



Mass Schedule

Sunday, January 10 – Baptism of the Lord

8:30 – Living & Deceased of Holy Name Society

10:30– Parishioners of St. Jude

12:00– Charlene Peck

Monday, January 11 – Weekday

5:00pm @ St. Mary

6:00pm @ St. Agnes

Tuesday, January 12 – Weekday

8:30 @ St. Mary

9:00 @ St. Agnes

Wednesday, January 13 – St. Hiliary

9:00 @ St. Agnes

5:00pm @ St. Mary

Thursday, January 14 – Weekday

6:30 @ St. Peter, North Ridgeville

8:30 @ St. Mary

Friday, January 15 – Weekday

8:30 @ St. Mary

Saturday, January 16 – Weekday

4:30 – J. Bradley Laux – 18th Anniversary

Sunday, January 17 – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 –Parishioners of St. Jude

10:30–Jeanette Malanowski

12:00–Margaret Behne

Readings for January 17: Isaiah 62:1-5; 1 Corinthians 12:4-11; John 2: 1-11.



Please pray for Francis Flood and for the consolation of his loved ones.



In your prayers this week, please remember the needs included in our parish petition book and especially Darlene, Tim, Dick, Jamie, Lisa and Ramza.



APPRECIATING YOU!!! Come join your fellow parishioners for conversation, coffee and cookies following the 8:30am and 10:30am Masses today, **January 10th** in the Family Center. So, don't race to your car after Mass, walk across the parking lot to relax, meet new people and enjoy a snack provided by your Parish Council. Start the New Year off with a little Social Gathering and introduce yourself to someone you don't know, while you help us promote **community**.

PARISH CALENDARS

St. Jude Parish calendars for 2010 are available in the Gathering Area. We thank Reichlin Roberts Funeral Home and Schlather Insurance for making this available to our parish.



In Our Parish

Sunday, January 10

Appreciating You! – FamilyCtr after 8:30 & 10:30 Mass

Confirmation Class – Church at 6:00pm

AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

Monday, January 11

PSR – School at 6:15pm

Tuesday, January 12

Employment Network – FamilyCtr at 7:00pm

Pro Life Meeting – Rectory at 7:00pm

Stewardship – Rectory DiningRm at 7:00pm

Wednesday, January 13

Reflecting on Scripture – Chapel at 6:00pm

Saturday, January 16

PreNatal Shower – Gathering Area

Food Collection – Gathering Area

Sunday, January 17

PreNatal Shower – Gathering Area

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Cub Scout Pinewood Derby – Gym after 10:30 Mass

AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

Confirmation Class – Church at 6:00pm

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Adults who have never received the Sacrament of Confirmation and wish to do so, will have the opportunity to be confirmed along with our high school candidates on Tuesday, February 23, 2010. (Remember, one must be a fully initiated Catholic which includes being confirmed in order to be a sponsor or godparent in the Catholic Church.) In order to prepare for this Sacrament, we have scheduled a four-hour preparation session on **Saturday morning, January 23 from 8:30am to 12:30pm** in the Community Room. Please call Sr. Margaret Marszal, HM at 366-5711 ext. 111 for information and to register.

The **Catholic Action Commission of Lorain County** and all Lorain County parishes are jointly hosting an **Open House Reception** to honor and thank **Sharon Kleppel** for her 21 years of leadership of the CACLC. Under Sharon's most energizing leadership such initiatives as Faith House, Lorain County Furniture Bank, the First Friday Forum, Sowers of Justice, Inter-parish Social Justice Networking and constant Legislative Updates have powerfully moved forward the social justice agenda of the Catholic Church in our area. Sharon retired from her position as director on December 11, 2009. Priests, deacons, religious, and laity from the county, as well as civic leaders of the area, will gather on **Friday, January 15 from 6:00-8:00pm, in the Weigand Room at St. Mary Church**, to thank Sharon for her most outstanding ministry among us. Please make it a point to stop in to show Sharon your personal gratitude.



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK...Preparations for Catholic Schools Week have already begun. We will be celebrating from 1/31 – 2/5. We will kick-off the week with a special Open House on 1/31 from 9:00am–1:00pm. All are welcome. St. Jude has teamed up with St. Mary's and Elyria Catholic to promote Catholic education in Elyria. Watch for billboards supporting Catholic education!

