

*MASSES
For The Week*

Sunday, April 12 – Easter Sunday

8:30 – Living & Deceased of Holy Name Society
10:30– George & Marsha Lichman
12:00– Stephen & Mary Gach

Monday, April 13 – Easter Monday

7:00 – Elizabeth Fries – 15th Anniversary

Tuesday, April 14 – Easter Tuesday

8:30 – Deceased Members of Cilona & Alfano Families

Wednesday, April 15 – Easter Wednesday

7:00 – Stella Wielopolski
7:00 – Communion Service

Thursday, April 16 – Easter Thursday

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

Friday, April 17 – Easter Friday

8:30 – Communion Service

Saturday, April 18 – Easter Saturday

4:30 – Dolores Novak

Sunday, April 19 – Second Sunday of Easter

8:30 – Parishioners of St. Jude
10:30– Jackie Cannarella
12:00– David Davies

Readings for April 19: Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35;
1 John 5:1-6; John 20:19-31.

WEDDING BANNS 
I Ryan Szafran & Lisa Hale

*In
Sympathy*

Please pray for Ada Cherney and Tom Modock and for the consolation of their loved ones.

EASTER REFLECTION

Please pick up a copy of the Word Among Us in the Gathering Area for the Easter Season.

Religious Education Notes

There will be no PSR on Monday, April 13th. Classes will resume on Monday, April 20th.

BRING A FRIEND TO CHURCH

Through you, God wants to bring new life to others – the news of Jesus' Resurrection. Our Catholic faith and our parish are filled with God's life: in our liturgies, our ministries, the lives and good works of our parishioners. There are also people outside our church who long for new life, hope, peace, and a relationship with Jesus. Let's connect them with God by connecting them with us. Bring someone to Church on Easter Sunday or during the fifty days of the Easter season. Invitation postcards are on the tables in the Gathering Area. Take several and mail them this week to friends and family who haven't been to church for a while, or who might not have a regular place of worship.



Sunday, April 12

AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

Tuesday, April 14

Stewardship Mtg – Rectory at 7:00pm

Wednesday, April 15

Altar & Rosary – FamCtr at 7:00pm

Thursday, April 16

Holy Name Society – Rectory at 7:00pm

Saturday, April 18

Food Collection – GatheringArea

Sunday, April 19

Food Collection – GatheringArea
Cub Scout Mass – Carrabine after 10:00 Mass
AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

In the confusion of Easter morning, Peter proved to be a mentor to the younger disciple in today's gospel. Even though the younger disciple arrived first at the empty tomb, he waited for Peter to make sense of this confusing event. Children in our families and neighborhoods also need mentors to help them make sense out of the confusing times and bewildering events that surround their lives. We can help our young people "see and believe" just like the young disciple in the gospel.

PARISH REGISTRATION

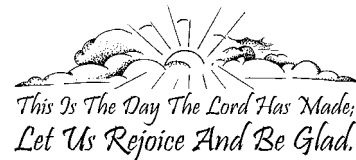
It is our policy and desire to serve the needs of St. Jude parishioners. We welcome you. Families, singles and young adults (age 18 and over) should make an effort to become registered members of the parish. Even if you are not in a position to contribute regularly, it is important to be registered for 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.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Come and experience the Hour of Great Mercy Devotions on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 19. 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.

ROSARY FOR LIFE

The Rosary for Life will be prayed in the chapel after the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, April 19th. Please join us.



 **School News**

The community of St. Jude School wishes all parish families a blessed and joyous Easter. May the risen Christ live in your hearts! A special thank you to all parishioners for their support of our school. You are remembered in our prayers for your generosity.

ST. JUDE CERTIFICATES

Thank you for your continued support of the Certificate Program. There will be regular rectory sales Easter Week, Mon-Fri 8-Noon & 1-3pm. Our next Stewardship Sunday is the weekend of April 25th with St. Joseph Homeless Shelter receiving 1% of the purchases.



Seniors News

St. Jude Seniors will meet on Tuesday, April 21 at Noon in the Family Center. A tureen luncheon will be served. Members are to bring a casserole, salad or dessert. Our program for the day will be John Bender, from the State Board of Education. Bring along a friend and enjoy the time with fellow members.

Coordinator of Youth Ministry Position for Elyria Parish Cluster. This full time position serves the youth and families in three parishes in Elyria. 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 of experience in ministry (preferably in a multiple parish ministry). We offer a compelling vision, competitive salary, and benefits that will be commensurate with experience. Please email your résumé by April 17 to SaintAgnes@oh.rr.com or mail to: Elyria Youth Ministry Search Committee, c/o Rev. Al Krupp, Pastor, St. Agnes Catholic Church, 611 Lake Ave., Elyria, OH 44035.

