**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 2nd at Holy Name Parish at 1:00 pm.** 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 **Sunday, May 19, 2019 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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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Sunday, April 14th**  
Palm Sunday  
9:00 am Living & Deceased Members of St. John’s Mens Club  
11:00 am Oliver Vaccher

**Monday, April 15th**  
No Morning Mass  
Confessions 3-4 pm & 7-8 pm

**Tuesday, April 16th**  
8:30 am Joseph & Justine Jarosz

**Wednesday, April 17th**  
No Morning Mass  
7:00 pm Tenebrae Service

**Thursday, April 18th**  
Holy Thursday  
No Morning Mass  
7:00 pm Anthony & Florence Lozar

**Friday, April 19th**  
Good Friday  
No Morning Mass  
12 Noon Stations of the Cross  
1-3 pm Private Prayer & Meditation  
7:00 pm Solemn Celebration of the Passion of Our Lord

**Saturday, April 20th**  
Holy Saturday  
3:00 pm Blessing of Food & Easter Baskets  
7:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass

**Sunday, April 21st**  
Easter  
9:00 am Special Intention  
11:00 am Special Intention
Dear Parishioners,

Welcome to Holy Week. Holy Week is the most important week in the Church year! It is a time when we celebrate in a special way the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. We remember his actions, reflect on his messages and recommit to living as His disciples in the world today.

On Palm Sunday, Jesus enters Jerusalem in triumph as Messiah and He enters our lives as Lord. On Holy Monday, Jesus cleanses the Temple in anger and He cleanses the temples of our souls in the Sacrament of Penance. Monday is the last day of scheduled confessions from 3 to 4 pm and 7 to 8 pm. On Holy Tuesday, Jesus blesses oil for anointing, as well as priests for ministry and we give thanks for healing and ministry in His Name. On Holy Wednesday, Jesus prays in silence to make His ultimate sacrifice and we join in sympathetic prayer with our lonely troubled Lord during our Tenebrae Service. On Holy Thursday, Jesus gives us the gift of finest wheat, Himself, in the Eucharist and we join in celebration at Mass and in adoration after the Lord’s Supper. On Good Friday, Jesus shows the depth of His love by dying on the cross for us and we reflect on what it means to be redeemed from sin and death. On Holy Saturday, Jesus lies in the tomb and we await the dawning of New Life at our Easter food and basket blessing and Great Vigil as well as our Masses on Easter Sunday.

Make this a Holy Week in your lives. Attend as many Holy Week Services as you can. See the schedule on the left-hand inside column in our parish bulletin. We will not have confessions or 4 pm Mass on Holy Saturday. There is only one Massy at 7:30 pm on Holy Saturday. We are celebrating our Annual Easter Breakfast this Sunday, April 14th from 9 am to 12:30 pm. The breakfast includes French Toast, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Juice, Coffee and Milk. Please come to enjoy a delicious breakfast and fellowship with our parishioners. You may still purchase raffle tickets for the Easter basket drawing in the school hall the day of the breakfast. The proceeds from our breakfast and raffle are donated to our parish St. Vincent de Paul Society to serve the poor in our midst. Hopefully, many of you will come to our Easter breakfast.

I thank everyone who brought in items for the Easter baskets as well as canned goods and non-perishable food items for St. Joseph’s table. Ordinarily, it is customery to offer a larger financial gift in our offertory contributions for Easter. Prayerfully consider increasing your offertory amount as your Easter gift to celebrate the Resurrection of Our Lord. Also, your Operation Rice Bowls may be put in the boxes by St. Joseph’s Altar on Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday.

I hope to see you at our Easter breakfast, Holy Week and Easter Services. Let us pray for one another that together we may fully experience the Easter Gift of the Real Presence of Our Risen Lord!

Prayers & Best Wishes!

Father Jasany
Sunday, April 14th
Palms will be blessed and distributed during our 4 pm Mass on Saturday and our 9 and 11 am Masses today.

