



MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, February 8th

**9:00 am Frank & Louise Kopchak,
Deceased; Joseph Patka Sr., Deceased;
Josephine Patka - Health & Blessing**
11:00 am Mary Mally

Monday, February 9th

No Morning Mass

Tuesday, February 10th

8:30 am All Souls

Wednesday, February 11th

No Morning Mass

Thursday, February 12th

**8:30 am Sick & Needy of St. John
Nepomucene Parish
St. Vincent dePaul Society**

Friday, February 13th

8:30 am Karl Petkoff

Saturday, February 14th

4:00 pm St. John Nepomucene Parish

Sunday, February 15th

9:00 am John, Clara & Paul Vavrek
**11:00 am Living & Deceased Members
Of the Edward Gill Family**

Sanctuary Guild Volunteers
February 4th thru February 17th

Barbara Nieszczur, Andrea Powers
& Toni Suchy

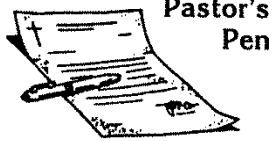
Sick Calls – Please call the rectory to arrange for Father Jasany to bring the Sacraments when a member of your family is hospitalized.

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 Thursday, March 12th at St. Stanislaus Parish at 7 pm.** Reservations 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, March 8th.** 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,

All are invited
to come to Our Lady
of Lourdes Church

to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes for a Mass of the Anointing of the Sick on Wednesday, February 11th at 7 pm. I will concelebrate this Mass with Father Callahan and Monsignor Antall. After the homily, we will minister the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick to all those in need of healing. If you suffer from a chronic illness or affliction, you are welcome to receive this Sacrament. If you know of someone who is ill and is able to travel to church, you are encouraged to bring this person with you to the Anointing Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes. If you are healthy, you are warmly invited to come to Our Lady of Lourdes and pray that the sick may be healed. Hopefully, many of you will take advantage of this opportunity.

We are called to be more deeply connected to God and one another. Everyone is invited to join us for a Pre-Lenten Social after all our Masses on the weekend of February 14th & 15th in the school hall. There will be refreshments and a free raffle for everyone who attends. We will have information about our Lenten schedule of activities. The Lenten meditation booklets will also be available. Please come over after Mass!

I look forward to seeing you at our Pre-Lenten Social.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 18th.

On Ash Wednesday, we will have an 8:30 am and 7 pm Mass; at 12 Noon we will have Liturgy of the Word with distribution of ashes.

Also, on Sunday, February 8th at 12:30 pm there will be a Eucharistic Holy Hour in our church sponsored by the World Apostolate of Fatima. The Holy Hour includes Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Reflection, Benediction and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please join us in prayer.

Lastly, I wish to express my thanks to everyone who has been donating to the Rooted in Faith, Forward in Hope Initiative. We recently received a check for \$2966.00. Through your generosity, to date we have received \$37,811.00. As you know, payments on past pledges enabled us to put a new roof on our church building. Future payments will help us with additional capital improvements – the second phase of the Church tuck-pointing, repairs to our choir loft ceiling, our parking lot and sidewalks. Please refer to the Rooted in Faith-Forward in Hope flyer in this weekend's bulletin. If you have not made a gift but would like to do so, or if you would like to make an additional gift, please refer to the flyer in our bulletin.

Again, I wish to express my thanks to all! Prayers & Best Wishes!

Gratefully, Father Jasany

Readings for the Week of February 8th

Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/1 Cor 9:16-19,
22-23/Mk 1:29-39

Monday: Gn 1:1-19/Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20--2:4a/Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: Gn 2:18-25/Mk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 3:1-8/Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: Gn 3:9-24/Mk 8:1-10

Next Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/
1 Cor 10:31--11:1/Mk 1:40-45



WAKE UP THE WORLD!

This weekend, February 7th & 8th, we celebrate a weekend of prayer and petition for Consecrated Life. In 1997 Pope John Paul II initiated the World Day for Consecrated Life throughout the Universal Church, promoting understanding of religious life and highlighting the place of this vocation in the Church. Pope Francis' recent inauguration of the Year of Consecrated Life makes this annual celebration a singular and special opportunity for the faithful to honor and spiritually participate in for the good of those living and discerning consecrated life. Please remember to offer prayers for those who witness to the Gospel through vowed religious life.

Sunday, February 8th

Holy Name Society Meeting at 10 am followed by mass at 11 am

World Apostolate Holy Hour - 12:30 pm
Everyone is invited to attend this holy hour

Monday, February 9th

PSR Classes 6:30 - 8 pm

Wednesday, February 11th

Rosary Makers 10 am - Noon at the rectory. Everyone is invited to attend.

