



Sunday, February 28 – Second Sunday of Lent

8:30 – Parishioners of St. Jude
10:30– Remi Zaatar
12:00– Deceased of Parish

Monday, March 1 – Lenten Weekday

7:00 – Charles Baldauf

Tuesday, March 2 – Lenten Weekday

8:30 – Deceased Members of the Cilona & Alfano Families

Wednesday, March 3 – Lenten Weekday

7:00 – James Sadowski

Thursday, March 4 – St. Casmir

8:30 @ St. Mary

Friday, March 5 – Lenten Weekday

8:30 – Blanche Machovina

Saturday, March 6 – Lenten Weekday

4:30 – Paul Seguin

Sunday, March 7 – Third Sunday of Lent

8:30 – Thomas V. Ivkanec
10:30– Parishioners of St. Jude
12:00– Sue & Tim Pileski

Readings for March 7: Exodus 3:103, 13-15; 1
Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12; Luke 13:1-9.



In your prayers this week, please remember the needs included in our parish petition book and especially Frances, Tim, Rosemary, Denise, Lisa, Matt and Pat.

St. Jude' School has earned one \$500 grant from LifeShare Community Blood Services and needs only 12 more units for another. Thank you all who donated during our recent blood drives and made this possible for our students. Give and you shall receive! For every 25 blood donations, the school receives a \$500 grant. There is no limit to the number of LifeShare scholarships we can earn. Let's roll up our sleeves to save local lives while we continue to help enrich our children's lives! LifeShare is the only supplier of blood to the hospitals of Lorain County. The next St. Jude School/LifeShare Blood Drive will be Friday, March 5 in the Pre-School room during the Fish Fry from 4-8pm.

HOSPITALITY SUNDAY NEXT WEEKEND
Please plan to join us after the 8:30 & 10:30 am Masses Sunday, March 7TH in the Family Center for coffee, juice and doughnuts.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

On Friday evenings during Lent at 7:00pm, you are invited to join in prayer and meditation on the Stations of the Cross. This is a beautiful journey of reflection on the passion and death of Jesus and a traditional Lenten experience. Please join us.



Dates to Remember

Sunday, February 28

AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

Monday, March 1

PSR – School at 6:15pm
Men's Club – FamCtr at 7:00pm
Spiritual Life – RectoryDiningRm at 7:00pm

Tuesday, March 2

Scripture Study with Deacon Pat – FamCtr at 7:00pm

Wednesday, March 3

Market Day Pick-up – Carrabine from 4:30-5:30pm
Reflecting on Scripture – Chapel at 6:00pm
RCIA – FamCtr at 7:00pm

Thursday, March 4

Book Club – Rectory at 7:00pm

Friday, March 5

Fish Fry – Carrabine from 5-7pm
Stations of the Cross – Church at 7:00pm

Sunday, March 7

Hospitality Sunday – FamCtr after 8:30 & 10:30 Mass
St. Patrick's Party – Carrabine 1-3pm
School Parent Mtg – FamCtr at 1:30pm
Hospitality Sunday – FamCtr at 8:30 & 10:30 Mass
Parish Mission – St. Mary at 7:00pm
AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

In the Transfiguration, Jesus changed His appearance in front of the apostles and then a mysterious cloud came over them. The apostles "were terrified as they entered the cloud." Every one of us is a constantly-unfolding mystery. When we enter into a relationship with another, we can expect change and we should expect it to be unsettling, for it might require us also to change.

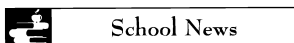
2010 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal:

"...trust in the Lord; hope in the Lord." Jeremiah 17:7

Consider the plight of those who are less fortunate. We know that Jesus has called us not only to recognize that all that we are and all that we have is given to us by our God but also that we return a portion of those gifts as a sign of our gratitude. A gift to Catholic Charities, a gift to support service to the poor, is one way to show gratitude for God's role in our lives. Remember to turn in your pledge envelope as soon as possible. Please pray for the success of this important Appeal.

SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER

This fundraiser being held in honor of our parishioner Tim Walsh who is battling a brain tumor. All funds raised will be donated to the Walsh family for medical expenses. Please join us on today, Feb. 28 from 5:00-7:00pm at the Elyria Catholic High School Coliseum. Cost \$10/Adult; \$5 kids 6-18; 5 & under free. Includes Spaghetti & Meatballs, Salad, Bread, Desserts, Pop/Water/Coffee. Auctions, Raffles & more! For tickets call Carole Caruso 320-4441 or Jean Koch 365-7971.



Students in grades 7 and 8 have completed months of study and preparation. Recently, students participated in a Science Fair. The following students were selected for the quality of their work. Some of the students listed will go on to compete at the next level! Congratulations students.

