

Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 10th

9:00 am Amelia & Stan Brindza

11:00 am Mr. & Mrs. Todd & Tressa
Krause

Monday, May 11th

No Morning Mass

Tuesday, May 12th

8:30 am All Souls

Wednesday, May 13th

No Morning Mass

Thursday, May 14th

8:30 am Special Intention

Friday, May 15th

8:30 am Living & Deceased Members
of Ceska Sin Karlin

6:00 pm Wedding
Lynn Marie Korylko &
Stephen Richard Korylko

Saturday, May 16th

4:00 pm St. John Nepomucene Parish

Sunday, May 17th

9:00 am John & Rose Holecek

11:00 am Lil Ciesla

Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday, May 3 rd	\$2662.00
Memorial Gifts	166.00
Improvement Fund	9.00

God bless your generosity and support to
our parish!

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, June 7th at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish at 11:00 am.** Reservations needed; please call 216-641-2829 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, May 17th.** 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

Dear Parishioners,

We honor our mothers, both living and deceased on this Mother's Day weekend. We are indeed grateful that God has placed these wonderful women as a blessing in our lives. We pray for our mothers who are living that God will continue to bless them with good health, love, happiness and peace. We pray for our mothers who have died that they may rest in the Peace of Christ and that they may receive their heavenly reward.

We also honor Our Heavenly Mother as well. I am grateful to the approximately 60 people who attended our Parish May Devotion and May Crowning last weekend. I thank the members of our Holy Name Society for their work on the wonderful chicken dinner that was served. I am grateful to all those who came to the dinner. It is always good for us to spend time in fellowship together and to build community among ourselves.

This weekend, there will be a second collection for the benefit of the people of Nepal who were affected by the earthquake on April 25th. Devastating damage occurred and 3900 people were killed. The funds will be sent to Catholic Relief Services to minister to the 2.5 million people suffering from this destruction. Your checks should be made out to St. John Nepomucene Parish; in the memo area mark Earthquake Relief. Then the parish will send one check to the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland, who will then send a check from all the parishes in our Diocese to Catholic Relief Services.

Winter storms made it difficult for a number of people to attend mass the

weekend of the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal. Bishop Lennon asked that we do the in-pew appeal again on the weekend of May 16th/17th. To date 106 households, 24% of the parish, have pledged \$10,909.00. Our goal is \$12,069.00. We are 90.39% there! We need \$1160.00 in pledges to reach 100% of our goal. This means that if eleven people pledge \$100.00 each and one person pledges \$60.00, we will reach our goal. Please consider making a pledge to serve the needy in the Diocese of Cleveland.

Let us pray for our Confirmation Candidates – Natalie Garcia, Cassandra Glinka, Nathan Glinka, Zachary Milam and Stephen Sikora who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Monday, May 11th at 7 pm at Holy Name Parish. They will be joined by Confirmation candidates from Holy Name and St. Stanislaus parishes. Bishop Roger Gries will minister the Sacrament of Confirmation. All are welcome to attend this celebration at Holy Name Parish.

Prayers & Best Wishes!
Father Jasany

Readings for the Week of May 10th

Sunday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/
1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26--16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22--18:1/
Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/
Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13 or
Eph 1:17-23/Mk 16:15-20

Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28

Next Sunday: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/
1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19



Sunday, May 10th

Mother's Day

Holy Name Society

Mass at 11 am

No meeting

Today is the annual Collection to support the Catechetical Ministries of the Office of Catechetical Formation & Education. Envelopes are in your monthly packet. **This weekend at our Masses** there will be a second collection for the benefit of the people of Nepal following the April 25th earthquake which caused devastating damage.

Mother's Love

There are times when only a mother's love can understand our tears,
Can soothe our disappointments and calm all of our fears.

There are times when only a mother's faith can help us on life's way
And inspire in us the confidence we need from day to day.

For a mother's heart and a mother's faith
And a mother's steadfast love were fashioned by the angels and sent from God above.

Monday, May 11th

Confirmation at Holy Name Parish at 7 pm with Bishop Roger Gries; everyone is invited to attend.

