Mass Intentions

Sunday, September 4th
9:00 am James Kara
11:00 am St. John Nepomucene Parish

Monday, September 5th
No Morning Mass

Tuesday, September 6th
8:30 am Wilma Vitigoj, Birthday

Wednesday, September 7th
No Morning Mass

Thursday, September 8th
8:30 am Irene Tuma, Zylpha Thailing & Hazel Lyons

Friday, September 9th
8:30 am Joseph Lozar Jr. and Joseph Lozar Sr.

Saturday, September 10th
4:00 pm Bernadine Balata

Sunday, September 11th
9:00 am St. John Nepomucene Parish
11:00 am Michael Bednar

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 11th at Holy Name Parish at 1 pm. Reservations needed; please call 216-271-4242 to register.

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 September 25th at 12:45 pm. 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

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Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday, August 28th $3420.00
Memorials 184.00
Utilities 26.00
Diocesan Assessments 5.00
Maintenance Fund 46.00

Thank you for your continued generosity towards our parish!
**Sunday, September 4th**
Prayer & Faith Study Group with Father Matthew Glaros at 5:30 pm at the rectory.

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**Monday, September 5th**
Please Note that the rectory is closed today. We hope everyone enjoys their day!

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**A Labor Day Blessing**

This day has its foundation in the union organizing history of our country and the rise of the workers to strive for a better life. Let us remember today all those who labored to obtain for us the right to work in a safe environment with decent wages. Let us pray...

Lord of work and play, we pray to you today. You worked for six days, creating all that we see and sense around us. On the seventh day you rested and saw that everything you had made was good. Today on our national day of rest from labor, we thank you for the gift of leisure, and remember all who have gone before us, working hard, long hours without break and good pay so that we can appreciate the gifts of family and friends and enjoy safety and prosperity in the work of our hands.

Amen.

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**Wednesday, September 7th**
Liga Morska Meeting – 11 am at Cuyahoga Heights Village Hall
Rosary Makers – 10 am in the rectory
Zumba Fitness – 7-8 pm in the school

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**Thursday, September 8th**
Altar Society Board Meeting - 12:30 pm at the rectory

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**Sunday, September 11th**
Holy Name Society Meeting @ 10 am followed by 11 am Mass
World Apostolate Holy Hour – 12:30 pm

Everyone is invited to the Holy Hour

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**Readings for the Week of September 4th**

- **Sunday**: Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-6, 12-17/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33
- **Monday**: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-7, 12/Lk 6:6-11
- **Tuesday**: 1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1-6, 9/Lk 6:12-19
- **Wednesday**: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-17/Lk 6:20-26
- **Thursday**: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23
- **Friday**: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3-6/12/Lk 6:39-42
- **Saturday**: 1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18/Lk 6:43-49
- **Next Sunday**: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

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Congratulations to the Winners of our August $1000 Raffle Drawing!!!!

- **$1000. Winner** – Greg & Meghan Calvert
- **$100. Ticket Seller** – Geraldine Bondzio
- **$10. Consolation Winners**
  - Suzanne Camp, Ed Vitigoj, Debra Stryczny, Rich Leonard & Carol Miller

Our September drawing will be held on Sunday, September 25th. A book of tickets if $5.00. Anyone interested in receiving a book of tickets monthly is asked to call the rectory. We have many books in need of sellers! Take a chance, you may win $1000 and will also be helping our parish. The profit from our monthly raffle is used for the upkeep of our church.
We remember in our prayers those who are sick. May Our Lord comfort and strengthen them and their caregivers.


May our loved ones who have died rest in eternal peace in heaven remembering especially Father Wilfred T. Smith, whose funeral was last week.

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

Congratulations to the Winners of our Parish Improvement Raffle!!!!

$1000 Winner – Loretta Delagarza
$50 Seller Prize – Loretta Delagarza

$100 Consolation Prizes
Toni Suchy, Terrence Harp, Ray Obojski, Mike Malec & Karen Fletcher

Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets & congratulations to the Winners!

STEWARDSHIP – At the conclusion of today’s gospel, we hear Jesus tell a “great crowd” that “...anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.” A few of Jesus’ immediate disciples, such as Peter, John and James, did just that: They responded to Jesus’ call, renouncing everything to follow him. How do modern disciples of Jesus respond when confronted with this apparently harsh command of Jesus? Surely the renunciation of possessions need not mean literally giving all one’s possessions away, does it? Questions we might ponder this week though: Do our possessions keep us from encountering Christ at Mass? Do they distract us from our parish family? Do our possessions interfere with our relationships? Do they make us insensitive to those less fortunate?

We received a check from River Valley Paper for $32.41; which was $13.50 for June and $18.91 for July for our recycling efforts and represented 5,220 pounds of paper recycled. Don’t Forget that the week of September 19th thru 23rd is Bonus Week and we will receive an additional $5.00 per ton for all paper recycled during this period.

The Catholic Challenge Quiz Show is coming to Living Bread Catholic Radio AM1060 starting September 10th at noon with an encore on September 11th at noon. Teams compete to test their knowledge of the Catholic faith and to win prize money for their favorite Catholic organization. Checkout the teams on their Facebook page. You can also listen with phone apps or online at livingbreadradio.com.
Touch Up the Towers Campaign

The work continues on our church towers.

Thanks you for your gifts and memorials to this campaign.