St. Jude School invites all preschool and grade school age families to come discover the benefits of a Catholic education. By instilling faith and inspiring dreams, St. Jude School provides a unique learning experience for all of our students. We invite everyone to join us at our Open House. For more information, please contact the school office at 366-1681. For additional information on Catholic education for high school students, contact Elyria Catholic High School at 365-1821, ext. 16.

ST. JUDE CERTIFICATES

Support Catholic Education - Buy gift cards from St. Jude at face value and we get a profit from the retailers. You can buy your weekly gas, groceries, and prescriptions with our gift cards for Giant Eagle, Speedway, Apples, Walmart/Sam's Club, Marathon, and Drug Mart. All proceeds go to St. Jude School.

Sales: Gathering Area at Church Sat. 4-6pm & Sunday 9:15-Noon. Rectory: Monday-Friday 8am-Noon & 1-3pm.

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

On this feast of the Baptism of the Lord we begin *National Vocation Awareness Week*. Renew your baptismal commitment as you consider your call to serve God in your particular vocation. Hopefully some of you will hear a call to priesthood, diaconate or religious life and will be open to that possibility.

SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Every Wednesday at 6:00 pm we have the reposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by a simple reflection on the Sunday's readings. This time allows the participants to prepare for Sunday Mass and also to plan how they will live out the Gospel message in their everyday lives. Come join us and make this a New Year's practice for you and your family.

Stewardship of Treasure Summary

Amount needed per week:		\$17,800
Regular Collection for Dec. 27		<u>\$20,690</u>
Difference for the week:	+	\$ 2,890
Number of Envelopes:	650	
Helping Hands Dec. 20	\$219.33	
Helping Hands Dec. 27	\$292.80	

Year-To-Date Totals

Amount Budgeted:		\$463,000
Total Sunday Offertory:		<u>\$410,707</u>
Difference:	-	\$ 52,293



Outstanding Mortgage Balance:		\$605,612
Building Fund Account Balance:		\$114,210
Monthly Mortgage Payment:		\$ 6,171

Thank you for your generosity!

From the Pastor's Desk



Many people claim that they never hear about a loving, caring God in church. Paul's letter to Titus reveals God's motive for initiating our salvation – kindness and generous love. Can I accept God's kindness and love, even before any "righteous deeds" on my part? Can I voice the Good News of love so that others will hear?

- Because of God's generous love and mercy, we are urged to prepare the way for God's arrival in our lives. What ought I do to remove obstacles to God's arrival in my life?
- Luke says that with the exuberant preaching of John the Baptist, "The people were filled with expectation." Do I have a sense of joyful expectation about life? Is there a sense of expectation in the community I serve?
- Have I experienced the baptism with fire that John predicted? When, lately, have I felt that burning within my heart that signals my connection with Jesus?

FR. KOSEM AWAY JANUARY 11-22

While Fr. Kosem is away, we have provided for you the schedule of daily Masses at our neighboring parishes on the first page of this bulletin. The following priests are scheduled to fill in at Mass:

Saturday, Jan. 16th 4:30pm Fr. Jerry Keller
 Sunday, Jan. 17th All Masses Fr. Michael Joyce

In case of emergency or any other need, all the priests of the Catholic Church of Elyria cover for each other.

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ELYRIA CONCERT

To celebrate all the work we have done in building the Catholic Church of Elyria, there will be a concert with **Praise-Apella** on Sunday, February 7, 2010 at 7pm at St. Jude Church. This is a special family event for all the Elyria Catholic Churches. This Christian based singing group has performed at the FEST and can be heard on the radio station The FISH. You can hear them perform on their web site: www.praise-apella.com. Ticket are available after Masses in the Gathering Area. Pre-sale tickets are \$10 Adults & \$5 for Children ages 6-12. Tickets purchased at the door are \$15. Come and be a part of this Elyria celebration. Kids 5 & under are free.

FAMILY WORKSHOP: GETTING READY FOR LENT

Saturday, January 30 from 10:00am -Noon in Carrabine Hall. This program is for the whole family. We will discuss and explore ways to celebrate Lent at home using input, crafts, sharing and prayer. Facilitator will be Sr. Margaret Marszal, HM. Call the rectory by Thursday, Jan. 28 if you are interested in attending.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

With His baptism in the Jordan, Jesus begins his public ministry proclaiming the kingdom of God with the knowledge that He is the beloved son of God the Father. We proclaim the kingdom of God when we live with the hope and confidence of knowing we are loved deeply as God's daughters and sons.

