



Sunday, March 15 – Third Sunday of Lent
8:30 – Margaret & Steve Janik & Marian Hummel
10:30– Parishioners of St. Jude
12:00– Dorothy Callahan – 2nd Anniversary
Monday, March 16 – Lenten Weekday
7:00 – Fred Stauder
Tuesday, March 17 – St. Patrick
8:30 – Andrew Grambley – 11th Anniversary
Wednesday, March 18 – Lenten Weekday
7:00 – Joseph & Frank Fuerst
7:00 – Communion Service
Thursday, March 19 – St. Joseph
8:00am @Holy Cross; 8:30am @ St. Mary
Friday, March 20 – Lenten Weekday
8:30 – Fr. Urban Reichlin & Leonard Reichlin
Saturday, March 21 – Lenten Weekday
4:30 – Michael Knechtges
Sunday, March 22 – Fourth Sunday of Lent
8:30 – Parishioners of St. Jude
10:30– Clara Pleban
12:00– Frank Metera

Readings for March 22: 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23;
Ephesians 2:4-10; John 3:14-21.

BAPTISM

We welcome into our faith community Madison Paige Caruso who was baptized last week.

IN SYMPATHY

Please pray for Geraldine Flood and for the consolation of her loved ones.

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.

EVERYONE IS INVITED to a Wine & Cheese Social on Tuesday, March 24th at 7:00pm at the Rectory, sponsored by the St. Jude Parish Festival Committee. Whether you're already heading up a committee or just plan to work a couple of hours, be one of the first to know of what is being planned for this, our 25th festival! This is an open invitation for all who are curious and for those who want to use your talent and time to **GET INVOLVED!**

Today we read of Jesus cleansing the Temple. This story has a sense of urgency. It is not about anger, but about transformation. Jesus is saying: No more business as usual. There is not much time left. Be converted, be cleansed because the reign of God is at hand.”



Sunday, March 15
Lenten Video Presentation – ComRm at 7:00pm
AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm
Monday, March 16
PSR – School at 6:15-7:30pm
Lenten Video Presentation – ComRm at 7:00pm
Tuesday, March 17
St. Jude Seniors – FamCtr at Noon
Wednesday, March 18
RCIA – Carrabine at 7:00pm
Thursday, March 19
Know Your Faith Series – FamCtr at 7:00pm
Holy Name Society – Rectory at 7:00pm
Friday, March 20
Fish Fry – Carrabine 5:00-7:00pm
Stations of the Cross – Church at 7:00pm
Elyria Youth Ministry Overnight Retreat–FamCtr 6pm
Sunday, March 22
Food Collection – Gathering Area
Cub Scout Pack Mtg – Carrabine after 10:30 Mass
EC Living Stations – Church at 7:00pm
AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

When Jesus drove the merchants out of the temple, he was not angry, he was PASSIONATE. Jesus clearly believed in what He was doing! The gospel tells us that because of this, “many believed in His Name because they saw signs that He was showing them.” If we expect our children to learn our values and beliefs, then they must witness or passion for these values. Just like the people in today’s gospel, our children need to see the signs of what we’re doing if they are to believe. Children need us to be passionate leaders.

ST. JUDE SENIORS

Seniors will meet on Tuesday, March 17 at 12:00 Noon in the Family Center. Members are asked to bring a salad for the tureen. The other entrees will be furnished. Our program will be a talk by chiropractor, Dr. Greg Poyle. Bring along a friend and enjoy the company of others.

ELYRIA YOUTH CLUSTER RETREAT

High School students are invited to the Elyria Youth Cluster Retreat: *Faith to Life, Life to Faith* at the St. Jude Family Center on March 20 to 21. *Faith to Life, Life to Faith* promises to be a unique experience to see the many ways faith plays a pivotal part on our lives. Activities include reflection and caricatures by Deacon Frank O’Connell, Stationary for Soldiers, Path to Faith Ministry, music, movies, basketball, games and much more. Grab your sleeping bag and join us for an overnight of awesome faith experiences. We will begin at 7pm and conclude with Mass at St. Jude’s at 4:30pm. The cost is \$15.00 per person. Permission slips are available at the rectory.





