



*A note
from our Pastor*

We continue these early days of the New Year with the Feast of the Epiphany; Jesus is revealed to and for the entire world and the whole of creation.

The word 'January' comes from the name a Roman god; Janus. His statue had two faces; one that looked backwards and the other forward. The Romans believed that this was the appropriate time to give thanks for what had passed and to be hopeful for what lies ahead. We keep this ancient tradition alive when we let go of the old year and make new year's resolutions. For what am I thankful from last year? Am I beginning this new year with faith, hope and optimism?

Today as we celebrate the Epiphany, we recall that Jesus is born for everyone and the whole universe. The word 'Epiphany' means to show or to reveal; the curtain is pulled back and all is now revealed to us. God is not distant, silent or remote. God is with us personally in the very person of Jesus. When Jesus speaks, we hear God speaking; when we see the face of Jesus as the Magi did, it is God eyes into which we look. No one is outside the loving gaze or embrace of God through the person and presence of Jesus.

Beginning something new can fill us with anxiety, especially a new year. We don't know what will happen to us or what lies ahead of us. But we are not our own; *God is with us*. There is the modern parable about the woman who was worried about the new year. She prayed to God saying; 'Lord, give me a light so that I can find my way as this year starts.' There was silence. Then she heard God say, 'No, I will not give you a light. You take my hand and we will walk into the new year together.' We are not our own as we continue this New Year.

The Nativity and the Epiphany call us to remember and celebrate the deep mystery and reality that God is with us in the most personal and intimate way possible. To repeat, God is now no longer distant, remote or silent. St. Paul's letter to the Colossians reminds us of this and encourages us with these profound words: it is Christ in you, the hope for glory! (Col 1:27b)

When the shepherds looked at Jesus, they saw someone like themselves who later said, *I am the Good Shepherd*. When these visitors from East offered their gifts, they too saw one like themselves, who later said, *Yes, I am King*. Take

some time these days to look into crib; who and what do you see? Do you see yourself in this child's face? Do you see someone like just like you?

As Pope Leo the Great reminds us; ***O Christian be aware of your dignity and nobility, it is God's own life that you now share.***



Coming right up: The dates for the second installment of our Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible program will be January 10, 17, 24, and 31; Wednesday evenings at 7:00. A good way to prepare and "get back in the swing" would be to do the homework from Session 4, which, as you know, will prepare you for Session 5.

We are always in need of stocking the shelves with non perishable items (i.e. food, body soap, dish soap, laundry soap, toothpaste, shampoo, etc. See list on bulletin boards). We do request that there be **NO** donations of religious items (i.e. cards, calendars, books, etc.). A huge thank you for all your support during 2023 whether it be through monetary or item donations, volunteering and prayers.

**HELPING
HANDS**



2024 Calendars are available on the book shelves in the entrance ways. If you get the chance, please thank Norton Eastman for supplying them to the parish.

Also available are copies of **"Beautiful Eucharist"**, a book of reflections by Matthew Kelly. Please help yourself if you haven't already received one.



The next community dinner is Tuesday, January 30th. The sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board. Any questions? Call Anne at 440-647-4375 Ext. 6.

Mass Intention Book for 2024

Mass intentions for the calendar year 2024 are now being accepted. Besides having a mass remembrance for a deceased loved one, masses can be intended for the living. Birthdays and anniversaries are special days that can be remembered with a mass intention. Mass stipends are \$10 each. Please call the office or stop by to schedule masses.

Chairs for sale at Sacred Heart:

\$25 each

or

4 for \$75

Call 440.707.6707x0



We are in need of Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar servers. Please consider volunteering for **any or all** of these ministries. It will take no more of your time than you already spend here at church. If interested or if you have any questions, talk to Fr. Trask or call the office at (440) 647-4375 extension 0.



Once again, we will be emailing the 2023 contribution statements in the new year. Please make sure we have your current email address on file. Receiving the weekly bulletin via email does NOT mean we have your correct email address. That is a service for which you registered separately and we are not privy to that information. Either email us a quick note so we can compare addresses with our files, write down your email address along with your name and drop it in the collection basket or bring it to the office during business hours. Thank you.



Mass Intentions

for the week

Monday, January 8

8:45 am ... at St. Patrick Parishioners

Tuesday January 9

9:00 am ... Our Lady Queen of Peace.. Grafton

Wednesday, January 10

6:30 pm ... at St. Patrick Parishioners

Thursday, January 11

8:45 am....at Sacred Heart ... Elsie McCormick

Friday, January 12

8:45 am....at SH Leonardo Leocadio

Saturday, January 13

4:00 pm....at Sacred Heart.....Helen Komoski

6:00 pm ... at St. Patrick Tom Murowsky

Sunday, January 14

8:15 am ... at St. Patrick Parishioners

10:30 am....at Sacred Heart..... Donna Hayes

The Outreach collection for January will be for the Rice Bowls. Thank you for your generosity.



