



Sunday, March 7 – Third Sunday of Lent

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

Monday, March 8 – St. John of God

7:00 – Jack Ternes – 1st Anniversary

Tuesday, March 9 – St. Francis of Rome

8:30 – John Chadwick

Wednesday, March 10 – Lenten Weekday

7:00 – Altar & Rosary Society

Thursday, March 11 – Lenten Weekday

8:30 @ St. Mary

Friday, March 12 – Lenten Weekday

8:30 – Jessie Kusak

Saturday, March 13 – Lenten Weekday

4:30 – Parishioners of St. Jude

Sunday, March 14 – Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:30 – Living & Deceased of Holy Name Society
10:30– Wilhelmina Boyson – 1st Anniversary
12:00– Joseph Menner

Readings for March 14: Joshua 5:9, 10-12; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32.

Rest in Peace

Please pray for Helen Michael and Rev. James Schliecher and for the consolation of their loved ones.



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

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.

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.

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, 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
Parish Mission – St. Mary at 7:00pm

Monday, March 8

Parish Mission – St. Agnes at 7:00pm

Tuesday, March 9

Parish Mission – St. Jude at 7:00pm
Employment Network – FamCtr at 7:00pm

Wednesday, March 10

A & R Salad Buffet – FamCtr at 4:30pm
Reflecting on Scripture – Chapel at 6:00pm

Friday, March 12

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

Sunday, March 14

Family Night Cav's Game – Carrabine at 2:30pm
Living Stations – Church at 7:00pm
AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

In this third week of Lent, the gospel challenges us to repent. What are you clinging to that is actually destroying you? It could be anger that is eating you up; a jealousy that hardens your heart; or a false pride that blinds you to the goodness of others. These things can destroy us and the relationships that we value. Jesus warns us today: "unless you repent, you will perish."

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.

SCHOOL TOWN HALL MEETING

Today, 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.



School News

Recently, a record-breaking 24 St. Jude musicians performed in 27 events at the Lorain County Solo and Ensemble Contest held at Midview High School. The following events received a **Superior Rating**: **Vocal Trio**-Allie Norris, Savannah Brown, & Emme Wysocki, **Clarinet Solo**-Alyssa Malinowski, **Flute Solo**-Hannah Saunders, **Vocal Duet**-Theresa VanKeuren & Brittany Resar, **Flute Duet**-Rachel Elwer & Hannah Saunders, **Trumpet Trio**-Nick Gaydosh, Patrick Fetsic, & Zach Kuhman, **Trombone Solo**-Matthew Resar, **Flute Solo**-Rachel Elwer, **Vocal Solo**-Theresa VanKeuren, **Trombone Duet**-Matthew Resar & Eamon Dillon, **Clarinet Solo**-Rebecca Malinowski, **Clarinet Duet**-Alyssa & Rebecca Malinowski, **Piano Solo**-Allie Norris, **Trumpet Solo**-Brittany Resar, **Trombone Solo**-Eamon Dillon, **Trombone Solo**-Claire Miller, **Alto Saxophone Solo**-Sam Tollett, **Vocal Solo**-Abigail Palmer. The following events received an **Excellent Rating**: **Alto Saxophone Duet**-Brad Leonowich & Sam Tollett, **Clarinet Trio**-Alyssa Malinowski, Brianna Cunningham, & Rebecca Malinowski, **Flute Solo**-Ashley Watson, **Alto Saxophone Solo**-Brad Leonowich, **Piano Solo**-Rachel Elwer, **Piano Solo**-Jennifer Frombaugh. The following events received a **Good Rating**: **Piano Solo**-Rachel Kozma, **Clarinet Solo**-Brianna Cunningham, **Piano Solo**-Sarah Kozma.

Congratulations to all the performers. Way to go above and beyond and be good stewards by sharing gifts and talents with others!

ST. JUDE CERTIFICATES

Need a practical gift? Give them one of our gift cards. You can buy Walmart, Speedway, Giant Eagle, Apples, Bob Evans, Subway, Kohl's, Sears in the Gathering Area every Sunday! You pay face value and St. Jude School gets a profit. What a deal!

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

THE BURNING BUSH AND THE CALL OF MOSES


Today we hear the call of Moses to lead his people from oppression to freedom. God promises to be with them as they journey to a new life. Our participation in Operation Rice Bowl unites us in prayer, fasting and giving with the millions of people throughout the world who are oppressed by poverty, injustice, war, disease, and lack of education and other opportunities.

Please take an Operation Rice Bowl container if you have not already done so. This is an opportunity for almsgiving during the season of Lent. You can turn in the container during Holy Week either in the collection basket or at the rectory. It would be helpful if you convert the change to bills or write a check out to Catholic Relief Services. St. Jude will forward the checks to Catholic Relief Services.