Adult Ed - 6:30 pm at the rectory

The Seven Deadly Sins

Choir 7 pm

Zumba 7 pm

Anointing of the Sick Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish at 7 pm

Saturday, February 14th

Pre-Lenten Social in the school hall after

Mass. Stop in for refreshments. There will be a free raffle for everyone attending.

Information on our Lenten opportunities will be available.



Sunday, February 15th

Pre-Lenten Social in the school hall after Mass. Stop in for refreshments.

There will be a free raffle for everyone attending. Information on our Lenten opportunities will be available.

Stewardship – In today's Gospel we hear of a great number of suffering people seeking the healing touch of Jesus. He could not respond to them all. But the Gospel also reveals Jesus, after praying in solitude, sensing an urgency to proclaim the Good News of his Father's redemptive love to those who suffer in the nearby villages and towns. Stewards are called to follow in Jesus' footsteps, to respond to those who suffer with compassion. How are we responding to the suffering in our world? How are we using our gifts to continue the works of Christ's redemptive healing?

Stewardship of Treasure

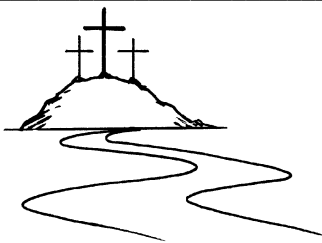
<i>Sunday, February 1st</i>	<i>\$2538.00</i>
<i>Improvement Fund</i>	<i>38.00</i>
<i>Memorials</i>	<i>35.00</i>
<i>Latin America Collection</i>	<i>113.00</i>

Thank You and God bless you for your continued generosity & support

Please remember in your prayers these individuals, who have been called to the priesthood in your daily prayers.

Sunday, February 8th – Bishop
Martin Amos
Monday, February 9th – Andrew Gonzales
St. Mary's Seminary
Tuesday, February 10th – Andrew Hoover
St. Mary's Seminary
Wednesday, Feb. 11th – Matthew Jordan
St. Mary's Seminary
Thursday, February 12th – Joseph Kim
St. Mary's Seminary
Friday, February 13th – Kevin Klonowski
St. Mary's Seminary
Saturday, February 14th – James Kulway
St. Mary's Seminary
Sunday, February 15th – Pray for All
Priests

Also, please remember the Society of Mary (Marianists) (SM) in your prayers.



**GOOD FRIDAY
STATIONS OF
THE CROSS -**

Anyone interested in participating in Good Friday Stations of

the Cross is asked to call Marge Lanzola at 216-544-9623 for information. We will be meeting on Sunday, February 22nd after 11 am Mass. Students age 13 and up and adults, any age, are invited to join us.

Thank you!

Our recycling profit for December was \$36.60. We recycled 3,660 lbs. of paper and saved 31.11 trees, 6.04 cubic yards of landfill space and heated 1.83 homes for 6 months. Also, we received \$8.96 from Gordon Food Services.

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



Agnes Bartoszek,
John Balciar, Carol Bellomy, Gwen Beres,
Mary Ann Betliskey, Bill Bican,
Millie Bloedorn, Bonnie Branche,
Bill Connors, Corrine Dawe,
Robert Dunning, Jose Dybzinski,
Kristin Hill, Frances Holecek,
Rose Holecek, Rich Krzynowek,
Cindi Magyar, Marilyn O'Meara,
Rita Petkoff, Nancy Recko, Brianna Rhine,
Laura Schram, Elaine Stack,
Andrew Turowski and Virginia Turowski.

May our Loved Ones who have died, rest in eternal happiness in heaven.

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

The 2015 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal will take place next weekend with an in-pew commitment process. Many parishioners have received a letter from Bishop Lennon requesting their support. If you have not received this letter, please respond to the in-pew commitment process next weekend. There is a box on the in-pew envelope to indicate that you have responded by mail.

The St. John Paul II Ozanam Center is in need of plastic bags. If you are able to bring in any bags, please place them off in the St. Vincent DePaul containers by our church doors.