HOLY NAME JANUARY 2010 EVENTS

Our monthly meeting is a special event on **Monday, January 18** from 7-8:30pm in the Family Center. We will nominate and elect officers this day, and your presence is especially requested. Refreshments will be provided.

Our Annual Holy Name Card Party is set for **Friday, January 29** in the Family Center. This event has always been well attended, so please spread the word to all your card-playing friends. Doors open at 6:00pm and we play until Midnight. There will be a 50/50 raffle, along with other fun activities. Meal service scheduled for about 8:30pm. Cost remains \$10.00 at the door.

Friday Fish Fry tradition continues. The first date is February 19. With your help, we will maintain this fine tradition.

The **Prenatal Shower** Committee will be collecting newborn layette items and monetary donations to support needy expectant mothers through the Elyria City Health Department and Catholic Charities. Collections will be held in the Gathering Area, before and after Masses next weekend of January 16 & 17th. Thank you for your kind and generous support.



JANUARY FOOD COLLECTION



This month's **FOOD FOCUS** is on noodles and spaghetti of all types as well as spaghetti sauce. To wipe up that sauce that always drips on your shirt, we are also focusing on paper items such as tissues, paper towels and toilet paper. Please drop off your donations in the Gathering Area next weekend, January 16 & 17.

ALTAR & ROSARY NEWS

Please note there will be no Altar & Rosary Meetings in January and February 2010.

DID YOU KNOW for your convenience, you can have your offertory gift electronically transferred from your bank directly to St. Jude Church on a monthly basis? If you are interested please call the Rectory office and we will be happy to mail you the authorization form.

HOPE a workshop for separated and divorced is a 5-part workshop that helps participants identify and work through their pain over the loss of a relationship through separation or divorce. HOPE will meet Mondays, Feb 1, 8, 15, 22 & March 1 from 7-9pm at St. Joseph School, Amherst. For registration or further info, please call Maria Maldonado at 988-2848, ext 205.

MASS FOR LIFE Bethesda the House of Mercy announces a Solemn Mass for Life at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, East 9 St. & Superior Avenue, Cleveland, on Friday, January 22, at 7pm. Come to this special evening of remembrance and repentance on the 37th anniversary of Roe v. Wade and pray for healing and for full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life. The Bishop of Cleveland, Most Reverend Richard G. Lennon, will be the celebrant and homilist. For further information, please call Bethesda the House of Mercy at 1.800.482.4100.

★ **YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE**
2009 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

All statements will be mailed by **January 22nd**. This includes Future Fund Statements and Regular Contribution Statements. There is no longer a need to call the rectory to request your statement. Thank you!

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would like the parishioners to pray for an individual, please leave a message for Becky Diederich at 366-5711 ext 103 or email her at sjwebmaster@saintjudeparish.org. We will include the name in the bulletin for three weeks. If you would like that request extended, call the name in again. We will only include first names and not specifics. As a parish community, let us pray for each other's needs.

PARISH REGISTRATION

It is our policy and desire to serve the needs of St. Jude parishioners. We welcome you. Families and adults (age 18 and over) should make an effort to become registered members of the parish. Even if you are not in a position to contribute regularly, it is important to be registered for us to take care of your pastoral needs (funerals, baptisms, weddings, etc.) To register, please call the rectory or drop a note in the collection basket and we will be happy to assist you.

SIGN OF PEACE It's the flu and cold season. If you have caught 'the bug' and don't want to share it with others, please feel free to refrain from hand-shaking at the Sign of Peace. Instead, please extend a greeting of peace through a smile, nod, or pat on the shoulder to your neighbor.



4TH ANNUAL "RAISE THE PRAISE"

Join us for an evening of Praise, Worship, Song and Prayer Dance on Sunday, January 17th from 5-8pm at Sacred Heart Chapel in Lorain. Featured music of the Holy Spirit Choir, internationally known recording artist Vallimar Jansen and guest musicians. For info contact Elaine Davila at 322-5834. Free will offerings accepted.

www.saintjudeparish.org

Your parish website...stop by and see what we have to offer.
Your online source for information about your parish!

PLEASE HELP US KEEP "UP TO DATE"

If you've recently had a child, and the baptism took place at another parish; please let us know so we can update our files.

If a child has moved out of your home, and is living on his or her own, please let us know.

If you are a young adult, supporting yourself, living on your own or with your parents, you should be independently registered with our parish.

If your son or daughter has gotten married, at a parish other than St. Jude, please let us know so we can make the appropriate notation in our records.

If you have changed your address or phone number, please let us know so we can have the correct information on file.