

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK . . .

Sunday, January 17 – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 PM (Vigil Mass) People of The Parish
8:30 AM All Souls
11:00 AM The Rigg/Younger & Gilles/Neubeck Families

Monday, January 18

5:00 PM Mass at Saint Mary

Tuesday, January 19

8:30 AM Mass at Saint Mary

Wednesday, January 20 – Saint Fabian & Saint Sebastian

5:00 PM Mass at Saint Mary

Thursday, January 21 – Saint Agnes

8:30 AM Mass at Saint Mary

Friday, January 22 – Saint Vincent

8:30 AM Mass at Saint Mary

Saturday, January 23

5:00 PM Dec. of The Snezek & Yarsa Families

Sunday, January 24 – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Hazel Zajac


11:00 AM Patricia L. Keller, month's mind

12:30 PM Mason Knapp's Baptism

SCRIPTURE READINGS: The Readings for next Sunday are from Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Corinthians 12:12-30; Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21. Please read them prayerfully to prepare for the Liturgy of the Word.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS FOR 2009: If you would like a statement of the contributions you made in 2009, please call the parish office during regular hours. Statements can be emailed or picked up in the sacristy on the weekends before or after any Mass.

COLLECTION

Sunday, January 10.....  \$5,581.45
Building, Property & Maintenance..... \$800.00
Monthly Collection budgeted at \$19,125.00
(this amount represents only the collection not our total budgeted income)

MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND –JAN 23 / 24

Saturday, 5:00pm	Sunday, 8:30am	Sunday, 11:00am
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion		
Cathie Fuchs-----	Jim Smith-----	Brooke Novak
Kathleen Cole-----	Donna Moran-----	Doris Azzarello
Mary Wojciechowski---	Regina Davies-----	Dan Cuevas
Marilyn Lisicky-----		N/A
Elmer Ehlers-----		Debby Johnson
<u>Lector</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Lector</u>
Maureen Johnson	Sr. Mariette Starrie	Terry Howell
<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>
The Johnson Family	Tony Gonnella Bob Bastik Chris Smith	Paul Azzarello Dennis Balzer
<u>Counters:</u> B. Lisicky, P. Bauer, A. Siwierka, B. Schindler		

OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY: to the family and friends of Frank Sabol, Tom Chernitsky and David Kasprzak who passed away recently. May they experience the joy and peace of the Risen Christ.

MASS INTENTIONS: are now available for 2010. Call or visit Debbie in the parish office or drop your request in the collection basket and mark it "Mass intentions".

STEWARDSHIP MEETING: at 6:30PM on January 19th in the Rectory Parlor.

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

In our parish Mission Statement, which we faithfully renew on the first weekend of every month, we recognize that God has gifted us "with the charism of hospitality." So many visitors and new parishioners comment on this "flavor" of our community, its warmth and its spirit of welcome. Yet a parishioner once remarked that, while we are warm in welcoming the stranger among us, once they are regular members, we can slowly fail to notice them! Real Christian hospitality must not be so short-lived!

Being a welcoming parish goes far beyond outreach to new members. We must continue to nurture and attend to the current families and individuals in our community, some of whom have been members for the majority of our 96 years. They too must feel valued. How many of the parishioners who sit next to you, in front of you, behind you and around you do you actually know personally? Do you know what is going on in their life-story and journey? Really caring is at the heart of really welcoming.

At the same time we need to reach out to the more than 60% of our registered members who are not active and feel no engagement in the parish. Each of us must regularly invite those valued but inactive members we know personally to activities and specific events that occur each year in our parish calendar, social events, educational ones and spiritual as well. Meeting others who will value them may bring them more closely into the fold. "Belonging leads to believing!"

Finally we must reach out to the neighborhood and civic community where we are. We cannot isolate ourselves from their issues, problems, or concerns. We must be responsible and engaged neighbors. This is an area in which I think we do the least. We need to change that!

Our parish Pastoral Council is currently reflecting on these important matters. If God has gifted us "with the charism of hospitality," it's meant to be a mission. This doesn't mean another program or ministry. More than anything it means that we need to wake up to the many opportunities we have to push beyond the comfortable and familiar to the minimally known and the largely ignored. Noticing and using those opportunities is what we mean when we speak of preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom.

Peace and joy,
Father Al

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Monday

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
No PSR

Tuesday

9:45 AM Women's 12-Step Gathering (Church Hall)
6:30 PM Stewardship Team (Rectory Parlor)

Wednesday

6:30 PM Social Justice (Rectory Parlor)
7:00 PM RCIA (Church Hall)
Sunday Choir Practice

Thursday

10:00 AM Funeral Choir Practice

Saturday

4:00 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation
Food for The Poor Visiting Priest

Sunday

11:00 AM *Food for The Poor Visiting Priest*
CLOW

ANNIVERSARY CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Ron & Helen Tennant 49 years on January 18th
Your parish family wishes you continued joy and happiness!!!

