

††† Masses For The Week

Sunday, April 1 – Palm Sunday

8:30 – Deceased of the Parish
10:30 – Parishioners of St. Jude
12:00 – Fanny Kovacs

Monday, April 2 – Monday of Holy Week

7:00 – Corazon Salapare – 1st Anniversary

Tuesday, April 3 – Tuesday of Holy Week

8:30 – Dominic Cardamone

Wednesday, April 4 – Wednesday of Holy Week

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

Thursday, April 5 – Holy Thursday

8:30 – Morning Prayer
7:00 – Thomas Flood

Friday, April 6 – Good Friday of the Lord’s Passion

8:30 – Morning Prayer
2:00 – Passion Service

Saturday, April 7 – Holy Saturday

8:30 – Morning Prayer
2:00 – Blessing of Food
8:30 – Norma Monteleone & Parishioners of St. Jude

Sunday, April 8 – Easter Sunday

8:30 – Living & Deceased of Holy Name Society
10:30 – Chester Smith – 6th Anniversary
12:00 – Stephen & Mary Gach

Readings for April 8: Acts of the Apostles 10:34, 37-43;
Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9.

BAPTISM

We welcome into our faith community Lauren Paige Rice, Megan Elizabeth Rice, Melody June Schmitz and Cassandra Marie Whitman who were baptized last week.

WEDDING BANNES

I David Scott & Ashley Zientarski

Rest in Peace

Please pray for Frank Bryda and for the consolation of his loved ones.

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The youth of St. Jude Parish and Elyria Teens for Christ 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 tonight, April 1 at 7pm. DVD's are available for \$15 with proceeds donated to the Vocation Scholarship that is awarded to an 8th grade student at St. Jude School. For more info, please contact Dean Robinson at 366-5711.



Sunday, April 1

Hospitality Sunday – FamCtr after 8:30 & 10:30 Mass
Altar & Rosary Roll Sale – Gathering Area after Mass
Living Stations – Church at 7:00pm
Men’s Club – FamCtr at 7:00pm
AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

Monday, April 2

Legion of Mary – CommRm at 8:30am
Market Day Pick-up – Carrabine from 4:30-5:30pm
PSR – School at 6:15pm

Tuesday, April 3

Devotions – CommRm at 7:00pm

Friday, April 6

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

Saturday, April 7

RCIA Practice – Church at 1:00pm

Sunday, April 8

AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

When Jesus died, Mary grieved alone. Most friends and followers had fled to safety except for a few acquaintances. We have friends and neighbors who have lost a loved one and feel alone in their grief. Don't be like the apostles who fled. Even when we don't know what to say, we can at least listen and be quietly with them.

EASTER DECORATING



On Holy Saturday, April 6 at 9:00am we invite everyone to help with the decorating of the church for Easter. This fun project can be completed quickly with many hands.

MEET OUR RCIA ELECT/CANDIDATES

Sandi Cross and Heidi Costin are a “mother-daughter” team that have participated in the RCIA process this year. Sandi is a manager at Walgreen’s and loves spending time with her children and family. Joining the Catholic Church is something Sandi feels she needs to do at this point in her life. She says she has had a wonderful experience of St. Jude’s community and wants to be a part of “our family.” Sandi will make her profession of faith and receive the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. Heidi lives in Elyria and is the mother of three. She is a photographer at Elyria Memorial Hospital and has the interesting and rewarding job of taking pictures of the newborn babies! Speaking of RCIA, Heidi says, “I am joining the Catholic Church to have the ‘missing piece of the puzzle’ of my life put into place.” She says that being in RCIA has given her direction, the ability to see what’s important in her life, and a calm that she never has had. Heidi is looking forward to Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil.



St. Jude School has received two grants recently. The St. Jude Drama Club received a \$500 grant from WalMart. These funds will be used for our upcoming production of "Wizard of Oz." In addition, the McGinty Foundation awarded our school a \$4000 grant. This grant will support teacher in-service efforts to implement the new Kurzweil 3000 learning system. Way to go, St. Jude School....because "going above and beyond" benefits our students in so many different ways!

ST. JUDE CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Last chance to buy Certificates for Easter....This weekend at Church and Monday thru Thursday at the Rectory. No sales on Good Friday thru Easter Sunday. Check out the full list of retailers at our table in the Gathering Area. Thank you for the support of this program
Sale Hours: At the Rectory 8-12 & 1-3pm April 2 thru April 5 and April 9 thru April 13.

