



Sunday, November 23rd

9:00 am Mildred Pytel
11:00 am Gloria Lasecki

Monday, November 24th

No Morning Mass

Tuesday, November 25th

8:30 am Barbara Weglewski

Wednesday, November 26th

No Morning Mass

Thursday, November 27th

9:00 am Dorothy Kara

Friday, November 28th

No Morning Mass

Saturday, November 29th

4:00 pm Special Intention

Sunday, November 30th

First Sunday of Advent

9:00 am St. John Nepomucene Parish
11:00 am Dorothy & Rudy Malec &
the Deceased Members of the
Debelak & Malec Families



Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday, November 16 th	\$2816.00
Praise the Roof	72.00
St. Vincent DePaul Society	105.00

God bless you for your continued support
and generosity to our parish.

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 Wednesday, January 7, 2015 at St. Stanislaus Parish at 7 pm.** Reservations are needed; please call 216-341-9091 to make your reservation.

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- **Sunday, January 11, 2015 at 12:30 pm.** This 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



Dear Parishioners,

November is a month of remembrance, gratitude and sharing. We remember in prayer our loved ones who have died. We give thanks for the blessings which we have received. We share the blessings which we have received with one another and the poor in our midst.

This year we are celebrating "Friends-Giving" in our parish hall on Saturday, November 22nd at 5 pm. As Thanksgiving approaches, it is good to give thanks for our parishioners. An enjoyable evening is being planned with a social that includes light refreshments and live music. I am hoping that everyone could stop by our hall, if only for a few minutes. We are called to be friends with one another. It is an opportunity to have a good time, to enjoy one another's company and to thank the people who God has placed in our lives.

Our Parish Thanksgiving Mass will take place Thursday, November 27th at 9 am in our church. It is a time for us to gather as a community and give thanks for God's many blessings, which we have received. Please plan to attend.

Invite your family, relatives and friends to come with you to our Thanksgiving Day mass. Bishop Richard Lennon will be our main celebrant and homilist. He is looking forward to seeing you and celebrating with you. Everyone is invited to bring canned goods and paper products to our church for the Thanksgiving Day Mass.

You are invited to place them around the perimeter of the sanctuary before Mass. Your donations will be distributed by our St. Vincent DePaul Society to our parishioners and others who may be going through hard times. People stop by the rectory asking for food. Our Thanksgiving Day offertory collection will go to our parish St. Vincent DePaul Society also, to serve the poor in our midst. Your generosity enables us to help them.

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, the Year of Consecrated Life and we also have the collection for the Campaign for Human Development. May our words and actions always honor Our Blessed Lord. We will pray for men and women religious who have dedicated their lives to Christ by taking the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. The Campaign for Human Development Collection provides economic assistance to the poor. Envelopes for this collection have been provided in your monthly envelope packet.

We will also have prayer cards at the entrances of our church to pray for those in religious life. Please pick up a prayer card when you leave the church.

Looking to Advent, we will be having an Advent program at 12:15 pm in our parish hall on Sunday, November 30th. Let us prepare a place in our hearts for Christ to be born this Christmas.

Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family.

Prayers & Best Wishes!
Father Jasany

Readings for the Week of November 23rd

Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/1 Cor 15:20-26,
28/Mt 25:31-46

Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4/Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a
Lk 21:20-28

Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11--21:2/Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Rv 22:1-7/Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/1
Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

Sunday, November 23rd

\$1000 Raffle Drawing after the 11 am mass. If you would like to purchase tickets for the drawing stop in after the 11 am mass. Take a chance to win \$1000 for your holiday shopping!

St. Vincent DePaul Society Meeting after the 9 am mass in the rectory

The Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development improves education, housing situations and economic development for many in our neighborhoods. Envelopes for this collection are in your monthly envelope packet.

