



SATURDAY, MARCH 30 – VIGIL

+*4:30PM - Roseann Kastak

SUNDAY, MARCH 31 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

*9:00AM - James Dixon

+11:00AM - People of the Parish

MONDAY, APRIL 1 – LENTEN WEEKDAY

7:00AM - Gregory & Sofia Staniszewski

TUESDAY, APRIL 2 – ST. FRANCIS OF PAOLA

7:00AM - Women's Guild

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3 – LENTEN WEEKDAY

7:00AM - John & Jewel Hovan

THURSDAY, APRIL 4 – ST. ISIDORE

7:00AM - All Souls' Day Intentions

FRIDAY, APRIL 5 – ST. VINCENT FERRER

7:00AM - Truntich Family

8:15AM - Frank Takacs - Student Liturgy

SATURDAY, APRIL 6 – LENTEN WEEKDAY

8:15AM - Samuel & Ruth Craddolph

+4:30PM - People of the Parish

SUNDAY, APRIL 7 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

*9:00AM - Irma Ricciuti

+*11:00AM - Bridget Previts

+Cup Mass

*Mass of Remembrance

Financial Blessings

Collection for March 24th.....	\$6,533.24
Faith Direct as of 3/15.....	\$3,236.50
Maintenance	\$753.00
Votives.....	\$102.00

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

TRAVELING MADONNA

This week the statue is at the home of **Linda Carnivale**. Please continue to pray for our host families as they share their home with our Traveling Madonna. Remember to send in any pictures that you take to the rectory.

Please call the rectory to sign-up to host the Traveling Madonna in 2019.

Weekly Schedule

Monday, April 1

6:45 PM - 8:00 PM

PSR - School

7:00 PM

RCIA - School

Tuesday, April 2

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Children's Choir - Church

7:00 PM

Adult Choir - Church

7:00 PM

Rosary for World Peace - Chapel

Wednesday, April 3

5:00 PM

Bingo - Gym & Utopia Hall

Thursday, April 4

7:00 PM

Cub Scouts - Utopia Hall

7:00 PM

Lectio Divina - Rectory

Friday, April 5

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Senior Lenten Luncheon - UH

1:00 PM

Children's Stations of the Cross

2:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Eucharistic Devotions - Church

3:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Confessions - Church

7:00 PM

Benediction & Stations - Church

Saturday, April 6

High School Youth Ministry Retreat

Sunday, April 7

High School Youth Ministry Retreat

9:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Men's Basketball - Gym

12:00 PM

Banner Day - Utopia Hall

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Women's Healing Ministry - Church

FOURTH WEEK OF LENT

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

CHAIRPERSON: Angela LoBue

SECRETARY: Dawn Thomas

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

The fourth sorrow of our Blessed Mother is when Mary meets Jesus on the way of the Cross. Can you imagine what must have taken place in that short, but very intense meeting? Mary's eyes locked into Jesus' eyes. No word is spoken but so much is said. The strength that Mary gave Jesus in just letting Him know that she is there. His bloody face and body racked with pain but knowing He is not alone. There is a great love in being present to someone who is suffering even though there is nothing we can do but be there.

How many times was Mary there for Jesus as He was growing up? How she would tenderly hold Him in her arms when He would hurt himself. She would calm Him down with a few gentle words of reassurance when He was nervous or upset. Mary would have gladly taken Jesus' place on the way of the Cross but could not. All Mary could do is be there for Him.

Mary's heart was not only pierced, but beaten up and broken as she looked upon her little boy, all grown up and suffering for our sins and the sins of the world. Even in all this pain and suffering Mary never speaks ill or blames the Heavenly Father for this turn of events. As Mary said when the Angel Gabrielle came to her announcing the birth of Jesus, "I am the handmaid of the Lord may it be done to me as you said."

Mary's faith is still strong as she beholds the tragedy of her Son's passion. This is our challenge. Can we be faithful in times of complete and utter tragedy? As a loved one is suffering, can we be there for them?

As a person is dying, there is nothing more important than the presence of a loved one being close by. Just like Mary, it is not what we say, but just that we are there. This is a ministry. We call this the Ministry of Presence. It does not have to be at the time of someone dying, but at any moment when there is pain or suffering whether it be physical, emotional or spiritual. Just to know that there is someone who is with me, praying for me, caring for me and supporting me can truly make a difference in one's life.

As we continue to journey this Lenten season with the sorrows of our Blessed Mother, let us find a new strength, a firmer faith and a brighter hope that with God all things are possible. Mary is the one who will show us the way to her Son...Trust her and follow her!

Peace and Goodness,

Fr. Bill



REMINDERS

Please do **NOT** leave anything laying around the church (books, cards, etc.). Let's work together to keep our church clean!

MEMORIAL CANDLES

Please pick up your candle if you have not done so. They are on the cabinets outside of the sacristy. Thank you!

SAINT THOMAS MORE



Lord, give me a sense of humor so that I may take some happiness from this life and share it with others.

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

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help or sought your intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto you, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To you I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but, in your mercy, hear and answer me. Amen.

SEMINARIAN OF THE MONTH

Joseph Truong Viet Ho
St. Boniface,
Cleveland
Pre-Theology, St. Mary



Please keep Joseph 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.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Organ Recital - Save the date! There will be an Organ Recital on Sunday, May 5th following the 11am Mass. There will be also be a blessing of the pipe organ from Fr. Bill. We look forward to seeing you there!

