

**Mass
Intentions
Of The Week**

Sunday, August 23 – Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 – Frank L. Pulig
10:30– David R. Davies
12:00– Parishioners of St. Jude

Monday, August 24 – St. Bartholomew

7:00 – Florence Hintz & Rick Pichola

Tuesday, August 25 – Weekday

8:30 – Delores Novak

Wednesday, August 26 – Weekday

7:00 – Imelda & Edward Curry
7:00 – Communion Service

Thursday, August 27 – St. Monica

8:30am @ St. Mary

Friday, August 28 – St. Augustine

8:30 – Richard Simmons

Saturday, August 29 – Martyrdom of John the Baptist

4:30 – Edward Murawaski & Parishioners of St. Jude

Sunday, August 30–Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 – Daniel Kuczkowski – 7th Anniversary
10:30– Deceased of the Parish
12:00– Christine Scheidler

Readings for August 30: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8;
James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27; Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23.



Wedding Banns

I Josh Dziak & Janet Strukely
II Charles Kalo & Kim Strait

SUMMER BOOK CLUB

The Book Club will meet again on Wed., August 26 at 7:30pm in the Rectory. Bring a book to share that you enjoyed reading over the summer.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

In today's gospel some followers complained that what Jesus taught was too difficult to follow – but Jesus did not back off. As adults, it is our obligation to clearly teach Christian values to our children. We can expect resistance; often the Christian lifestyle is contrary to our culture. Like Jesus, don't back away!

ARE YOU READY FOR SOME FOOTBALL?

Next weekend, the youth of our parish attending the National Catholic Youth Conference in November will be selling raffle tickets after each Mass. The winner will receive 2 tickets to the Browns versus Steelers games on December 10th! Tickets are \$1.00 each or a book for 6 for \$5.00. Be sure to stop by and purchase a chance to win and to support our youth!!



Sunday, August 23

AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

Wednesday, August 26

RCIA Team at St. Mary's 7:00pm

Thursday, August 27

Festival Mtg – Rectory DiningRm at 7:00pm

Sunday, August 30

AA – Carrabine at 7:30pm

Mark your calendar for the **25th Annual Parish Festival Sunday, September 6th!** Special for our 25th festival - the St. Jude Concert Stage with three bands. The headliner band is "State Fair", a Christian rock band seen at the Alive Festival and this year's Fest. Also on stage is Christian band "Morning Son", and classic rock band "The Heavy Hitters". We'll also be entertained by Ed Klimczak's band and the high school bands. Bring your family for a day of great entertainment. Check the bulletin weekly for the latest highlighted activities.



VOLUNTEERS - Sign Ups are this weekend and next weekend, August 30th, in Church. We could really use your help and only ask for a couple hours of your time - then you can enjoy the rest of the festival. Help is especially needed for serving the Chicken/Rib Dinner, Kids Games, and Set-up/Tear down on Saturday, Sunday, and for a short time on Monday.

PIES/CAKES - Your pie and cake donations will be much appreciated again this year. Pies are used for the Chicken/Rib Dinner and cakes are used for the Cake Wheel. Both can be dropped off the Saturday before or the day of the festival.

Thank You for your donations to the Chinese Raffle! We've begun putting baskets together, but we'll still accept your donation. You may drop off your items at the Rectory or contact Michelle Elwer 365-4728 or theelwers@hotmail.com with questions. This is going to be the best Chinese Raffle yet!

Thanks to the generosity of Nick Abraham Auto Mall this year's prize for our 25th Parish Festival is your choice of a 2009 Ford Focus or Ford Ranger!! All proceeds will go directly toward reducing our mortgage loan. The winner of the August 15 early seller bonus of \$100 is Jean Branzel.

USHER ASSISTANCE

If you would like to receive Communion at your pew during Mass, let one of the ushers know and they will be glad to help you.

If you would like to be in the Offertory Procession for a Mass that is offered for one of your intentions, please let the ushers know before Mass begins. They will be glad to honor your request.



School begins this coming Monday, August 24. We welcome all of our students and their parents to the beginning of a brand new school year! Know that we come together to begin with hopes for all that the year can hold. It is our privilege and our pleasure to serve the children and families of St. Jude.

ST. JUDE CERTIFICATES

Back to School. Buy your school clothes and supplies with our gift cards. We have Walmart, Sears, Office Max, and Payless Shoes available. Remember, we have reduced the number of retailers we keep in stock. If you need a large quantity of our regular gift cards or a particular retailer such as Sears or JC Penney, you can place orders every Tuesday.

