



Sunday, March 1 – First Sunday of Lent

8:30 – Parishioners of St. Jude
10:30– Charlotte McKenzie
12:00– Albert LaCrosse

Monday, March 2 – Lenten Weekday

7:00 – Rick Pichola

Tuesday, March 3 – Lenten Weekday

8:30 – John Majkrzak

Wednesday, March 4 – Lenten Weekday

7:00 – George & Genevieve Barney
7:00 – Communion Service

Thursday, March 5 – Lenten Weekday

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

Friday, March 6 – Lenten Weekday

8:30 – Blanche Machovina

Saturday, March 7 – Lenten Weekday

4:30 – Parishioners of St. Jude

Sunday, March 8 – Second Sunday of Lent

8:30 – Living & Deceased of Holy Name Society
10:30– Jessie Kusak
12:00– Sue & Tim Pileski

Readings for March 8: Genesis 22:1-2, 9,-13, 15-18;
Romans 8:31-34; Mark 9:2-10.

BAPTISM

We welcome into our faith community Michael Anthony Arra, Jacob Alexander Kuchta and Jordyn Ashley Kuchta who were baptized last week.



HOSPITALITY SUNDAY THIS WEEKEND

Please plan to join us after the 8:30 & 10:30 am Masses Sunday, March 1st 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. This Friday, March 6th at 7pm, our St. Jude School students will be doing their version of the Stations of the Cross for the parish community. Please join us.

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 6,13, 20, 27 & Apr 3 & 10. 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.



Sunday, March 1

Hospitality Sunday – FamCtr after 8:30 & 10:00 Mass
Spirituality Presentation – FamCtr at 1:15pm
AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

Monday, March 2

PSR – School at 6:15-7:30pm
Men's Club – FamCtr at 7:00pm

Tuesday, March 3

Spiritual Life – Rectory DiningRm at 7:00pm
Alumni Association – Rectory at 7:30pm

Wednesday, March 4

Market Day Pick-up – Carrabine 4:30-5:30pm
RCIA – FamCtr at 7:00pm

Thursday, March 5

Know Your Faith Series – FamCtr at 7:00pm

Friday, March 6

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

Sunday, March 8

St. Patrick's Luncheon – Carrabine 1-3pm
Spirituality Presentation – FamCtr at 6:30pm
AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

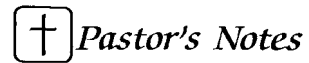
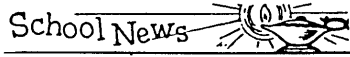
The gospel on this first Sunday of Lent tells us that Jesus returns from His forty days in the desert proclaiming "The Kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the Gospel!" Prayer, fasting, almsgiving and the sacrament of Penance are the Church's traditional practices that have proven effective in helping people repent and live the Gospel. Don't miss this life-changing opportunity! Schedule time; make the effort to focus on Jesus and His Gospel this Lent.

In Mark's Gospel we read about Jesus being tempted by the devil for forty days. Lent provides us with time to reflect on the temptations we face and remember we rely on God for all things. Through our participation in Operation Rice Bowl, we put our faith into action; our prayers and alms help people in need around the world.



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**



Stewardship Takes Many Forms at St. Jude School....The crew for Drama Club has been busy designing, drawing, and laying out the flats for the show. All crew students have been assigned "jobs", and are doing fantastic work! Some students searched online for 1912 building design ideas, while others took inventory of our supplies and made a spreadsheet for future use. We applaud our students as they share their gifts and talents the gifts and talents and work to serve the community of St. Jude School.

ST. JUDE CERTIFICATES

Looking for a new Easter outfit? Shop with our certificates for Kohl's, JC Penney, Macy's, Dillards, Sears, or Payless Shoes. Use our Giant Eagle certificates to buy gift cards for other retailers we don't carry and earn FuelPerks.

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

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

St. Jude A & R is extending an invitation to women of the parish to join us at our Salad Buffet on Wed., March 11 at 4:30pm in the Family Center. Polly & Bud Simmons from Hospitality House will inform us about the work of their volunteers and who they give aid to. After the buffet, you are welcome to attend Adoration in the Chapel, then Communion Services at 7:00pm. Call reservations for the Salad Buffet to Fran 365-6163 or Joan 366-7163.

