



Sunday, January 25 – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 – Tony Aulisio
10:30– Margaret Behne
12:00– Parishioners of St. Jude

Monday, January 26 – Sts. Timothy & Titus

7:00 – Altar & Rosary Society

Tuesday, January 27 – St. Angela Merici

8:30 – Clement Kuhman – 3rd Anniversary

Wednesday, January 28– St. Thomas Aquinas

7:00 – Brooke & Kyle Hoffman

7:00 – Communion Service

Thursday, January 29 – Weekday

8:00am @Holy Cross; 8:30am @ St. Mary

Friday, January 30 – Weekday

8:30 – Living & Deceased of Kneiss & Ziegman Families

Saturday, January 31 – St. John Bosco

4:30 – Eugene Persensky

Sunday, February 1– Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 – Parishioners of St. Jude
10:30– Deceased of the Parish
12:00– Deceased Members of ECHS Class of 1956

Readings for February 1: Deuteronomy 18:15-20;

1 Corinthians 7:32-35; Mark 1:21-28.

BAPTISM

We welcome into our faith community Reagan Dianne McKinney who was baptized last week.

WEDDING BANNS

II Matt Hixon & Charlene Rodgers

Rest in Peace

Please pray for Richard Sabo and for the consolation of his loved ones.



The St. Jude's Men's Club will be sponsoring a **Pancake Breakfast today, Jan. 25.** Breakfast will be served from 9:00-Noon. Please stop by with your family for a

delicious breakfast and visit our School Open House. We encourage men of the Parish to explore the opportunity to join and serve in the St. Jude Men's Club!

SACRAMENTAL

Parents of second graders are asked to come to an informal meeting on the Eucharist on Sunday, Feb. 1 at 6:30pm in the Family Center or on Monday, Feb. 2 at 6:30pm in Chapel. You can attend either session. Details on First Communion will be given out at this time.

★ YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE

2008 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

All statements were mailed on January 17th. 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!



This Week in our Parish

Sunday, January 25

School Open House – 9:30am – 12:00pm
Men's Club Pancake Breakfast-Carrabine 9:00-Noon
AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

Monday, January 26

PSR – School at 6:15pm

Tuesday, January 27

ProLife Mtg – Rectory at 7:00pm

Wednesday, January 28

St. Vincent dePaul Society – Rectory at 7:30pm

Sunday, February 1

Hospitality Sunday – FamCtr after 8:30 & 10:30 Mass
Parent Eucharistic Mtg – FamCtr at 6:30pm
AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

It must have been difficult for Zebedee to watch his two sons walk away to follow Jesus. He probably enjoyed working side-by-side with his sons each day. Our children are not ours. Like Zebedee, we raise them to let them go. Cherish the moments you share together but instruct them to follow the Lord!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Would you like to know more than your fifth grader about your faith? There will be a short overview of the Catholic Faith based on the book A Well-Built Faith by Joe Paprocki the following Thursday mornings from 8:00 am to 9:00 am in the Community Room: Feb. 19, 26, March 5 and 12. Cost of the book is \$6. Contact Sr. Margaret Marszal at 366-5711 Ext. 111 to register. Registrations need to be in by **Jan. 26**, so the books can be ordered.

WILL OUR FAITH HAVE CHILDREN?

The Elyria Cluster Youth Ministry proudly presents "Will Our Faith Have Children?" A talk given by Dr. Greg "Dobie" Moser, D.Min. on Monday, January 26 from 7-9pm. Join us in the Weigand room of St. Mary's Church for this insightful presentation. All are welcome.

NEW SERVER SCHEDULE

The new server schedule for Feb/March/April has been published and mailed to all servers. If you did not get a schedule you may get one from the sacristy or visit: <http://www.saintjudeparish.org/schedules.asp>. You are responsible for getting your own substitute if you cannot serve a scheduled mass. Contact Mr. Miller at 323-7879 or serveatjude@windstream.net for any questions.

YEAR OF ST. PAUL

A Catholic Update entitled, *Introducing St. Paul the Apostle: His Life and Mission* is included in this week's bulletin as January 25th is the feast of the conversion of St. Paul. As we continue this year, which honors the 2000th anniversary of the birth of St. Paul, please read the material to learn more about the life and influence of this great Apostle of the Church.



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Sunday, 1/25 - School Open House & Scholastic Book Fair 9:30am-12:00pm
 Monday, 1/26 - Celebrating Faculty & Staff
 Tuesday, 1/27 - Celebrating Volunteers/Brunch at 8am
 Wednesday, 1/28 - Celebrating Parents/Parents visit school from 7-8:30am.
 Thursday, 1/29 - Celebrating Students/Dress down
 Friday, 1/20 - Celebrating Catholic Education/All-school Mass at 8:30 am

The City of Elyria sponsored a Poetry Contest entitled, "The Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission." Seventeen 7th grader students from St. Jude School participated in this city-wide contest. Students were asked to write a poem about "Keeping the Dream Alive." Of the 17 participants from St. Jude, two students were chosen as winners. Kathleen Newman and Emily Witt won for their age category, and have been awarded a monetary prize. They also participated in the city-wide holiday celebration on Monday January 19. Our junior high English teacher, Mrs. Molly Hibler, is proud of all her students who participated and so are we!

