



SATURDAY, MARCH 10 - VIGIL

*4:30PM - Dorothy Pavlak

SUNDAY, MARCH 11 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00AM - People of the Parish

+11:00AM - Women's Guild

MONDAY, MARCH 12 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

7:00AM - Barbara McKendry

TUESDAY, MARCH 13 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

7:00AM - Dee Marzola

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

7:00AM - All Souls' Day Intentions

THURSDAY, MARCH 15 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

7:00AM - Sister Mary Laura Bouhall, OSU

FRIDAY, MARCH 16 - LENTEN WEEKDAY

7:00AM - Joseph Yench

8:15AM - Rev. John Juhas - Student Liturgy

SATURDAY, MARCH 17 - ST. PATRICK

8:15AM - Ed Steadley

*4:30PM - Carol Ann Grombol

SUNDAY, MARCH 18 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

+*9:00AM - Francis J. Karas

11:00AM - People of the Parish

+Cup Mass

*Mass of Remembrance

Financial Blessings

Collection for March 4th.....	\$8,567.71
Maintenance.....	\$2,371.00
Votives.....	\$112.00

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED

Please remember Jack Fenohr and Ralph Veverka in your prayers. God grant them eternal rest.

TRAVELING MADONNA

The statue is at the home of **Nina Capone** this week. Please call the rectory to sign-up to host the Traveling Madonna in 2018. Please continue to pray for our host families as they share their home with our Traveling Madonna.

Weekly Schedule

Monday, March 12th

6:45-8:00 PM	PSR - School
7:00 PM	PPC - Rectory (A)
7:00 PM	RCIA - School

Tuesday, March 13th

1:00 PM	Women's Guild Meeting - Utopia Hall
4:00-5:00 PM	Children's Choir - Church
6:00 PM	Alpha - Utopia Hall
7:00 PM	Rosary for World Peace - Chapel

Wednesday, March 14th

5:00 PM	Bingo - Gym & Utopia Hall
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Thursday, March 15th

7:00 PM	Cub Scouts - Cafeteria
7:00 PM	Holy Name - Utopia Hall
7:30 PM	Adult Choir - Church

Friday, March 16th

11:30 AM - 2:30 PM	Lenten Luncheon - Utopia
2:00 PM	Stations of the Cross - Church
2:30 PM-6:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration - Church
3:30 PM-6:30 PM	Confessions - Church
7:00 PM	Benediction & Stations - Church

Saturday, March 17th **RECTORY CLOSED**



Sunday, March 18th

9:00AM-11:30AM	Men's Basketball-Gym
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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

CHAIRPERSON: Steve Cottos

SECRETARY: Susan Sidley

REGISTRATION

Persons who live within parish boundaries should be properly registered. This includes all students in high school and college. Register with the priest after Mass. If you move out of the parish, please notify the rectory.

BAPTISMS

Sunday: 12:30 PM or during any weekend liturgy. Prior to baptism of their first child, parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptism class. Please call the rectory at 216-749-0414 to schedule an interview.

MARRIAGES

Should be arranged with a priest by calling the rectory 6 months prior to the wedding date. Individual conferences, plus attendance at a pre-marriage program, are required for proper preparation.

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

During this Lenten season we are reminded not only of the death of Jesus but also of the painful journey that He made those last few hours of His life. From the agony in the garden, to the trials before the Sanhedrin and Pontius Pilate, to the carrying of His cross that led Him to the top of Calvary. The pain and suffering that Jesus endured is like nothing you or I could ever imagine. The mental and physical torment that He went through only shows us the depth of His love for us.

Why am I telling you this? I am not trying to make anyone feel guilty because they have not done anything for Lent yet, or that some people may have given up on their Lenten promises because they were too hard but to remind us of exactly what Jesus went through so that we may attain salvation.

Now remember, the Heavenly Father sent Jesus, His Son, to bring us the Good News of the Gospel. It was out of fear and jealousy that Jesus was put on the cross for our sins. God the Father and the Son so loved us that they were willing to do whatever it would take to bring us reconciliation and to repair our fallen nature.

