



Sunday, March 30th

9:00 am *Living & Deceased Members
of the Rauscher Family*
11:00 am *Living & Deceased Members
of Ceska Sin Karlin*

Monday, March 31st

No Morning Mass

Tuesday, April 1st

8:30 am *Betty Wyderka
SJN Altar & Rosary Society*

Wednesday, April 2nd

No Morning Mass

Thursday, April 3rd

8:30 am *All Souls*

Friday, April 4th

8:30 am *Sick & Needy of SJN Parish
St. Vincent DePaul Society*

Saturday, April 5th

4:00 pm *St. John Nepomucene Parish*

Sunday, April 6th

9:00 am *Robert Schaefer
1st Anniversary*
11:00 am *George & Relly Hrehorevich*

Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday, March 23 rd	\$2544.14
Praise the Roof	140.00
Easter Flowers	451.05

Thank You & God Bless for your continued support & generosity!

Sick Calls – Please call the rectory to arrange for Father Jasany to bring the Sacraments when a member of your family is hospitalized.

Weddings – Parishioners are asked to call the rectory office at least 6 months in advance of the wedding to schedule an appointment with Father Jasany

Baptisms – The 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at 12:00 pm. Parents are required to attend Pre-Baptism Class. Arrangements must be made a minimum of 2 weeks prior to the date of baptism. Before parents baptize their child, Diocesan and parish policy requires you to complete a Baptism Preparation Class. **The next class will be on Sunday, April 6th at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish at 12:30 PM.** Reservations are needed; please call 216-641-2829 for information or to make your reservation.

Godparent and Sponsor Certificate – Sponsors for Baptism or Confirmation must be registered and practicing members of the Church, attending weekly and Holy Day Masses for a minimum of 3 months prior to the celebration of the Sacraments for which they have requested the certificate. Please note individuals 18 years of age and older, no longer in school, need to register as adults

Pre-Cana Program for couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage at the Jesuit Retreat House on **April 6, 2014 at 12:45 pm.** This program satisfies the requirement for marriage preparation as stipulated by the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland. Register at 440-884-9300 or online at www.jrhcleve@att.net



Dear Parishioners,

Please plan to attend our Communal Penance Service at 7 PM on Monday, March 31st in our parish church. We will have four priests to hear the individual confessions of our PSR students, their families and our parishioners. All of us are called to make a journey from Ashes to Easter. The ashes remind us of what we are called to die to. Easter calls us to rise to New Life. We are all called to join the Universal Church in going on a forty-day retreat together during the Holy Season of Lent.

Part of a traditional retreat is to examine one's life. The word: Repentance is from the Old English word meaning, "To think again." We turn to a merciful God to be recreated anew.

Ideally, the Church would like to see families coming together to receive the Sacrament of Penance. In addition, the Church recommends that periodically the entire parish assemble to pray for reconciliation with God and one another.

Please feel free to invite family, relatives, friends, neighbors, and co-workers to make this journey with you. Please consider inviting those who have fallen away from the active practice of the Catholic Faith.

Those who are not Catholic or those who may have some particular circumstance that prevents them from receiving the Sacrament of Penance, can still see one of the priests and ask for a blessing or a prayer for a special need.

The point of the Lenten/Easter journey is to be transformed by the power of the Cross and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. God wishes to recreate all of us anew. The purple color of Lent stands for conversion: for change of heart. With the psalmist, let us pray "Lord, create in me a new heart, and renew within me a steadfast spirit."

Sincerely in Christ,
Father Jasany

Readings for the Week of March 30th

Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/
Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1,
6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday: Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/
Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Sanctuary Guild Volunteers for
April 2nd thru April 15th
Kathy Bondzio & Patty Kowalec

Sunday, March 30th

The Catholic Relief Services Collection is this weekend. Envelopes for this collection are included in your monthly envelope packet.

Sokol Sunday Dinner at Bohemian National Hall; 4939 Broadway Avenue. Serving from 1-2:30 pm. Pork Steak with Dumplings & Sauerkraut served with coffee and dessert.

Monday, March 31st

PSR Classes 6:30 – 8 PM

Lenten Communal Penance – 7 PM

Tuesday, April 1st

Rosary before 8:30 AM Mass at 8 AM
Social Concerns Meeting-7 PM in the rectory. Anyone who is interested in social concerns is invited to attend this meeting.

Wednesday, April 2nd

Liga Morska Meeting at 11 AM at Cuyahoga Hts. Village Hall
Zumba 6:30 PM
Choir Practice 7 PM
Lenten Series 6:30 – 8 PM in the rectory
Tonight’s topic “Holy Thursday”

Thursday, April 3rd

Rosary at 8 AM followed by Mass

Friday, April 4th First Friday

The Avila Holy Hour for Vocations returns to pray in church. Winter weather is gone! We invite new members to join us in church at 7:25 am every First Friday. WE provide a prayer book for you, no charge. The Holy Hour consists of prayers for vocations and the 8:30 AM Mass. You are invited to stay for Stations of the Cross after Mass during Lent.

It is Jesus who said, “Pray therefore the Lord of the Harvest, to send more workers for the harvest.”