Stewardship of Treasure Summary

Amount needed per week:		\$17,800
Regular Collection for Feb. 28:		<u>\$16,587</u>
Difference for the week:	-	\$ 1,213
Number of Envelopes:	406	
Helping Hands Feb. 21:	\$472.81	
Helping Hands Feb. 28	\$279.81	

Year-To-Date Totals

Amount Budgeted:		\$623,000
Total Sunday Offertory:		<u>\$549,259</u>
Difference:	-	\$ 73,741
		
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 this Sunday through 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 past week, the 2010 Stewardship packet of material was mailed to all parishioners of St. Jude. It is entitled **A Call to Love – Spirituality, Gratitude, Giftedness**.

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. By baptism we become part of a **COMMUNITY**. Everyone is unique and important. In our journey of life we support and encourage one another and are regularly nourished in the Eucharist. The community comes alive when we build community by sharing our gifts of ministry. By entering into this community, we give new life to each other.

We are all blessed with God **GIFTEDNESS**. As the Body of Christ, we are a communion of the gifted and a storehouse of God's gifts. We become a mosaic – many pieces creating a beautiful picture. Our calling is to cultivate the life and gifts of each member. The "commitment card" brings to our attention numerous opportunities in our parish community. Please review the list carefully and prayerfully commit to that which suites you best.

Appreciating how gifted we are by God, **GRATITUDE** is a most natural and fundamental response. For the grateful and generous Eucharist (Thanksgiving) is the most perfect prayer. It is so inspiring to witness the happy ministry lives of grateful people.

In equity and **JUSTICE** we are called to share our gifts with the needy. By this sharing, we also fulfill our need to give as those created in the image of God.

Our mission is to return our gift to God with increase and the most effective means of doing so is by **PARTICIPATION** in the life of the Church. To sustain parish life we are obligated to be actively engaged. Everyone is different and at the same time, everyone is important. We each bring a portion only we can fulfill.

The way of stewardship is a lifelong journey of spiritual development and **CONVERSION**. These are at times a small steps or big steps. Lent is a time that we are challenged to a deeper call to live out a deep sense of holiness. This is simply allowing God's love (divinity) become part of our humanity. The results can be very wonderful, if we have the courage and openness to God's grace.

This weekend we will be hearing "Lay Witnesses" of fellow parishioners. They will share from personal experience what St. Jude means to them. Next weekend March 13-14 is 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.



SHARE YOUR TALENT

The St. Jude Extended Day Program (after school from 2-6pm) continues to develop programs for the betterment of our youth. Currently, it is in need of volunteers to assist with the pre-school/kindergarten through 8th grade children. We invite you to come and share your gifts. Age-appropriate activities such as woodworking, scrapbooking, sewing, crafting, cooking/baking, painting, etc., are some examples. Please take this opportunity to become an active steward in our St. Jude Community. Contact Mrs. Barbara Homoki@440-366-1681, if you are interested in sharing your time and talents. Thank you.

Eucharistic Adoration is every Wednesday from 7am to 6pm in the Chapel. At 6:00pm there is a Scripture reflection on the Sunday Gospel after the reposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Make this part of your prayer for the season of Lent.

Feeling Comfortable with Scripture, presented by Deacon Patrick Humphrey, will be offered in the Family Center on Tuesday, March 16 from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. Deacon Pat will discuss the New Testament and how 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, this class will be helpful for you.

SCRAPBOOKING/CARDMAKING

Bring your scrapbooking and/or cardmaking supplies and join us in the Family Center on March 19th for an evening of fun. The "Crop" lasts from 6pm-midnight. You can come for a couple hours or you can come and stay until midnight. Bring your own drink and a snack to share with the group. You can bring a friend if you want but you don't need to, because you will make new friends there. For more info, call Darlene Lauffer at 365-7019 or email dlaufer@oh.rr.com. Hope to see you there!

PIEROGI LUNCHES 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.

Next weekend, March 13 & 14 our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. The collection makes possible the mission of the Catholic Church to combat poverty, provide relief and development, assist refugees and immigrants and advocate the justice and peace in situations of conflict and neglect of basic human right throughout the world. When you donate to the Collection you **give hope to Jesus in disguise**. Please be generous.



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.

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

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. Additional envelopes are available in the bulletin racks. Please pray for the success of this important Appeal.

Holy Name Fish Fry March 12, 19, 26 & April 2nd
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 Tilapia 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: Pierogi's; Potato Pancakes; French Fries; Cabbage & Noodles, Macaroni & Cheese or Parsley potatoes.



Catholic Church of Elyria Event: Fr. Michael Woost will present the spirituality of St. Teresa of Avila on Thursday, March 18 at St. Agnes Church from 7:00-8:30pm. This is part of the Praying with the Saints Series.

ST. AGNES ANNUAL PALM SUNDAY CHICKEN PAPRIKAS DINNER on Sunday, March 28 from noon-3pm in the Church Hall. Adults \$9; kids 6-12 \$3.50 and under 5 are free. Dinner includes chicken paprikas, homemade dumplings, salad, bread & butter, dessert and beverage. Carry outs available in your own containers. Stop in for a delicious dinner!

The musical "Compassion" will be held at St. Mary of the Falls in Olmsted Falls on March 12-13. Come, see and hear the Passion of our Lord as seen through the eyes of the apostle Peter. Performances start at 8:00pm.