Monday, November 24th

PSR Classes 6:30 – 8 pm

Tuesday, November 25th

Rosary at 8 am before Mass

Wednesday, November 26th

Choir Practice – 7 pm

Sanctuary Guild Volunteers for
November 26th thru December 9th

Kathy Bondzio & Patty Kowalec

Thursday,
November 27th

**We welcome
Bishop Lennon,
who will be
celebrating our
Thanksgiving
9 am Mass with
us.**



**The rectory
office will be closed on Thursday,
November 27th & Friday, November
28th.**

Saturday, November 29th

**Everyone is invited to 4:30 pm mass at
the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist
to pray for world peace.**

All are welcome and
encouraged to attend.
Archbishop Timothy P.
Broglia, J.C.D. will be the
celebrant.



Sunday, November 30th

First Sunday of Advent

Today is the start of the Advent season. Start your Advent journey by using your Bible to find and read a passage from the Church's daily lectionary readings for Mass to discover Jesus' vision and values and embrace them as your own. First, let God's Word speak to your heart, and then take time to respond to God with your voice and actions.

Advent Program after the 11 am Mass. Everyone is invited to this program. A light lunch of soup will start the afternoon and a short Advent program entitled "**Coming Home for Christmas**", where is my home and who is my family? will follow.



May our prayers bring healing, comfort and strength to the sick and their

caregivers, remembering especially John Balciar, Carol Bellomy, Gwen Beres, Mary Ann Betliskey, Bill Bican, Millie Bloedorn, Bonnie Branche, Bill Connors, Katie Davis, Corrine Dawe, Robert Dunning, Jose Dybzinski, Kristin Hill, Frances Holecek, Art Madsen, Cindi Magyar, Brianne Rhine, Chris Toth, Andrew Turowski and Virginia Turowski.

May our Loved Ones who have died, rest in eternal happiness in heaven remembering especially those who are listed in our Book of Life.

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



Altar Society Update

The Gift Card Christmas Tree Raffle will be held on Sunday, December 7th at the Altar Society Christmas Party. Tickets are still

available at the entrances of our Church. You may purchase raffle tickets until Sunday, December 7th. Winners will be drawn at the Altar Society Christmas Party on the 7th. Winners will be notified by phone. Members, please remember to turn in your gift cards for the tree and your raffle tickets as soon as possible.

Please remember these individuals, who have been called to the priesthood in your daily prayers. Also, please remember the Sisters, Servants of the Mary Immaculate (SSMI).

Sunday, Nov. 23rd – Bishop Roger Gries, osb

Monday, Nov. 24th – Justin Cleveland
Borromeo Seminary

Tuesday, Nov. 25th – Robert Popik
Borromeo Seminary

Wed., Nov. 26th – Alexander Clark
Borromeo Seminary

Thursday, Nov. 27th – Pray for All
Our Priests

Friday, Nov. 28th – Joshua Arbogast
Borromeo Seminary

Saturday, Nov. 29th – Samuel
Martinez-Navarro
Borromeo Seminary

Sunday, Nov. 30th – Pray for Retired
Priests

The World Apostolate of Fatima Cleveland Division Advent Retreat – Advent Shapes Us for Hope on

December 12th & 13th at Mary Queen of Peace; 4423 Pearl Road in Cleveland. Registration is required - \$65.00 per person for this 2-day retreat. You are invited to hear Rev. Christopher Crotty speak on Living the Beatitudes; Why Satan is afraid of the Rosary; Spiritual Combat-Love is Coming! There will be confessions, Healing Mass and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Register at <http://www.rsvpbook.com/bluearmy2014adventretreat> or call Kathryn DeCapite at 440-223-8570.



We began the Year of Consecrated Life in the Diocese of Cleveland on Pro Orantibus Day, November 21st with a mass at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist at 7 pm.

