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, September 13th at Immaculate Heart Parish at 1:30 pm. Reservations needed; please call 216-341-1274

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 on Sept. 27th at 12:45 pm. 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
Readings for the Week of September 13th

Sunday: Is 50:5-9a/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35
Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Lk 7:31-35
Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16/Lk 7:36-50
Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Lk 8:1-3
Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Lk 8:4-15
Next Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/
Jas 3:16--4:3/Mk 9:30-37

Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday, September 6th $2498.05
Improvement Fund 101.00
Memorial Gifts 50.00
Utilities 32.00
Seminary Assessment 73.00

Thank you & God bless you for your continued financial support.

Wednesday, September 16th
Golden Agers Meeting 11:30 am at the Newburgh Heights Senior Center

Rosary Makers 10 am–Noon Rectory
Zumba – 7 pm in the school gym

Choir Practice 7 pm
New Members always welcome.

Thursday, September 17th
Grandmothers Club Meeting 11:30 am at Cuyahoga Hts. Village Hall

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY
Teaching about God's Gift of Forgiveness

Sunday, September 20th
Catechetical Sunday – 11 am Mass

Today we will recognize those who share in the teaching mission of the Church through a special rite of commissioning and blessing. We thank our PSR instructors for teaching our children and showing others how they live their faith. Please remember to pray for our catechists throughout the year.

Altar & Rosary Society - Our meeting will be held today at 12:30 pm. Doors will open at 12 Noon following Mass. Lunch will be provided. The 11 am Mass is to honor the Living & Deceased Pastors, Associates & Religious of our Parish. Members, hope to see you there. We will be discussing our Christmas Tree Gift Card Raffle at our meeting. Members are reminded that if they would like to make a donation towards purchasing a gift card for the drawing, they may do so at our meeting. Also, please remember to bring a gift for the prize raffle held at our meeting.

III Alicia Alikic & Alex McKinley

I Laura Higgins and Frank Woyma
For those who are sick and those who care for them, may they receive comfort and strength through our prayers, remembering especially Mary Adams, Agnes Bartoszek, John Balciar, Gwen Beres, Bill Bican, Diyamol Binu, Mary Ann Betliskey, Bill Connors, Corrine Dawe, Dolores Dobransky, Jose Dybzinski, Stan Frankel, Kristin Hill, Gertrude Kocab, Lucy Konkoly, Madeline Koston, Judy Landolph, Art Madsen, Cindi Magyar, Marilyn O'Meara, Nikki Milton, Suzanne Patton, Nancy Recko, Brianna Rhine, Elaine Stack, Dana Trzaska, and Ron Walk.

May Our Loved Ones who have died rest in eternal peace in heaven.

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

**STEWARDSHIP**

St. James asks what our love for Jesus Christ can possibly mean if it does not result in action on behalf of our neighbor. He suggests that that faith is demonstrated most acutely in care for the needy, the suffering, and the underprivileged. Stewardship includes proclaiming the Good News by putting our faith into action on behalf of others. In what ways have we been willing to make sacrifices and renunciations for the sake of Jesus Christ and our neighbor?

“Growing in Your Faith” Series
formerly known as PSR Registration

St. John Nepomucene Regional Parish School of Religion is now known as the “Growing in Your Faith” Series. This series centers on scripture and the liturgical calendar, articulates how traditions and doctrine flow from the Gospels, and includes a handbook on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. We are accepting registration for any student in grades 1-8 for the 2015-16 school year. We accept and serve children from Slavic Village and Southeast Cleveland parishes. Classes are held on selected Monday evenings from 6:30 – 8 pm. Our first class is September 21st! Please call Judy Lasecki at 216-641-8444, ext. 29 for more details and to register.

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

Sunday, Sept. 13th – Bishop Martin Amos
Monday, Sept. 14th – Brian Petro
   St. Mary Seminary
Tuesday, Sept. 15th – Frank Petsche, III
   St. Mary Seminary
Wednesday, Sept. 16th – Jesus Ramirez
   St. Mary Seminary
Thursday, Sept. 17th – J.P. Regan
   St. Mary Seminary
Friday, Sept. 18th – Joseph Robinson
   St. Mary Seminary
Saturday, Sept. 19th – Daniel Samide
   St. Mary Seminary
Sunday, Sept. 20th – Bishop Neil Buckon
   St. Mary Seminary

Also, please remember Carmel of the Holy Family (OCD) in your prayers.
Welcome Fall! The week of September 20th-26th is Back to School Bonus Week with River Valley Paper. Bring all your paper to the bin during this Bonus Week! We will receive an additional $5.00/ton. Don’t forget to recycle your Notebooks, Magazines, Newspapers, Junk Mail and School Papers in our community bin!

