

# THIS WEEK AT SAINT PASCHAL BAYLON MASS AND MEETING SCHEDULE

**Monday, November 27, 2017, Weekday**

**Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4**

**9:00 a.m. MASS: Special Intention**

**11:30 a.m. MASS: Lisa Marie and Danielle Coutino (St. Ann Shrine)**

**12:15 p.m. MASS: + Concetta and Beniamino DiFiore**

7:30 p.m. Liturgy Commission Meeting, Parlor

**Tuesday, November 28, 2017, Weekday**

**Dn2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11**

**9:00 a.m. MASS: Robert Yaro**

11:00 a.m. Eymard Group Luncheon

**11:30 a.m. MASS: (St. Ann Shrine)**

**12:15 p.m. MASS: Parishioner Intentions**

7:00 p.m. School Advisory Council, Billiard Room

7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study, Arkins Conference and Kazel Rooms

**Wednesday, November 29, 2017, Weekday**

**Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19**

**9:00 a.m. MASS: + Concetta and Beniamino DiFiore**

**11:30 a.m. MASS: Emily Bedran (St. Ann Shrine)**

**12:15 p.m. MASS: Franceso Igmazzitto**

7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study, Arkins Conference Room

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**Thursday, November 30, 2017, SAINT ANDREW, APOSTLE**

**Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22**

**9:00 a.m. MASS: Dennis Vicchiarelli**

**11:30 a.m. NO MASS: (St. Ann Shrine)**

6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts, O'Brien Hall

7:00 p.m. Ladies Night Out, Eymard Room

**Friday, December 1, 2017, Weekday**

**Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33**

**9:00 a.m. MASS: Anne Drago**

**11:30 a.m. MASS: Wanda Lewis (St. Ann Shrine)**

**Saturday, December 2, 2017, Weekday**

**Dn7:15-27; Dn 3:82-87; Lk 21: 34-36**

**9:00 a.m. MASS: Fr. Lussier, SSS**

**4:30 p.m. MASS: Antonio Piccirillo**

**Sunday, December 3, 2017, FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**Is 63:16-17, 19, 64:2-7; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37**

**8:00 a.m. MASS: +Jennie Russell**

**10:00 a.m. MASS: Virginia Swanson**

**12:00 p.m. MASS: Raymond Hrvatin**

**7:00 p.m. MASS: Frances Robideau**

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## **KEY FOR MASS INTENTIONS:**

+ - Indicates the person is deceased

(Anniversary) - indicates the anniversary date of marriage, death, ordination

(Birthday) - indicates the person's birthday/date we are remembering at Mass

If you have requested the Mass, we invite you to sit in the pew by the credence (gift) table and process forward with the bread and wine to begin the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Sitting at the gift table in the narthex is the cue for the ushers and presiders that you are willing to offer the gifts of bread & wine on behalf of the community. We give thanks to God for our many blessings; the Blessed Sacrament Community thanks you in advance for "offering" a Mass, a gift to the priests from your many blessings.

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### **LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS & HEARING DEVICES:**

These are available for your assistance during Mass. See the communion ministers in the sacristy for a special host to be used during Communion. See the musicians for the hearing devices to support your active listening during the Mass.