SCIENTISTS IN THE MAKING... Fourteen 5th grade students participated in the 1st Annual Science Olympiad at John Carroll University last month. Participating students were Quinn Berndobler, Victoria Carrion, Ivana DeVengencie, Brad Hetrick, Brad Leonowich, Veto Lopez, Justin Raynak, Julia Scarpelli, Riley Schill, Kaylee Stimmel, Meredith Ternes, Johnny Tirbaso, Sam Tollett and Ashley Watson. Several teams won awards in their events. Congratulations to:

Quinn Berndobler and Johnny Tirbaso; First Place in Aerodynamics

Ivana DeVengencie and Veto Lopez; Second Place in Circuit Wizardry

Sam Tollett and Ashley Watson; Second Place in Rock Identification

Victoria Carrion and Brad Hetrick; Third Place in Egg Drop Event

Brad Hetrick, Brad Leonowich and Veto Lopez; Third Place in Reflection Relay

Special thanks to the following parents who helped prepare our students for their Olympiad events: Mr. and Mrs. Hetrick, Mr. and Mrs. Raynak, Mr. and Mrs. Tirbaso and Mrs. Tollett.

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The students of Elyria Catholic High School invite you to join them in their unique reflection as they explore the thoughts of those who walked with Christ. This is a powerful performance you won't want to miss! The Living Stations will be presented here at St. Jude next Sunday, March 22 at 7:00pm. Please join us.

ST. JUDE CERTIFICATES

Stewardship Sunday – This weekend, 1% of your certificate purchases will be donated to the El Salvador Mission. Why not buy a certificate for one of your expenses this week - even a \$25 purchase can help a great cause if everyone participates. This is the last Special Order going in before Easter as well. Our next Stewardship Sunday is April 26 benefiting the St. Joseph Homeless Shelter.

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

*Lord, You Have The Words
Of Everlasting Life.*

Stewardship of Treasure Summary

Amount needed per week:	\$18,000
Regular Collection for Mar 8	\$14,604
Difference for the week:	- \$ 3,396
Number of Envelopes:	440
SVdP Collection for Mar 1:	\$63.02

Year-To-Date Totals

Amount Budgeted	\$648,000
Total Sunday Offertory:	\$597,300
Difference:	- 50,700



Outstanding Mortgage Balance:	\$636,429
Building Fund Account Balance:	\$ 88,165
Monthly Mortgage Payment:	\$ 8,021

Thank you for your generosity!



ELYRIA CLUSTER OF PARISHES

The Five Elyria parishes (St. Mary, St. Agnes, St. Jude, Holy Cross and Sacred Heart) have been meeting monthly since July 2007. We have worked together diligently to realistically plan for the future of the Catholic Church in Elyria.

This is a very significant time in the vibrant life of our Catholic Church. I believe we will be a stronger church as a result of all this working together and I ask for your continued prayers that the Spirit of God continue to guide us into the future.

ELYRIA CLUSTER LENTEN MISSION

Bishop Anthony Pilla, retired Bishop of the Diocese of Cleveland, will be the presenter for the Elyria Cluster Lenten Mission. This joint parish mission Mission will be at three different sites, March 29-March 31, Sunday to Tuesday at **7:30pm** each evening. **Sunday-St. Agnes, Monday-St. Mary and Tuesday, here at St. Jude.** Please set these dates aside and plan on attending all three presentations.

**NOMINATION SUNDAY
PARISH COUNCIL**

Every year we select three new members for our St. Jude Parish Council. If you have not done so yet, please submit names of candidates to the rectory or drop them in the collection basket. Nomination forms are available in the Gathering Area and are due March 29. Please feel free to nominate yourself or any other registered, confirmed, and active member of St. Jude parish.

STEWARDSHIP FOLLOW-UP

It takes a community to create a parish. During this 2009 Lenten season, our parish stewardship committee is following up on annual commitment cards. Mailings were sent to all the St. Jude households who have not yet responded. Please take a few moments, fill out the response sheet and return it in the collection basket or send it to the rectory. Additional commitment cards will be available in the Gathering Area.

My dream is that every one of our 2,120 households would be active in our parish life. Stewardship helps us to achieve this goal by inviting the participation of everyone in our parish family in whatever capacity they are able. We each have something to offer and every commitment has value and is needed. As in family life, when we all do what we can in the spirit of love, amazing things happen. 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.