It was out of love that Jesus left His Heavenly throne to come to earth. It was out of love that Jesus was willing to suffer the agony in the garden. It was out of love that Jesus was nailed to the cross and it was out of love that Jesus went into hell and freed all the souls who were trapped there. Jesus came to clear the way that leads to heaven.

In this Lenten time we need to reflect on the suffering of Jesus if we are to truly appreciate the victory He won for us. If we take just a few minutes each day to think about the one aspect of our Lord's passion we will begin to appreciate the sacrifice that our Lord made for us and in turn deepen our relationship with Him.

The only thing that Jesus is asking of us this Lent is to do only those things that will deepen our love for Him. It is not too late to start entering into the three pillars of Lent (prayer, fasting and almsgiving) to deepen your love for Jesus. All you need to do is reflect on His passion, make a sacrifice of love and give of yourself for Him who gave Himself for you. If you are willing to try this your Lent will be a great one.

Peace and Goodness,
Fr. Bill

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

This week, we are taking up the Catholic Relief Services Collection to respond to **Jesus in disguise**. This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support to struggling communities and to work toward peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Joseph of the Cross (1654-1734) was very ascetic even as a young man. At 16, he joined the Franciscans in Naples; he was the first Italian to follow the reform movement of St. Peter Alcantara.

John Joseph's reputation for holiness prompted his superiors to put him in charge of establishing a new friary even before he was ordained. Obedience moved John Joseph to accept appointments as novice master, guardian and, finally, provincial.

His years of mortification enabled him to offer these services to the friars with great charity. As guardian he was not above working in the kitchen or carrying the wood and water needed by the friars. When his term as provincial expired, John Joseph dedicated himself to hearing confessions and practicing mortification, two concerns contrary to the spirit of the dawning Age of Enlightenment. John Joseph of the Cross was canonized in 1839.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Pipe Organ Restoration Update: The Holtkamp Organ Company will begin work on our church pipe organ beginning in April. They will be taking the pipe organ out in its entirety and taking it to their shop for a complete repair and restoration. This process should take around 3 months, finishing up July 1st.

Currently, we have raised \$173,000 for the Pipe Organ Restoration Project, which means we are getting closer to our goal of \$200,000. If you have made a donation or monthly pledges, we thank you for your generosity! For those who have been making pledges, we ask that you complete your pledge by June 1st, if possible. Finally, if you are still considering giving a donation, we would really appreciate it, as it will help us get closer to our goal.

Thank you for all of your support with this project!

SEMINARIAN OF THE MONTH

Christopher Stein
Immaculate Conception,
Madison
Senior, Borromeo



Please keep Christopher and all seminarians in your prayers as we continue to pray for vocations. To let him know that he is in your thoughts and prayers, send a card to him at 28700 Euclid Avenue, Wickliffe, OH 44092.

THANK YOU

No matter how I try, I cannot find enough ways to say "Thank You." On behalf of our grandson Chuck and his wife Betty, Vinny's parents, and our entire family, the evidence of your Faith and Love leave us humbled and genuinely grateful. The medical community painted a bleak future for Vinny, but our praying community at St. Thomas More thought differently.

As a result of your continued prayers, Vinny has started to move his hands even trying to give "high fives." He responds to questions shaking his head "yes or no." He moves his legs and participates in physical therapy. He is fed through a tube but is starting to eat some real food which has been pureed.

We are thankful for these miracles, but we need your continued prayers so that Vinny will once again walk and talk. Our Faith tells us that this will happen. This Lent while I was reading Scripture, I came across this verse in Philippians which expresses my feelings best, "I thank my God every time I remember you. Constantly praying with joy, in every one of my prayers for all of you!"

Thank you and God Bless you all,
Deacon Chuck

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Our regular meeting will be on Thursday, March 15th at 7pm in Utopia Hall. All members of the Holy Name Society are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Join the Parish Pastoral Council for their "Egg-Strata-Ganza" on Sunday, March 25th in Utopia Hall from 10am until 1pm.



