

Liturgy Schedule

Chapel

Monday, May 16

8:00am - Tammy Kazmierczak - Family

Tuesday, May 17

8:00am - Helen Resar - Lee-Carmel Grissinger

Thursday, May 19

8:00am - Carl Seabold - Family

Friday, May 20

8:00am - William James Wracker - Family

Church

Saturday, May 21

3:30pm - Confessions

4:30pm - Lily Lawlor - Rick & Sue Wiedenmannott

Sunday, May 22 - The Most Holy Trinity

8:30am - Joe & Florence Filipiak - Joe & Mary Kay Filipiak

11:00am - Josephine Klingshirn - Carole Mitchell

WELCOME: Welcome newly ordained, Fr. Andrew Hoover who will be presiding at the 11:00am mass next Sunday, May 22nd. Fr. Hoover was ordained on May 21st for the Diocese of Cleveland and his first assignment will be St. Peter Catholic Church in North Ridgeville.

LEADERSHIP MEETING: There will be a meeting of all the heads (or representative) of all the organizations and ministries on Thursday, June 9th at 7:00pm. We will be looking ahead to how we can respond to this Year of Mercy through the activities and ministries in the year ahead. This will include working on the parish calendar for July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017. If your ministry or organization has not already turned in your requested dates to the office please do so before May 26th so we can have a rough draft of the calendar available for this meeting. Please include in your requests the weekends you wish to be in the Gathering Area during the year as we will be limiting the number of fund raisers on a given weekend.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES: Next weekend we will be participating in the follow-up In-Pew Parish Appeal for Catholic Charities and Rose-Mary. The money raised for the Appeal is an act of mercy that will change the lives of our brothers and sisters in Christ, especially the children and young adults with disabilities living at Rose-Mary.

All new, increased and additional gifts made in the in-pew envelopes available next weekend or donated online at www.CatholicCommunity.org/challenge will be matched dollar up to \$100,000 and all proceeds from this weekend will be invested in Rose-Mary's Homes for Our Future Project to enhance the lives of children and adults with developmental disabilities. See insert in today's bulletin for additional information about the importance of this special partnership between Catholic Charities and Rose-Mary. We are called to carry out the teachings of Jesus Christ with mercy, charity and thanksgiving. How will you respond to help the children at Rose-Mary to have a place they can call home?

Thank you and may God bless us all with his enduring love!

A PRAYER TO THE SPIRIT

Spirit of Jesus,
poured out in flames of fire upon your disciples on the day of Pentecost,
we pray to you:
Set afire the hearts of your faithful
so that they will announce
in all the languages of the world
the wonders of the salvation of God.

Pray for the Sick: *David Blackburn, Betty Kuepfer, Jose' Magiste, Steve Fialkowski, Sandy Vasbinder, Tami Lynsky, Betty Kirsch, Leon Denomme, Mike Wilson, Pam Jenkins, Jim Hempfling, David Myers, Dave Wilson, Antoinette & Tyler Smith, Amanda VanSchoor, Debbie Hutnyak, Henry Husk, Brandon Bommer, Larry Knepper, Robert Yunker, Kathy Borowy, Helen Stewart, Todd Cendrosky, Reggie Kirsch, Kristy Whitman, Kenneth Schroeder and Mark Machovina.*

Please call the Parish Office 440-926-2364 to have a name of a friend or relative included in this list.

2017 MASSES: Masses Intentions for 2017 can now be requested. Due to the large number of requests for mass intentions, we need to limit each parishioner to 8 total mass intentions for the year (this includes 4 weekend masses). To schedule Mass Intentions contact the office at 440-926-2364 or email us at: info@olqpgrafton.org.

READING FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 9:14-29
 Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11a, 23; Mk 9:30-37
 Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3, 6-11; Mk 9:38-40
 Thursday: Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-20; Mk 9:41-50
 Friday: Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12; Mk 10:1-12
 Saturday: Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3, 8; Mk 10:13-16
 Sunday: Prv 8:22-31; Ps 8:4-9; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15



PASTOR'S CORNER: Those who are in the Ministry of Care visit parishioners in nursing homes. They bring communion and a listening ear. At the Ministry of Care meeting last week it was interesting hearing everyone's stories of their encounters and how they experienced Jesus in those they were visiting. In the Gospel of Luke (Lk. 10:17-20) the seventy-two that Jesus had sent out on mission return rejoicing in what they had seen and heard. As I listened to our Ministers of Care I could not help but think of those seventy-two returning to share how they had been instruments of Christ's healing power. They are doing great things and it is a special gift to bring the Eucharist and to visit those who are homebound or in a nursing home. Please keep these Ministers of Care in your prayers as well as those they visit. And if you know of someone who would like a visit or if you would like to be a part of this ministry please contact the parish office.