Karen's Korner

Did you know that when Abraham brought Isaac back down from the mountain, it changed the thinking of the culture? Before this incident, human sacrifice was acceptable, so when Abraham told his people what God had asked him to do, the people were not surprised. But they were shocked when Abraham brought Isaac down from the mountain alive! It was a signal that human sacrifice was no longer acceptable or even what God wanted. By sparing Isaac's life, God showed that he wants us to be able to totally give up our wills, our emotions, everything about our lives to obey God, no matter what he asks of us. As we get ready to being the season of Lent in a few short weeks, this story from Genesis has really made me think about the sacrifices we make during Lent. We give up "things"; sweets, TV, movies, and so on. But what God really wants is us to give up attitudes, to give up feelings, to give up a part of ourselves in order to become closer to Him. What if we gave up the feelings of hatred we harbor toward particular groups of people? What if we gave up the indifference we feel to the plight of the poor? What if we gave up the hurt feelings we still carry? What if we gave up the unforgiveness we have toward someone? What if we gave up the anger and rage we feel towards someone? What if we gave up part of our valuable time in order to read the Bible or other spiritual books this Lent? God wants us to go "the extra mile" this year so that we may become a new person in Jesus! Need suggestions in what to read? Here are a few: Jeff Cavins' "Walking with God: A Journey through the Bible"; Ronald Rolheiser's, "The Shattered Lantern"; Hannah Hurnard's, "Hinds Feet on High Places"; C. S. Lewis', "Mere Christianity"; C. S. Lewis' "The Chronicles

of Narnia"; Dick Staub's "Christian Wisdom of the Jedi Masters" and Richard Rohr's "Immortal Diamond", just to name just a few! I have a list of how to read the story of Salvation history in as little as 90 days! It is Jeff Cavins' list of 14 books of the Bible that tell the story and it is available from me, just let me know and I can print a copy or email one to you! My email is beargiek@hotmail.com. Let us make this Lent one of the most meaningful of our lives. I myself will continue to read Cavins' book, as well as Rolheiser's. I am also committing myself to a healthier way of eating and exercising. Come to any of the Wednesday night Adult Education classes. This week we will be discussing the 2nd installment of Rev. Robert Barron's "Seven Deadly Sins, Seven Lively Virtues" series. Please join me for Friday Night at the Movies on February 20, 2015. I re-scheduled "The Way" since I had to cancel in January. It will be in the rectory from 6:30-8:30 pm.

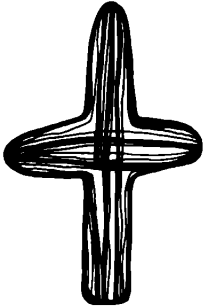
See you soon!
Karen

In Preparation for Ash Wednesday

There is a box for your old palms by the church doors located at the entrance by the school. If you have old palms at home please bring them in next Sunday and we will burn them for ashes to be used here on Ash Wednesday.

Also, next weekend February 14th/15th the Lenten Black Books and Operation Rice Bowls will be available for those who wish to participate in this Lenten program of prayer, fasting, learning and almsgiving.

40 Days for Life – From February 18th thru March 29th, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life. 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. If you would like more information about 40 Days for Life and their peaceful prayer vigils contact John Noall at 216-245-9744 or email at clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com



Our observance of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 18th.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of universal fast and abstinence. The Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

Abstinence from meat binds all Catholics in good health, 14 years of age and older.

Fasting – Catholics who are between the ages of 18-59, in good health are limited to one full meal and two light meals.

Cleveland Performing Arts Ministries' musical passion play "Tetelestai" will be presented at St. Michael Catholic Church, 6912 Chestnut Road in Independence on February 27th, 28th & March 1st. Performances will be at 8 pm on Friday and Saturday and 2 pm on Sunday. Doors will open ½ to 1 hour before performance time. There is no charge, but free-will offerings will be accepted. For more information, please visit www.livethepassion.org.

Tetelestai's dramatic stage production and timeless music tell the story of Jesus' trial, execution and resurrection in a visual way that leaves a lasting impression.

Parish Memorials and Donations

*In Loving Memory of Josephine Sopata
from her Loving Niece, Carole Walk*

*Rooted In Faith/Forward in Hope
Distribution*

*In Loving Memory
of Ann and Richard Olenski
from David Olenski*

*In Loving Memory of
Howard and Carol Dustin
from their daughter, Lynne Sempruch*

*In Loving Memory of George Smith
From Ted & Bonnie Branche*

*In Loving Memory
of Rosemarie Dunning
From her husband, Robert*

*Catholic Diocese of Cleveland
Distribution from
Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish*

St. Adalbert Church, 66 Adalbert Street in Berea will be sponsoring a Ladies Lenten Retreat – Martha's Day Out on Monday, March 16th from 8 am – 3 pm. The day includes continental breakfast and catered luncheon. Program includes Father John Valencheck as the keynote speaker, Stations of the Cross, Reconciliation, Rosary and concludes with the celebration of Mass & Eucharist. The cost is \$20. Please call St. Adalbert Church office at 440-234-6830 to register.