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Registration forms for PSR Sunday Pre-School classes and Monday Night PSR Classes are now available in the parish rectory. If your child participated in the program last year, you should have already received your registration forms in the mail. Please note that this year we will be adding a kindergarten class for the Sunday Pre-School.

Help Needed!! We are in need of two teachers' aides for Monday night PSR in grades 4 & 5. This program is from 6:15-7:30pm and begins on Sept. 14.


We also need teachers for 3 year olds and for the kindergarten PSR Sunday Preschool classes that meet during the 10:30am Mass.

Finally, we are in need for one teacher for Children's Liturgy of the Word which meets during the homily at the Sunday 10:30am Mass. You would only need to do one CLOW Sunday a month as we have a rotation system.

If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact Sr. Margaret Marszal at 366-5711 Ext. 111.

Bulletin Deadline: All articles for the bulletin must be submitted to the rectory by **Friday at Noon** for publication in the following weekend's bulletin. Articles may be faxed to 366-1916 or emailed to sjwebmaster@saintjudeparish.org

Subject line: bulletin article.

Stewardship of Treasure Summary	
Amount needed per week:	\$17,800
Regular Collection for August 16:	<u>\$12,877</u>
Difference for the week:	- \$ 4,923
Number of Envelopes:	389
Helping Hands:	\$348.85
Year-To-Date Totals	
Amount Budgeted:	\$124,600
Total Sunday Offertory:	<u>\$106,531</u>
Difference:	\$ 18,069
	
Outstanding Mortgage Balance:	\$618,038
Building Fund Account Balance:	\$ 96,690
Monthly Mortgage Payment:	\$ 6,171
Thank you for your generosity!	



2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR

Monday, August 24, 2009 is the first day of school at St. Jude. I extend a warm welcome back to all the teachers, staff and students. Our enrollment this year is 390. A special welcome is extended to all our new faculty/staff members:

- Mrs. Christine Malone – 1st grade
- Mrs. Jill Carmichael – Jr High aide
- Mrs. Steffany Congelio – 3rd grade aide
- Mrs. Dina Santiago-Narvaez – after school Spanish
- Mrs. Heather Gianneti – LD Tutor
- Mrs. Jian Yang – ChinaLink teacher
- Ms. Peggy Joyce – Speech Therapist
- Mrs. Jocelyn Griffin – Part time secretary

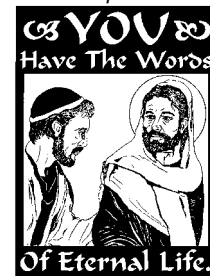
As we begin our 58th year as a Catholic school in Elyria, there is again a sense of new enthusiasm and excitement. We are very proud of our quality Catholic education program. The opening of the new school Year Mass will be Friday, August 28 at 8:30am. All are most welcome.

21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

We touch upon several great moments of truth in the reading today. Joshua command the Israelites: "Decide today whom you will serve," and they chose the Lord. Jesus, too, lays it on the line for his disciples: They must eat his flesh to attain eternal life. Many choose to stop following him.

- What moments of truth have you had? What made you choose the path you took?
- Psalm 34 tells us that God is close to the brokenhearted and crushed in spirit. How have you experienced that truth?
- Authority and obedience are key concerns in Paul's letter to the Ephesians. What struggles do you have in these areas?
- The apostles believe Jesus has the words of eternal life. Do you? What do you find most challenging about Jesus' teachings? Why do you stay with Jesus?

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FAITH & VALUES APPEAL

Close to 53,000 students attend Catholic schools in our diocese alone; in fact, we are the 5th largest Catholic system of schools in the U.S. Many families need financial assistance and some receive help from a special parish appeal taking place this weekend. All donor contributions are used for tuition assistance for families with documented financial need right here in our own diocese. Please be generous in your support of Catholic school students. Envelopes for this appeal are included with your parish envelopes.

2010 Greater Cleveland Entertainment Books

2010 Entertainment Books are now available. Purchase a book by Sept. 13 and you will be entered into a drawing for a free 2011 Entertainment Book. This book offers thousands of dollars in coupons for formal dining to fast food, hotels, movies, sporting events, golf, and much more – all for only \$30!!!! Stop by M-F 8–3pm or call Kim, 366-5711, to set up other arrangements. This book makes a great present for a birthday, anniversary, Christmas or for children off to college. Have family & friends buy from us!