## **SAVE THE DATES**

- **PSR ADVENT PREP NIGHT:** Monday, November 27, 6:30 p.m., O'Brien Hall
- **LITURGY COMMISSION:** Monday, November 27, 7:30 p.m., Parlor.
- **EYMARD SPIRITUAL GROUP:** Tuesday, November 28, 11:00 a.m.
- **SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL:** Tuesday, November 28, 7:00 p.m. in Saint Julie Billiard Room
- **VOCATION COMMITTEE:** Wednesday, November 29, 2:45 p.m., Arkins Conference Room
- **TAIZE HOLY HOUR:** Wednesday, November 29, 7:00 p.m. in church – Mantras, scripture and a lot of silence! Take time with God to pray.
- **LADIES NIGHT OUT:** Thursday, November 30, 7:00 p.m., Eymard Room
- **PASTORAL STAFF MASS & MEETING:** Wednesday, December 6, 12:15 p.m. - OFFICE CLOSED from Noon until 3:00 p.m. this day.
- **HOMILY GROUP:** Wednesday, December 6, 6:00 p.m., Arkins Room
- **SOCIAL ACTION COMMISSION:** Thursday, December 14, 7:00 p.m., Eymard Room [PLEASE NOTE THE NEW DAY & TIME]
- **BLESS YOUR BABY JESUS, WEEKEND MASSES:** December 16/17, from your manager scene to our church and back, the annual Blessing started by Blessed Pope Paul VI to make the holy connection of the church altar/manager and our home altars.
- **PSR ADVENT MASS/END OF FIRST SEMEMSTER:** Monday, December 18, 7:00 p.m. All are welcome
- **TAIZE HOLY HOUR:** Wednesday, December 20, 7:00 p.m. – Theme: The Peace of Christ and Advent/Christmas Time
- **CAROLING AROUND THE SSS MANGER:** Wednesday, December 27, 6:30 p.m. with refreshments afterward in Saint Ann Shrine. Park in the horseshoe parking lot off of Wilson Mills Road.
- **PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE MASS OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LADIES GUILD:** Sunday, January 14, 2018.

## **OUR SUGGESTION BOX - MAY I SUGGEST?**

As part of our Strategic Plan, our Saint Paschal Baylon Pastoral Staff and Pastoral Council are always interested in your ideas, suggestions, improvements and more! Through our “ombudsman,” Tom Kelley, you are able to share your input: [tjk12@case.edu](mailto:tjk12@case.edu). Also – in the Father Fickel Narthex, there is a suggestion box under the prayer intention booklet. You may write a suggestion and place it in the “yellow” box.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### *Upcoming Events:*

- Thursday, November 30th 6:00-7:30 p.m. Junior Youth Group Regular Meeting - LITE Night #2
- Sunday, December 3rd ADVENT RETREAT \*\* 2:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. \*\*  
Sign up required

### **No meeting for JYG on Thursday, December 7th**

- Sunday, December 10th: Service Hours Opportunity - Breakfast With Santa: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Sign up required
- Thursday, December 14th FOR ALL XLT: SPECIAL TRIP: Meet at 6:00 p.m. for food, then at 6:40 p.m. head to the Seminary for XLT. Permission Slip Required! See the permission slip for XLT for more details!
- Friday, December 22nd Cosmic Bowling - RSVP Required. \$20 includes bowling, food, fellowship, and fun! 5:30 - 8:45 p.m. Details coming soon!

## ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS TIME REMINDERS:

- Immaculate Conception: (**HOLY DAY OF CELEBRATION**)  
Thursday, December 7: **4:30 p.m.**  
Friday, December 8: **6:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m., and 7:00 p.m.**
- Retreat Night with Sr. Melannie Svoboda, SND:  
**Monday, December 11, 7:00 p.m. in church**
- Penance Services (Rite 2): Includes service of the Word with private confessions, Thursday, December 14: 7:00 p.m. (Saint Clare)  
Tuesday, December 19: 7:00 p.m. (SPB)
- Bambinelli Sunday: Sunday Masses, December 17  
*(Bring baby Jesus from your manger to church for a blessing)*
- Taizé Prayer: Wednesday, December 20, 7:00 p.m. (holy hour in church)
- Saturday, December 23: 4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass of Sunday
- Sunday, December 24:
  - 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. **Sunday Masses**,
  - 4:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. **Vigil Christmas Masses**
  - (Enjoy music before each Christmas Mass)
- Monday, December 25:
  - 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses (11:00 a.m. is our “Children’s Mass” with special choir and pageant surprise)
- December 26 – 30: 9:00 a.m. Mass only (No 12:15 p.m. on Tuesday or Wednesday)
- December 27- 6:30 p.m.; Caroling around SSS Manger- Saint Ann Shrine area entrance; park in the horseshoe parking, followed by refreshments
- Saturday, December 30: 4:30 p.m. Vigil Mass of Sunday, **Feast of Holy Family**
- Sunday, December 31:
  - 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Sunday Masses, **Feast of the Holy Family**
  - 4:30 p.m. **for the Vigil of the Solemnity Mary Mother of God**
- Monday, January 1:
  - 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., **Solemnity Mary Mother of God Masses**
- January 2 – 5: 9:00 a.m. Mass only  
(No 12:15 p.m. on Tuesday or Wednesday)



