

*Masses
For The Week*

Sunday, April 4 – Easter Sunday

8:30 – Tom Modock – 1st Anniversary

10:30– Tony Auliso

12:00– Marsha Ann & George Lichman

Monday, April 5 – Octave of Easter

7:00 – Dolores Novak

Tuesday, April 6 – Octave of Easter

8:30 – Leonard Noster

Wednesday, April 7 – Octave of Easter

7:00 – Ann Denis

Thursday, April 8 – Octave of Easter

8:30am @ St. Mary

Friday, April 9 – Octave of Easter

8:30 – Frank Eugene Forbes

Saturday, April 10 – Octave of Easter

8:30 – Steve Leko, Jr.

Sunday, April 11 – Second Sunday of Easter

8:30 – Living & Deceased of Holy Name Society

10:30– Marlene Kilmer – 2nd Anniversary

12:00– Parishioners of St. Jude

Readings for April 11: Acts of the Apostles 5:12-16;
Revelation 1:9-13, 17-19; John 20:19-31.

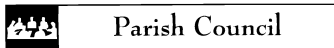


We welcome into our faith community Danica Marie Knepper who was baptized last week.



In your prayers this week, please remember the needs included in our parish petition book and especially Tim, Jim, Lisa, Arianna, Dan, Benjamin, Steve, Gayle and Jerry.

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.



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 April 5. Please feel free to nominate yourself or any other registered, confirmed, and active member of St. Jude parish.



ROSARY FOR LIFE will be prayed in the chapel after the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, April 11th. Please join us.



Sunday, April 4

AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

Monday, April 5

Senior's Board Mtg – Rectory at 9:15am

Men's Club – FamCtr at 7:00pm

Tuesday, April 6

Pro Life – Rectory at 7:00pm

Wednesday, April 7

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

Reflecting on Scripture – Chapel at 6:00pm

Sunday, April 11

Sports Committee – FamCtr at 7:00pm

AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

Wrapped in grief, the family of Jesus went to the tomb to anoint His body. They saw only death until two strangers announced His resurrection. Like the strangers, we are called to be "Alleluia" people who affirm life to others. The resurrection bids us to bring comfort to the sorrowful. Alleluia! He is risen!

EASTER REFLECTION

The Easter copies of Word Among Us and the Little White Books from Saginaw, Michigan are available in the Gathering Area. Please pick up a copy to enhance your Scripture reflection throughout the Easter Season.




AN EASTER WELCOME

St. Jude Parish would like to welcome all those who are visiting us this Easter Season: college students, family members, friends, and visitors from other parishes and denominations. We are so glad you are here to celebrate Easter with us.

We encourage all of our parishioners to consider bringing a friend or family member to Church during the fifty days of the Easter Season. Help extend our St. Jude community spirit to others.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Come and experience the Hour of Great Mercy Devotions on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 11. Readings and reflections from the Diary of St. Faustina begin at 2:30pm; followed by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00pm, with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament to close our afternoon. We welcome all to come for this special time of Devotion. There will be refreshments in the Gathering Area after the services. Plan to attend and bring a friend.

 School News

All of us in the St. Jude School community wish parishioners Easter joy and blessings! We also take this opportunity to say heartfelt thanks for all of your support of our school. We value the gift of Catholic education and know you have been instrumental in giving us this very special gift.

Kindergarten screening for the 2010-11 school year will be on April 19 & 20 for registered students and our current 4 year old preschool students. If you haven't registered for Kindergarten yet, please send in your registrations as soon as possible to be scheduled. Any questions please call the school at 366-1681.

ST. JUDE SCHOOL STEWARDSHIP
Lenten Promises:

As a good steward, I will be kind to others at school and at home...
Nick, 3rd grade

I will help clean the earth by picking up garbage.....*Sierra, 6th grade*

Say an extra prayer every night.....*Luke, 2nd grade*

ST. JUDE CERTIFICATES

Thank you for buying our gift cards. No sales Easter weekend, but you can get them in the Rectory during the week 8-12 and 1-3. Have a Blessed Easter Season.