CRAFTERS WANTED for Elyria Catholic's Holiday Craft Bazaar, which will be held on Sat., Nov. 14 from 9am-3pm. Our crafters are treated right with help loading and unloading your car, free coffee and pastry too. Early bird registration tables are \$35 or \$40 with electric. For more info or a packet with an application, please call Rita Price 327-6983 or Gina Morris at 748-3349.

The Sisters of Notre Dame invite you to the 47th Annual Barbeque/Boutique on Sunday, Sept. 20 & 27 from Noon to 5:00pm. Enjoy bbq chicken or ribs, apple pie & beverages. Select sister's handmade items in the Boutique. Tickets available at the door \$9/chicken, \$12/ribs. Held at Notre Dame Educational Center, 13000 Auburn Rd., Chardon. Rain or shine.

JOURNEYING WITH LOSS is 4-session workshop is sponsored by St. Joseph's in Amherst. The purpose is to provide information and support to those who have experienced the death of a loved one. Sessions will be on Saturdays, Sept. 12, 19, 26 & Oct 3 from 2:30-4:30pm in the school library. To register to attend, please call Maria Maldonado at 988-2848, ext 205. There is no charge and everyone is welcome.

EMMAUS 2009, The annual Retreat for Gay & Lesbian Catholics, Parents, Family and Friends will be held on Sept. 25-27 at the Jesuit Retreat House, 5629 State Rd., Parma. For info or reservations call 440-884-9300.

VolleyBall

St. Jude is hosting our 4th annual volleyball scrimmage food drive this weekend. We invite everyone to come watch our volleyball players in grades 4-8 compete against other local teams in preseason games. Matches will be held at the St. Jude Gym on Sunday, Aug. 23 from noon-4pm. Admission to the games is canned food items, which will be donated to local food banks.

Sports Committee is looking for a Concession Coordinator for the upcoming 2009-10 school year. If you are interested, please contact Chris Hayes at 440-315-1024 or email at chrishayes3@windstream.net

The **Catholic Employment Network of Lorain County (CENLC)** is a new ministry being developed to expand our outreach to those who are unemployed or underemployed. The purpose is to create a network of both contacts and job seekers. It is a faith-based group of fellow parishioners offering to share their experience and contacts with anyone who is seeking transitional employment help.

Mark your calendar for September 14 for the first meeting of the Catholic Employment Network of Lorain County here at St. Jude Family Center at 7:00pm.

FIRST FRIDAY FORUM, SEPT. 4: "A Vision for U.S. Healthcare" Envisioning health care as fundamental to a healthy, flourishing society is the topic of our panel. As people of faith, with a long history of providing health care to all and an even longer tradition based on Catholic Social Teaching principles, we have a lot to offer to the current debate on health care. Can we provide a "yardstick" by which to measure possible solutions and create a system of care that respects life and provides for all? Health care providers and advocates will use their experience to respond to a presentation of the Catholic Health Association's statement "Our Vision for U.S. Health Care", and the practical suggestions outlined in the statement, based on Catholic social teaching. Our speakers are Mr. J. Thomas Mullen, Secretary – Catholic Charities Health and Human Services, and Ms. Robin Bachman, Director of Public Policy, Sisters of Charity Health System. Join the First Friday Forum for spiritual refreshment, fellowship, and good food at LCCC Spitzer Conference Center, 11:30AM! Tickets are \$15. RSVP by calling the reservation line at 440-244-0643 or fflorain@gmail.com before 3pm Monday, August 31st.

St. John, Lorain annual picnic is being held on the parish grounds, Sunday, Sept. 13 from 12:30-6:00pm for all past and present parish members, those who attended the school or worked and volunteered there. In consideration for the upcoming merger, all members of Sts. Cyril & Methodius and St. Vitus will join in the festivities. For more info call St. John rectory 277-7266 or Chuck at 282-2765.



THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** is a process or journey of conversion for initiating persons into the Catholic Church. It takes place in the context of the Christian community and is guided by the Gospel of Jesus and by the witness and experience of St. Jude, St. Agnes, and St. Mary parishioners.

RCIA is designed for those who:

- Have never been baptized or were baptized in another faith tradition
- Are Catholic but have never celebrated Eucharist and Confirmation

HOW DO I SIGN UP ? Simply fill out this form and return it to the rectory, call or email Susan Kuchenbecker 366-5711, skk@saintjudeparish.org We'll take it from there!

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 Address _____
 Phone _____

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