



**Liturgy Intentions
For The Week**

Sunday, March 29 – Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:30 – Parishioners of St. Jude
10:30– Deceased of the Parish
12:00– Jerry Konowal

Monday, March 30 – Lenten Weekday

7:00 – John & Irene Polacsek

Tuesday, March 31 – Lenten Weekday

8:30 – George J. Lichman

Wednesday, April 1 – Lenten Weekday

7:00 – Lorraine Pichola & Harold Hintz
7:00 – Communion Service

Thursday, April 2 – Lenten Weekday

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

Friday, April 3 – Lenten Weekday

8:30 – Matilda Dougan

Saturday, April 4 – Lenten Weekday

4:30 – Parishioners of St. Jude

Sunday, April 5 – Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion

8:30 – Margaret M. Cisarik
10:30– Marlene Kilmer – 1st Anniversary
12:00– Living & Deceased of the Bring Family

Readings for April 5: Isaiah 50:4-7; Philipians 2:6-11; Mark 11:1-10.



We welcome into our faith community Enzo Michael Moreira and Christian James Zirkle who were baptized last week.



Please pray for Mary Rose Costello and for the consolation of her loved ones.

GRADUATING ALTAR SERVER

This Sunday is Alyssa Rosado’s last mass to serve before graduating from high school. She has been an altar server for eight years. We would like to thank Alyssa for her years of service to the church and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

Coordinator of Youth Ministry Position for Elyria Parish Cluster.

This full time position serves the youth and families in three Elyria parishes. We have a clear vision that focuses on having one comprehensive youth ministry that works in partnership with parents and youth to support the role of parents as the primary formators of faith in their families. The applicant must be a practicing Catholic with five or more years experience in ministry (preferable in a multiple parish ministry). We offer a compelling vision, competitive salary, and benefits that will be commensurate with experience. Send your resume by April 6 to: Rev. Al Krupp, Pastor, St. Agnes Church, 611 Lake Ave. Elyria, OH 44035.



This Week in our Parish

Sunday, March 29

Cluster Parish Mission at St. Agnes at 7:30pm
AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

Monday, March 30

PSR – School at 6:15-7:30pm
Cluster Parish Mission at St. Mary at 7:30pm

Tuesday, March 31

Cluster Parish Mission – Church at 7:30pm

Wednesday, April 1

Market Day Pick up – Carrabine 4:30-5:30pm

Friday, April 3

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

Saturday, April 4

Nut & Poppyseed Roll Sale – GatherArea after Mass

Sunday, April 5

Nut & Poppyseed Roll Sale – GatherArea after Mass
Hot Cabbage Rolls – FamCtr after 8:30 & 10:00 Mass
EC Student Senate Pancake Breakfast - Carrabine
AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

How can you live by dying? Letting go of control is one key to a loving relationship. This requires trust: trust in oneself and trust in others. If we don't let go of our need to control, we don't experience the joy found in trusting ourselves to another and being completely accepted by that other. In the end we will lose what we are trying to hold onto – we can only have that by letting go!

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.



ST. JUDE PRESCHOOL NEWS!

We are pleased to announce that for the '09-'10 school year we will be offering **5 day – all day** preschool for four year olds! We will also continue to offer 3 days a week-all day or half day for four year olds and 2 days a week – all day or half day for 3 year olds. Our preschool teachers will be available for more information and questions about all of the programs after the 4:30 mass on Saturday, April 4th and after the 10:30 and 12noon masses on Sunday, April 5th. Also, information can be given through the school office at 366-1681.

School News

WAY TO GO...Claire Miller, a 7th grade student has qualified to represent SJS at the state level of the National Geography Bee. The state competition is scheduled next month at Ohio State University. The winner from this competition will advance to the national competition held in Washington D.C. later this school year. Congratulations, Claire...best of luck in the next round of competition. We are proud that you will be representing St. Jude!


ST. JUDE CERTIFICATES

Do you shop at Apples or Drug Mart? Do you earn FuelPerks at Giant Eagle? Do you treat your children or grandchildren to Wendy's or Pizza Hut? Do you like to save money at Walmart/Sam's Club? You can do all that and help St. Jude by buying certificates to pay for the things you purchase. It doesn't cost you any more - just your time to buy the certificates. Just stop by our table in the Gathering Area each weekend.

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

FIRST FRIDAY FORUM: APRIL 3RD Rev. Eugene Lauer: "What's Happening to the Church?" How is the Catholic Church evolving and changing in the U.S. Third Millennium environment? Rev. Eugene Lauer presents an overview of this evolving process by focusing on five key developments at the heart of this evolution: the priest shortage, the emerging role of lay ministers in parishes, the impact of merging/clustering/closing of parishes, recent understandings of Catholic identity, and the relationship of young people to the Church. Fr. Lauer is the author of books and articles on the relationship between theology and practical ministry/daily life. *Join the First Friday Forum for spiritual refreshment, fellowship, and good food at LCCC 11:30am. Tickets are \$15. RSVP by calling the reservation line at 244-0643 or fflorain@gmail.com before 3pm Monday, March 30.*