Rebecca Woytek, Vinny Mercurio, Carol Loy, Grayson Wilmot, John Szill, Robert Wykoff, Raymond Kuhar, Jessica Kuhar, Stephen Kuhar III, Gregory Simecek, Alexis Simecek, Heather Hudak, Nickola Badza, Mary Misch, John Misch, Raymond Misch, James Malames, Dorothy Pavelka, Joe & Sandy Palumbo, Meg Zalar, Eleanor Royko, Robert Palumbo, Stephanie Ziolkowski, Ida Jean Hopkins, Martha & George Kysil, Joe Carnivale, Greg Jakupcik, Judith Sochacky, Luke Rosati, Sonny Peters, Anne Boughton and Ethel Whipkey. Please call the rectory by noon on Monday to add a name to the list. Names will remain on the list for the month.

Cluster Corner

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE: 216-749-2323

Parish Mission - Our Parish Mission begins on Sunday, March 18th at 7pm featuring Fr. David Gunter, MIC who will be speaking about "The Triumph!" The mission runs through Wednesday, March 21st. Each evening begins with a simple soup supper at 6pm in the Marian Lounge.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO: 440-884-3030

Special Education Program - Join us on Saturday, April 14th at 6pm at Pounders Bar & Grill for the benefit of the St. Charles Borromeo Special Education Program. Your \$25 ticket includes: open buffet line (2 hours) and open bar (3 hours). Tickets on sale at the parish office or at the door.

ST. LEO THE GREAT: 216-661-1006

Bus Trip - Join us on Wednesday, April 18th for a trip to the Meadows Racetrack & Casino. Cost is \$32/person with a bonus: \$25 free play. Please call Joanne Todd at 440-526-3505 for more information or to book your trip.

WOMEN'S GUILD

The Women's Guild will have a regular meeting on Tuesday, March 13th at 1pm in Utopia Hall. Jeff Stutzman will present a Lenten prayer and reflection entitled, "A Lenten Journey with Mary." We will also hold a collection for the Holy Family Home. Refreshments will be served. Please join us!

Readings for the Week of March 11, 2018:

- Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or Jn 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38
- Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b [2a]/Jn 4:43-54
- Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [8] Jn 5:1-16
- Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 [8a]Jn 5:17-30
- Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Jn 5:31-47
- Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 [19a]/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
- Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]/Jn 7:40-53
- Next Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 [12a]/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33
- Scrutiny: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

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ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOOL

Come join the students of St. Thomas More School recreate the Stations of the Cross each Friday at 2pm in the church.



FAITH FORMATION

RCIA - Please keep our candidates and catechumens in your prayers as they complete the scrutinies in preparation for the Easter sacraments.

CONFIRMATION - Candidates are reminded that the Holy Spirit Retreat Day will take place on Sunday, April 15th. The day will begin with 9am Mass and will conclude by 4pm. This retreat is mandatory for all candidates.

PSR

Please keep our PSR students in your prayers as they continue to make their Lenten sacrifices and prepare for the triumphal celebration of Easter. The students will also be taking part in the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Monday, March 12th.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Thank you to those who supported the High School Youth Ministry in prayer last weekend. Thirty-five teens gave up their phones and focused on reflecting on their life, faith and where they are going. In addition, Bishop Perez stopped in for a visit! Fr. Bill celebrated Mass after hearing confessions. A special thank you to those who gave of their time to help with meals. A great time was had by all as the spirit was present at the St. Leonard Youth Retreat Center in Avon.



CUB SCOUT PACK 319

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, April 18th from 11am-9pm for Applebee's Dining to Donate for our Cub Scout Pack 319. More details to come.

CHICO'S BUS TRIP

Join us on Wednesday, April 4th for a trip to Mountaineer. Cost is \$29/person. Casino Bonus: \$20 free slot play. Call Chico at 216-551-7561 to book your trip.

SENIOR LENTEN LUNCHEON

Join us on Friday, March 16th from 11:30am-2:30pm in Utopia hall for a light, meatless luncheon. Free will donations accepted. (This is not a fish fry.)