*Due to the holiday schedule, this column and parts of the bulletin were written on Sunday, November 12.*

**Christ the King:** We end the liturgical year with the solemnity of Christ our King. Today's parable from the Gospel of Matthew provides another way of seeing how Christians are called to lead, caring through the "social justice" ways of life, feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, caring for the sick and those in person, etc. That "etc." is a large group of people, but this is what we do – and how we are called to be of service to the Divine Master and one another. A king is usually seen as "number 1," the

head guy! We are called to help others feel that they are "number 1" and the most important person in the world. We do this when we meet other's needs, not expecting it to lead to our salvation, but indeed it does, as Christ points out, in this very provocative end to his public ministry in the Gospel of Matthew. Continue being the leader that you are called to be by witnessing to compassion and care! Then we will be "fit for a king."

**Happy Thanksgiving!** Many family members and friends will be still with us this weekend at our Masses due to the long Thanksgiving holiday. We welcome you and are grateful that you came to worship with us here. Join with me in thanking God for the many blessings in our lives – from health to amazing people, God is good all the time!

**Suggestion Box Ideas & Questions:** In another part of the bulletin you'll read a summary of our Pastoral Council meeting and the parish's business. Another feature of our council meetings is reviewing the yellow Suggestion Box from the Fickel Narthex. Not all are suitable for publication, but here's some that are helpful for general information:

- ***Second Request: Sing "Let There be Peace On Earth" weekly with all that is happening in the world. I never hear it used at our church!*** This goes back to the saying I have, "You can never miss a day at SPB." (I think I should revise it to "You can never miss a moment at SPB.") We sing this song quite frequently through the year: at the Liturgy of the Hours, Taizé Prayer, and weekday Masses, and even with the Bourgeois Bells ringing out the tune. The songs for Mass are chosen from the themes of the readings. And, I can assure you, when the readings are about peace, we sing this song. Otherwise, camp out and never miss a moment at SPB when we sing this beloved song!
- ***I enjoy your [Father Lane's] playing and singing the piano during the homily. Could you have another person play while you are in the middle of the church so we can see you better?*** A great idea! I just have to be more organized and get the music to our great team sooner.
- ***It would be nice to have confession on Sundays so that people could have a clean soul before Mass.*** You may always ask the priest who is not presiding at Mass to hear your confession. Call the office to ask on Sunday mornings.
- ***Put hand sanitizer back at the entrances/exits.*** Done! It seems to go quickly and the bottles seem to go to other deserving places away from our church for they do go missing a lot!

