

February 3, 2018
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK				Weekday Readings
Mon	Feb 4		No Scheduled Mass	Heb 11: 32-40/Mk 5: 1-20
Tue	Feb 5	(SN) 8:00am	Liv & Dec'd Fred & Marie Dible & Amos Niese fams. Exposition 4pm	Heb 12: 1-4/Mk 5: 21-43
Wed	Feb 6	(HF) 8:00am	Marilyn Frederick/Exposition Closing 8pm	Heb 12: 4-7, 11-15/Mk 6: 1-6
Thu	Feb 7	(HF) 6:30pm	Tom Deitering & Deitering-Kaple fams.	Heb 12: 18-19, 21-24/Mk 6: 7-13
Fri	Feb 8	(SN) 8:00am	Rita J. Singler	Heb 13: 1-8/Mk 6: 14-29
Sat	Feb 9	(SN) 4:00pm	Joan Westrick & Liv & Dec'd Westrick family/ Steve Kleman/Rita Hermiller	
Sat	Feb 9	(HF) 7:00pm	For the Parish	Sunday Readings
Sun	Feb 10	(HF) 8:30am	Melvin Schroeder/Rev. Dennis Schroeder Marilyn Inkrott	Is 6: 1-2a, 3-8/1Cor 15: 1-11/ Lk 5: 1-11
Sun	Feb 10	(SN) 10:30am	For the Parish	

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

As we are clearly in the midst of what appears to be "extreme" winter weather these recent days, I thought it beneficial to provide you with a current update on major maintenance projects at St. Nicholas and Holy Family parishes.

At St. Nicholas, two pending projects that were not completed in the fall season include the replacement and installation of the upper nave storm windows on the west side of the church (side between the rectory and church). We have been assured by the Bigelow Glass Company of Findlay that our project is among the first to be completed in the early spring season. The second project, the bell tower louver enclosures (eight window fixtures in all), is still in process of fabrication and once the winter weather gives way to warmer spring temperatures, we have been told by the Wellman Brothers, Inc. of Clearwater, Ohio that the installation will then commence.

At Holy Family, we will soon be submitting specification drawings for the water treatment system we intend to install at the church site. Once those submitted plans are approved by EPA officials, we can begin the installation. Much of the recent delay has to do with water testing. Once our system is connected and ready for operation, we will detach from the current water source at SeeKing Ministries, our neighbor on the west side of State Route 109. As you may have noticed, the warning signs at our church entryways have been removed. This was due to successful treatments and changes made to the system we are currently sharing with SeeKing Ministries. Frequent required testing continues on this system.

Maintenance Committees in both parishes are currently reviewing and researching other potential capital improvement projects. I am grateful for their service to our communities and commitment to the upkeep of our buildings and properties.

A timely item I would also like to share with you this winter season is our daily Mass policy for both Holy

Family and St. Nicholas parishes. If a Level 3 snow emergency has been declared for Putnam County on a weekday, there will be no daily Mass offered (or Exposition scheduled) in either parish church that day. The Mass intention requested for that day will be moved to a date negotiated between the Parish Office and the donor. If a cancellation or delay is announced for Miller City New Cleveland Schools on a given weekday, Mass will still be celebrated at the scheduled time in either parish church. If the Miller City New Cleveland school cancellation or delay occurs on a Tuesday or Wednesday when Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is scheduled in either parish church, Exposition will be cancelled. When in doubt, feel free to call or text me directly at 419-509-6416.

It was relayed to me recently that my immediate predecessors maintained the custom of cancelling the regularly scheduled daily Mass when a funeral was also scheduled that same day. It will be my practice to offer the regularly scheduled daily Mass in addition to the funeral Mass of our deceased parishioners. Additionally, on those weekdays when a Funeral Mass is scheduled on a day (Tuesday or Wednesday) when Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is to follow the daily morning Mass, Exposition will be cancelled that day.

Keeping each of you in my daily prayers these frigid days,

Monsignor Singler

WEEKLY OFFERINGS	
January 26 & 27, 2019	
St. Nicholas:	Holy Family:
Regular: \$2,791.00	Regular: \$2,564.00
Fuel: 30.00	Fuel: 150.00
Holy Day: 20.00	
Total: \$2,841.00	Total: \$2,714.00
<i>Additional Envelopes Received for January 20, 2019</i>	
Total: \$ 425.00	Total: \$ 605.00
Grand Total for January 19-20, 2019	
St. Nicholas: \$1,432.00	Holy Family: \$1,443.00
<i>Thank you for your generosity and support of our parishes.</i>	

If you ordered Sub Sandwiches from the Youth Group, please remember to pick them up between 10:00am until noon at St. Nicholas Parish Center today Sunday, February 3. Extra sandwiches will be available. Thank you!