PARISH PRAYER

O God, the Creator and giver of all things, bless this parish. Strengthen our faith; grant us the spirit of sacrifice and service so that, with Your grace, we may provide for the needs of our members, glorify You and sanctify ourselves. Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

PRAYER OF THE MONTH - MARCH

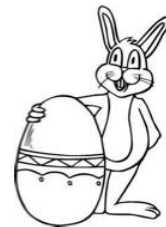
Act of Faith - O my God, I firmly believe that You are one God in three Divine Persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. I believe that Your Divine Son became man and died for our sins, and that He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe these and all the truths which the Holy Catholic Church teaches, because You revealed them, who can neither deceive nor be deceived. Amen.

LENT 2018: CRS RICE BOWL

We encounter Andrise, a teacher in Haiti who knows the importance of forming young people who will give back to the community-and their country. Reflect on the role teachers have played in bringing you closer to God and your community. How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

St. Thomas More High School Youth Ministry

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny



Saturday, March 24

9am - 11am

St. Thomas More Gym

PreSale (ends March 21st)

\$7 Adults;

\$5 Children (10 & under)

Menu
Pancakes
Sausage
Fruit/Applesauce
Juice, Milk, Coffee

At the Door

\$8 Adults; \$6 Children (10 & under)



Tickets will be on sale during the week at the rectory office.

Come join us for breakfast and pictures. Please bring your own camera.

12th Annual St. Thomas More - Mardi Gras

We would like to thank our generous parishioners, businesses & parish groups who donated to Mardi Gras!



Anita Dloniak
Anita Dloniak and Associates
Arena 51 Laser Tag
Barbara Kish
Bed, Bath and Beyond
Bill and Lois Bouhall
Bonnie Kaznoch
Dave Finohr
Deborah Tomusko
Diane Rodes
Ed and Marie Stutzman
Friends Supporting Friends Ministry
Geisen Family
Golubski Funeral Home
Holy Name High School
Honey Hut Ice Cream
Ivanka Scott
Jaworski Meats
Jean Murphy
Jim and Paulette Higgins
Jim Ptacek
Joan Vanza
Kaci's Barber and Hairstylist, LLC
Keller Williams - Jonathon Collins
Kuebler Family
Lightyear Music
Lolly the Trolley
Maggie Clancy
Magnificat High School
Memphis Kiddie Park
Michele Polidori
Midas Service Center
Ministry of Consolation
Novatny Family
Parkison Family
Pasquale and Joanne DeLuca
Pat Gumina
Patty Van Niel, Cindy Nowak
Paul and MaryLou LoBue
Peggy Hovan

Peggy Spring
Petitti Garden Center
Pizza Joe's
Renee Cepek
Rev. William Bouhall
Rose Marie Bloom
Sharon Augustine
St. Ignatius High School
St. Joseph Academy
St. Thomas More BINGO
St. Thomas More Cub Scouts
St. Thomas More Grade 1
St. Thomas More Grade 2
St. Thomas More Grade 3
St. Thomas More Grade 4
St. Thomas More Grade 5
St. Thomas More Grade 6
St. Thomas More Grade 7
St. Thomas More Grade 8
St. Thomas More Holy Name Society
St. Thomas More Kindergarten
St. Thomas More Office
St. Thomas More Parish Pastoral Council
St. Thomas More Pre-K
St. Thomas More PSR
St. Thomas More PTU and Athletics
St. Thomas More Women's Guild
Steve and Terri Cottos
Sue and Bob Poole
Sue Viets
The Beck Center
The Cleveland Orchestra
Therapeutic Touch
Tom Wenderoth
Trudy Holt
Ursula Wyrwas
Vilma and Frank Colonna
Virginia Tilicky
Zabor Funeral Home

FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC DEVOTIONS

Every Friday during Lent we will have exposition of the Eucharist from 2:30-7pm. Call the rectory if you are able to commit to one half hour on March 16th and March 23rd.



ALPHA
*Tuesdays at 6pm
in Utopia Hall
All are Welcome!*

2018 LENENTEN CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturdays from 3:00-4:00 PM

The following Fridays from 3:30-6:30pm
March 16th and 23rd

HOLY WEEK CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Monday, March 26th: 5:30-6:30 PM
Wednesday, March 28th: 5:30-6:45 PM

No scheduled confessions on Holy Thursday, Good Friday & Holy Saturday