FIRST RANK: Eamon Dillon, Meggie Griffin, Will Fritz, Claire Miller, Jeremy Saxon and Marie Vasitas

SECOND RANK: Rachel Kozma, Danielle Nagy, Nicole Neri, Ryan Turner and Sarah Ziegelmeier

THIRD RANK: Rachel Elwer, Vincent Foisy, Anna Griffin, Nichole Griffin, Madelyn Joviak, Jake Leibas, Alyssa Malinowski and Allie Norris

HONORABLE MENTION: Delaney Barry, Savannah Brown, Nick Gaydosh, Jack Klingshirn, Mary Scherer and Emily Witt

Notecards for Sale! Blank notecards with drawings of St. Jude Church by students are available in the Gathering Area. An assortment of 10 cards with envelopes is \$3.00.

ST. JUDE CERTIFICATES

Out of Gas?. Use our gift cards to fill your tank. We carry Speedway, Marathon, Giant Eagle, and BP in stock. Stop by our table in the Gathering Area for a complete list of retailers. All proceeds benefit St. Jude School.

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

Jesus' transfiguration was a moment of hope for the disciples, giving them the strength to endure the future sacrifices they would make as they formed the early Church. As we continue our journey with Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl, let us be mindful that our Lenten sacrifices help to give hope to our brothers and sister in need.



Mass Intentions for this year, 2010 are still available. Please pick up a form on the bookshelves of the Church and return to the rectory.

FEELING COMFORTABLE WITH SCRIPTURE, presented by Deacon Patrick Humphrey, will be offered in the Family Center on Tuesdays, March 2 and March 16 from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. Deacon Pat will discuss the New Testament and you can use Scripture as a resource for prayer. If you feel timid about using the Bible or just would like more familiarity with it, these classes will be most helpful. You can come to one or both sessions.

Stewardship of Treasure Summary

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| Amount needed per week: | \$17,800 |
| Regular Collection for Feb. 21: | <u>\$13,501</u> |
| Difference for the week: | - \$ 4,299 |
| Number of Envelopes: | 485 |

Year-To-Date Totals

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| Amount Budgeted: | \$605,200 |
| Total Sunday Offertory: | <u>\$532,672</u> |
| Difference: | - \$ 72,528 |



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| Outstanding Mortgage Balance: | \$598,944 |
| Building Fund Account Balance: | \$117,641 |
| Monthly Mortgage Payment: | \$ 6,171 |

Thank you for your generosity!

From the Pastor's Desk

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF ELYRIA LENTEN MISSION

Bishop Edward Pevec, retired Bishop of Cleveland will be doing the Catholic Church of Elyria Lenten Mission beginning next Sunday –Tuesday at **7:00pm**

Sunday, March 7 at St. Mary – Prayer Service

Monday, March 8 at St. Agnes – Mass

Tuesday, March 9 at St. Jude – Mass

The mission is entitled "Who Do You Say I Am?" Plan on attending for input, prayer and a social to build up our Elyria Community.

STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL 2010

This weekend, the 2010 Stewardship packet of material was mailed to all parishioners of St. Jude. Included in the mailing is a directory of all our parishioners presently registered at St. Jude.

During this season of Lent, we are called to put our faith into action by responding to a call of God's love. Stewardship begins with a sense of gratitude and building of community at St. Jude Church and School. Our parish has been changing people lives in the Elyria area for over 67 years. When your gifts of Time, Talent and Treasure are shared, they help us celebrate God's love and care for those in need. Your generosity helps us all, regardless of age, become formed in faith and proclaim the Good News of salvation through evangelization. The gifts you offer provide necessary support and funding for our groups, organizations and buildings. Because of your stewardship in all three areas, we can participate in and invite others into our parish life. All are important and for this we are very grateful.

Next weekend, March 6-7, we will be hearing "Lay Witnesses" of fellow parishioners. They will share from personal experience what St. Jude means to them. On March 13-14 – Commitment Weekend, we ask everyone after prayerful reflection, to complete the commitment cards provided. This is an annual opportunity for everyone to reflect on your connectedness to St. Jude and make adjustments accordingly. ALL are so important.

SCHOOL TOWN HALL MEETING

On Sunday, March 7 at 1:30pm, there will be a St. Jude School Parent Town Hall Meeting in the Family Center. The purpose is to provide you with all the information regarding the new direction of the Catholic Church of Elyria and listen to parental concerns. It is so important that we all work together in this transition time. Our hope is to continue to provide a strong quality Catholic education program for the future.

ALTAR & ROSARY SALAD BUFFET

A & R is sponsoring a Salad Buffet on Wed. March 10 at 4:30pm in the Family Center. An array of salads and soups will be served with members bringing a salad to share. We are asking all women, even if you are not a member of the Altar & Rosary Society to join us at the buffet. Bring along a friend and share the delicious salads! There is no cost. Our speaker will be Denise Roe, a representative from Easter Seals. For more information call Fran 365-6163 or Joan 366-7163.