Ministry Schedules for the months of March – April 2019 will be prepared soon. If you have changes contact the Parish Office, [419-876-3481](tel:419-876-3481)/snhf@fairpoint.net by February 8.

**WE WELCOME THE NEWLY BAPTIZED
Holy Family Parish**

Eli Andrew, son of Andrew & Sara Hermiller
Hannah Marie, daughter of Joshua & Cheryl Hermiller
Corbin Lee, son of Curtis & Megan Tobe
St. Nicholas Parish
Delilah Rae, daughter of Cody & Samantha Gable

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process whereby adults enter the Catholic Church. This includes anyone not baptized, those baptized in a Christian denomination, i.e. Lutheran, Methodist, etc., or those baptized Catholic but were never catechized. At St. Nicholas and Holy Family, this process of entering into full communion is always available. Please call the Parish Office if you or a family member would like to begin this process.

Adult members from our parishes who are already fully initiated and are willing to accompany those in the RCIA process are needed. We will be meeting late afternoon/early evenings, generally on Mondays. Please contact Deb Wehri at the Parish Office if you are willing to be part of this group. No special skills are required. Together we read and discuss the Catechism of the Catholic Church, as we journey in faith.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION/YOUTH GROUP

All Junior High Christian Formation students meet this Wednesday, February 6.

Please be advised that Junior High Christian Formation classes are cancelled when school is cancelled due to inclement weather.

The Youth Group's annual Soup Supper will be Monday, February 18—President's Day. The meal will be served from 4:00-6:30pm at the SN Parish Center Hall. There will be six varieties of soup, three varieties of homemade bread, and a generous dessert bar. Please mark your calendars and invite your family and friends. Take out will be available. Cost is by donation which supports Youth Group activities.

Junior Christian Formation meets today Sunday at St. Nicholas; Seniors meet at Holy Family. Freshmen Christian Formation meets at Holy Family next Sunday, February 10; Sophomores meet at St. Nicholas.

Parent meeting for First Communion is Feb. 11 at 7:00pm at the Parish Center.

St. Nicholas Altar Rosary Society members are selling raffle tickets for a doll house and barn made by SN parishioner Larry Niese. Tickets are \$5.00 each and \$10.00 for 3 tickets. Proceeds for this fundraiser will be used to purchase new Mass vestments for St. Nicholas Parish. You may purchase tickets from any Altar Rosary officer, at Mack & Rita's, the Pit Stop or at the Parish Office. Drawing for the barn will take place at the Men of All Ages Dinner on Sunday, March 17, 2019; drawing for the doll house will be at the Ladies of All Ages Dinner on Sunday, April 28, 2019.

Husbands and wives ...there was a time when you would have put aside anything for a weekend alone with your spouse. It's time again! A Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend provides a chance for couples to spend time together, apart from the distractions and tensions of everyday life, with your focus on each other and your relationship. It's a time for you and your spouse to rediscover each other and to supercharge your relationship for an entire weekend. The two of you deserve it! You have a special opportunity to attend a WWME weekend right in your own parish family. The next weekend is going to be held at St. Nicholas Parish in Miller City, March 30-31, 2019. This weekend is for any married couples of the St. Nicholas and Holy Family parishes, whether married 1 year, 50+ years of anywhere in between. (It is an in-parish weekend, so rather than staying at a hotel, the presentations will be held at the parish and couples will return to their own homes to sleep Saturday night.) For information or to apply for a weekend, go to www.wwme.org or contact Brian & Chris Schroeder at 419-538-7210 or bschroeder@bright.net.

Ottawa Knights of Columbus Chicken and Fish Fry will be held this Friday, February 8 at the Knight of Columbus Hall, Ottawa. Meals will be served 4:30PM – 7:00PM.

The Putnam County Community Thrift Store (PCCTS) needs help to recycle metal. Next Saturday February 9, 2019 from 8:30 AM to noon, volunteers will tear apart items for recycling of the metal components. The funds generated by the sale of the components are used to purchase food for the store's food pantry. All funds generated by your volunteerism help people in Putnam County. For details and to sign up for this volunteer opportunity contact Tim Macke, 419-969-0211, macketim@gmail.com or Ted Macke, 419-615-2891.

BULLETIN SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: FORSTER TRUCKING & EXCAVATING LLC. Complete site work, ponds, driveways, hauling dirt & stone. Contact Tom or Jean Forster at 419-876-3665 or 419-876-3121.