Thank you from the St. Jude Girl Scouts to all the St. Jude Parishioners for generously donating 127 boxes of Girl Scout cookies to U.S Military men and women serving around the world. Thank you for also supporting our own parish Girl Scouts in their fund raising efforts.

Thank you to all who so generously donated \$163 and eight lovely gifts. Your support will help mothers and babies through the Elyria City Health Department, Catholic Charities and Blessing House. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated!

PROGRAMS RESCHEDULED

The Book Study cancelled on January 14th, Snow Flower and the Secret Fan is rescheduled for **Wednesday, Feb. 4th at 7:30 pm in the Parish Rectory.**

The Know Your Faith Series cancelled on January 15th, Are People Saved? A Catholic Response to Fundamentalist Questions presented by Deacon Mr. Patrick J. Humphrey is rescheduled for **Thursday, March 5th at 7:00 PM in the Family Center.**



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2009

This week, January 25-31 we celebrate Catholic Schools Week. I take this opportunity to sincerely thank our entire staff for all your dedicated service to our school. I also thank the parents for your willingness to make this sacrifice to provide the best Catholic education for your children. I am very proud of our school because of the quality, diversity and excellence we are able to provide. Here, Catholic values are clearly articulated and integrated for six hours a day, five days a week, ten months a year.

Catholic schools are a great treasure and are the most precious and lasting gift we can pass on from one generation to the next. At St. Jude, quality Catholic education is a very high priority and it represents the best investment parents can make for their children. Yes, this means real sacrifice, but in our culture, this is more important than ever.

This year Catholic Schools Week begins with our Open House from 9:30-Noon. The Men's Club will also be serving breakfast in Carrabine. All are most welcome to join us and see for yourself the wonderful, warm, atmosphere of St. Jude School.

ELYRIA CLUSTER YOUTH MINISTRY

This weekend, Maureen Vazzano will be speaking at all the Masses to explain the new Elyria Cluster Youth Ministry project. We are working together with all the other Catholic Churches in Elyria to provide a youth ministry for all our high school students. Maureen can be reached at St. Agnes at 322-5622 ext. 11 or mcvazz55@aol.com.

FIRST FRIDAY FORUM, FEB. 6: Sr. Patricia Lenard, CSFN, & Sandy Kirschner: "Bringing Shalom to the Home: Eliminating Violence—One Family at a Time—Beginning with our Own." We have been called to be Peacemakers, but as we look around, we see violence and unrest everywhere. How can we as followers of Christ set the example and begin creating a culture of peace? Our speakers will share their stories, and present a focused and practical approach, that can be used in our homes, in our parishes, and in our very own communities to counter violence and create a better understanding of peace. Join the First Friday Forum for spiritual refreshment, fellowship, and good food at LCCC Spitzer Conference Center, 11:30AM! Tickets are \$15.00. RSVP by calling the reservation line at 440-244-0643 or fflorain@gmail.com before 3pm, February 2, 2009.

WEDNESDAY ADORATION

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is offered here each Wednesday starting after the 7am Liturgy and concludes with a Communion Service at 7pm. Why not make 2009 a time of FAMILY PRAYER & ADORATION? Come and spend time during the day or after supper. Come spend time with Our Lord.

Stewardship of Treasure Summary

Amount needed per week:	\$18,000
Regular Collection for Jan. 18:	<u>\$16,272</u>
Difference for the week:	- \$ 1,728
Number of Envelopes:	465
SVdP Collection for Jan. 18:	\$90.21
Year-To-Date Totals	
Amount Budgeted	\$522,000
Total Sunday Offertory:	<u>\$479,211</u>
Difference:	- 42,789



Outstanding Mortgage Balance:	\$641,195
Building Fund Account Balance:	\$ 88,062
Monthly Mortgage Payment:	\$ 8,021

Thank you for your generosity!

ST. JOSEPH HOMELESS SHELTER

This weekend, Jan. 24 & 25, we will once again have the have the opportunity to sign-up in the Gathering Area to help provide meals for the St. Joseph Homeless Shelter in Lorain for the months of February, March and April. We are asking for volunteers to make chicken rice casserole, salad or brownies that would serve approximately 10-12 people. We also need volunteers to deliver the food to the shelter. I have no doubt that our parishioners will come forward once again in this act of loving service. Thank you for your love and generosity. Please call Susan at the rectory 366-5711 ext 10 if you have any questions.