EASTER FLOWERS

Each year we extend our traditional invitation to share in the purchase of the Easter flowers for the church. Our Art & Environment Committee has again put together a wonderful design appropriate for the Easter Season. Special envelopes are in the contribution packets mailed to all parishioners. Please return them in the collection basket before Easter.



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

POPE JOHN THE XXIII: THE POPE OF PEACE

There will be a video presentation on Pope John the XXIII on Sunday, March 15th and Monday, March 16th at 7:00 PM in the Community Room. Deacon Frank O'Connell will be the facilitator.

KNOW YOUR FAITH SERIES

Susan Kuchenbecker will speak on *Annulments and Remarriage* on Thursday, March 19 from 7:00-8:30pm in the Family Center. All are welcome to attend.

COMMUNITY SPIRIT PROGRAM

Here is an easy way to help St. Jude. National City Bank will make a \$300 donation to St. Jude for all 1st mortgage purchases that are closed through National City Mortgage. You must mention you are from St. Jude Church. Please contact Kelli Cox at 216-257-5822 or by email kellcox@ncmc.com for more information.

Registration continues for CYO Track. Forms are available at www.stjudeelyriacyosports.com. CYO Track is open to all St. Jude Day School and PSR students in 4th - 8th grades. Cost is \$60. For info call Bill Elwer at 365-4728.

SOUP 'N CRACKERS

This month's FOOD FOCUS is on warming and nourishing canned soups, chili, stew and all types of packaged crackers, as we as any other hearty and nutritional canned meats and tuna fish. Don't forget the oyster crackers! Other non-perishable items will also gladly be accepted next weekend March 21/22 in the Gathering Area.

SHARING GRIEF The Catholic Cemeteries Bereavement Ministry invites you to spend some special time sharing your grief. A bereavement support group session will be held at Calvary Cemetery on North Ridge Rd., Lorain today, March 15 from 3-4pm. You don't need to spend your Sunday afternoon alone – please come and share.

FINANCIAL MISCONDUCT HOTLINE – The Diocese has established a hotline for all diocesan and parish employees, volunteers, vendors, parishioners or other interested parties who now can report suspected financial irregularities. An independent third party company assures confidentiality and anonymity if requested to investigate any financial misconduct. The hotline is **1-888-235-1723** or online at www.dioceseofcleveland.org and click the financial misconduct hotline.

REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY 2008 is the Diocesan effort to provide greater transparency, accounting, and responsible stewardship. The summary and detailed financial data as well as a review of Church activities across all eight counties of the Diocese can be found at www.dioceseofcleveland.org/finance and also in the February 20th edition of *The Universe Bulletin* newspaper.

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!

ELYRIA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

EC's Drama Dept. presents the musical *The Boy Friend* on March 27, 28 & April 3 & 4 at 7:30pm in the auditorium. Come enjoy their spring musical that involves many students from our parish in the cast/crew. For more info email echousemanager11@hotmail.com

The Legacy Ball, an elegant evening at Elyria Country Club will feature open bar, sit down dinner, dancing to the band **New Decade** on Saturday, April 25 from 6-11 pm. \$150/couple and/or tickets for the \$5000 Reverse Raffle are \$100. For tickets for this Spring Fundraiser, please call 365-1821 ext 22.

**Holy Name Fish Fry March 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 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: 3 Pierogi's; 3 Potato Pancakes; Large Fries; or Full order of Cabbage & Noodles.

LEGION OF MARY

All active and auxiliary members of the Legion of Mary are asked to participate in Elyria Legion of Mary Curia's Acies and Holy Hour on Sunday, March 15 at 2pm in the Chapel. The devotion will close with Benediction. Fr. Kosem will be the homilist and celebrant. A time of fellowship and refreshment will follow in the Community Room.



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.

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.

SEAS Chili & Chocolate Challenge: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Columbia Station on Sun., March 29 from 1:30-4:30pm. Family event to judge best chili & chocolate recipes, plus raffles, auction & kid activities. Adm \$8; 12 & under \$1. You can enter your recipe by stopping by their rectory by March 15.

www.saintjudeparish.org

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

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