2009 CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

"Blessed is the person who has regard for the lowly and poor." Psalm 41:2

Last weekend the in-pew commitment process will took place. If you have received a mailing, please respond to it, otherwise there are extra envelopes available in the bulletin racks and can still be turned in through the collection basket or mailed to the rectory. We ask that each parishioner consider the plight of those served by Catholic Charities. Then, reflect upon the gifts God has given to each of us. Based upon these reflections, determine how much you will return in gratitude for the gifts you have received. Please pray for the success of this important Appeal.

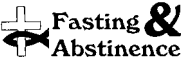
STEWARDSHIP FOLLOW-UP

It takes a community to create a parish. We would like you to feel at home at St. Jude and we would like to get to know you better. During this 2009 Lenten season, our parish stewardship committee is following up on annual commitment cards.

This week, mailing will be sent to all the St. Jude households who have not yet responded. Out of the 2,120 registered families, we have only received responses from 381. Please take a few moments, fill out the response sheet and return it in the collection basket or send it to the rectory.


Next weekend March 7 & 8, our stewardship committee members will take a few moments to bring everyone up to date. Additional commitment cards will be available in the Gathering Area.

We value your membership in our parish and want all to feel more a part of our community. In advance, thank you for your response and if there are concerns that we can be of help, please do not hesitate to call me or any of my staff at the rectory 366-5711 or school 366-1681.

The Church laws of fast and abstinence have been greatly simplified.  **Fasting & Abstinence** Abstinence simply means no meat; fasting means a single full meal and two smaller meals. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. All other Fridays are only days of abstinence. Abstinence applies to all Catholics 14 years and older. Fasting applies only to Catholics 18-59 years old.

This weekend the church is asking your support of the National Collection to for **African American & Native Americans**. The need for evangelization programs is so important to our Church in this changing world. Please give what you are able; if we all give a little, a lot will be accomplished.

ROSARY FOR LIFE will be prayed in the chapel after the 10:30 Mass next Sunday, March 8. Please join us.

Stewardship of Treasure Summary		
Amount needed per week:		\$18,000
Regular Collection for Feb. 22		<u>\$18,364</u>
Difference for the week:	+	\$ 364
Number of Envelopes:	434	
SVdP Collection for Feb. 15:	\$233.66	
SVdP Collection for Feb. 22:	\$129.78	
Year-To-Date Totals		
Amount Budgeted		\$612,000
Total Sunday Offertory:		<u>\$562,591</u>
Difference:	-	49,409
		
Outstanding Mortgage Balance:		\$636,429
Building Fund Account Balance:		\$ 85,578
Monthly Mortgage Payment:		\$ 8,021
Thank you for your generosity!		

Holy Name Fish Fry March 6, 13, 20 & 27, April 3 & 10. Carrabine Hall from 5-7pm

Beverage and dessert are included with each meal on our menu.

Full Perch Dinner: Four Perch fillets, full order of Cabbage & Noodles, Fries, Cole Slaw, bread & butter: \$10.00

Baked Scrod Dinner: Two fillets, Parsley potatoes, Glazed Carrots, bread & butter: \$8.00

Sandwich Platter: Two Perch fillets on Rye, half-size Cabbage & Noodles, Fries, Cole Slaw \$6.00

Senior Platter: Two Perch fillets, half-size Cabbage & Noodles, Fries, Cole Slaw, bread & butter \$6.00

Kid's Meals are available in your choice: \$4.00

++ One perch fillet, Fries, Applesauce or Cole Slaw;

++ Two slices of cheese pizza, Fries, Applesauce or Cole Slaw;

++ Macaroni & Cheese, Fries, Applesauce or Cole Slaw.

We offer the following side dishes for \$1.50 each with your dinner order: 3 Pierogi's; 3 Potato Pancakes; Large Fries; or Full order of Cabbage & Noodles.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

SPIRITUALITY AND THE TWO HALVES OF LIFE

This workshop is based on a video by Rev. Ron Rolheiser, OMI. Fr. Ron is both an author and a retreat presenter. The first session will focus on spirituality for the first half of life and the second session will focus on spirituality for the second half of life. Fr. Ron's presentations are insightful, practical, and filled with humor. Sr. Margaret Marszal, HM will be the facilitator. Join us in the Family Center:

Session 1: Sunday March 1, 2009 at 1:15 pm to 2:45 pm

Session 2: Sunday March 8, 2009 at 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

KNOW YOUR FAITH

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

BOOK STUDY

The Book Study in March will be on the book: A Rocking Horse Catholic by Caryll Houselander. Books are in paperback and can be purchased on line or at your local bookstore. It will be on Wednesday, March 11 in the parish rectory at 7:30 pm. Please have the book read before you come to the discussion. Sr. Margaret will be the facilitator.