LENT 2019: CRS RICE BOWL

Encounter Kumba - We encounter Kumba from Sierra Leone, who, through her education, is providing hope for her family and community. How has education given you opportunities in life? How do you use your education for the common good? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

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.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

The March 50/50 Drawing winners were Joe Moynihan (\$100) and Mary Boltauzer (\$50). Tickets for the April 50/50 Drawing are being sold by Holy Name Members. Thanks to all the faithful who buy tickets every month.



REMEMBER
in your prayers

Carol Loy, Vinny Mercurio, Nickola Badza, Christina E. Janus, Grayson Wilmot, John Szill, Melissa Korhely, Sean Szill, Joel Gorski, Nancy Butler, Gail Michal, Ashley Meadows, Baby Addison Moleski, Jeff McCormick, Marylyn Janas, Robert Bonus, Greg Jakupcik, Diane Lada, Raymond Kuhar, Jessica Kuhar, Stephen Kuhar III, Gregory Simecek, Alexis Simecek, Heather Hudak, Bobbi Matysiak, William Kukoleck, Mary Misch, John Misch, Donald Marks, James Malames, Juliana Turner, Meg Zalar, Stephanie Ziolkowski, Jean Palumbo, Marlene Sutowski, Ida Jean Hopkins, Joy Turner, Jeremy Cheetham, Pam Turner, Ben Purcell, Mary Ellen Popovich, Collin Nemet, Kenneth Klubnik, Biaggio Boytim, Alice Gruden, James Mortach, Eileen Jakupca, Ed Rogers, Martha & George Kysil, Doris Kaczmarek, Fran Blaha, George Tapocsi, Tim Misch, Tom Misch and Mary Ann Cowgill. 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

Lenten Mission - Mark your calendars for our Lenten Mission. Fr. John Eudes will offer talks on April 7th-April 10th at 7pm. Each evening talk is preceded by the Simple Soup Supper at 6:15pm in the Marian Lounge.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO: 440-884-3030

Tea Party - Mark your calendars for The St. Charles Ladies Guild Hi Tea Party (for ages 10-99) is Saturday, May 18th from noon until 3:30pm in Corrigan Gym. Cost is \$12: ages 16-99 and \$10: ages 10-15. Tickets can be purchased at the parish office.

ST. LEO THE GREAT: 216-661-1006

Bus Trip - Join us on Thursday, April 25th for our America's Hometown trip (Willoughby, Ohio). We will visit Biagio's Donut Shop and other sites in Willoughby. Lunch is included at the Willoughby Brewing Company. Cost is \$85/person. Please call Joanne Todd at 440-526-3505 for more information or to book your trip.

Save the Date - Saturday, April 27th for the Athletics Women's Reverse Raffle.

Please support our cluster parishes with their Lenten Fish Frys. You can call their rectories for dates, times and prices.



Please remember Elsie Gruss, Veronica Gazdik, Ethel Whipkey, Anne Boughton, Claudia Jarosh, Constance Moehring and Robert Smith
in your prayers.
God grant them eternal rest.



ST. THOMAS MORE MEN'S GROUP

The Men's Group will meet each Saturday morning beginning with 8:15 Mass followed by a group meeting from 9-10 in the old church library.

2019 LENTEN CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturdays from 3:00-4:00 PM

The following Fridays from 3:30-6:30pm
April 5th & 12th

HOLY WEEK CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Monday, April 15th: 4:30-5:30 PM

Wednesday, April 17th: 5:30-6:45 PM

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

**ST THOMAS MORE WOMEN'S GUILD'S
SPRING STYLE SHOW!**

Featuring Fashions by

dressbarn
sizes 2-24

SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2019

TICKETS: \$10 – Available at the Rectory

Doors open 11:00 AM

Lunch served at NOON

**MENU: Chicken Salad, Potato Salad, Croissant,
Fruit, Chips & Cake**

CHINESE RAFFLE! DOOR PRIZES!



We are celebrating Sisters who serve in our diocese, caring for the Caregiver & discovering more about Jesus' soul during his 3 days in the tomb. Find this and more in the current issue of Northeast Ohio Catholic.



Have you checked out the new Diocesan website? Following the diocese on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram & the E-Newsletter? All great ways to stay in touch with what's happening around the diocese.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Join the Parish Pastoral Council for their "Egg-Strata-Ganza" on Sunday, April 14th in Utopia Hall from 10am until 1pm.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Next weekend is the annual High School Youth Ministry overnight retreat (April 6-7). It's not too late to encourage the teen in your family to go. More information and online sign-up is available at stmparish.net/timeout29. Please keep all involved in the retreat in your prayers.

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny - Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 13th for our annual Breakfast with the Easter Bunny from 9am until 11am. Presale tickets are available on the parish website (stmparish.net). Presale tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for children under 10. Tickets will be available at the door for \$8 and \$6 respectively.

LENTEN REMINDERS

Good Friday, April 19th, is a day of **abstinence** from meat (for those who have reached their fourteenth birthday) and also days of fast. The day of **fast** is limited to one full meal and two small meals (for those between the ages of 18 and 59). All Fridays of the season of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. Fast and abstinence on the days prescribed should be considered a minimum response to the Lord's call to penance and conversion. **Prayer** opportunities include the Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 1pm (Student) and 7pm. An **almsgiving** opportunity is to participate in Operation Rice Bowl. **Confession** opportunities include Saturdays from 3-4pm. Please refer to the confession schedule. **Eucharistic Devotions** will be held on Fridays from 2-7pm in the Church.

FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC DEVOTIONS

Most Fridays during Lent we will have exposition of the Eucharist from 2-7pm. Call the rectory if you are able to commit to one half hour on April 5th and April 12th.

Readings  Week of the **Week**

Readings for the Week of March 31, 2019

- Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [9a]/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
- 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: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

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