Presently, we have three diocesan Cloistered Communities: Carmel of the Holy Family, OCD; Poor Clare Colettines, PCC; Poor Clares of Perpetual Adoration, PCPA. Please pray for these communities as we begin the Year of Consecrated Life. You may also wish to send a card of appreciation to the members of the communities in our Diocese. The addresses are listed here:

Carmel of the Holy Family
3176 Fairmount Boulevard
Cleveland Hts, OH 44118
www.clevelandcarmel.org

Poor Clare Collettines
3501 Rocky River Drive
Cleveland, OH 44111
www.poreclarecolletins-cleveland.org

Poor Clares of Perpetual Adoration
4108 Euclid Avenue
Cleveland, OH 44103
www.thepoorclares.com

Our St. Vincent DePaul Society is participating in the **Acme Fresh Market Community Cash Back Program**. If you shop at Acme, please save your receipts and drop them in the collection basket.

The holidays are right around the corner and we would like to remind you that we still have the certificate program at our parish. If you are looking for a gift for that hard to buy for person, consider a gift certificate. We have gift certificates from \$10.00 to \$100.00.

Certificate are available for Acme Stores, Daves, Giant Eagle, Heinens, Applebees, Arbys, Bakers Square, Barth & Body, BP Gasoline, Lowes, Marathon Gas, Mr. Hero, Olive Garden, Starbucks, Subway and many more. A list of gift certificates available on the church registers near the entrance doors. You can also call of stop at the rectory office for information or to purchase certificates.

STEWARDSHIP - In today's Gospel, Saint Matthew offers a compelling vision of the end-time, when the people of all the nations are brought before the Lord to give an account of their lives and actions. Interestingly, the sheep, the righteous ones, are rewarded for having acted with love and compassion without having recognized the face of Christ in others. Good stewards recognize those in need of their care as gifts from God. They know that they are the instruments of Christ's active, loving presence in the world. How will we treat others this week: our family members, neighbors, customers, strangers? What accounting will we make to the Lord for their care?



Karen's Korner

Did you know that there are two creation stories in the book of Genesis? Genesis 1 tells the story of creation in a very orderly and almost poetic fashion. This is the one we hear at the Easter Vigil. This is the story that begins, "And God said," then things are created and "God saw that it was good." Then it ends with "and then there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day."

One thing that is missing from this story are the names "Adam" and "Eve". Chapter 1 tells us that God said "Let us make mankind in our image, according to our likeness." So where are Adam and Eve? They show up in the second story of creation in Genesis 2. This story shows God as interacting directly with His creation. He walks in the garden and talks with his created ones. He uses the ground to create Adam and then takes a rib from Adam to create Eve. Then of course, is the story of the fall.

So why would there be two creation stories in the Bible? Isn't one enough? And here is the beauty of Scripture! In using forms of literature borrowed from the cultures around the Hebrews, the authors took elements from the pagan religions and under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, included them in their writings but they put the theological spin on them to say that there is one God and God is good and everything God created is good! There is something called the 4 source theory about how the Bible was written, and without going into a huge amount of detail, each of these sources writes in a particular manner.

They are called the Yahwist, Priestly, Deuterocanonical and the Eloist. The first story of creation was written by the Priestly source and is very orderly and almost list-

like, which is very characteristic of this writer. We can see it especially in the book of Leviticus.

The second story was the Yahwist source and this source sees God as interacting on a very personal level with human beings. The writers were writing in a world that was very different from the world we currently live in, and we need to keep this in mind as we read Scripture. But the basic story in both accounts is that God brought form to the earth. He was creating a place for us to dwell. The creation story was not meant to convey scientific data, but it is written in a very poetic form to show us the *meaning* of creation! And this is the reason that two stories are included in Genesis, to tell us why we were created. The how of creation is nowhere near as important to the writers as the "why" of creation. It stems from the Trinity! God loves the Son and the Son loves the Father and gives Himself back to the Father through the Spirit! The Trinity is a family of love and God created us out of love and it was good. So read the first two chapters of Genesis and enjoy the beauty that is included there, particularly that "God saw that it was good"

Join me on Friday, December 12, 2014 for the Hallmark Hall of Fame movie, "The Gift of Love: A Christmas Story"

See you soon! Karen