St. Jude New E-newsletter: We've had a positive response to our E-newsletter editions. We send out 611, last week, 196 were read and 163 bounced back. Please help us by opening your email titled *St. Jude Eblast*. This is a wonderful and timely method of communication. Future issues will feature more upcoming events here at the parish. If you wish to be added to this list, simply log on to www.saintjudeparish.org and you can easily subscribe.



Please join us from 5-7pm in Carrabine Hall on Good Friday, April 6 for our delicious Fish Fry.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Parents who are planning the baptism of their child within the next few months, are invited to participate in the baptism preparation class on **Tuesday, April 10 at 6:30 p.m.** Because of the importance of the Sacrament and the role parents assume in the Christian formation of their child, this session is required for all parents before the baptism of their child. Please call Sr. Jennifer at 366-5711 for more information and to register. Next class is June 5.



marks the beginning of the most solemn week of the liturgical year. As a people of faith, we remember the unfolding of the Paschal Mystery – Jesus' death and resurrection! On Palm Sunday, palms will be distributed at all weekend Masses.

HOLY WEEK

Tuesday of Holy Week, Bishop Lennon will be celebrating the Chrism Mass at St. John Cathedral at 7:00pm. At this time, the sacred oils used for ordination, baptism, confirmation and anointing of the sick are blessed for all the churches in the Diocese of Cleveland. All are most welcome to attend this liturgy at the Cathedral in Cleveland.

There will be two opportunities for **confession** this week: Holy Thursday, April 5 at 8:00 pm, Good Friday, April 6 at 3:00 & 7:30 pm.

HOLY THURSDAY marks the beginning of the Sacred Triduum. There will be Morning Prayer at 8:30am and the only Mass is at 7:00pm **Mass of the Lord's Supper.** The Mandatum (washing of the feet) included in this liturgy, recalls the institution of the Eucharist and Priestly Ordination.



Good Friday's Morning Prayer is at 8:30am. At 2:00pm, the **Celebration of the Lord's Passion** is comprised of the Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of

the Cross and concludes with a Communion Service. The Good Friday offering is for the Holy Land. We will simply put the baskets at the doors for your offering as you leave the church. There will be Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm.

Holy Saturday, Morning Prayer is at 8:30 am. We will be decorating the church for **holy saturday** Easter at 9:00 am and additional hands are most welcome. At 2:00 pm, we will have the blessing of the food in church.



The most significant liturgy of the entire year takes place at 8:30pm with the **Easter Vigil Mass.** It will begin with the blessing of the new fire in front of the church. After singing the Exultet (Easter Proclamation), the Liturgy of the Word, the blessing of the baptismal water, the renewal of baptismal promises takes place. After this we will witness the baptism, profession of faith and confirmations of our RCIA Candidates and Elect.

RICE BOWL DONATIONS Remember to turn in your Rice Bowl donations in the specially marked box in the Gathering Area this weekend. Drop in your actual cardboard Rice Bowl filled with coins or if possible, convert into one check. Your donations touch people around the world through Catholic Relief Services. Thank you for your sacrifice.

Stewardship of Treasure Summary

Amount needed per week:		\$15,800
Regular Collection for March 25:		\$15,990
Difference for the week:	+	\$ 190
SVdP Collection March 25:	\$156.01	
Number of Envelopes:	558	
	Year To Date Totals	
Amount Budgeted		\$602,500
Total Sunday Offertory:		\$618,167
Difference:	+	\$ 15,667



Outstanding Mortgage Balance: \$784,148

Thank you for your generosity!

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

The next meeting of Altar & Rosary will be on Wed., April 11 at 7:30pm in the Family Center. Plans will be made for our annual Mother/Daughter Dinner to be held on Sunday, May 6 at 2pm in the Family Center as well as plans for our yearly scriptural rosary in the Chapel on May 16 at 6pm. We would love to see you and bring along a new member.



Seniors News

St. Jude Seniors will meet on Tuesday, April 17 at Noon in the Family Center. A tureen lunch will be served with members bringing casseroles, salads and desserts. Program speaker will be Dr. James Bedocs. Bring along a friend and enjoy the afternoon with your fellow members.

