Dear Parishioners,

I wish you and your loved ones a very Happy Easter!

I pray that all of us may experience the New Life that comes from the Cross and Resurrection of Our Blessed Lord. Christ is Risen from the Dead! Alleluia! Alleluia!

As we celebrate throughout the fifty days of the Easter Season, may we grow in our understanding and relationship with our Risen Lord and may we live our parish mission statement, “To proclaim Jesus Christ in Word, Sacrament, Community, Witness and Service.

May Christ be raised again in your hearts and in your everyday situations.

Gratefully in Christ,
Father Jasany

Readings for the Week of April 5th

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15

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Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday, March 29th  $3749.99
Memorial Gifts  30.00
Improvement Fund  60.00
Utilities  25.00
Easter Flowers  57.00
St. Vincent DePaul Society  302.00

God bless you for your continued generosity and support to our parish!

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Sanctuary Guild Volunteers
April 1st thru April 14th

Barbara Nieszczur, Andrea Powers
& Toni Suchy
**Sick Calls** – Please call the rectory to arrange for Father Jasany to bring the Sacraments when a member of your family is hospitalized.

**Weddings** – Parishioners are asked to call the rectory office at least 6 months in advance of the wedding to schedule an appointment with Father Jasany.

**Baptisms** – The 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at 12:00 pm. Parents are required to attend Pre-Baptism Class. Arrangements must be made a minimum of 2 weeks prior to the date of baptism. Before parents baptize their child, Diocesan and parish policy requires you to complete a Baptism Preparation Class. **The next class will be on Sunday, April 12th at Holy Name Parish at 1:00 pm.** Reservations needed; please call 216-4242 to make your reservation.

**Godparent and Sponsor Certificate** – Sponsors for Baptism or Confirmation must be registered and practicing members of the Church, attending weekly and Holy Day Masses for a minimum of 3 months prior to the celebration of the Sacraments for which they have requested the certificate. Please note individuals 18 years of age and older, no longer in school, need to register.

**Pre-Cana Program** for couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage at the Jesuit Retreat House- **Sunday, April 26th.** This program satisfies the requirement for marriage preparation as stipulated by the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland. Register at 440-884-9300 or www.jrhcleve@att.net

**Sunday, April 5th**
Mass is celebrated at 9 am and 11 am

A container has been provided at the St. Joseph Side Altar for those who have participated in Operation Rice Bowl and are returning their bowls. If you forgot your rice bowl, you may bring it next weekend or drop it off at the rectory office. God bless you for your participation in Operation Rice Bowl. Thank you for your generosity.

**Easter Duty** – All Catholics are obligated to receive Holy Communion between the first Sunday of Easter and Trinity Sunday, May 31st.

**Wednesday, April 8th**
Rosary Makers 10 am–Noon Rectory
Adult Education – 6:30 pm Rectory
The Apostle Paul & his Letters

**Saturday, April 11th**
Market Day Pickup 10:30-11:30 am
The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed a half-hour before the 4 pm Mass.

**Sunday, April 12th**
Today is Divine Mercy Sunday – the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed a half-hour before the 9 am and 11 am Masses.

**Holy Name Society Meeting** at 10 am with Mass to follow at 11 am.

**World Apostolate of Fatima Holy Hour** at 12:30 pm. The Holy Hour includes Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Reflection, Benediction and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Everyone is invited to attend the Holy Hour.
For those who are sick and those who care for them, may they receive comfort and strength through our prayers, remembering especially Mildred Aiello, Agnes Bartoszek, John Balciar, Pat Bednarz, Carol Bellomy, Gwen Beres, Mary Ann Betliskey, Bill Bican, Millie Bloedorn, Bonnie Branche, Bill Connors, Corrine Dawe, Robert Dunning, Jose Dybzinski, Kristin Hill, Frances Holecek, Rose Holecek, Rich Krzynowek, Cindi Magyar, Dorothy Mangan, Marilyn O'Meara, Rita Petkoff, Nancy Recko, Briana Rhine, Laura Schram, Elaine Stack, Andrew Turowski, Virginia Turowski and Joe Zelenka.

May our Loved Ones who have died, rest in eternal happiness in heaven remembering especially Charles Jaworski, whose funeral was this week.

For the Men and Women serving in the military, especially those from our parish and their families.