- ***The new [SPB Lane] driveway is very nice. It is hard to see the yellow lines so could you put cones out there until we get used to it?*** We did do this for a while, thinking that it was enough time. You can't miss a day.... And like the hand sanitizer, they went away too!
- ***Thank you for the blessings that you bring to this parish as the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament. I think it would be nice to have 24-hour adoration. God can do anything!*** I believe so! Help us fill up our hours, our bands of prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. There are a few afternoon hours each day, especially on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday that need your assistance and commitment.
- ***Why is it always so cold in church?*** [& another comment] ***Why do you waste so much energy by having the church so hot?*** Let me take a risk here with these two comments/questions/suggestions – especially since when I visit some folk's homes I am “baked out” with the temperature in the 80s at their homes and others who have their homes very cool. Temperature is very much determined by personal preference and medications. Our maintenance department, following the industry standard, sets the thermostat to 67 degrees for the winter and 72 for the summer.
- ***What is with the sound system... why can't it ever be right?*** This system too has its' own demons! These are always conversational issues for SPB parishioners and visitors. The gremlins in the sound system come and go like the change of the weather. Unless we are willing to start over from scratch, building a new system, we will always have challenges. Remember that there are also hearing devices available to you, that may be picked up at the piano for use during the Mass.
- ***Please stop singing “The Word of the LORD.” Everyone knows how to speak those words. It is not necessary and distracting.*** It's unfortunate that many grow up in the cultural reality of the “spoken” version of the Mass versus the sung version. Some parts of the world church never have a moment of the Mass spoken. The church has a preference – a sung liturgy. Since we are a talented, musically inclined parish, we follow the first option for many parts of the Mass. Check in the hymnal for yourself, and you'll see the music is there to sing ***all the peoples' responses of the Mass.*** It's not a Father Lane invention – it's really been there since the beginning of time!
- ***Translate all the Mass into English!*** Already done – but I think the person is saying, use only English in the Mass and not other languages. There is no mandate for any particular language for liturgy. The church is multi-lingual and music continues to be composed in this way. We are, after all, the Roman, or Latin Rite of the church and our official language is Latin and it is translated into every language, with our country using mostly English, but not exclusively. WWJD? He spoke lots of languages, but never English!
- ***Could you publish the celebrants for the Mass like we used to do?*** When Fr. Mike was pastor more than 10 years ago, he stopped publishing the names due to last minute changes or emergencies with the priest's schedules. They were changing regularly, only to make people annoyed that what was published was incorrect. Like this bulletin, published a few weeks in advance of the Sunday Mass, we hope that there will be no need for a change, but, it happens! You may always call the office, as some people do, to find out who has the Mass, but there is no guarantee that there hasn't been an emergency and last-minute change. In the past year, we have had numerous changes because of health, emergencies and other reasons.

- ***Can you remind parents to use the Cry Room so we can hear the priest's voice and not have the child take over?*** To be honest, I find the constant conversation of adults, on a mobile phone or just talking in the middle of Mass, texting, chewing gum, etc. more distracting– and we do not have an adult room for this ☺ I am so happy that parents are here with their children, for as we know, we have a “future issue” – we do not have a lot of young adults, young families and children coming to worship like “back in the day.” We want to be a welcoming community – and we do have the Fickel Narthex and Cry Room available, if necessary.

So, with many of the comments/suggestions being about “first world issues” in our parish, let’s be patient with one another. Lectors, priests, musicians, parishioners, even babies. We try our best to not disturb people, yet, we do have to remember that the Gospel can be disturbing and will sometimes shock us beyond our cultural issues into the culture of Christ. Some of our issues are our issues and will never be solved sufficiently.

Thanks for coming week after week and growing with ***this imperfect family*** together in an ***imperfect church building*** where we hopefully demonstrate and live love and compassion; I think that’s what Christ hopes for all of us! And don’t forget to say to the people around us at the Sign of Peace, “I’m so glad you are here!”

Let us continue to pray for each other!

In Christ our Eucharist,



Reverend John Thomas Lane, SSS

Pastor

PS Place on your calendars the special caroling with the outdoor manager in front of the Blessed Sacrament Community headquarters building: **Wednesday, December 27, 6:30 p.m.**

## STEWARDSHIP

We are God’s faithful stewards, giving our time, talent and treasure back to our God through the faith community of SPB! We thank you for being part of this Body of Christ and for serving God here with us and out Pastoral Staff and the hundreds of volunteers who serve daily here at SPB.

**STEWARDSHIP ALERT:** We are 5% down in tithing so far this year due to your generosity toward the natural disaster causes across the globe. Thanks for continuing to help us with our needs here at SPB! We are grateful for those who are so thoughtful in mailing their envelopes when they are away for business or leisure. Perhaps it would help you and the parish by being on electronic giving?