ST. JUDE GARDENERS

Time to think S-P-R-I-N-G!! There will be a meeting Monday, April 19 at 7:00pm in the Rectory 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.



St. Jude Seniors will meet on Tuesday, April 20 at Noon in the Family Center. A tureen luncheon will be served. A meat entrée will be provided so members are asked to bring a casserole, dessert or salad. Program for the meeting will be the choir from Elyria High School singing a selection of songs. Bring along a friend and join us as we enjoy the musical event and good food.



Stewardship of Treasure Summary	
Amount needed per week:	\$17,800
Regular Collection for Mar 28:	<u>\$16,210</u>
Difference for the week:	- \$ 1,590
Number of Envelopes:	606
Helping Hands Mar. 28:	\$
Year-To-Date Totals	
Amount Budgeted:	\$676,400
Total Sunday Offertory:	<u>\$616,962</u>
Difference:	- \$ 77,238
Outstanding Mortgage Balance:	\$595,522
Building Fund Account Balance:	\$114,105
Monthly Mortgage Payment:	\$ 6,171
Thank you for your generosity!	



 Pastor's Notes



EASTER

Ash Wednesday marked the beginning of the **forty** days of Lent. Easter Sunday marks the beginning of the **fifty** days of the Easter Season.

"This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad."

With the blessing of the new fire, blessing of the baptismal water, renewal of the baptismal promises and singing of the **Alleluia – He Is Risen**, we recall through liturgical signs and symbols, the realities of our redemption.

Traditionally the early church welcomed Catechumens to the church community. We congratulate and rejoice with our RCIA Neophytes: **Nicole Barnett and Jeff Rawson.**

Easter is a time for families to gather for a special meal and to worship together at Church. Home rituals can also make this feast the most important faith event of the year. Make an effort this year to bring Easter into your home. Try special decorations, a home Easter candle, a special meal and prayer together, sing "Alleluia" or "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" each day of Easter week to proclaim the Risen Lord!

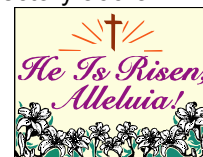


The entire staff of St. Jude Parish extends to you and your family the joy, hope and love of the Easter Season. May we continue to relive the Spirit of Easter every Sunday throughout the year as we gather to worship.

COMMEMORATIVE BRICK

The Outdoor Stations of the Cross just west of St. Jude Church have many more commemorative bricks available. These bricks are a great way to commemorate births, sacramental events and memorialize loved ones. Many people express their thanksgiving to God with a brick.

New bricks are engraved several times a year and forms are available in the Gathering Area near the Pieta statue or at the rectory. Each brick has room for 3 lines with 12 letter/spaces on each line. Bricks are \$100 each. Please contact Kim at the rectory 366-5711 with any questions.



ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

St. Jude A & R will hold their next meeting on Wednesday, April 14 at 7:00pm in the Family Center. We will summarize our events and projects for the 2009-2010 year and complete plans for the final events for this year. Come and join us for an evening of relaxation with your co-members.



ELYRIA CATHOLIC POT O' GOLD

On Saturday, April 24th, ECHS will be hosting our spring fundraiser, the Pot O' Gold, "Mardi Gras Style". The EC coliseum will be filled with excitement as 450+ guests enjoy dinner, dancing, bidding on fabulous auction items and our main event, the \$5,000 reverse raffle! Tickets are \$150/couple and are going fast, so contact the Development Office today 365.1821 ext. 22 or 34. Feeling lucky but can't attend the event? Our leprechaun tickets are also now on sale! Prize is either tuition for one student at Elyria Catholic for the 2010-2011 school year (\$6,500 value) or \$5,000 Cash!! Tickets are only \$50 each and only 200 tickets will be sold. Tickets available on a first come first serve basis. Contact the above number to get your lucky ticket! The winning ticket will be drawn at The Pot O' Gold fundraiser. Winner need not be present.