Daily Mass Readings

January 7 — January 13, 2024

Sunday	Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
Monday	Is 55:1-11 or 1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11
Tuesday	1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28 or 1 Sm 1:1-8 and 1:9-20/Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28
Wednesday	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39
Thursday	1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45
Friday	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Mk 2:13-17

The full text of all Mass readings



*A note
from our Pastor*

As Jesus walked by minding His own business, John pointed at Him and said to those who were with Him, 'Look there is the Lamb of God.' They dropped everything they were doing, left John and followed Jesus. Before they could speak or say anything, Jesus turned, looked at them and asked a very direct and personal question; 'What are you looking for?'

What a question! Jesus wasted no time in getting to the heart of the matter. They responded with a question of their own, 'Master, where do you live? This question was not about directions or an address. They really wanted to know who Jesus is and where He comes from. In response, Jesus did not give them directions or an address. He offered them an invitation, 'Come and see.' This was a very open and a very challenging invitation; it was then and still is today.

Jesus did not force them to follow Him. He did not insist that they go with Him. He simply said to them that if they wanted to know who He is, then they were welcome to go with Him and spend some time with Him. The best way to get to know a person is to spend time with them. And so, we are told *that they went with Him, saw where He lived and stayed with Him the rest of the day.* We can only guess that they ate with Jesus, they spoke to Him and that they listened to Him. After their time with Jesus, we are told that one of them, Andrew, went and told his brother, Peter, about Jesus and actually brought him to meet Jesus. Andrew became a missionary disciple. He shared with Peter what he himself experienced from being with Jesus.

Are we so different from these people in the gospel? Every day Jesus offers us the same open invitation, 'Come and see.' Jesus wants to be with us so we too can spend some time with Him. The choice whether or not we accept this invitation and follow Jesus is ours to make. He will not force us or make us follow Him. It has to be our choice. If we do follow Jesus, then we are going to be changed, just as Andrew was. You can't experience Jesus

and stay the same. Andrew didn't keep to himself the experience of being with Jesus and neither can we. We are called by Jesus to share our good news about Him with others. That's what being a disciple means. Today each of us is being called by Jesus to become a missionary disciple.

The best way we can talk to Jesus and listen to Him is through prayer. We can read the gospels, pray the rosary, go to mass or we can simply light a candle in our kitchen and sit in silence. Through our prayer, we hear the invitation of Jesus. When He says, 'Come and see,' what is your response?

HELPING HANDS

Tues., Jan. 16th 6-8 pm
Sat., Jan. 20th 10 am—1 pm

The pantry is open to residents in the 44090 zip code and ALL St. Patrick Parishioners. Income restrictions apply. You will need a photo ID and address verification.

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The Sunday PSR and Confirmation classes will again be providing Easter baskets for Elm's and St. Patrick Manor residents. We DO NOT need any baskets this year. We are in need of hand sanitizer, hand lotion, Chapstick, pens, word puzzle books, plastic Easter eggs, and Easter candy.

Please drop off in bins in the south entrance way. If you want to contribute but don't want to shop please put monetary donations in the collection baskets in envelope marked "PSR Easter project".

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ST. PAULY TEXTILE SHED

Do you know that Sacred Heart has a place to donate usable textiles such as **clothing, shoes, sneakers, purses, belts, linens and blankets?** Their St. Pauly Textile shed is located at the south-east corner of their parking lot. **Please be sure to place all items in a tightly secured plastic bag.** St. Pauly distributes clothing to people all over the world who need it and all the clothing that they collect is worn by someone somewhere. St. Pauly is able to provide money to organizations like Sacred Heart that partner with them. Thank you to those who have already donated.

The Catholic Cemeteries Association offers free, safe, and compassionate monthly Grief Support meetings in-person in six of our offices and virtually. For details, visit:

<https://www.clecem.org/Information/Bereavement.aspx>.

For more information or questions, call Rhonda at 216-930-4866.

Need to drop papers off at the office but it is closed? Feel free to place items in lock box by the office door. It is checked regularly.

Collection Report for December

Sunday Offering	\$9543.63
Christmas.....	\$2219.97
Maintenance.....	\$70.00
Christmas Parish Use Only	\$3450.00
Outreach	\$633.70
Designated for Parish Use Only	\$21348.49
Total Received	\$37265.79

Thank you for sharing that which God has so generously shared with you!