The minutes of the Parish Council meetings are now on the web site. They are also being sent to the heads of all the organizations and ministries. It is the hope of Parish Council that by making the minutes of the meetings more available that they can help facilitate communication in the parish. Members of the council have been working with Jim Andrews on the parish website. If you haven't taken a look at the changes please do so as they have done a great job. Individual ministries and organizations will now be able to update their page on the website so that the information is current and parishioners can see what these ministries are doing. One of the next tasks before Parish Council is to prioritize the needs of the parish. The Finance Council has done this in regards to capital improvements and now Parish Council will address the ministerial and spiritual needs of the parish.

Fr. John

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Distribute communion at Mass as well as take communion to the homebound. All Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion go through a training class required by the diocese for certification and then a practical training class on parish procedures. If you are interested and feel called to this ministry please contact Fr. John.

The Spring Training schedule is in. These two classes are those nearest to us. You can see the whole list of classes on our website under **NOTES OF INTEREST - Eucharistic Ministers Needed.**

Sunday, May 15 – St. Francis Xavier – Medina
1:30pm - 4:00pm. Check-in starts at 1:00pm

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Catholic please contact Fr. John or Sr. Kathleen. During this Easter Season we celebrate our faith in the Risen Christ and invite others to share in this belief. Invite someone you know to look into becoming a Catholic. Sometimes all it takes is a personal invitation.

GRADUATION MASS: There will be a Mass for all graduating High School and College students on Sunday, June 5th at the 11:00am Mass. Please call the parish office (926-2364) if you will be attending. Please wear your cap and gown if possible for the Mass.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: We are in need of someone to lead the parish Vacation Bible School this summer as well as assistants to help for this one week experience. The date will be set by the person who accepts the role of leading VBS. For more information please contact Fr. John.

PENTECOST REFLECTION: As we celebrate the power of the Holy Spirit this weekend, the following reflection from Pope Francis to the International Congress on Catechesis in 2013 is appropriate as the Holy Spirit empowers us to break out of our fears and boundaries.

(The story of Jonah) teaches us not to be afraid of going outside our ways of thinking in order to follow God, because God always goes beyond. ... God is not afraid! ... God is not afraid of the peripheries. If you go to the peripheries, you will find Him there ... If a catechist allows himself to be conquered by fear, he is a coward; ... What I want to say now, I have already said many times before, but it comes from my heart to say it again. When we Christians are closed in our group, in our movement, in our parish, in our own environment, we remain closed and what happens to us is what happens to whatever remains closed: when a room is closed the odor of humidity gathers. And if a person is closed in that room, they become ill! When a Christian is closed in his group, or parish, or movement, he remains closed and ill. – Vatican City, September 28, 2013

Thank you for your generous support of our Parish, and your help with the needs of the community through your ongoing participation in our various ministries.

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Sunday, May 8:	\$ 8,728.81	\$ 8,800.00	(\$ 71.19)
Sunday Y-T-D :	\$403,851.24	\$396,000.00	\$ 7,851.24



SCRIPTURE STUDY: Our study of the Book of Revelation is underway. We invite you to join anytime, and discuss with us GOD’S WORD. We meet in Room 2 at 7:00pm in the Hall for lesson three (Revelation 4-7) on May 12, 2016 and lesson four (Revelation 8-11) on May 26, 2016. Study books are available in the Church office or contact Rick Gallaher (440) 458-6335 for a book or any questions. You will enjoy increasing your knowledge and appreciation of your faith. Hope to see you there.

SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST: The Greek work for Pentecost means “fiftieth,” and in early Christianity it referred to the entire fifty days of Easter. The roots of Pentecost can be found in the Jewish festival of Weeks (Shavu’ot), the fifty-day celebration following Passover (Exodus 23:16). It was a harvest festival in which the first fruits of the harvest were offered to God in gratitude. It eventually became associated with the giving of the Torah on Mount Sinai. Early Christians reinterpreted the Jewish festival as a commemoration of the coming of the Holy Spirit, since Acts records that the Holy Spirit came to the disciples when the festival of Pentecost was fulfilled (see Acts 2:1-11)

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION: The annual 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration that will be held on Sunday, July 31, 2016 at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. Bishop Richard Lennon will be the principal celebrant. Reservations are now being accepted for couples married 50 years (married in 1966). Couples who are celebrating other significant anniversaries (55 or over) or have missed previous celebrations are welcome to register and attend. Seating is limited in the Cathedral. The number of guests will be determined by the seating capacity and total number registered.

Date & Time: Sunday, 31 July 2016 at 2:30 p.m.

Mass Place: Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist All registrations should be handled through the parish office.

FAMILY PROMISE: We will once again be welcoming our guests from the Family Promise program during the week of May 22nd. There will be an Open House at 1:00pm on Sunday May 22nd if you would like to stop by at the hall for a quick tour to see how we transform the social hall into a home for our guests for the week. Training at 1:00pm will also be taking place for any new volunteers that will be interacting with the families. Sign ups and the list of Perishable items will be out in the gathering area May 14th and 15th before and after all the masses. Come stop by and see how you can help. We are looking for a group or individual to drop off Breakfast for our guests on Saturday May 28 at 7:00am. Please contact Linda at 216-701-3954 for number of guests.