Tuesday, May 12th

Rosary at 8 am before Mass
Finance Council Meeting 7 pm

Wednesday, May 13th

Rosary Makers 10 am–Noon Rectory
Adult Education – A Quick Journey Through the Bible 6:30 pm
Zumba 7 pm
Choir Practice 7 pm

Thursday, May 14th

Rosary at 8 am before Mass

Today is the Ascension of the Lord.

It is not a holyday of obligation. We will celebrate the Feast of the Ascension at our May 16th & 17th weekend Masses.

Friday, May 15th

Friday Night at the Movies 6:30 pm

Tonight's movie is "The Nun's Story" which tells of the life of Sister Luke, a young Belgian woman, who during the outset of World War II, finds she cannot remain neutral in the face of the abject evil of Hitler's Germany. Snacks, coffee and sodas provided. Call the rectory at 216-641-8444, ext. 13 if you are coming to this event.

Saturday, May 16th

Mary Queen of Peace Parish; 4423

Pearl Road. Prayer Service for those whose lives have been touched by cancer. Those who have cancer, survived cancer, lost a loved one to cancer. Everyone is invited to a prayer service at 7 pm in the church. Prayers will be offered to St. Peregrine, patron saint of cancer patients. Anointing of the sick will also be available. A social will follow. Call 216-749-2323 for more information.

Sunday, May 17th

Winter storms made it difficult for faith-filled people to respond to this year's Catholic Charities Appeal, so this weekend all parishes are conducting a second in-pew appeal for Catholic Charities. Please fill an in-pew pledge form if you haven't. Won't you answer the call of our beloved Pope Francis to open your hearts to live joyfully and generously support Catholic Charities.

Karen's Corner

Did you know that one of the weaknesses of the Church is that it has maintained and perpetuated itself in a strongly authoritarian manner?

Reverend Richard Rohr talks about this in his book, "Why be Catholic?" Rohr says that the Church does not necessarily call the people to a personal relationship with Jesus, or that we become Disciples of Christ and followers of the gospel, but rather followers of the clergy. Wow. I understand we have a crisis of faith and a crisis of morality in the Church, but I didn't realize this darkness in the institution of the Church was that great. It is why so many people feel alienated, angry and abandoned by the Church. It is a solid reason as to why people are leaving Catholicism in droves. How do we change that? We change ourselves by beginning and maintaining a personal relationship with Jesus. I started this discussion last week in my Korner, and I want to continue the conversation.

Faith is not just a "thing" it is a relationship with Jesus. Having this intimate relationship with Our Lord will spur us into action. Liturgy becomes alive, prayers are more fulfilling, the stories of Scripture motivate us and we become more peaceful, compassionate and kind. The fruits of the Spirit!

Some of the ways to begin an intimate prayer life are to read things like St. Therese of Lisieux's "Little Way", or St. Theresa of Avila's "Interior Castle". (Although I prefer Carolyn Myss' book based on the Interior Castle called, "Entering the Castle", it's a little easier to understand!) I have also begun using St. Ignatius of Loyola's "Spiritual Exercises".

These things all give a person time to speak and to listen, and listening to the voice of the Lord is so important! How do I know it is the Lord's voice, is a question I am asked all the time! Simple, if you are totally at peace to the very bottom of your soul, not even a tiny twinge of doubt, then it is the voice of God. Also, talk to someone about it! Write your thoughts down in a journal and discuss them with someone. I have had a Spiritual Director for over 20 years, and believe me, he helps keep me on the straight and narrow!

There are so many wonderful books out there to help you understand your spiritual journey. My favorite is Hannah Hurnard's "Hind's Feet on High Places". It is an allegory about the spiritual life and getting to know the Lord. Other books are: "Immortal Diamond" and "Things Hidden: Scripture as Spirituality" by Reverend Richard Rohr. Matthew Kelly's "Rhythm of Life: Living Every Day with Passion and Purpose". Ronald Rolheiser's "The Holy Longing: Search for Christian Spirituality" and "One Great Act of Fidelity". Then there is always the USCCB's "Catholic Catechism for Adults" which is very easy to read and understand. Anything by C.S. Lewis!

If you are not reading one spiritual book a month, maybe you should be! Enhancing our relationship with the Lord is an ongoing process that lasts all of our lives! Once young people are confirmed, many stop seeking God. Are you one of those who has done so? Just because you "know" God, doesn't mean you should stop seeking Him!