PASTA 'N SAUCE SUNDAY

Mama mia! Love that spaghetti! This month's FOOD FOCUS is on noodles of all types, spaghetti, macaroni, rice, and spaghetti sauce. Other non-perishable items will also be gladly accepted next weekend in the Gathering Area.

Stewardship of Treasure Summary

Amount needed per week:		\$18,000
Regular Collection for April 5:		<u>\$20,742</u>
Difference for the week:	+	\$ 2,742
Number of Envelopes:	819	
SVdP Collection for April 5:	\$60.69	

Year-To-Date Totals

Amount Budgeted		\$720,000
Total Sunday Offertory:		<u>\$666,918</u>
Difference:	-	53,082



Outstanding Mortgage Balance:		\$633,177
Building Fund Account Balance:		\$ 87,710
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: **Nancy Bally, Sonoma Beck, Lisa Kuchta, Phil Kuchta, Eric Lammers, Michael McMillan, Barbara Rogers, Alison Shope, Greg Smith, Susan Smith, Dawn Sparks, Cami Webster and Christy Wise.**

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.

KNOW YOUR FAITH SERIES

The *Know Your Faith* Series topic for this month is *Getting the Most Out of the Mass*. Deacon Frank O’Connell will be giving this presentation at 7pm on Thursday, April 23 in the Family Center.

ST. JUDE GARDENERS

Time to think S-P-R-I-N-G!! There will be a meeting Monday, April 20 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.

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 **Thursday, April 23 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.

ALTAR & ROSARY

Our next meeting will be Wed., April 15th at 7:00pm in the Family Center. It will be our last meeting of the year. The many activities for the remainder of the year will be discussed. Please plan to join us.

Attention current 3 grade girls! We will be holding a volleyball skills clinic on Sunday, May 3rd, from 1- 3 pm at the St. Jude Gym. Please join us to see if playing volleyball would be something you would be interested in doing next fall. Those interested should bring a water bottle and a pair of tennis shoes to change into. Knee pads are also recommended. We will have a brief informational meeting for 3rd grade parents that day. No need to register, just show up at the gym. For information, please contact Terry Ziegelmeyer at 934-6461 or via email at ziegelmeyerj@roadrunner.com. Registration for the fall volleyball season will begin on May 3rd.

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.

Easter Blessings and much gratitude to all the members of St. Jude Parish who visit and volunteer at the Wesleyan Village. Thank you to all who transport and assist at our monthly First Friday Mass. Special thanks to Marion & Lee Mosso and Kathleen Secrist who are devoted Eucharistic Ministers to our residents. This is National Volunteer Recognition Week and we are particularly proud of the kindness exhibited by our Village Volunteers. May the Risen Christ bless each one of you.

Biddy St. Marie, Volunteer Director

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.

Planning is underway for the milestone 25th Annual St. Jude Festival on Sunday, Sept. 6th. **This year's theme** is Celebrate Community. Over the past 25 years, the local community has supported the St. Jude Festival. As a sign of our commitment to the community, we are planning ways to include and to give back to the community like never before. **The talents and leadership** of St. Jude parishioners are evident by the growth and success of prior festivals.

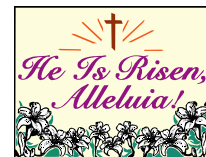


For this year's festival to pull off the 25th Celebration, we are in need of help for key positions for the Chicken Dinner, Games, and Concessions. Can you or do you know someone, who can help? We are encouraging everyone to be a part of the excitement. **We need you to participate.** Set aside a few hours this year to support your parish. If you have expertise in any field, your assistance is needed. Don't wait to be asked, you can contact us NOW to help in any area. **Retired or if you have limited mobility**, we can use your help. If you could use a little mental and physical stimulation, call or e-mail us with the areas where you are interested in helping. **Get Involved** as a member of St. Jude parish and bring excitement to Elyria! **Contact** Bill Elwer at 440-365-4728 or bill.elwer@gmail.com.

BOOK STUDY The May Book Study will be using The Glass Castle by Jeannette Walls. The discussion will be in the St. Jude Rectory on May 6th at 7:30 pm. Please read the entire book by the meeting date. The book can be obtained at your local library, bookstore, or online.

ELYRIA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

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



Leave a Legacy – Christ has risen! Alleluia! We appreciate the thoughtfulness of parishioners who have made bequests and gifts to the parish. Your support helps us continue the work of the Church for years to come.

ST. LEONARD YOUTH RETREAT SUMMER CAMPS

Registrations for the St. Joseph Sport Camps 2009 are now open. The dates are June 8-12 & 15-19 for Boy's Camp (choose either or both weeks); June 22-26 for Girl's Camp. For information or registration please contact Fr. G (934-6735 or frgiampietro@roadrunner.com

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