FIRST FRIDAY FORUM, APRIL 9 Sr. Barbara O'Donnell, HM, of Villa Maria, PA: "Perspectives on Climate Change". Questions continue to increase as data is gathered regarding global climate change. At the same time Catholic values motivate our concern for the future of all communities. Participate in a conversation that integrates Scripture, Catholic Social Teaching and the cosmic story! Come away with resources for gathering information and joining in the dialogue. Join the First Friday Forum for spiritual refreshment, fellowship, and good food at LCCC, 11:30am. Tickets \$15. RSVP by calling 244-0643 or fflorain@gmail.com before 3pm Monday, April 5th.

Have You Been Asked To Be A Godparent/Sponsor?

All candidates for baptism and confirmation need a Catholic godparent/sponsor for the celebration of the sacrament. A godparent/sponsor is a fully initiated Catholic (at least 16 years old) who is leading a life of faith in harmony with the responsibility he/she is undertaking. This means you are a registered parishioner, regularly participating in Sunday Mass, validly married in the Church, and have received Eucharist and Confirmation. If you are asked to be a godparent/sponsor and do not meet these qualifications, call the rectory and let us help you in becoming eligible.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Parents who are planning the baptism of their child within the next few months are invited to participate in the baptism preparation session on **Monday, April 19 at 6:30pm**. 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 first-time parents, prior to the baptism of their daughter/son. Please note: baptism preparation sessions at St. Jude will be offered every other month, - so please plan ahead. Call Susan Kuchenbecker at the rectory 366-5711 ext. 110 for further information and to register for this session.



It is our policy and desire to serve the needs of St. Jude parishioners. We welcome you. Families, singles and young adults (age 18 and over) should make an effort to become registered members of the parish. Even if you are not in a position to contribute regularly, it is important to be registered for us to take care of your pastoral needs (funerals, baptisms, weddings, etc.) To register, please call the rectory or drop a note in the collection basket and we will be happy to assist you.

STEWARDSHIP FOLLOW-UP

It is not too late to return your Stewardship Commitment card. If you have not already done so, please prayerfully complete the Stewardship Commitment card and return it to the Rectory or place it in the offertory basket at Mass. If you did not receive your Stewardship materials, or have any questions concerning it, please call Susan Kuchenbecker at the rectory. Thank you to all of you who have already completed and returned your cards!



to our parishioner and active Scout advisor, Carol Hobart! The Cleveland Diocesan Catholic Committee on Scouting has selected Carol as the recipient of the Bronze Pelican award, which is the highest scouting award in the Diocese. It is presented to adults who have made a significant contribution to the spiritual development of Catholic youth in the Scouting program. Congratulations and thank you for all your dedicated service in our St. Jude community. A special Liturgy and presentation will be held on Sunday, April 25 at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist at 2:30pm.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

All those who wish to continue (or begin) in this ministry must be recommissioned by the bishop if you had not already done so last fall. The Spring Formation sessions, each 2 1/2 hours are located:

April 11th Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, Cleveland

April 11th St. Richard, North Olmsted

April 25th St. Mary Magdalene, Willowick

May 2nd St Barnabas, Northfield

Call the rectory at 366-5711 to sign up. Those feeling the call to this ministry please call coordinator Al Zanni at 440-328-8100.

BOOK GROUP

The Book Group will be meeting on Friday, April 23 in the rectory at 10:00 am. Note that this is a morning session instead of an evening one. April's book will be Winter Garden by Kristin Hannah. This is the story of two sisters who have contrasting personalities. They return home when their father becomes ill. While together with their disapproving mother, Anya, they learn the secret of their mother's past life in war-torn Leningrad through the telling of a Russian Fairy tale. You can purchase the book on-line, in your favorite bookstore, or obtain it at your local library. All are welcome to attend.