New this school year, St. Edward High School; 13500 Detroit Avenue is accepting the Cleveland Scholarship Program voucher. A recent change to state law now allows private high schools in certain cities adjacent to the city of Cleveland to accept the Cleveland Scholarship Program voucher. Lakewood meets the standard. The value of the voucher for grades 9-12 is currently $5700 per year, which can be applied to the tuition at St. Edward’s. Also, families may still apply for need-based financial aid to help cover the remaining cost of tuition. Applications for financial aid will be available this fall during Admission tests. Families who wish to apply for the voucher or renew it for the 2016-17 school at St. Edward must first apply for admission. For information about the St. Edward application process, contact the Office of Admission at 216-521-2204 or refer to the website, wearested.com. Cleveland residents accepted for admission to St. Edward will receive additional information about how to apply for the voucher or renew an existing one.

Coming Events!

The 92nd St. Wenceslaus Day Celebration-Saturday, September 26th. The celebration will begin with mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish at 4 pm. The Most Reverend Bishop Roger Gries, OSB will preside. Following Mass a traditional Czech dinner (pork, dumplings & sauerkraut) will be served at Bohemian National Hall; 4939 Broadway Avenue. The Hronek Brass Band will provide music. A cash bar will be available. Dinner Tickets are $16 per person by Advance Reservation Only. Please call Our Lady of Lourdes Parish at 216-641-2829 for more information on the dinner and patron ads.

St. Barbara Parish Guild invites you to enjoy a French toast & sausage breakfast in their newly renovated parish hall located at 1505 Denison Avenue on Sunday, September 20th from 9:30 am – 1 pm. The cost is $5.00 for children 10 years old and under and $8.00 for adults. Call John at 216-323-8793 for more information.

The Sisters of Notre Dame invite you to attend their 53rd Annual Barbecue & Boutique to be held on Sunday, September 20th & Sunday, September 27th from Noon to 5 pm. Enjoy barbecued chicken or ribs, chips, apple pie, coleslaw or applesauce and beverages. Select Sisters’ homemade items in the Boutique. Tickets available at the door: $12/chicken, $15/ribs. Held at Notre Dame Education Center, 13000 Auburn Rd; Chardon, OH. Rain or shine. Handicapped accessible. Take out dinners also available.
Attempting to pick up the pieces of one’s life after the tragedy of divorce is complex and demanding. One of the significant issues that a person faces is their place in the Church. Does the Church still care about me even though I am divorced? Am I allowed to go to Mass? Can I receive communion? How can the Church help me heal? If I decide to marry again, what do I have to do? The Tribunal of the Diocese of Cleveland is continuing to offer its very successful First Step Program in order to help individuals deal with these questions. The Church’s teachings on marriage, divorce and remarriage are often misunderstood. The First Step Program offers to help everyone, especially those who have experienced divorce, learn more about Catholic teaching in these areas. Everyone is welcome to:

- Deepen their knowledge of the Church’s teaching on marriage
- Learn about the Church’s ministry to the divorced/separated in the Diocese
- Hear the true facts about the annulment Discover a path to healing after divorce
- process and how to submit a case

In any endeavor taking the “first step” is always the most difficult. The next general meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 13th at St. Ambrose Parish, Brunswick at 7 pm. We encourage everyone to Come to heal, Come to learn, Come open to the spirit. **The Catholic Diocese of Cleveland no longer requires any fees for this process.** For more information check the website: [www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal](http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal) or call the Tribunal at 216-696-65250 or 800-869-6525; Extension 4000.

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**On September 22nd through September 27th, Pope Francis will visit the United States.** His apostolic journey will begin in Washington D.C. where he will address a joint session of Congress and Canonize Blessed Junipero Serra. He will then travel to New York City where he will address the General Assembly of the United Nations on September 25th. The final city of the Pope’s journey takes him to Philadelphia for the World Meeting of Families. The historic visit of Pope Francis is a moment of evangelization for the Catholic Church. It is an opportunity for all Catholics in the Diocese of Cleveland to continue living our faith in Jesus Christ. Bishop Lennon is encouraging everyone to follow this historic visit of Pope Francis; to read the news, listen to the radio and watch television and internet coverage of the event and listen closely to what Pope Francis is saying to us as the universal church. The hope is that we may grow in understanding and wisdom about what our faith is about, both personally and as a universal church.

Please visit the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland website at [www.dioceseofcleveland.org](http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org) and click on the link for more information and coverage of Pope Francis visit to the United States.

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Learn how God is calling you to live in your Sacrament. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is October 16-18th at the Clarion Conference Center in Hudson. Call 330-305-9963 to register. Dates and registration are also available online at [GreatMarriagesOhio.org](http://GreatMarriagesOhio.org)