Mass Intentions

for the week

Monday, January 15

8:45 am ... at St. Patrick..... NO MASS

Tuesday January 16

9:00 am ... Our Lady Queen of Peace .. Grafton

Wednesday, January 17

6:30 pm ... at St. Patrick..... NO MASS

Thursday, January 18

8:45 am....at Sacred HeartNO MASS

Friday, January 19

8:45 am....at Sacred Heart NO MASS

Saturday, January 20

4:00 pm....at Sacred HeartJohn Komoski

6:00 pm ... at St. Patrick.....Tom Murowsky

Sunday, January 21

8:15 am ... at St. Patrick..... Parishioners

10:30 am....at Sacred HeartAgnes Anthony



Consider making your weekly donations through myEoffering at **donate.StPatrick.cc**

Daily Mass Readings

January 14 — January 20, 2024

Sunday	1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42
Monday	1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday	1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12
Friday	1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Mk 3:20-21

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from our Pastor*

Today we begin our trek through the Gospel of Mark. John the Baptist has been arrested and Jesus is beginning to proclaim the Good News from God.

Jesus is beginning His public ministry and so He starts to call people to follow Him. Jesus always made a point of meeting and calling people wherever He found them. He met and called Matthew the tax collector when he was counting his money. He met and called the woman when she came to the well for water.

In the gospel this Sunday Jesus meets people while they doing their ordinary daily work of fishing and mending their nets on the sea shore. They weren't on their knees praying in the temple or the synagogue. Jesus called these men by their given names, so He must have seen them before and known them. Today in the same way, Jesus continues to call us by our name. In the Old Testament, there are two beautiful pieces of scripture through which God says, *I have called you by your name, you are Mine* and that *I have written your name on the palms of My hands*. This is how personally and intimately God knows and loves each of us.

Jesus calls us wherever we are, regardless of who are. Each of is called by Jesus. He breaks into our world through our ordinary daily lives and activities. Jesus has not stopped calling people to follow Him. Today we are the ones He looks at, calls by name and says, *'Come follow Me.'* Those in the gospel dropped everything they were doing and followed Jesus when He called them. This was all very sudden and dramatic. Our response may not be as quick and decisive, but it doesn't need to be; we all follow Jesus at our own pace, in our time, and in our own way.

The important thing to remember and realize is that Jesus never stops calling us by our name. He is still inviting us to follow Him with these words, *if you want to be disciple, come, take up your cross and follow Me.*

After Jesus called these men and women to follow He sent them out in His name to proclaim the good news of the Kingdom of God. He sent them out in *His* name, not their own. Today we are the ones who are not only called, we are also sent out to proclaim the gospel through how we live; through what we say and what do.

This very day Jesus is calling you by your name; how will *you* respond?

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Craft Night

The St. Patrick

Activities Committee would like to invite you to their next Craft Night, Thursday, February 8th from 6:00-8:30 pm in the church hall. You must register by calling or texting Darlene at 440.371.3888 to insure that there are enough supplies. A \$10 fee will



cover the cost of supplies. Participants will create three different projects which include making a bracelet, making a card and diamond art.

MAJORITY OF ONE, our parish adult singles group, will have lunch at Lorenzo's on Thursday, January 25th, at 11:30. Please leave a message for Carrol at 440-647-3251 no later than Tuesday the 23rd to RSVP. Be sure to leave your phone number in case a change in date or time arises and we need to contact you. Thank you!

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For those who have requested a name on the prayer list found in the entranceways and on the parish website, could you please look over the names and see if any names can be removed as their situation has improved. Please let the office know of any omissions or additions. Thank you.

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RETURN TO SENDER



HAS YOUR ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER CHANGED?

If so, please let the parish office know your new address and/or phone number. You can call 440.647.4375 ext. 0, email the secretary@StPatrick.cc or stop in the office during office hours.