See you soon!
Karen

Please remember in your prayers these individuals, who have been called to the priesthood in your daily prayers.

Sunday, May 10th – Pray for our New Priests

Monday, May 11th – Andrew Gonzalez
St Mary Seminary

Tuesday, May 12th – Francisco Honorato
St Mary Seminary

Wednesday, May 13th – Andrew Hoover
St Mary Seminary

Thursday, May 14th – Matthew Jordan
St Mary Seminary

Friday, May 15th – Kevin Klonowski
St Mary Seminary

Saturday, May 16th – James Kulway
St Mary Seminary

Sunday, May 17th – Bishop
Richard Lennon

Also, please remember the Sisters of the Precious Blood (CPPS) in your prayers.

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, Gwen Beres, Mary Ann Betliskey, Bill Bican, Bill Connors, Corrine Dawe, Dolores Dobransky, Jose Dybzinski, Kristin Hill, Lucy Konkoly, Cindi Magyar, Marilyn O'Meara, Nancy Recko, Briana Rhine, Elaine Stack, Virginia Turowski and Rob Zanath.

May our Loved Ones who have died, rest in eternal happiness in heaven.

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

Stewardship – Jesus calls his disciples his “friends” and commands them to love one another as he has loved them. We are called to be stewards of this friendship; to love one another as Jesus loves us. Do we give serious attention to what this love requires of us? Does this require us to actively seek the welfare of others? What is the price of this friendship with the Lord?

Thanks for your continued support for Market Day and our Recycling Program.

We received \$100.98 for our April Market Day sale and \$70.63 for our recycling efforts in March. We also saved 48.03 trees, 9.32 cubic yards of landfill space and 19,775 gallons of water thru our recycling efforts!

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 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.

Sanctuary Guild Volunteers
May 13th thru May 26th
Kathy Bondzio & Patty Kowalec

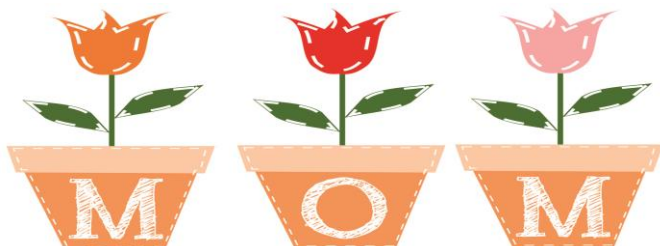
The First Tee of Cleveland at the Washington Park Golf Course in Newburgh Heights offers a youth development program that teaches life skills, core values and healthy habits to children ages 6-18 through the game of golf. Weekly classes are grouped by age and are offered after school and Saturday with trained coaches and volunteers. If you would like more information about the program please call 216-641-7799 or visit their website at www.thefirstteecleveland.org

Coalition with Young Adults (CYA) is a growing Catholic network serving men and women in their 20s and 30s. Visit www.cyacleveland.org for a listing of area young adult ministries, relevant blogs, inspirational quotes, an online calendar of events and more.



Bake Sale

Our Altar & Rosary is sponsoring a bake sale with a lottery tree and split raffle after all our Masses the weekend of June 6th/7th. Members are asked to please send in lottery tickets for the Lottery Raffle. If you are unable to purchase tickets yourself, a donation can be sent in and we will purchase them for you. Please mark the envelope to the Attention: Altar & Rosary Society Lottery Raffle and include them in the collection basket at Mass or drop them off or mail them to the rectory office.



Church Memorials & Gifts

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

An Easter Gift from
St. John Altar & Rosary Society

In Loving Memory of Joseph C. Kocab
from his wife, Gertrude

In Loving Memory of Joseph & Pearl Bora
from their loving daughter,
Dolores Minko

In Loving Memory of Robert Schaefer
from his wife, Marge & Family

In Loving Memory of Edward Sempruch
from his sister-in-law, Lynne

In Loving Memory of Tracy Dunning
from The Dunning Family

In Loving Memory of Richard Doubek
from his wife, Tina

In Loving Memory of Rosemarie Dunning
from The Dunning Family

In Loving Memory of Miles Delmore
from Michael Delmore

In Loving Memory of
the Deceased Members of
the Kurtz & Zurowski Families
from Mr. & Mrs. John Kurtz