### **LOANS:**

- Loan for the Roof of the School (Gym, O’Brien Hall and Early Childhood wing): \$134,456.26 (Thanks to our second collection once a month and some generous gifts, we made a payment of \$25,000.)
- Loan for Saint Paschal Lane Driveway: \$172,134.74 (Thanks to some generous gifts, we made a payment of \$25,000.)

## PROVIDE A MEANINGFUL LEGACY GIFT

**MAKE YOUR GIFTS COUNT TWICE WITH A MATCHING GIFT THROUGH YOUR EMPLOYER:** On Tuesday, November 28, Saint Paschal Baylon School will participate in the online day of giving, #weGiveCatholic. Do you know that many companies match charitable donations to schools? You can double your gift to Saint Paschal Baylon School by contacting your company’s human resources department for a matching gift form. Your gift will go twice as far in support of your parish school if you make your donation online on November 28<sup>th</sup> at [www.wegivecatholic.org](http://www.wegivecatholic.org).



### WHAT IS “BAMBINELLI” SUNDAY?

Throughout the weekend of December 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, a Baminelli Blessing will be held during all of the Masses. “Baminelli,” refers to the “Baby Jesus” in the Nativity scene. Originated by Pope Paul VI in 1969, the blessing takes place each year in Rome on the Third Sunday of Advent. Since then, Roman Catholic churches from around the world, and now ours, have adopted this tradition. Every family is invited to bring their “Baby Jesus” from their Nativity Scene to the Mass they attend on the Third Sunday of Advent and receive a blessing. The Baminelli Blessing will incite us to experience God’s true joy and love that comes to us from the infant Jesus, which reinforces the true meaning of Christmas: the birth of Jesus Christ.

Come and rejoice in God’s love for you in this new Advent celebration with your parish family.

## SAINT PASCHAL BAYLON CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

We were honored to welcome Bishop Nelson Perez to celebrate Mass with our school and parish community on Wednesday, November, 8, 2017. Bishop Perez explained to our students that the meaning of Eucharist is “thanksgiving,” and they shared with him the things for which they are thankful. We are grateful to all the families who joined us for this liturgy. We also welcomed Christopher Knight, Superintendent of Schools for the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland. It was nice to have him see our beautiful campus. Following Mass, Bishop Perez and Deacon Greg took a tour of our school led by Father Lane, eighth graders Sophia Jarc, Connor Keefe, and Crystal Yormick. I had the delightful experience of touring with them as well. The bishop was able to stop by some classrooms to chat with our students who greeted him with smiles and some interesting stories! Thanks to all those able to share the morning with us and with Bishop Perez. It was wonderful.

#### **A Look Ahead:**

- Mrs. Widener has arranged a CPR class for our 7th and 8th grade students this week during their physical education classes.
- Student Council meets on Tuesday, November 28, in the Eymard Room after school.
- Our 6th graders will be graduating from the DARE program this coming Wednesday, November 29. Graduation will be held in the church after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.
- Members of the Starry Knights Art Club and participants in the Geography Bee will meet after school on Wednesday. Students meet after school on Thursday for Mad Science and on Friday for Young Rembrandts.
- Fitness Day arrives for our preschoolers on Friday, December 1.

God bless,

Carol L. Jansky, Principal

## DISTINGUISHED GRADUATE AWARD NOMINATIONS

Do you know a “Distinguished Graduate” of Saint Paschal Baylon Catholic Elementary School? If so, please nominate him or her for the Distinguished Graduate Award to be announced at the closing Mass for Catholic Schools Week on Friday, February 2, 2018. To be eligible, the nominee should have graduated from Saint Paschal Baylon Elementary School at least ten years ago. The award recipient will be selected based on his or her contribution to community, society, and the Catholic Church. Our school will accept nominations until December 15, 2017. The nomination form can be found at this link: <https://goo.gl/ApFpEo> or on our school website under Quick Links. Thank you!