Balance as of 7/31/16 $71,897.00

Less August Contributions:

Touch Up the Towers Envelopes $- 809.00

Online Giving to the Tower Fund $- 100.00

Memorials $- 1581.00

Online Giving Memorials $- 350.00

BALANCE REMAINING
As of 8/31/16 $69,057.00

Church Memorials & Gifts

In Loving Memory of Ed Span from his wife, Carol

A Gift for Our Parish PSR Program
In Loving Memory of Mom & Grammy, Sue Garra on her Birthday, August 31st We miss you!
With Love, Cheryl Vozar & Sarah Novak

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

In Loving Memory of our Neighbor, Virg Turowski from Bob & Gloria Seneff

In Loving Memory of my Son, Donald Hill from Gertrude Kocab

In Loving Memory of Diane Dufalla from George & Patricia Dufalla & Family

In Loving Memory of my Neighbor, Mary Ann Vitt from Bob & Gloria Seneff

In Loving Memory or Grace Balli from Lisa Balli

In Loving Memory of my Daughter, Alice Bird from Gertrude Kocab

In Loving Memory of Diane Dufalla from her Family & Friends

In Loving Memory of Diane Dufalla from Richard Selva

In Loving Memory of George Smith, August 5th Birthday Love & Prayers, Ronnie & Carol Bellomy

In Loving Memory of Ann Briganti from Patti Briganti

In Loving Memory of Rose Holecek from Sue Camp

In Loving Memory of Charlotte Kotlarsic from her Husband, Jerome
Church Memorials & Gifts

In Loving Memory of Rose Holecek from her Sister, Frances Holecek

In Loving Memory of Steve Adkins from Michael Delmore

In Loving Memory of Charlotte Kotlarsic from her daughter, Cheryl

In Loving Memory of Joseph & Mary Selwa from their Grandson, Tim

In Loving Memory of Mildred Pytel from her Husband, Joe

In Loving Memory of Rosemarie Dunning from her Husband, Robert

In Loving Memory of Lillian Vanek on her Birthday, August 12th from her Daughter, Elaine Trautman

In Loving Memory of the Zerucha Family from Emily Nagle

In Loving Memory of Miles Delmore from Michael Delmore

In Loving Memory of Our Mom, Charlotte Kotlarsic from Mr. & Mrs. Gary Kotlarsic & Family

In Loving Memory of Mildred Pytel from her Daughter, Karen

In Loving Memory of Tracy Dunning from her Father, Robert Dunning

In Loving Memory of Mary Ann Vitt from Richard Wolf

Church Memorials & Gifts

In Loving Memory of the Nagle Family from Emily Nagle

In Loving Memory of James Delmore from Michael Delmore

In Loving Memory of Virginia Turowski from her Husband, Andrew

In Loving Memory of Jim & Pauline Skala from Lisa Balli

In Loving Memory of Rose Holecek from Donna Koler

In Loving Memory of Robert Halamek from his Mother, Helen

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Coming Events!
Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Consolation in Carey, Ohio on September 9th sponsored by St. Elizabeth Church. Cost - $50 and includes bus fare and lunch. Please call Virginia at 216-791-6270 for information.

St. Mary Magdalene European Festival on Saturday, September 10th from 11 am – 11 pm. Located at 5290 West 220th Street in Fairview Park.

St. John Cantius Annual Polish Festival; 906 College Avenue in the Tremont area on September 3rd & 4th. Dinners by Sokolowski’s University Inn; Music, Games of Chance, Boutiques, Dancing and more.

Sanctuary Guild Volunteers for August 31st thru September 13th

Loretta Delagarza & Gloria Seneff
Dear Parishioners,

Our Annual Parish Picnic was a beautiful event. I am grateful to Kathy Bartoszek, the Picnic Committee and all the many volunteers who helped to make this a wonderful occasion for all. The Mass was a joyful celebration with great attendance. I am grateful to Sue McDonough for her help with organization, the Contemporary Music Ministry, our servers, lectors and Eucharistic ministers. Many people helped with the events and with the delicious food from our kitchen. God gave us a good day to celebrate the Gift of His Presence and gift of one another. From my point of view, I was very happy and am very grateful to everyone who helped, donated items for baskets, and everyone who came to enjoy the day. It seemed to me that attendance was up and everyone enjoyed the day. Congratulations to everyone on a job well done! It shows we have a wonderful spirit of community!

Our Regional Parish School of Religion is accepting registrations for any students in grades 1 thru 8 for the 2016/17 school year. We accept and serve children from Slavic Village and the Southeast Cleveland Parishes. Invite a friend, relative or neighbor to join us to learn more about our faith. Classes are held Monday evening from 6:30 to 8 pm. Please see more information on PSR Classes in our bulletin.

I would also like to inform everyone that we will be starting the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults with instructions in the Faith. These will begin on Sunday, September 18th from 6 to 8 pm in the rectory. Father Matt Glaros and I will do this together.

If you or a member of your family are interested in attending the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults with Instructions in the Faith, or you know someone else interested in attending, please fill out the bottom portion and send it back to the rectory. Please feel free to make copies of this form for others. You may drop the completed form in the collection basket, bring it to the rectory office or mail it back to us at St. John Nepomucene Parish; 3785 Independence Road; Cleveland, OH 44105.

If you have already received the Sacraments but would like to attend for continuing education, you are warmly invited to these sessions. We need to order educational materials, so please fill out the bottom portion. If you have any questions please call the rectory at 216-641-8444.

Prayers & Best Wishes,
Father Jasany

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Name: ________________________________________________

Address ________________________________________________

Phone # ______________________________

I need to receive the following Sacraments:

____ Baptism       ____ Confirmation       ____ Eucharist

OR _____ I have received my sacraments but I am interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith