



Sunday, March 8th

9:00 am Dee Leuck

11:00 am Alan Veccia - Birthday

Monday, March 9th

No Morning Mass

7:00 pm Communal Penance Service

Tuesday, March 10th

8:30 am Millie Prochazka

Wednesday, March 11th

No Morning Mass

Thursday, March 12th

8:30 am Vincent Jim Indriolo

Friday, March 13th

8:30 am Antonia & Robert Lozar

Saturday, March 14th

4:00 pm St. John Nepomucene Parish

Sunday, March 15th

9:00 am James Kara

**11:00 am Living & Deceased Members
of SJN Sacred Heart Altar &
Rosary Society**

Stewardship of Treasure

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| <i>Sunday, February 29th</i> | \$2549.75 |
| <i>Ash Wednesday for our St. Vincent DePaul Society</i> | 105.00 |
| <i>Improvement Fund</i> | 26.00 |
| <i>Memorials</i> | 170.00 |

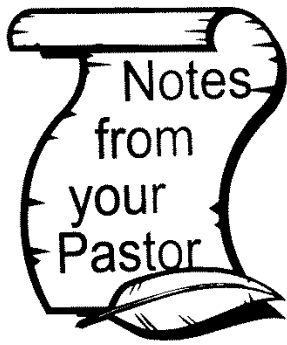
Sick Calls – Please call the rectory to arrange for Father Jasany to bring the Sacraments when a member of your family is hospitalized.

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 Sunday, April 12th at Holy Name Parish at 1:00 pm.** Reservations needed; please call 216-4242 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, April 26th.** 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,

During the Holy Season of Lent, we are called to join the Universal Church in going on a forty day retreat. Two

elements of a traditional retreat are to go to confession and to spend quiet time with Our Lord before the Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist.

Please plan to attend our Communal Penance Service on Monday, March 9th at 7 pm in our parish church. The Church recommends that a parish or parishes assemble as a community to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance during Lent. We will have three additional priests for confessions – Father Eric Orzech, Monsignor Richard Antall and Father Joseph Callahan. We invite the parishioners of St. Stanislaus, Holy Name, Our Lady of Lourdes, as well as people from other parishes to join us as well.

Hopefully, many of us will gather together to experience the loving forgiveness of our Merciful God. May this be a wonderful opportunity for all to be reconciled with God and one another. When we confess our sins with sorrow and receive absolution, the Blood of Christ that flows from the Cross comes down upon us. Our Savior washes away our sins and we are made clean.

We will have two opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration on Sunday, March 8th at 12:30 pm and Saturday, March 14th from 5 to 5:30 pm. Our Solemn Closing Service will be at 5:30 pm on Saturday evening after Eucharistic Devotions. Make an appointment to spend time before Our Savior in the Eucharist.

May all of us take advantage of these opportunities to grow closer to God and one another.

Prayers & Best Wishes,
Father Jasany

Sunday, March 8th

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

World Apostolate of Fatima Holy Hour at 12:30 pm – The Holy Hour involves Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Reflection, Benediction and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Plan to attend this Holy Hour during Lent.

Monday, March 9th

PSR Classes 6:30 – 8 pm

Communal Penance – 7 pm

Tuesday, March 10th

Rosary at 8 am before Mass

Altar & Rosary Society Board Meeting
6:30 pm Rectory

Wednesday, March 11th

Rosary Makers 10 am – Noon

Adult Education – 6:30 pm Rectory

Choir – 7 pm

Zumba – 7 pm School Hall

Thursday, March 12th

Rosary at 8 am before Mass

Friday, March 13th Day of Abstinence

Rosary at 8 am before Mass

Stations of the Cross after 8:30 am Mass

Saturday, March 14th

First Reconciliation 1:30 pm

Eucharistic Devotions 5 pm

Taize Meditations at 5:30 pm

Sunday, March 15th

Altar & Rosary Society Members

The 11 am Mass is for our Living & Deceased Members. So, plan to attend the mass, if possible. Meeting begins at 12:30 pm with a luncheon. If you are interested in joining the Altar Society, please attend the meeting.



St. Joseph's Table

St. Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary has many heavenly duties. He

is the Patron of the Universal Church. He is the patron of fathers and homes. Many pray to him for his intercession in regards to home and family. That's a tall order for a man who has not one spoken word recorded in the Bible. However, his silence speaks loudly. He was all about doing the Will of God and listening to what God asked of him. Let us follow his example by trying our best to do God's will.

The tradition of St. Joseph's table involves providing for the needy as St. Joseph provided for the needs of the Holy Family. Please bring your donations for Our St. Vincent DePaul Society to mass the weekend of March 14th/15th. There will be a table in front of St. Joseph's Altar for your donations.

2015 Mass Intentions – We still have masses available for this year that may be booked for your special intentions. If you did not have the opportunity to book masses or you have already booked masses but would like several more, or you have questions concerning booking a mass, please call the rectory office. The offering for a mass is \$10.

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42
or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23
Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14
Next Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/
Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or
9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

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

Sunday, March 8th – Bishop Roger Gries
Monday, March 9th – John Mulhollan
St. Mary Seminary
Tuesday, March 10th – Adam Nestor
St. Mary Seminary
Wed., March 11th – Ivan Perez-Gallegos
St. Mary Seminary
Thursday, March 12th – Michael Petkosek
St. Mary Seminary
Friday, March 13th – Frank Petsche
St. Mary Seminary
Sat., March 14th – Jesus Ramirez-Moreno
St. Mary Seminary
Sunday, March 15th – Pope Francis
Also, please remember the Social Mission Sisters (SM) in your prayers.