SPIRITUAL GIFTS

Vicky Petro will be offering this program at the Family Center on Fri., March 13 from 6:30-9pm & and Sat., March 14 from 9am-4pm. The program assists you in uncovering your Spiritual Gifts and will help rekindle the fire for life and ministry. Cost for this 2-Day experience is \$25 (includes workbook, activities, supplies, lunch & snacks). Call Vicky @ 440-378-4194 to register by March 6.

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 9 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 a quilt, afghan and many other prizes. Entertainment will be local Irish dancers. Fr. Joseph Callahan, Associate Pastor at St. Mary's Painesville will be attending. Fr. Callahan served with the mission team in El Salvador. Please join us for an afternoon of celebration for a worthy cause.

Sign-up has begun for CYO Track. Registration form at www.stjudeelyriacyosports.com. CYO Track is open to all St. Jude Day School and PSR students in 4th - 8th grades. Cost is \$60 and begins on March 2nd.



Leave a Legacy – We appreciate the thoughtfulness of parishioners who have made bequests to our parish. Your gifts help us continue the work of the Church for future generations.

www.saintjudeparish.org

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Your online source for information about your parish!

RITE OF SENDING

Today, at the 10:30am Mass, we will celebrate the "Rite of Sending for Election" with our catechumens Sonoma Beck, Eric Lammers, Greg and Susan Smith, Christy Wise and Vanessa Katz. We will celebrate the "Rite of Sending for the Call to Continuing Conversion" with our baptized candidates Nancy Bally, Jennifer Elston, Michael McMillan, Barbara Rogers, Alisa Shope, Camie Webster, Dawn Sparks, Phil and Lisa Kuchta. The Church has discerned their readiness for reception of the initiation sacraments this Easter. After these rites are celebrated this morning, these catechumens and candidates, along with their godparents and sponsors, will be sent by our parish to Bishop Lennon for the "Rite of Election" (for the catechumens) and "Call to Continuing Conversion" (for the candidates). Please continue to keep our catechumens and candidates in your daily prayers as they journey towards the Easter Sacraments.

FIRST FRIDAY FORUM, MARCH 6TH: Sr. Judy Dohner, HM: "An Island Far From Paradise" Haiti, a Caribbean island is the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere. Sr. Judy Dohner, a missionary Sister who has worked in Haiti for six years, will discuss why Haiti has become so poor, and what is being done and can be done to alleviate the suffering. Sr. Judy Dohner, a member of the Sisters of the Humility of Mary, serves as a RN and assists the Executive Director of the Association of Peasants of Fondwa with strategic planning and development of new programs. Join the First Friday Forum for spiritual refreshment, fellowship, and good food at LCCC at 11:30am. Tickets are \$15. RSVP by calling 440-244-0643 or fflorain@gmail.com before 3pm Mon., March 2.



Tetelestai – at St. Mary Church, Elyria on March 6 & 7 at 8pm; March 8 at 3pm. Presented by Cleveland Performing Art Ministries.

Pierogi Lunches During Lent: St. Mary, 320 Middle Ave., is offering pierogi lunches on Fridays. Lunch is served or take out available 11:30am-1:00pm. Advance order accepted 323-5539.

Lenten Journey With St. Peter – Fridays during Lent at St. Peter, Lorain with Fr. Larry Tosco. Celebrate their church centennial with them and ponder Peter's call and your call to live out the Gospel Values in our lives!

Rosary & Prayer Service: St. Vincent de Paul Church on Saturday, March 14th at 1:00pm. Join them to pray for World Peace, Conversion and Penance in union with Our Lady of Fatima's Message.

Wearin' of the Green: Sat. March 14 from 5:30-Midnight at St. Mary, Elyria. Irish dinner catered by Smitty's and music by Frank, Dean & Then Some. Tickets \$17. Call Joan 458-4689.

Untangling Social Networking: Wed., March 24 at 7pm at St. Teresa Parish Life Center. Info on internet safety, resources offered for selecting filter/monitor software and law enforcement resources regarding cyber crimes.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