Annual Easter Breakfast & Basket Raffle
Serving from 9 am-12:30 pm. Join us for French Toast, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Juice, Coffee and Milk. Tickets available at the door. Adults $7.00 and Children $3.50. Proceeds support our St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Holy Name Society Meeting
10 am at the Breakfast

Monday, April 15th
No Morning Mass
Confessions 3-4 pm and 7-8 pm

Tuesday, April 16th
Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist at 7 pm

Wednesday, April 17th
No Morning Mass
Tenebrae Service at 7 pm
That the lights of the church are extinguished on this night seems to be in commemoration of the Sun of Justice Himself, who is buried for three days and three nights...Our church is illuminated with 24 candles and at each song, where we might otherwise rejoice, we choose sadness because our true Sun has set; and thus during the individual hours the lack of the sun is increased until complete extinction. This happens three times because it recalls the three-day burial of the Lord.

Thursday, April 18th
Holy Thursday
No Morning Mass
Mass of the Lords Supper  7 pm
Eucharistic Adoration with private prayer and meditation after Mass until 10 pm.
Why is the “Last Supper” so important to our Catholic Faith? Jesus showed his consummate love at the Last Supper. He instituted the Holy Eucharist, the focal point of our faith and symbolically anticipated his Redeeming Passion by speaking these words over the gifts of bread and wine, “This is my body which is given for you.” He also made the Apostles, Priests (Holy Orders) when he commanded them to “Do this in remembrance of me.”

As part of our Holy Thursday liturgy, we will have the traditional washing of feet. Please call Sue McDonough at 216-271-5347 if you are interested in participating in this part of the liturgy.

Friday, April 19th
Good Friday
Today is a Day of Fast and Total Abstinence – Fast is one full meal and two lesser meals for anyone 21 thru 59 years of age. Total Abstinence is no meat or meat products for all those over 14 years of age.

Living Stations of the Cross   12 Noon
For more than two decades, the parishioners of our parish have presented a Living Stations of the Cross on Good Friday.

Private Prayer & Meditation in Church from 1-3 pm
Solemn Celebration of the Passion of Our Lord at 7 pm
Saturday, April 20th  Holy Saturday
No Confessions

Blessing of Food & Easter Baskets
3 pm – In Eastern European countries, the blessing of Easter foods was an important tradition and is still found in the ritual of our modern church. People bring the foods intended for their first meal after Lent, Easter morning breakfast, to the church for a special blessing with holy water by the priest. Eating blessed foods for the first meal after Lent makes a good transition to help us prepare for Easter. A basket is commonly used to transport the foods. The foods in the basket have special significance. The white napkin that lines the basket represents the shroud of Christ. The butter, sometimes a lamb shape and sugar, Jesus the Paschal Lamb. Eggs symbolize new life or Christ rising from the tomb. Bread represents the bread of life given by God. Meat and sausage are symbols of the resurrected Christ, horseradish represents accepting the bitter with the sweet in life. Salt is to add zest to life and preserve us from corruption. Sweets suggest the promise of eternal life or good things to come. Please come with your family to experience this service.

Easter Vigil Mass at 7:30 pm

Sunday, April 21st  Easter
Alleluia, Christ is Risen! Our Masses for Easter are at 9 am and 11 am. Please remember to bring your Operation Rice Bowls to church on Easter Sunday. There will be a container by St. Joseph’s altar for your rice bowls. Our thanks to everyone who participated in Operation Rice Bowl. If you have forgotten your rice bowl, you may bring it next week or drop it off at the rectory office.

Readings for the Week of April 21st

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2 and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22 [5b]/Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [3b]/Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Lk 24:35-48
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21 [21a]/Mk 16:9-15

Sanctuary Guild Volunteers
April 10th thru April 23rd

Kathy Bondzio & Patty Kowalec
Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday, April 7th $2698.26
Capital Improvements 145.00
Utilities 54.00
Memorials 245.00
Maintenance 29.00
Assessments 14.00
Little Black Books 30.00
St. Vincent DePaul Society 10.00

Thank you for your continued support and generosity to our parish.
May Our Lord continue to bless you.