Hungering for a Season of Hope

The next stop on our CRS Rice Bowl journey is the African nation, Niger, where we're reminded that life's joys and challenges are often seasonal. This week we pray for people who struggle to feed their families during the hungry season--when food is in short supply--and we commit to acting for the common good

Karen's Corner

Did you know that I am going to leave the Bible study for awhile and talk about Rev. Robert Barron's series "Seven Deadly Sins and Seven Lively Virtues"? I have been doing the series on Wednesday Nights, and I have found the information imparted is thought provoking. He uses the example of Dante's "Purgatorio" to illustrate the sins.

Fr. Barron begins with the sin of Pride, which is at the base of the mountain that must be climbed in order to be cleansed. Pride is the deadliest of the deadly sins. The Catechism defines pride as, "The Capital Sin that involves excessive self-esteem and a strong desire to be noticed and honored by others; excessive prides sets one in opposition to God." Pride basically means that you turn yourself into God. You do not serve others because you have become the center of the world, rather than letting God become the center of your world. Pride is the whole "me, mine, my plans, my adventures, my knowledge" syndrome. One of the ways it can be expressed is, "I know what's best for you, because I know more than you." And it is so easy for each of us to fall into that trap!

In Dante's work, the proud are made to carry very heavy rocks on their backs that weigh them down and force them to look at the earth, the reality that they came from. Pride keeps our "nose in the sky" and we have a perceived reality, but we do not see the reality of the world around us! Pride weighs us down and we need to remember that we are of the earth, we are part of the world community, and more importantly, members of our church and neighborhood.

Essentially, fear is the root of all sin, but in pride, the fear is "I am not special enough. I am not noticed enough. I am not important enough." So, we find ways to become special, noticed, or important. The sin of Adam and Eve was pride. In Dante's illustration, Satan is frozen in place at the bottom of the mountain, and he is weeping and bored. That is one of the things pride does to us, it makes us boring! We have to keep up "appearances" so we don't see the abundance of the world around us or the gifts of the people around us! We are wrapped up in "me, me, me. I want, I want, I want." What we "want" is not necessarily what God wants! His will is important, not ours.

So what do we do about the deadly sin of pride? The antidote is humility. It is knowing the truth about ourselves, and having a strong sense of who we are. Our lives are connected to the very source of existence, God. Take the lower place! Learn to love the simple things in life, and learn to realize that the world does not revolve around you! Fr. Barron gives us the perfect example of humility through Mary, the mother of God. What was her response when she found out she was to be the mother of the Messiah? She didn't shout it to the world, she didn't make herself higher than anyone else! Her response was, "Be it done to me according to Your Word." May that be our response throughout this Lent!

On Friday, March 20, join me to watch the movie, "Becket" starring Richard Burton and Peter O'Toole.

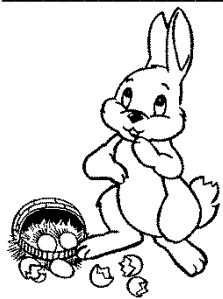
See you soon!
Karen

Sanctuary Guild Volunteers
March 4th thru March 17th
Jackie Hejl & Elaine Smith

May our prayers bring healing, comfort and strength to the sick and their caregivers, remembering especially Mildred Aiello, Agnes Bartoszek, John Balciar, Pat Bednarz, 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, Stephanie Malbasa, Dorothy Mangan, Marilyn O'Meara, John Pacanovsky, Rita Petkoff, Nancy Recko, Brianna Rhine, Laura Schram, Elaine Stack, Andrew Turowski, Virginia Turowski and Joe Zelenka.

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.



Mark your calendar for Breakfast with The Easter Bunny on Sunday, March 22nd at the American Legion Post 627; 3935 East 42nd Street in Newburgh Hts. Serving

from 9 am – 1 pm. Adults \$5.00 and Kids \$3.00. Pictures with the Bunny are \$2.00 each. Breakfast includes French Toast, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Juice, Coffee, Tea & Milk.

Sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 627. This fundraiser supports our Veterans.

Thank You

We would like to thank Father Jasany for designating the Ash Wednesday collection to St. Vincent DePaul. And also to our parishioners for their generosity for this collection. An update on our Food Pantry here in our rectory. Since October 1, 2014 thru February 28, 2015 there have been 31 individuals (62 bags of food) that have come to the rectory looking for assistance with food. Feeding approximately 100 people. We would like to again, thank our parishioners for the support to help feed the needy of our parish and community. Also, thank you to our parish staff for distributing the food. If you are bringing groceries for our St. Joseph's table the weekend of March 14th/15th, we are in need of a few items – Peanut Butter, Jelly, Canned Pasta and Spaghetti Sauce. Thanks again for all your support!

St. Vincent de Paul Society Members

Stewardship – Jesus' cleansing of the Temple is a familiar story. The prophets Jeremiah, Zechariah and Malachi prophesied that when the Kingdom of God was at hand, the Temple would be cleansed of all activities unworthy of an encounter with God. Christians are often referred to as "Temples of the Lord." As stewards of a "Holy Temple" God has entrusted to each one of us, what are we doing to be cleansed of activities unworthy of an encounter with the Lord? **This Week** – Reflect on one thing you can do to cleanse the Temple God has given you so that it becomes a more inviting home for Christ Jesus.