“Pray therefore”...Come, pray with us.
Stations of the Cross after 8:30 AM Mass
Holy Name Church Fish Fry from 11:30 AM – 7:30 pm. Dine In or Take Out. Take Out orders available by calling 216-271-9002.

Fish, Shrimp, Pierogi & Pasta Dinners available. Fish Sandwich & Side dishes too.
Today is a day of Abstinence from meat & meat products for those 14 years & older.

Saturday, April 5th

Church Cleaning 9 AM Please consider giving several hours of your time to help us give our church a thorough spring cleaning. Coffee and doughnuts at 8:30 AM in the school hall before church cleaning. A luncheon for volunteers at noon.

Market Day PickUp 10:30 11:30 AM
First Saturday Devotions 3:15 PM

Sunday, April 6th

Easter Breakfast & Raffle – Serving from 8 AM – 1 PM. Breakfast includes French Toast, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Juice, coffee & Milk. Adults - \$6.50; Children \$3.50. Tickets available at the door.

Donations of Easter Candy & Small toys are needed to fill the baskets for the Raffle at the Easter Breakfast. Donations may be brought to the rectory

In today’s second reading St. Paul urges us to try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. The Bible often emphasizes our need to please God at all times and St. Paul would find it inconceivable that any follower of Christ

would lack a desire to please the Lord. But how do we discern what pleases the Lord? It has been said that one of the quickest ways to get a glimpse into what please God is to read the Bible. Reading the Bible reinforces what we have heard preached and taught about God’s will. The practice also transforms our understanding of God’s desires for us. If you now read the Bible, how has it helped you understand what pleases God? If you don’t read the Bible, why is that?

Standing at a Crossroad?



Choose to Walk with the Lord

Karen's Corner

Did you know because of our unity and community with each other in Christ is so real, that we constitute not a corporation, but a living body, an organism? Ronald Rolheiser uses the example that the body of Christ is not a body in the way General Motors is a body, but it is a body in the way a human person is a body. All the parts work together for the good of the Church and each person has her/his own talents to be used in the community of the Church.

But then Rolheiser goes on to talk about how things unseen in the body, such as viruses and antibodies are invisible and by the time we can see the symptoms, the damage has already been done.

So what are some of the antibodies of the Church? The doctors of the Church tell us that when we silently suffer for others; when we pray for each other; when we are victorious over the battles inside of us which are really petty; then we create a healthy body for Christ to live in. God cares about the little things in our lives just as much as He cares about the big things. When there is chaos within us and it remains untouched by prayer and untamed by the love of God, then our lives will remain chaotic and untamed.

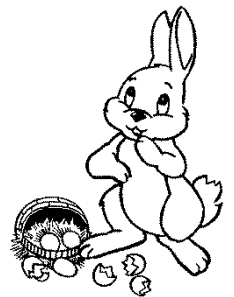
We need to personally convert our hearts over to the Lord every minute of every day by being kind, loving, forgiving and charitable. We need to look at ourselves at the end of the day, take responsibility for things we could have handled in a more loving manner, and then turn them over to the Lord! Taking time every day to read Scripture, or a good, Catholic, spiritual book, and to pray will help change our hearts of stone into hearts of love and forgiveness! I know this isn't easy; believe me, I know!

There have been deep angers, resentments and hurts in my own life that I have had to deal with on a psychological level as well as a spiritual one. But committing to that healing has helped me to become more compassionate, loving and forgiving! It's easy to "throw stones" at other people and tell ourselves that what we are doing is righteous. But in taking a second look, maybe our behavior wasn't very Christian at all.

It took me years of work to get over the sadistic sexual abuse that I suffered at the hands of a cruel man when I was young. I felt very righteous in NOT forgiving this man and in being angry toward the world. But then in prayer, I realized that this man is God's son, too. He also has free will. Did he use his free will in a loving manner? No, of course not! But did I begin to forgive him and pray for his conversion? Yes. Anger and resentment consume the heart that harbors those emotions. Forgiving him doesn't mean I excused his actions! But I was able to move on in love and forgiveness. I could have remained angry and resentful, but I didn't and I am much more at peace; and I am happier because of my ability to forgive. It was not easy, but it was necessary for my conversion of heart.

See you soon!
Karen

Easter Breakfast Raffle Tickets are on the back sheet of the Breakfast Flyer. Tickets are 5 for \$1.00. Please fill out and return to the rectory office or place in the collection basket at the weekend Masses in an envelope marked: Breakfast Raffle



This Week's Operation Rice Bowl

Reflection: The Philippines

This week, CRS invites us to enter into solidarity with the people of the Philippines. We are encouraged to reflect on the Catholic social teaching principle, *Option for the Poor*, and reminded of Jesus' words: "Whatever you did for these least of mine, you did for me." Let us pray this week for our brothers and sisters in the Philippines and all around the world, that we see the Face of Christ in the poor among us.



For those who are sick and those who care for them, may they receive comfort and strength through our prayers, remembering especially

Agnes Bartoszek, Mary Ann Betliskey, Joann Burke, Noella Burrows, Corrine Dawe, Larry Dooley, Jose Dybzinski, Debbie Haltuch, Rose Hensley, Kristin Hill, Dolores Jastrzebski, Madeline Koston, Milton Kostyack, Cindi Magyar, Linda Rivera, Virginia Turowski, Wendy Wexler and Dolores Witovicz.