Sister Kathleen’s Corner

PARISH FAITH FORMATION: I like what Jay Cornier of “Table Talk” says about the church and the Spirit. He compares the Church to a musical instrument. God has formed us into a community, an instrument of bringing life and love to our world. But what makes us more than just a gathering of good people, is God’s *breath* infusing our parish with the music of God that silently penetrates all that we are.

It is that immeasurable, unseen presence, the “*ruah*” Hebrew for Spirit, that can work in us to transform our broken world. *“Being a Christian is not just following the commandments, but means being in Christ, thinking like him, loving like him. It means letting Him take possession of our lives and change*

them, transform them and free them from darkness and evil.” Pope Francis

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION: On Pentecost Sunday the familiar images of light, water and wind, all give clues to the marvelous and mysterious work of the Holy Spirit. But we ought to know also that the Holy Spirit is the giver of courage, the one who overcomes our fear. And in the light of that we might ask: where are we touched by fear today? Where are we sitting behind locked doors? We want to welcome the Holy Spirit to those places, inviting the Consoler to invade our hearts, to touch those places and to pour into us the gift of courage.

This Week in the Parish:

Monday, May 16

7:00pm - Choir Practice (Church)
 7:00pm - Our Lady's Guild Mtg.
 (Parish Hall Rm. 1)

Tuesday, May 17

6:00pm - Girl Scout Mtg. (Parish Hall Rm. 2)
 6:00pm - Cub Scout Den Mtg. (Parish Hall)

Thursday, May 19

5:30pm - HH Community Meal (Parish Hall)
 7:00pm - Festival Mtg. (Parish Hall Rm. 1)

Friday, May 20

1:30pm - Keystone Pointe Nursing Home

Saturday, May 21

10:30am - Prayer Shawl Ministry
 (Parish Hall Rm.2)
 2:00pm - Jr. Choir Practice (Church)



PARISH FESTIVAL: Our Sixth Annual Homecoming Days will be August 4, 5, & 6. There will be rides, games, bingo, beer garden, 5K, entertainment, festival food and so much more. Raffle tickets are available for pickup and for sale after mass in the gathering area and at the parish office. We are in need of a publicity chair. If you can fill this vacancy for us please contact the parish office.

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS: Due to Family Promise the week of May 22nd, The Compassionate Friends meeting on Monday, May 23rd is canceled. The Compassionate Friends will meet on the usual date and time in June in the parish hall. Thank you for your understanding.

ELYRIA CATHOLIC NEWS:

Pre-HSPT for 7th Graders

Saturday, May 21, 2016
 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
 Register on line at www.elyriacatholic.com

2016 Summer Sports Camps

Spend summer at Elyria Catholic

Boys & Girls Basketball, Volleyball, Football, Throws Camp, Boys & Girls Soccer
 Register at www.ecathletics.org

Sports Physical Examinations

Tuesday, May 31, 2016
 Elyria Catholic Coliseum/Cafeteria
 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. (registration begins at 5:30 p.m.)
 \$20 (Cash or check payable to EC Panther Club)

PARISH INFORMATION

- † **Weddings:** Couples need to make arrangements at least six months prior to the wedding date.
- † **Baptism:** Baptisms are celebrated at a mutually convenient time. Please call the office to make arrangements.
- † **Ministry to the Sick:** Please notify the office for visits to parishioners in the hospital.
- † **New parishioners:** Are asked to register as soon as possible at the Parish Office or by phone.
- † **Inquiry Classes in the Catholic Religion:** Persons interested in becoming Catholic are asked to contact the Parish Office for information about the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, RCIA.



Holy Name Society Golf

Outing: Please join the Holy Name for a 4-man Scramble Golf Outing on Saturday, July 9, 2016 starting at 9:00am 'shotgun start'

at Pine Brook Golf Course.

Cost for the outing is \$65 per person, which includes; 18 holes of golf with cart, food, beverages, and snacks! There will be various raffles, skills games and you could win a **NEW CAR** with a hole in one on our designated par 3 hole. This event is sponsored by "**Liberty Ford, Brunswick**"! Sign-up in the Gathering Area after all Masses this weekend.

Can't Golf! Would you consider being a hole sponsor? Any parishioner who would like to sponsor a hole or would like to have their company or knows of a company or someone who would like to sponsor a hole, please contact Jim Andrews at the Parish Office 440 926-2364, Jim Lynsky 440 926-3389, Max Jalowiec 440 567-0201 or Dave Ward 440 926-3996.

KID'S TOYS: Spring cleaning will have many of us wondering what to do with the kiddie toys that are still good but no longer needed at our household. Well, here is the answer! The Knights of Columbus members will have tables set up in our parking lot on Erie St. and we will be selling all kinds of kids toys and kid stuff (no car seats, please) that you will be willing to donate. All money collected from this sale will be donated to the local Birth Right chapter. Please hold onto all your kiddie stuff till the weekend of June 4th and 5th to bring them in.

ALL THE ADVANTAGES

We want to give our children what we didn't have; but let's make sure we give them what we did have: our faith.
 —Anonymous