First Friday Forum, April 13th: Rev. Bob Kropak, Pastor of St. Henry Church in Cleveland will present "Living as an Easter People." Living as an Easter People beyond the Easter Season. Join us for lunch 11:30-1:00. \$15/person at LCCC Stocker Ctr. Call 244-0643 or email caclc@clevelandcatholiccharities.org by Wed. April 4.

ST. JUDE GARDENERS

It's S-P-R-I-N-G!! There will be a meeting Monday, April 16 at 7:00pm in the Rectory Dining Room for all interested in helping with gardening this year. We have a lot of work to do! You may wish to take ownership for a section or just help out occasionally. It's a great opportunity to meet fellow parishioners and work outside. This is the only "meeting" all year and you can work at your convenience. We provide all the materials, tools and guidance. For questions, please call Jim Novak at 365-8827 or Fr. Kosem at 366-5711.

Lorain County Catholic Singles: Hike for your health on Thursday, April 12 at 6pm Black River Reservation Bur Oak on Ford Rd. Join us for monthly hikes.

ELYRIA CATHOLIC POT O' GOLD FUNDRAISER

EC will host its semi-formal Pot O' Gold Dinner Dance on Saturday, April 28 in the EC Coliseum. Cost is \$150/couple and will feature dinner, dancing, open bar, auctions, sideboards, raffles and a reverse raffle with a \$5000 grand prize! For further info or to purchase a ticket, please contact EC Development Office at 365-1821 ext 22. Deadline for tickets is April 20.

Lorain County Catholic Advocates for Persons with Disabilities is sponsoring a Workshop & Luncheon Sat., April 21, from 9:30am-3 pm at St. Teresa Hall, Sheffield Village, for anyone interested in learning more about Parish Advocates and/or are interested in ministering in their own parish as advocates. Workshop will be directed by Fr. Joseph McNulty and Dennis McNulty from the Diocesan Office for Persons With Disabilities. If interested, contact your pastor and call Pat at 440-988-7215 to RSVP by Sat. April 14.

www.saintjudeparish.org

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Your online source for information about your parish!

STOP IN...

and have a cup of coffee



Today is Hospitality Sunday. Please join us in the Family Center after 8:30 & 10:30 Masses for coffee, juice, doughnuts and fellowship.

ST. JUDE SPRING DINNER DANCE

The St. Jude Alumni Association will be sponsoring the 3rd Annual Alumni Spring Dance on Saturday, April 21 in Carrabine Hall. The dance is a great way for couples to kick off the spring/summer season. Attending will create an opportunity for all who are alumni of St. Jude School or attend St. Jude Parish to get together for a fun evening of socializing and dancing. Dinner, by Novotny Catering will be served at 6pm, followed by music until midnight provided by D. J. Rich Schmitt. Cost is \$35 per person, beer, wine and wash will be provided. Tickets are sold at Friday Fish Fry and prior to weekend Masses in April. They are also available at the rectory through Dean Robinson at 366-5711, or Mike Pozun 365-6099 or Mark Reichlin at 785-0668. Please consider being a part of this wonderful event. The members of Sts. Jude Alumni Association are looking forward to seeing you there!

EASTER FLOWERS

Each year we extend our traditional invitation to share in the purchase of the Easter flowers for the church. Our Art and 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.



SPITZER AUTOWORLD

Spitzer Autoworld continues their offer to donate \$500 to our "Finish the Job" campaign when a St. Jude parishioner purchases or leases a car or truck at any one of their dealerships. To date, 64 parishioners have purchased vehicles, resulting in \$32,000 donated over the past three years. Visit Spitzer's and make your best deal, then forward a copy of your Buyer's Agreement to the rectory. All parishioners, as well as parents, grandparents, faculty and staff of the school are eligible.



PALM SUNDAY

St. Jude Church
590 Poplar St.

Elyria, Ohio 44035

Rev. Frank Kosem, Pastor

Rev. Mr. Patrick Humphrey, Deacon; Rev. Mr. Frank O'Connell, Deacon; Sr. Jennifer Kramer, Pastoral Associate; Rozann Swanson, Principal; Patti Lutke, Religious Ed. Coordinator; Dean Robinson, Admn. Asst./Youth Minister; Vicky Petro, Faith Formation Director; Susan Kuchenbecker, Parish Treasurer

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION
