko, Jeanne Stier, Jessie Tyszka, Daisy Darius, Paul Recko, Dennis King, Maximo Tulio, Joyce Dubsy, Joe Offutt, Mary Babler, Zach Hale, Lois St. John, Ken Hudak, Mary Bova, Walter Johnson, Lil Kalal, Daniel Saunders, Marie Walker, Ella Mae Gongos, James Wichert, Norman Kostyo, Tobias McDaniel, Lisa Snyder, Mary Jane Olwell, Therese Holland. Paula Balogh, Marguerite Waple, Charles Sprowls, Ann Murg, Edith DiGiovanna, Helen Barto, Stephon Smedley, Helen Harrison, Lenore Nipper, Julia Eppich, Betty Rogers, Daniel Rogers, Martha Harkai, Michaela Fortlage, Dan O'Reilly Family, Carmella Genova, Jackie Desch, William Imtihare, Virginia Duda, Joseph McElhone, John Lemponen...

Please remember in your prayers:

James Kustala

Dennis Kotmel

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.



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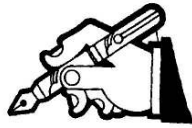
September 19th thru 25th

In Memory of

John Svedek

Dear Parishioners,

This time of year is such a wonderful time to look at the bounty we have in the harvest. I love looking at the roadside stands and seeing the magic that has come from the tiny seeds planted a few months ago! Let us take time to thank God for all the ways we are immeasurably blessed.



Welcome to all of those who joined us for St. Mary's homecoming!

Next week at all Masses at Our Lady of Hope we will have Fr. Dave Baugh and some of the diocesan pro-life committee sharing a powerful message.

Love & Peace,

Fr. Dan



We would like to congratulate and welcome:

McKenna Lynn Pudelski into our Catholic community through the Sacrament of Baptism.



THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS — Who should inquire about RCIA?

- Anyone age 7 and older who is not yet baptized.
- Any baptized Christian who wishes to become Catholic.
- Anyone who wishes to learn more about the Catholic faith.

Please contact **Louise at 440-232-8166** if you are interested in an educational journey that will lead into a special time of reflection, spiritual renewal and growth.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

If you or someone that you know have been Baptized and received First Communion but have never been confirmed please call Louise at 440-232-8166.

If you are 14 years of age or older and are interested in learning more about this third Sacrament of Initiation into the Catholic Church, we can meet in group or individual sessions.

THE MYSTERY OF GOD

“WHO GOD IS & WHY HE MATTERS”

Coming soon to Our Lady of Hope Parish will be the newest study program of Bishop Robert Barron's (originator of the 'Catholicism' series). Please watch future bulletins for more details.

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2015-2016 PSR PROGRAM

The Our Lady of Hope/St. Mary PSR program for 2015-2016 will be taking a different direction this year. It will consist of weekly online sessions that can be completed at the student's leisure, and will be interactive with the pastoral staff. There will also be monthly gatherings of the families as a group for a social meeting. If you or someone that you know has a child in the public school and would be interested in getting them registered in this program, please contact Louise at 440-232-8166. We are the first two parishes in the Diocese of Cleveland that are implementing this program.



LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS!!

Our annual **Autumn Card Party** will be held **NEXT** Sunday, September 27th, from 2 to 6 p.m. in the Social Hall. Come and join us! Admission is \$6.00 which includes a light lunch with dessert and beverage. Also, cash raffle tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5 and can be purchased from members or after Masses in the Narthex. (Winner need not be present.) If you don't play cards, we also have domino, dice, and board games available—or bring your own. Bring you friends and family and enjoy an afternoon out!!

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

An Invitation to Serve:

Are you naturally caring, compassionate and giving person? Were you blessed with parents or other role models in life from whom you learned that the **joy** of living is gained though **giving**? If you answered “yes” to either of these questions, look for an **Invitation to Serve** from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in October. For more information: e-mail at info@svdpcle.org or call 216-696-6525, ext. 3150.

SAVE THE DATE—MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!

The date is **November 8th**—Our Lady of Hope's annual **Homecoming Pancake Breakfast!** We are reaching out to all our parishioners plus those who were former members of St. Pius X, Holy Trinity, St. Wenceslas, and St. Jude. Spread the word. More info to come in future bulletins.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

There will be a Life in the Spirit Seminar for all who are interested in charismatic prayer on Friday evening, October 2nd, through Saturday, October 3rd at St. Mary Retreat Center (former Convent). The spiritual directors will be Fr. Norm Douglas and Fr. Dan Begin. Please check out this weekend's bulletin insert for more info and to register.

ATTENTION SINGING ENTHUSIASTS

Pia Alesci, soprano soloist and voice teacher, will be offering private vocal instruction at the St. Mary parish location for ages 10-Adult. For more information contact Pia Alesci at 216-337-0563 or slim1958@att.net.

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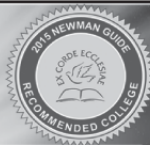
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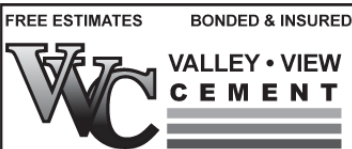
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