TAKE NOTE: We will not be having Hospitality Sunday next weekend as the EC Student Senate will be having a Pancake Brunch Fundraiser in Carrabine.

| Stewardship of Treasure Summary | |
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| Amount needed per week: | \$18,000 |
| Regular Collection for Mar 22 | <u>\$16,357</u> |
| Difference for the week: | - \$ 1,643 |
| Number of Envelopes: | 501 |
| SVdP Collection for Mar 22: | \$117.61 |
| Year-To-Date Totals | |
| Amount Budgeted | \$684,000 |
| Total Sunday Offertory: | <u>\$632,102</u> |
| Difference: | - 51,898 |
|  Building Fund | |
| Outstanding Mortgage Balance: | \$633,177 |
| Building Fund Account Balance: | \$ 86,729 |
| Monthly Mortgage Payment: | \$ 6,171 |
| Thank you for your generosity! | |



PASTORAL SHARINGS 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 year's mission is entitled: "God's Never Ending Love." This joint parish 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 come to all three sites to hear the retreat in its entirety. Refreshments and fellowship will follow each presentation.

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 in the collection basket. Nomination forms are available in the Gathering Area and are due today, March 29th.

PURPLE VEILS ON STATUES

Beginning with the Fifth Sunday of Lent, statues and sacred images in the Church will be veiled in purple. The veiling of statues and sacred images is a sort of 'fasting' from sacred depictions that represent the Paschal glory of our salvation. The veils are removed at the singing of the 'Gloria' at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday evening. A 'fasting' from the glorious images of our faith and the saints in glory, culminates in the glorious Easter victory won by Christ, risen from the tomb to win for us eternal life.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

On Friday evenings during Lent at 7:00pm, you are invited to join us here at St. Jude 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.

COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE

There will be a Communal Penance Service at 7pm for the Elyria Cluster Community at St. Mary's Church, Palm Sunday, April 5.

PALM SUNDAY GOSPEL PASSION

The 8th graders of St. Jude School will re-enact the Gospel Passion at all of the Palm Sunday liturgies on April 4 and 5. During the 10:30 am Mass, students from our PSR program will participate in the liturgy as readers, greeters, ushers, and will be part of the Offertory procession.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

There will be a special Children's Liturgy of the Word for second graders making their First Communion at the Holy Thursday Mass at 7:00 pm on April 9, 2009. The second graders will also be a part of the Eucharistic procession.

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, Airman 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.

WE ARE THE STEWARDS OF GOD'S GREEN EARTH

Sponsored by Catholic Action Commission of Lorain County "In the beginning, God created heaven and earth..." How did you recycle today? Have you been using your canvas bags? Are we doing our part to decrease the plastic bags found in the oceans and lakes, the roadways, and scenic areas? A simple small action like switching to canvas bags goes a long way in preserving God's Green Earth.

ALTAR & ROSARY NEWS...

Hot Cabbage Rolls ready to serve will be sold on April 5th in the Family Center after 8:30 & 10:30am Masses. Order your rolls for the Easter Holiday by calling Fran 365-6163.

A & R members will be making nut & poppyseed rolls on Thurs. April 2 at 1:30pm and on Sat., April 4 at 8:30am in Carrabine kitchen. Join us in making these rolls. You don't have to be a member – we have a good time along with the hard work. **Ingredients** of flour, sugar, milk, eggs, margarine, and canned milk will be gladly accepted and appreciated. The ingredients can be dropped off in the kitchenette of the Community Room or Carrabine kitchen by Wed. Apr 1st. **Sale** of the rolls will be after all Masses on April 4 & 5 for \$7.00 per roll.

Mark your calendar. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, April 15th in the Family Center. Please join us.

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 or refinances 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 kelli.cox@ncmc.com for more information.

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!



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Your online source for information about your parish!

ELYRIA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Pancake Brunch: Please plan to join us **next Sunday, April 5th** for our Elyria Catholic Class of 2009 Senior Gift Fundraiser from 9:30-1:00pm here at Carrabine Hall. The brunch will include pancakes, sausage, Danishes, juice, milk & coffee. All proceeds go towards the purchase of this year's Senior Gift: *The renovation of the school's auditorium lobby!* General admission is \$6.00 per person.

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

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.

In today's Gospel, Jesus reminds us that judgment, repentance, and dying to sin are necessary before we can truly know the joy of God's mercy, forgiveness, and new life in Christ. Jesus puts it this way: "if you love your life, you must let it go..If you want to serve me, you must follow me and do what I do.." As we continue our Operation Rice Bowl journey, let us remember in prayer that human beings are not only sacred, but also social. How we participate in our family and community, from our daily actions to our policy decisions, affects each and every person.





St. Agnes Chicken Paprikas Dinner on Palm Sunday, April 5 from noon-3pm in the church hall. Adults \$8.50; 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!

Pierogi Lunches During Lent: St. Mary, 320 Middle Ave., is offering pierogi lunches on Fridays, through April 3rd. Lunch is served or take out available 11:30am-1:00pm. Advance order accepted 323-5539.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