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for the week

Monday, January 22

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Tuesday January 23

9:00 am ... Our Lady Queen of Peace ..Grafton

Wednesday, January 24

6:30 pm ...at St. Patrick..... NO MASS

Thursday, January 25

8:45 am....at Sacred Heart NO MASS

Friday, January 26

8:45 am....at Sacred Heart NO MASS

Saturday, January 27

4:00 pm....at Sacred Heart Helen Komoski

6:00 pm ...at St. Patrick..... Rick Gill

Sunday, January 28

8:15 am ...at St. Patrick..... Parishioners

10:30 am....at Sacred Heart Bill Schlather

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Daily Mass Readings

January 21 — January 27, 2024

Sunday	2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Mk 3:22-30
Monday	2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Mk 3:31-35
Tuesday	2 Sm 7:4-17/Mk 4:1-20
Wednesday	Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18
Thursday	2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Mk 4:26-34
Friday	2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Mk 4:35-41
Saturday	Dt 18:15-20/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

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From reading the gospels, we know that Jesus was great speaker and wonderful storyteller. So good at this was

He, that Peter even once said, *'Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.'* Jesus always knew His audience and to whom He was speaking. He spoke about seeds being sowed, He talked about sheep and shepherds, wine and vineyards and He even spoke about a woman baking bread! Perhaps that is why in this Sunday's gospel we read that *'the people were astonished at His teaching, for He taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes.'* What Jesus offered the people then, and to us today, is Good News—not fake news!

But it is not only what Jesus says that makes an impact on the people, it also what He does. In the gospel this Sunday, Jesus heals a man who is sick with an unclean spirit. At the time of Jesus, to be sick was seen as punishment by God because the person was a sinner. When Jesus healed the man, the gathered people were even more amazed at what He did rather than just what He said. If this Jesus could heal a man and forgive him his sins, then who is He? They have heard Him speak with authority and they have seen Him heal a man who was sick; their response to experiencing Jesus is *'What is this? A new teaching – with authority!'*

As we continue through these early days and weeks of this New Year, it seems appropriate that Jesus offers us something that is radically new. What is this 'new' message that Jesus offers us? The intimate presence of God in our midst!

There is the story that tells of a man praying to change his ways and begin anew; he is worried, afraid and anxious about the road ahead. So he prays to God saying, *'Lord, give me a light so that I may walk into my new way of life without fear of failure.'* His prayer was initially met with silence. But after a period of silence, God spoke and said, *'No, I will not give you a light. Instead, you take my hand and*

we will walk into your future together.'

As we're already 1/12th of the way through 2024, and our New Years' Resolutions were likely long-ago discarded, will you take the opportunity to attempt those resolutions again—but this time, hand-in-hand with the Lord?



COMMUNITY DINNER

Tuesday,
January 30th
5:00—6:00 pm



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Craft Night

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Dinner Includes: Lake Erie Perch, Macaroni & Cheese, Coleslaw, Soup and Dessert.
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The cost for the dinners will be
\$18 Adults \$9.00 Kids(10 & under)
Under 2 free

Special: Buy 6 adult tickets before
February 9th for \$96.00.

Tickets can be purchased in the St. Patrick
Church office during office hours.



Mass Intentions

for the week

Monday, January 29

8:45 am ... at St. Patrick..... Mike & Anna Mihok

Tuesday January 30

9:00 am ... Our Lady Queen of Peace .. Grafton

Wednesday, January 31

6:30 pm ... at St. Patrick..... Elliana Holmes

Thursday, February 1

8:45 am....at SH Stephnia Rozmarynowycz

Friday, February 2

8:45 am....at Sacred Heart Parishioners

Saturday, February 3

4:00 pm....at Sacred Heart ...Joseph L. Findlan

6:00 pm ... at St. Patrick.....Kenneth Brill

Sunday, February 4

8:15 am ... at St. Patrick.....Mary Baker

10:30 am....at Sacred Heart Stephen Ladina

The Helping Hands Food
Pantry would like to thank
the parishioners of St.
Patrick Church for all the
food donations. Please
remember we are a food
pantry and only food items
and cleaning products are accepted. Thank you
so very much for your generosity



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Liturgical Ministers FEBRUARY 2024

	Sat. 6 PM	Sun 8:15 AM
LECTOR	J. Stocking	D. Beltowski
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	C. Fedak C. Jones T. Garn	S. Holmes A. Deidrick P. Mohrman
SERVERS	2/10-2/24 V. Hovinetz 2/3-2/17 J. Schwartzner	M. Mohrman

Daily Mass Readings

January 28 — February 3, 2024

Sunday	Dt 18:15-20/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28
Monday	2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday	2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday	2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Mk 6:1-6
Thursday	1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/Mk 6:7-13
Friday	Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
Saturday	1 Kgs 3:4-13/Mk 6:30-34

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Before you know it, we'll be into Lent and be in the midst of the annual Catholic Charities Appeal.

Though they ask that appeal envelopes be filled out while you're sitting in the pew, I've always found it's more appropriate to allow you time to prayerfully review finances and make an informed pledge. To that end, a copy of the annual appeal pledge form is in today's bulletin (and will be included next weekend as well). Please take this to prayer and consider how the Lord is inviting you to join with people throughout our diocese in assisting those who are in desperate need of assistance.