For the safety of the Men and Women serving in the military, especially those from our parish and their families.

For Our Loved Ones who have died, rest in eternal happiness in heaven, remembering especially Albina Selva and Violet Soukup whose funerals were last week.

Mark your calendars for 3 days of live, local riveting Catholic Radio! Tune in Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 8th–10th to hear local and national hosts of Living Bread Radio Network. Listen on 1060 AM or 89.5 FM.

Please remember these individuals, who have been called to the priesthood in your daily prayers.

Sunday, March 30th – Pray for All Those Discerning God's Call
Monday, March 31st – Joseph Kim
St. Mary Seminary
Tuesday, April 1st – Philip Lewandowski
Borromeo Seminary
Wednesday, April 2nd – Jeffrey Liptak
St. Mary Seminary
Thursday, April 3rd – Thomas Lydic
Borromeo Seminary
Friday, April 4th – James Cosgrove
St. Mary Seminary
Saturday, April 5th – Rev. Mr. Ryan Mann
St. Mary Seminary
Sunday, April 6th – Bishop Anthony Pilla

Also, remember in your prayers the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament (SSS)

God's Not Dead is a movie about faith and the limits one young man will go to in order to defend his belief in God. A professor teaching freshman students enrolled in a philosophy class demands that all of his students must sign a declaration that "God is dead in order to get a passing grade. Josh refuses and strikes a bargain with his professor to defend his position that "God is Alive" in a series of debates with him in order to stay in the class that he needs to get a passing grade in. If he loses, he flunks. When Josh accepts the challenge, he gets more than he bargained for – jeopardizing his faith, his relationships and even his future.

This movie is being shown at the Valley View 24 movie theater. For ticket information and free downloads visit GodsNotDead.com

Congratulations to the winners of
March's \$1000 Raffle!!!!

\$1000 Winner – Barbara Nieszczur
\$100 Ticket Seller – Barbara Nieszczur

\$10. Consolation Winners – Dee Ruth,
Sue Hovater, Stasia Gentile, Lucy Hrdlicka
and Dolores Minko

April's raffle will be held on Sunday,
April 27th after our 11 AM Mass. A book of
monthly raffle tickets is \$5.00. Please call
the rectory office at 216-641-8444 if you are
interested in purchasing a book of monthly
raffle tickets.

**St. Edward High School Edwardian
Players** are presenting "West Side Story" at
13500 Detroit Avenue (St. Edward School)
in Lakewood on Friday & Saturday, April
4th, 5th, 11th and 12th at 8 pm and Sunday,
April 13th at 3 pm. For more information,
please call 216-221-0793, ext. 201.

**Bishop Richard G. Lennon will celebrate
a special Mass** for those who have gone
through the *Rite of Christian Initiation of
Adults* receiving the Sacraments of Baptism,
Confirmation and Eucharist and for those
candidates who have been received into the
full communion of the Catholic Church,
since last Easter. This Mass will be held at
the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist on
Saturday, April 26th at 4:30 PM.

**The Jazz Nonet Band from Krakow
Poland** will be in concert on Saturday,
April 5th at 8 PM at the Polish American
Cultural Center located at 6501 Lansing
Avenue. Ticket Price - \$20.00. Please call
216-883-2828 for tickets or for more
information.

**Benedictine High School's 24th annual
Italian Heritage Club Festa** will be
Saturday, April 26th, in the school cafeteria.
The Festa is an adult dinner-dance. This
year's Person of the Year honoree is Fr.Phil
Racco. Also, this year's Festa will be
dedicated to Sonny Powall. Door open at
6:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$35 in advance and
\$40 at the door. Included in the ticket price
are an antipasto, dinner, beer, wine, soft
drinks, music, a Chinese auction
and sideboards. All proceeds of the Festa go
to the Piunno-Scaravelli and DiCioccio
Scholarship Funds of Benedictine High
School. For more information or tickets,
Contact: Mark Francioli
Phone: 216-421-2090, X-505
francioli@cbhs.net

**Thank you for bringing in your extra
plastic grocery bags for the John Paul II
Ozanam Center.** Please continue bringing
in your bags and placing them in the St.
Vincent DePaul Society plastic bins located
by the church doors.

Cleveland Performing Arts Ministries'
musical passion play "Tetélestai" will be
presented during Holy Week at **Benedictine
High School**, 2900 Martin Luther King Jr.
Dr., Cleveland, OH 44104 on Thursday
April 17th and Good Friday April 18th.
Tetélestai's dramatic stage production and
timeless music tell the story of Jesus' trial,
execution and resurrection in a visual way
that will leave a lasting impression. This is a
great way to prepare for the final holy days
of the Easter season. Performances will be
at 8:30 pm on Thursday and 8:00 pm on
Good Friday. Doors will open ½ to 1 hour
before performance time. There is no
charge, but free-will offerings will be
accepted. For more information, please visit
www.livethepassion.org.