## PSR AND OTHER NEWS FROM THE PEKO'S

**PSR ADVENT FAMILY NIGHT:** All PSR parents are invited to attend our PSR Advent Night with the PSR students! Join us on Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup> during PSR as we focus on Advent! Details to follow via email.

**HELPING HANDS GIVING PROGRAM:** We are going to continue the Helping Hands Giving Program through PSR. We are asking that each PSR student raise and donate \$10 (amount flexible according to your ability) to create over 250 bags filled with all the necessary items to the homeless here in Cleveland for our brutal winter season. Make checks payable to St. Paschal Baylon with "Giving Program" in the memo.

**INFANT BAPTISM CLASSES OFFERED:** If you are interested in getting your child who is under the age of 7 baptized, please contact George and Anna Peko at (440) 442-3410 ext. 107 or [psr@saintpaschal.com](mailto:psr@saintpaschal.com) to sign up for a course on baptism. The next class is Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018, following the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

**CONFIRMATION:** Our next Confirmation session is Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. We will all attend 10am Mass together following our session. Please make sure that your child brings a pen, their textbook and their red Confirmation folder to each session. Thank you!

## CLOWN/HELPING HANDS MINISTRY

The Helping Hands Ministry would like to find out if we have parishioners interested in a new group. The Diocese of Cleveland has sanctioned a ministry for people with disabilities called *Faith and Light*. This new group would meet once a month for an hour to pray and socialize to establish mutual support and friendship. This ministry is much needed and the pastor has given his blessing to start this in our parish. When I was a younger religious in upstate New York we had this kind of ministry for those with disabilities and it was wonderful to witness the joy they experienced as they felt they were more a part of the church. If anyone would like to learn more about this ministry and become a member, please contact Deacon Joe at 440-442-3410 ext. 108. Thank you! GOD IS GOOD ALL THE TIME. ALL THE TIME GOD IS GOOD.

### HELPING HANDS GIVING TREE

The annual "Giving Tree" will be set up in the Narthex during Advent. The items listed on the paper ornaments are items that Helping Hands Ministry will deliver as gifts to the needy of Cleveland thru our Knight Riders (socks, gloves, boots, thermal underwear, nutritional drinks) and to Villa Serena (sweatshirts, socks, towels) during the Christmas season. If you would like to help, please take a paper ornament, purchase the item, and return the item to the narthex or rectory by December 23. Please attach the paper ornament to the gift. Items can be left unwrapped or in a gift bag, no wrapping paper please. As always, your contributions are appreciated and will help support those in need! God Bless You!

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

**THE AMERICAN RED CROSS** will be here at St. Paschal's for another blood drive *this weekend*, on Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in O'Brien Hall. The need for blood is especially critical around the holidays. As a special incentive to those who participate, the American Red Cross will be offering a complimentary flashlight to all donors. In addition, our school will receive \$10 in grant money for each unit of blood we collect! Please join us if you can.



**EYMARD SPIRITUAL GROUP:** We gather to pray, socialize, enjoy good food and enrich our faith. If you have never attended, you may want to see what you are missing at one of SPB's best daytime events. The Eymard Spiritual Group will gather on **TUESDAY November 28, 2017** in the Eymard Room of the Parish Family Center of St. Paschal Baylon Church.

11:00 a.m.-Social; 11:30 a.m.-St. Peter Julian Eymard Novena; Noon-Potluck Lunch

1:00 p.m. - Guest Speaker: Jim Bartel, Chef for the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament

As We Eat So Shall We Live: He's back! Chef Jim Bartel is ready to serve up easy ways to prepare great tasting, nutritional foods that help us all to feel better about what we are eating. As always, he will have a sample for us to enjoy. You are invited. *The invitation is not complete until it is accepted.* Bring a **MAIN DISH** which is greatly needed or a dessert, **enough to serve 6-8** and lunch is free; otherwise, a donation of \$5.00 is recommended. Don't forget the popular 50/50 raffle! And bring a friend to share in the joys of an Eymard Gathering.