Church Memorials & Gifts

In Loving Memory of Rose Marie Krol from Gwendolyn Hrovat
In Loving Memory of the Nagle Family from Emily Nagle
In Loving Memory of Edward Mack from Carol Span
In Loving Memory of My Dad, Allan J. Selva from Steven Selva
In Loving Memory of Laura Puchajda from her Husband, Bernard
In Loving Memory of Allan J. Selva from his Wife, Judy
In Loving Memory of Edward Mack from Christine Smetana
In Loving Memory of Larry Puchajda from his Father, Bernard
In Loving Memory of Ed Span from his Wife, Carol
In Loving Memory of Jeanette Morrow from Mr. & Mrs. Chester Betliskey
In Loving Memory of Rose Marie Krol from Christine Smetana
In Loving Memory of The Merryman Family from Emily Nagle
In Loving Memory of Carol Puchajda from her Father, Bernard
In Loving Memory of Ed Mack from Dave & Marge Lanzola
In Loving Memory of Pauline Skala from Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Balli
In Loving Memory of The Girolamo Family from Emily Nagle

A Message from Bishop Perez

Beginning on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 28th, we will be changing our Communion Rite posture to reflect the original policy, first established in 2003. We will remain standing after the Lamb of God, throughout the distribution and reception of Holy Communion and the singing of the Communion Hymn, until the end of the distribution of Holy Communion. Once the last person has received Holy Communion and the Communion Hymn ends, we may kneel or sit for private prayer.
Please remember in your prayers those who are sick. May they and their caregivers receive comfort and strength, remembering especially Ronnie Bellomy, Mary Ann Betliskey, James Ciesla, Donna Czyzynski, Joseph Deccola, Katherine Dolniar, Joan Gorris, Barb Herdering, Richard Hejl, Kristin Hill, Jaclyn Hodge, Ethan Jackson, Jacob Jackson, Millie Jasany, Judy Landolph, Amy Latawiec, Bishop Richard Lennon, Barbie Lister, Deborah Malinowski, Lynda Mangan, Jeanette Miller, Donna Murrin, Louis Novak, Art Novotny, Fred Pickle, Marge Piszczor, John Pocius, Joel Rivera, James Rodes Sr., Sue Seda, Earl Sheets, Margaret Slechta, Elaine Stack, Robert Wagner, Greg Wisniewski and Mary Ann Zirker.

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

For Our Loved Ones who have died that they rest in eternal peace in heaven.

**Mark Your Summer Calendar**...The FEST, the 19th Annual Catholic Family Festival will be on Sunday, August 4th in Wickliffe. The perfect family day includes great national Christian artists, activities and displays for the entire family. The FEST concludes with an inspiring outdoor Mass with Bishop Nelso Perez. For more information go online to www.theFEST.us.

**FORMED** – Have you tried your free subscription to formed.org – an incredible online gateway to the best Catholic content, all in one place. Movies, Books, Videos and more for you and your children. Pete Gentile will be at our Easter breakfast on Sunday, April 14th with the newly introduced Formed program. He will answer any questions and demonstrate how to access Formed and show what is available at no cost to you!

**HELP WANTED** – 5th Generation local family looking for home health aide for mother. Hours 11 am–3 pm Monday thru Friday. Working with an agency that will pay $9.00/hour. Duties include meal preparation, personal care, laundry, housecleaning, companionship. Must have own transportation. They need someone who is dependable, caring and has a good work ethic. Please call Gladys at 1-252-671-6364.

**Earth Day is April 22nd.** To celebrate, River Valley Paper is giving us an extra $5.00/ton during Bonus Week; April 15th thru 19th. So bring your paper, cardboard, books etc. to our recycling bin.

**Catholic Cemeteries Association Monthly Grief Support Group** on Sunday, April 28th at 3 pm at Holy Cross Cemetery in Brookpark. The topic for April is “No Eye Has Seen...Wonderful Things God has Prepared for You.” No registration required. For more information contact Rhonda at 216-930-4866 or visit www.clecem.org/information/Bereavement.aspx