Stewardship – The tomb is empty! Jesus Christ has risen today! Our Savior is active, alive and transforming us and our communities of faith, even the world, at this very moment. Easter is a time of joy, a time of Celebration. To have faith in the risen Lord is also to believe that we are disciples who bear witness to Christ in a broken and troubled world. To be good stewards of this faith obliges us to be living witnesses to Christ’s peace at home and in public. Jesus cannot be found buried. He is Risen! Alleluia!

Sunday, April 12th is Divine Mercy Sunday.
We will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet a half hour before our Masses – the 4 pm, 9 am and 11 am next weekend, April 11th & 12th.

For those who would like to pray the novena at home daily, here is the prayer:

I fly to your mercy, Compassionate God, who alone is good. Although my misery is great and my offenses are many, I trust in Your Mercy because You are the God of Mercy and it has never been heard of in all ages, nor do Heaven or earth remember, that a soul trusting in Your Mercy has been disappointed. (State your intentions.)

Jesus, Friend of a lonely heart, You are my haven. You are my peace. You are my salvation. You are my serenity in moments of struggle and amidst an ocean of doubts.

Amen.

Recite an Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be.

Beginning on Easter and for 12 consecutive Sundays at 9 pm, the TV series, “A.D. The Bible Continues” will air on WKYC TV3. The production is endorsed by Catholic Church leadership and has been review by the Diocese. Don't Miss it!
Karen’s Corner

Did you know that the fifth deadly sin is Greed? The Catechism defines it as one of the capital sins; an inordinate attachment to the goods of creation, expressed in the pursuit of money or other symbols of wealth, which leads to injustice and other evils.

Easter Sunday morning, and I’m talking about greed? Yes, because during Lent we made sacrifices and did things to deepen our spiritual life, and now it’s time to say, “Whew! I made it! Back to my normal life now!” Unfortunately, that is NOT what should happen! Hopefully, we have had a spiritual breakthrough and now we can continue that mission that began in us on Ash Wednesday. We need to be good stewards of what has been given to us and we need to keep helping the poor and those of lesser means. There is nothing wrong with owning things; property, cars, clothes etc., But, when those “things” take over our lives and all we can see is “me, me, me” or “mine, mine, mine”, then greed becomes a problem.

The story of the Prodigal Son is about greed because the younger son goes to his father and says, “Give ME MY share of what is coming to ME.” He is telling his father, “Hurry up and die!” But then what happens when the younger son receives his share? He squanders it on all kinds of sinful things! When the money is all gone, he ends up working with pigs, which to a Jewish person, would have been the worst thing that could have happened!

Ask yourself some questions in regards to greed: Is money playing too great a role in my life? How much time do I spend worrying about it? How painful is it for me to let go of money? Do I compare my wealth to others? How am I spending my money? Wow.

What is the antidote to this deadly sin? Simple, generosity! God is so generous; he created the world out of sheer, generous love and continues to do so every day!

So what are some ways to be generous? Clean out your closet! And I don’t mean give away the worn things, give away something you really love so someone else might be clothed. Donate food on a regular basis to the St. Vincent society. Regularly go through your books, CD’s, DVD’s and give things away. Put a small jar or box near your door and every day that you pass it, put some change or bills into it and every month give it to the poor.

Mary gives us one of the best examples of greed in that she gives birth to the King of Kings in a dusty, smelly cave while Caesar Augustus is living high on the hog! Mary lived in simplicity and poverty and Caesar was the richest and best fed and clothed person in town! We cannot become so attached to “things” that we forget about our spiritual lives.

So, on this Blessed Easter morning, how will you continue to become closer to our resurrected Lord?

See you soon!
Karen

Thanks to everyone who recycles at our parish. We received $30.65 for our efforts and recycled 2,720 pounds of paper. Because of our recycling, we saved 23.12 trees, 4.49 cubic yards of landfill space, Heated 1.3 homes for 6 months and 81.6 pounds of Air pollutants. Remember – Reduce, Reuse and Recycle!
Please remember in your prayers these individuals, who have been called to the priesthood in your daily prayers.

Sunday, April 5th – Bishop Roger Gries
Monday, April 6th – David Smith
              St. Mary Seminary
Tuesday, April 7th – David Stavarz
              St. Mary Seminary
Wednesday, April 8th – Christian Torres
              St. Mary Seminary
Thursday, April 9th – Joshua Trefney
              St. Mary Seminary
Friday, April 10th – Br. Conrad Wald
              St. Mary Seminary
Saturday, April 11th – Peter Soohyun Bang
              St. Mary Seminary
Sunday, April 12th – Easter Blessings to All

Also, please remember the Order of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Mercy (O de M) in your prayers.

COMING EVENTS!!!!!

The Master Singers Chorale of Northeast Ohio invites you to join them for their Spring concert. Now in their 14th year, the Master Singers will help you “sing” in the new season with the beauty of song. They will be performing at the Shrine Church of St. Stainslaus on April 19th at 3 pm. The church is located at 3649 East 65th Street. They are requesting a donation at the door and all are welcome to attend. They will be performing two world Premiers – “Magnificant” by Amy Barlowe and “Requiem” by Ramiro Real. JD Goddard is the artistic director. **Our own Chris Toth, who is our 4 pm Mass organist will be the accompanist.** Both men are from the area. The composer is Jason Metheney. For more information call 330-865-9581.

**Spring Chicken Family Dinner – The Eight Buck Cluck** will be held on Sunday, May 3rd in the school hall from 12 Noon until 1:30 pm. Sponsored by our Holy Name Society. The dinner includes Chicken, Sides, Salad, Roll, Desserts and Beverage. The cost is $8.00 Adults (Two chicken quarters); $6 under 12 & Seniors (one chicken quarter) Advance Reservations requested by April 27th – limited tickets at the door. Please contact Ted Grabowski at 216-397-9467 or email to Ted.Grabowski@sbcglobal.net to make a reservation.

**Ordinary Lives/Extraordinary Mission**
- Rediscover your Mission with Dr. John R. Wood, Catholic Author & Speaker at Mary Queen of Peace Parish; 4423 Pearl Road on April 14th from 6:30-8 pm.
For more information on this presentation please go to [www.extraordinarymission.com](http://www.extraordinarymission.com)

**It’s not too late to attend the Adult Ed Series Called to Share the Good News-The Apostle Paul & his Letters.**
Twenty-Seven of the books of the New Testament are letters and most were written before the Gospels! These letters give us the earliest picture of what life was like for the first Christians. They were written to help guide and encourage them in their Christian growth & they continue to be used to guide us today! The classes will be Wednesday, April 8th – Paul & the Pauline Letters; Wednesday, April 15th – Pastoral Letters and Wednesday, April 22nd – The Captivity and Catholic Letters.

Please call the rectory at 216-641-8444; ext. 13 and leave a message if you are going to attend.
Church Memorials & Gifts

In Loving Memory of Barbara Weglewski
from Sheila Van Nort-Seliga
and Eileen Van Nort

A Gift from Grant & Carol Kaurich

Easter Gift from St. John’s Mens Club

In Loving Memory of Robert Halamek
from his mother, Helen

In Loving Memory of our Mom,
Lottie Ruminski
from Ron & Carole Walk

In Loving Memory of Steve Adkins
from Michael Delmore

In Loving Memory of Mildren Pytel
from her Husband, Joseph,
Daughter, Karen and Son, Joe

In Loving Memory of Rosemarie Dunning
from her Husband, Robert

In Loving Memory of Cindie Turner,
Daughter
Love & Prayers, Mom and Dad Bellomy

In Loving Memory of Nikki Kukwa,
Granddaughter
Love & Prayers,
Grandma & Grandpa Bellomy

In Loving Memory of Ted Obojski
from Ray Obojski

In Loving Memory of Michael Jaranovic
from
John & Dana Trzaska

In Loving Memory of Michael Jaranovic
from his Mother, Frieda Jaranovic

In Loving Memory of Gloria Lasecki
from Cheryl Shavel

The Kiwanis Club of Southeast Cleveland is having an “All You Can Eat” Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, April 19th at Holy Name Church, Haren Hall; 8328 Broadway Avenue. Serving from 9 am – 1 pm. The cost is $7.00 for adults and $4. For children under 12.

The 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration for couples who were married in 1965 will be celebrated on Sunday, July 26th at 2:30 pm Mass at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. The Most Reverend Richard G. Lennon will be the principal celebrant. Reservations are now being accepted for couples married 50 years. Couples who have missed previous celebrations are welcome to register and attend. Seating is limited at the Cathedral. If you are interested in being a part of this 50th Wedding Anniversary celebration please call the rectory at 216-641-8444 for a registration form. The deadline for registration is Monday, June 22nd so that the Jubilee couples names may be in the program.

For they did not yet understand the scripture that he had to rise from the dead.

John 20:7