

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK . . .

Sunday, January 24 – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 PM (Vigil Mass) Dec. of The Snezek & Yarsa Fam.
8:30 AM Hazel Zajac
11:00 AM Patricia L. Keller, month's mind
12:30 PM Mason Knapp's Baptism

Monday, January 25 – Conversion of Saint Paul
7:00 AM Mass at Saint Jude / 5:00 PM at Saint Mary

Tuesday, January 26 – Saints Timothy and Titus
8:30 AM Masses at Saint Jude and Saint Mary

Wednesday, January 27 – Saint Angela Merici
7:00 AM Mass at Saint Jude / 5:00 PM at Saint Mary

Thursday, January 28 – Saint Thomas Aquinas
8:30 AM Mass at Saint Mary

Friday, January 29
8:30 AM All Souls

Saturday, January 30
5:00 PM Steve J. Hrehocik Jr.

Sunday, January 31 – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 AM Jill Borowy-Gadke
11:00 AM Francis P. Callahan

SCRIPTURE READINGS: The Readings for next Sunday are from Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19; 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Luke 4:21-30. 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 17..... \$5,913.95
Restoration (combined weeks)..... \$250.00
CRS Collection for Haiti \$3,459.12
Monthly Collection budgeted at \$19,125.00
(this amount represents only the collection not our total budgeted income)



MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND –JAN 30 / 31

Saturday, 5:00pm	Sunday, 8:30am	Sunday, 11:00am
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion		
Anna Glowacki-----	Brenda M. Troxtell-----	Lana Lednik
Phyllis Hall-----	N/A-----	Phil Lednik
Casey Glowacki-----	Sr. Jennifer Kramer-----	Carol Bryson
N/A-----	N/A-----	N/A
Jean Seybert-----		Ann Bittner
<u>Lector</u> Kevin Hall	<u>Lector</u> Barb Kapucinski	<u>Lector</u> Janet Toth
<u>Altar Servers</u> Kathleen Cole Cathie Fuchs Debby Johnson	<u>Altar Servers</u> The Johnson Family	<u>Altar Servers</u> Gage Blair Christina Finnegan Paige Bauer
<u>Counters:</u> C. Zimmerly, D. Bauer, J. Kovaik, D. Knapp		

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".

WE WELCOME: Annette Chobody who lives in LaGrange, Rick & Eliza Gornek who live on Courtland Street, Jose & Tamie Lopez who live on Harvard Avenue, Lizz Kohazi who lives on North Ridge Road and Maggie Barta who lives on Harvard Avenue into our Saint Agnes Parish Community. Please know you are most welcome here!

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Not the slightest doubt is in my mind that you will make our visitor, Father Raymond Jarboe, welcome and at home today as he shares with you the great works that Food for the Poor is doing all over our country and well beyond. Father Ray is a retired diocesan priest who is giving his time, energy, and skill to spread the word. (What a great example of Christian stewardship!) While there will not be a second collection for Food for the Poor, You *will* hear about their work, and I know some of you will come to be involved. I urge you. It's a great organization!

Our hearts and minds have been so attuned to the people of Haiti these last two weeks. Besides the death of tens of thousands of people, besides losing at least half of all the buildings in Port-au-Prince (including the cathedral and the presidential palace), besides losing access to clean drinking water, besides going hungry and being reduced to pushing and screaming in huge groups trying to receive donated provisions, besides sleeping on the street and spending days searching for missing loved ones, how does one find hope? I am so deeply impressed that the media reports that the deep faith of these people in God is what is getting them through. Were we in the USA to face such devastation, I wonder how we would handle it. Would healing faith exceed massive violence?

You have been so generous to this cause. In the second collection last weekend, we collected \$2,582.12! The Outreach Ministry part of our Saint Vincent de Paul Society has contributed also. I have also decided—with the approval of our parish Finance Council—to donated 15% of the parish collection last weekend which added \$877.00 to the relief. All these funds will go to Catholic Relief Services, an aid organization which I thoroughly endorse having seen what they did in El Salvador.

Continue to fast and pray for the good people of Haiti, and that the Holy Spirit will touch the hearts of believers motivating them to be the mercy and aid that they pray for. Wasn't it John Kennedy who said, "God's work is truly our own"?

Peace and joy,
Father Al

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Monday

6:45 PM PSR

Tuesday

9:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration begins
9:45 AM Women's 12-Step Gathering (Church Hall)
6:30 PM Closing Benediction
7:00 PM Evangelization Meeting (Church Hall)

Wednesday

7:00 PM RCIA (Church Hall)
Sunday Choir Practice

Saturday

4:00 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday

11:00 AM CLOW

ANNIVERSARY CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Ken & Jen Whitten 9 years on January 27th
Charles & Eva Kramar 60 years on January 28th
Jamie & Terri White 17 years on January 29th
Your parish family wishes you continued joy and happiness!!!

CONFIRMATION: 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.

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.

FUND RAISING COMMITTEE will meet at 6:30 PM on Monday, February 1st in the parish hall.

OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY TO: our parishioner Mariann Zaletel on death of her brother, Larry Schwartz. May he experience the joy and peace of the Risen Christ.

PRO-LIFE MINISTRY NEWS: Join us on Thursday, February 18th at 7:30PM in the Church Hall for an evening of education. Our guest speaker will be Peggy Gerovac, Director of the Diocese Pro-Life Office. Everyone is invited!

EVANGELIZATION MEETING: On Tuesday, January 26th there will be a meeting in the Church Hall beginning at 7:00PM to discern members of The Saint Agnes Evangelization Team.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION: The U.S. bishops' pastoral on stewardship reinforces today's reading from 1 Corinthians: "Because its individual members do collectively make up the Body of Christ, that body's health and well-being are the responsibility of the members - the personal responsibility of each one of us. We all are stewards of the Church."

BULLETIN NEWS: If you would like your anniversary or other congratulations listed in the bulletin please call Debbie in the office.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION: Saint Agnes has an outstanding religious education and formation program for our young people. Saint Jude School and Saint Mary School in Elyria offer a comprehensive educational program based upon Catholic Christian values and spirituality. Likewise, if your child attends a public school you are reminded of our Parish School of Religion that supplements public school education on a weekly basis. If your child is not receiving Catholic education and formation call 322-5622 for more information.

A MATTER OF THE HEART: January 22, 2010 marked the 37th anniversary of the Supreme Court decision which legalized abortion in our country for the entire nine months of pregnancy. In that time millions of victims have suffered and died. Let us remember them and pray for a renewed commitment in the service of life. *Roe v. Wade* has left a trail of broken hearts. We must reach these hearts and give them hope. *Roe v. Wade* cannot stand as the law of this great nation, a nation founded on the self-evident truth that all people are created with an inalienable right to life. We are committed, as Catholics, to bringing about a reversal of this tragic Supreme Court decision. The next meeting of our Saint Agnes Pro-Life Ministry will be Thursday, February 18th at 7:00 pm in the church hall. All parishioners are invited to join this life-changing group! Contact Karen for more info. (366-9019 or mysticalroseinc@yahoo.com).

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).

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. **If 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.