CONFIRMATION SESSION #5: is today, Sunday, January 17th from 6-8PM at Saint Jude Church. Please be prompt. Make sure your calendars are marked for the Retreat Day on Sunday, February 21st beginning with the 10:30AM Mass and ending with practice from 4-5PM (at Saint Jude). The Confirmation Mass will be February 23rd at 7:00PM (at Saint Jude) with Bishop Roger Gries.

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN: Liturgy of the Word for Children (CLOW) is open to all children between the ages of 4 to 8 years old, parishioners and guests. During CLOW, adult leaders share the readings, Gospels, Creed, and petitions in a way that children understand. It is a sacred part of the Mass, not a babysitting service. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Pat Sas at 322-2640.

WE WELCOME: Larry & Teddy Witt who live on Indian Hollow Blvd, Carl Sniezek who lives in Olmsted Falls, and Phil & Lois Copeland who live on Indiana Ave. into our Saint Agnes Parish Community. Please know you are most welcome here!

FINANCIAL MISCONDUCT HOTLINE: The Diocese of Cleveland subscribes to a third party monitoring service to report instances of suspected financial misconduct in its parishes, schools, and Diocesan offices. Suspected instances can be reported anonymously by calling 1-866-235-1723.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION: In today's second reading, St. Paul tells the Corinthians (and us) that all of our gifts are from God and that they are given, not for ourselves alone, but for the common good. But the generosity of God knows no limits - the miracle at Cana reminds us that whenever we faithfully do as God asks, He can change our gifts of water into wine!

PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY: If you have not yet done so, please **register TODAY to have your photo taken** for our Pictorial Parish Directory that will be published in the spring. You can register after the Masses this weekend, on line through our parish website (www.saintagneselyria.org), or by calling the office (322-5622). Everyone who registers by the end of January will be automatically entered in a **raffle for dinner-for-two (Ruby Tuesday) and a movie (Regal Cinema)** which will be drawn after the 11:00 Mass on January 31. All those who have their picture taken will receive a free 8x10 portrait plus a free copy of the directory.

PRAISE APELLA CONCERT: On Sunday, February 7, our Elyria Cluster will host the concert of **PRAISE-APELLA**, a contemporary Christian vocal band, a band without instruments! Tickets are \$10 for adults (\$15 at the door), \$5 for children 6-12. This is not a *fund-raising* event but a *fun-raising* event! However we *do* need to sell all the tickets in order to pay for the concert. It you could not only buy tickets yourself, but sell five or ten to other friends and neighbors, you'd sure be helping us a lot! Call the office.

FOOD FOR THE POOR: Father Raymond Jarboe, a retired diocesan priest presently living in Boise, Idaho, and a member of the Speakers Bureau of Food For the Poor, will be our guest presider, and preacher at all Masses next weekend. Food for the Poor is now the largest relief and assistance agency in the country and in 17 countries and three States in Mexico due to last summer's storms. He will not be taking up a collection but sharing concern and materials with us. Please give him your rapt attention.

FATHER AL AWAY – Father Al will be on vacation with some fellow priests, January 19-28, getting some rest, relaxation, and renewal. If pastoral need arises, please call Deacon Bruce (ext 16), Sister Jennifer (ext. 17), or Debbie in the parish office.

MEET AND GREET DARLENE KHOURY: This weekend our new cluster Youth Minister, Darlene Khoury, will be introduced and presented at all our parish Masses so that all of you will have an opportunity to meet her, greet her, and talk to her personally. Cluster youth activities will be starting up in February, and you'll want to know the energy and wisdom that is behind them.

BIRTHRIGHT OF LORAIN COUNTY: is in desperate need of boys and girls winter clothing sizes 3 to 7. If you have any clothing to donate call Birthright directly at 324-9566 or put them in the front vestibule with Birthright's name on them and Lynn Novak will deliver them for you. Everything is needed: coats, shirts/tops, sweaters, pants, dresses, skirts, pajamas, socks, shoes, boots, etc.

LADIES BOOK CLUB: will meet Tuesday February 2nd at 7PM, in the Parish Hall. The Wednesday Sisters by Meg Waite Clayton is the selection. Also read Chapters 3& 4 in Mother Teresa's Prescription. Write down your comments/reflections to be discussed at our next meeting. Any questions contact Irma (ikmarquart@gmail.com 323-3542).

WORSHIP COMMISSION: The parish Worship Commission will meet on Tuesday evening, February 2, at 6:30 PM, in the parlor of the rectory to discuss Lent 2010.