ST. PATRICK'S ANNUAL LUNCHEON

St. Jude Mission Circles & Altar & Rosary Society are sponsoring a St. Patrick's Benefit for the El Salvador Missions on Sunday, March 7 in Carrabine Hall from 1:00-3:00pm. Lunch of the "Best Reuben Sandwiches" in Lorain County will be served for \$7 per platter and a Hot Dog platter for \$3, which consists of potato chips, pickles, dessert and beverage. Door prizes will be available as well as a \$1 raffle for afghans and other prizes. Entertainment will be local Irish dancers. Please join us for an afternoon of celebration for a worthy cause.



Cav's Family Night in Carrabine The St. Jude's Men's Club is sponsoring a Cav's Family Night. Since tickets are expensive and hard to come by why not come on out to cheer on the Cavaliers as they make a push for an NBA title and get that true fan atmosphere with fellow parishioners.



What: Cavalier's vs. Celtics Game
When: Sunday, March 14 @ 2:30pm
Where: Carrabine Hall to watch game on screen
Who: Anybody who is a Cavaliers fan-families welcome!
Cost: 1 Fan - \$3, 2 or more - \$2.50 a Fan
We will provide the game (BIG SCREEN), All you can eat Arena Food (Hot Dogs, Sloppy Joes, Snacks), and family beverages. We will also have some prize giveaways! Please RSVP to: SJMensClub@Yahoo.com with name and number of fans attending All proceeds to benefit the St. Jude's Men's Club.

Congrats to Maximilian Kantor, Jacob Lorbach and Brandon Witt who earned honors for the current grading period at St. Edward High School. We're proud of you!

Lent means meatless Fridays. That means it's time for the Holy Name delicious Fish Fry. Please join us from 5-7pm in Carrabine Hall on March 5, 12, 19, 26 & April 2nd. We would like to mention that the families of St. Jude School children provide us with all the desserts that we serve at the Lenten Fish Fry. The assortment is astounding and the quality is the very best that you can get. This is another expression of true Stewardship toward the St. Jude Community. We thank the parents for their sacrifice as they help us with our efforts. May God bless you all.



FASTING & FEASTING

- FAST from TV – FEAST on prayer & silence**
- FAST from treats – FEAST on serving others**
- FAST from selfishness – FEAST on sharing**
- FAST from complaining – FEAST on complimenting**
- FAST from being prideful – FEAST on being humble**
- FAST from talking – FEAST on listening**
- FAST from gossiping – FEAST on being kind**
- FAST from criticism – FEAST on praising**
- FAST from being down – FEAST on encouraging**
- FAST from being too busy – FEAST on doing for God**
- FAST from being too lazy – FEAST on helping others**
- FAST from being angry – FEAST on forgiving**
- FAST from being in a hurry – FEAST on being patient**
- FAST from fear – FEAST on trust**
- FAST from sin – FEAST on blessings**
- FAST from being yourself – FEAST on being like Jesus**

FIRST FRIDAY FORUM, MARCH 5: Rev. William Thaden, Pastor, Sacred Heart Chapel, Lorain: "Silence, Reflection and Connection: The Three Non-Negotiables of Parish." Join the First Friday Forum for spiritual refreshment, fellowship, and good food at LCCC at 11:30am. Tickets \$15. RSVP by calling the reservation line at 440-244-0643 or fflorain@gmail.com before 3pm Mon., March 1st



By the time you read this, our Confirmandi have completed their full initiation into our Family of Faith! May God continue to bless you, and my prayer for you is that you call on the Holy Spirit for guidance and pray every day to make good choices for your life.

Upcoming Events Mark your calendars for the 3rd Sunday of each month. We will rotate sites for our meetings. The first will be Sunday, March 21st at St. Mary from 4–7pm. I want to get to know you, and I want you to get to know me. We'll celebrate liturgy together, have dinner together and then make some plans for our future.

Future Dates and Sites: April 18 @ St. Agnes; May 16th @ St. Jude. I'll plan to see you there, and bring your friends!

Peace, Darlene

2009 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS were all mailed on January 22nd. This includes Future Fund Statements and Regular Contribution Statements. Should you need assistance, please call the rectory 366-5711 ext 103.

PIEROGI LUNCHEES DURING LENT: St. Mary is offering pierogi lunches on Fridays thru March 26. Lunch is served or take out available 11:30am-1:00pm and includes 5 Sophie's Choice Pierogi's, Salad, Roll & butter & beverage for \$6. Advance order accepted 323-5539.

Journeying With Loss is 4-session workshop is sponsored by St. Joseph's in Amherst. The purpose is to provide information & support to those who have experienced the death of a loved one. Sessions will be on Sat, March 6, 13, 20 & 27 from 2:30-4:30pm. To register to attend please call Maria Maldonado at 988-2848, ext 205. No charge and everyone is welcome.

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 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.