Cabbage Roll Sale: A & R has frozen cabbage rolls available for sale at \$10 per dozen. Our next hot cabbage roll sale will be on Feb. 1 after the 8:30 & 10:30 Masses in the Family Center. Place an order and have your dinner ready in no time or have the hot cabbage rolls ready for your Super Bowl Party. To make sure you don't miss out on purchasing these delicious rolls, place an order with Jean 365-7971 or Joan 366-7163.

TIME TO ACT

People of faith who believe in the sacredness of life, need to be aware and take action against the "Freedom of Choice Act" or FOCA. FOCA is a bill that has been in Congress since 1989. It would create a "fundamental right" to abortion through the nine months of pregnancy. For the first time, abortion would become an entitlement the government must fund and promote. It is such a radical bill that the U.S. Catholic Bishops have launched a campaign across the nation to inspire action in Catholics to push back any attempt in Congress to enact FOCA. This weekend Jan. 24-25, there will be postcards to our Congressional leaders for parishioners to sign and or pick up. Please stop, learn about this threat to human life and sign the postcards.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Parents who are planning the baptism of their child within the next few months are invited to participate in the baptism preparation session on **Tuesday, Feb 3 at 6:30pm**. Because of the importance of the sacrament, and the role parents assume in the Christian formation of their child, this session is required for all first-time parents, prior to the baptism of their daughter/son. **Please note: baptism preparation sessions at St. Jude will be offered every other month, - so please plan ahead.** Call Susan Kuchenbecker at the rectory 366-5711 ext. 110 for further information and to register for this session.

ANNUAL ELYRIA CATHOLIC STUDENT CAR RAFFLE

Win your choice of a Chevy Malibu, Jeep Wrangler or a Ford Fusion. Tickets are \$5 each for 6 for \$25. For tickets or more info call EC Development Office at 365-1821 ext. 22 or 34.

CYO TRACK

Do you run for exercise? Do you have a child who likes to run? If you said yes to either question, we can use your help. We are looking for Track Coaches for this spring. No experience necessary. We provide all the training. If interested, contact Bill Elwer at 365-4728.

REMEMBERING THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES

Please keep the health and safety of the members of our Armed Forces in your thoughts and prayers. God grant that they may return home safely and soon.



Eric Armitage, Sgt. Mark A. Baker, Airman Michael E Bobola, Maj. Monica Cater, Sgt. Ronald Combs, Lt. Col. Scott Connors, Pvt. Peter Crissman, Capt. Brian Dickenson, Lt. Sarah Dickenson, Daniel Engel; Sarah Forbush, L.Cpl. Michael Hetrick, Ensign William Hurd, Kenneth Justen, S. Sgt Charles R.

Kalo, Audrey Keiffer, Pvt. 1st Class Jason Koenig, Paige Kolenda, Capt. Brandon Leifer, Staff Sgt. Mat Mach, SPC Martin McCloud, Cpl. Cory Menges, Comdr. Leo Murphy, Sgt. Zachary Osborne, Lt Richard J. Pelesky, Maj. Rick Schilke, Pvt. Thomas Edward Sedor, Capt. Stephanie Sido, Nicholas Sine, Brian Speer, Staff Sgt. Tracey Tackling, Petty Officer Carl VanDyke, Cpt. Nathaniel Waggoner, Capt. Dean Wood. Please feel free to submit names of service members by calling the rectory or dropping a note in the collection basket for inclusion here.

FURNITURE BANK

In this time of extreme financial crisis, the Lorain County Furniture Bank advises that they have a very long waiting list for families needing furniture. However, the current inventory of available furniture is very low. In the past the Catholic community has been very generous. Could you please take a moment and see if you have any furniture you've been thinking about donating? Now is the time. Please call the Furniture Bank at 240-0089. Their coordinator will call you to schedule a pick up. There is no cost.....only the satisfaction that you have indeed helped someone in need.

LORAIN COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE

Signature Ad/Billboards will go up on Jan. 12 at the following locations: Kansas Ave. North of G Street in Lorain; Rt 57 & E 28th St., Lorain; Rt 254 in Sheffield near Elyria Ave.; Rt 57 near Sugar Ridge; East Ave, near Fuller Rd.

The Pro Life Committee would like to thank everyone who participated in the Right to Life Signature Ad/Billboard Campaign. We received 52 signatures and \$327 for the Right to Life Organization of Lorain County. Our next Pro Life Committee meeting will be on Tuesday, Jan. 27 at 7pm in the rectory. Everyone is most welcome to attend.

HOPE WORKSHOP for separated and divorced people 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 2, 9, 16, 23 & March 2 from 7-9pm at St. Joseph School, Amherst. For registration or further info, please call Maria Maldonado at 988-2848, ext 205.

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