### **UNWRAPPING THE GIFTS OF ADVENT: COURAGE, LOVE, HOPE**

You are invited to pause amid the Christmas rush (for one hour) and reflect on three gifts Advent wishes to give you: courage, love and hope. Using scripture, stories, and humor, Sister Melannie will lead us in our reflection on these three gifts in our personal lives. She will also show us how Mary embraced these same gifts during the first Advent over 2,000 years ago. Presenter: Sr. Melannie Svoboda, SND, Monday, December 11, at 7:00 p.m.

**FLOCK OF FRIENDSHIP:** Singles: 40 and over, Information: (440) 442-3410 Membership is free. Events are social, volunteering and spiritual. E-mail address: [flockfriends@yahoo.com](mailto:flockfriends@yahoo.com) All Saturdays of the month, we will assemble on the sidewalk in front of the Preterm abortion facility at 12000 Shaker Blvd. at 9:30 a.m. There we will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet and meditate on three sets of mysteries of the Rosary. For more information call Jim at 440-944-1552.

**THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LADIES GUILD** welcomes all past, present and future members to the Past, Present, and Future Mass on Sunday, January 14, 2018 at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. All Ladies of the Parish are welcome to join one of the oldest ministries at SPB! The Ladies Guild is a community of women, joined spiritually, and committed to promoting the well-being of the parish and school through hospitality, charity, and service. Join us for the Mass and a reception in the Eymard Room to follow!

## **AROUND THE DIOCESE**

**FAMILIES IN CHRIST JESUS** invite you to a gathering December 7 at Sts. Robert & William School Hall from 8:00- 10:00 p.m. Guest speaker Sister Ann Shields, from Renewal Ministries will give a presentation on faith.

**SISTER KATHLEEN GLAVICH, SND**, will be speaking on prayer and her latest book *Praying on Empty* at the South Euclid-Lyndhurst Branch library, 1876 South Green Rd. on Friday, December 1 from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. Along with this book and others for sale, there will be handouts and door prizes. All are welcome!

**ADVENT QUIET AFTERNOON OF PRAYER AT BETHANY RETREAT CENTER**, 13000 Auburn Road, Chardon (across from NDCL) Join us on Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The retreat center will be open and quiet for you to come and pray as you wish for the afternoon. A \$5.00 donation includes simple refreshments. Please contact Sister Jennifer Kramer, SND by Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> to register. (Space is limited) [jkramer@ndec.org](mailto:jkramer@ndec.org) or 440-279-1143.

**THE CYA NETWORK:** The strength of Coalition with Young Adults is in connection and collaboration. We support Catholic young adults aged 20-39. Learn more at [CYAcleveland.org](http://CYAcleveland.org)

**GILMOUR TO OFFER WINTER HOLIDAY CAMP FOR GRADES K-6!**

Wednesday, December 27-Friday, December 29, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Looking for something for your child to do after the holidays? Join us for Winter Holiday Camp at Gilmour. Campers will skate, swim, play games and enjoy holiday treats, seasonal crafts and a field trip. Come for one, two or all three days! [Register today!](#)

**RETRouvaille WEEKEND** – January 19-21, 2018 - A Lifeline for Troubled Marriages: Has your marriage become unloving or uncaring – your relationship cold, distant – thinking about a separation or divorce? Are you already separated/divorced but both of you want to try again? Then the Retrouvaille program may help. RETROUVAILLE (rediscovery), which is supported by the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland, but open to couples of all faiths, consists of a weekend experience for couples and six follow up sessions. A registration fee of \$150 is required to confirm your reservation. For more information concerning the program, or to register, please call Marce or Liz Gliha at 440-357-6580 or 1-800-470-2230, or go online to [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org).

**PASTORAL STAFF: (440) 442-3410**

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