When you've completed the form, simply drop it in the weekly collection basket—or drop it by the parish office at your convenience.

Yes! I want to support the 2024 Appeal and donate electronically:

To make a safe, easy and secure gift online please choose an option below.

Your parish receives credit towards their parish goal regardless of how you donate.



Give Online
Scan or visit
www.CatholicCommunity.org/donate



Text to GIVE
Text CCHOPE
to 41444

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Spouse _____

Home Address ☐ New _____

City _____

State _____

Zip Code _____

Phone ☐ Cell ☐ Home _____

Email (for future contact) _____

Parish Name **St. Patrick Parish**

Parish City **Wellington, OH**

☐ I have already given to the Appeal through the mail. **(DO NOT FILL IN PLEDGE BOX ON RIGHT.)**

☐ I do not wish to make a gift to the Appeal at this time.

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT PLAN OPTIONS

☐ Charge Total Payment Today of \$ _____

☐ Set up to 10 Monthly Automatic Payments of \$ _____ per month*

☐ Set up a Monthly Recurring Charge of \$ _____ per month*

CREDIT CARD INFORMATION

☐ MasterCard ☐ VISA ☐ AmEx ☐ Discover

Credit Card Number _____

Expiration Date _____

3-digit security code _____

Signature _____

Pot Luck Fish Frys!



Join us February 23, March 1, 8, 15, and 22 from 5-6:30 pm.

The Activities Committee will provide the fish (perch), coleslaw and fries. You bring a side dish and/or dessert to share (enough for 8-10 people). Cost is a donation. Take out orders of fish, coleslaw and fries are available for \$18. Bring your family and friends! We are also in need of help with frying and clean up for the Fish Frys. We start at 3:30 with prep and clean up after. If you are able to help please contact the office to let us know.

Suggested Pledge

Suggested Recurring Payment

Hoban Society

☐ \$2,500 \$250/monthly

Pacers' Society

☐ \$1,000 \$100/monthly

Circle of Charity

☐ \$500 \$50/monthly

Circle of Hope

☐ **\$365 \$36.50/monthly**

Circle of Faith

☐ \$200 \$20/monthly

☐ Other \$ _____

☐ \$ _____ Total Amount Pledged

☐ \$ _____ Amount Enclosed

* Monthly until I ask you to stop. By completing this monthly commitment, you authorize the storing and charging of this card for monthly payments. Recurring gifts can be changed or stopped anytime by calling 216-696-6525 ext 3670.

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Jack 216.210.0186 or Sue 440.240.3192.

Dear Parishioners,

Every Christmas and Easter I get several compliments of how nice the music is. The fact of the matter is, you, the parishioners are the reason the music is beautiful. Your singing is beautiful. I hear it every week. I've been trying for several years to put together a choir, but I need your help. I



need you to join. Please stop and see me. I promise you the benefits are wonderful.

Carl

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Mass Intentions

for the week

Monday, February 5

8:45 amat St. PatrickMichael Nunez

Tuesday, February 6

9:00 am Our Lady Queen of Peace Grafton

Wednesday, February 7

6:30 pmat St. Patrick Tom Murowsky

Thursday, February 8

8:45 am.....at SH Ana Ines Iturbe de Orlandini

Friday, February 9

8:45 am.....at SH Frances L. (Pelosi) Vennoch

Saturday, February 10

4:00 pm.....at SHAnthony & Ann Zulli

6:00 pmat St. PatrickParishioners

Sunday, February 11

8:15 amat SPJohn, Joseph & George
Mycek

10:30 am.....at SH Donors to Giving Tree
and other giving opportunities

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Tuesday	1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday	1 Kgs 10:1-10/Mk 7:14-23
Thursday	1 Kgs 11:4-13/Mk 7:24-30
Friday	1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Mk 7:31-37
Saturday	1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Mk 8:1-10

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Lent begins on Wednesday. Throughout the Lenten season, Catholics (14 and older) are to **abstain from eating meat** on Ash

Wednesday and the Friday's of lent. Additionally, the practice of **fasting** (eating smaller meals) on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday is obligatory for those age 14-59 ... but is encouraged of others→so long as it doesn't post a risk to your health.

Although Ash Wednesday is NOT a Holy Day, many opt to being the Lenten season by coming to Mass. Two options for Mass on Ash Wednesday are:

8:45AM at Sacred Heart

6:30PM at St. Patrick, Wellington

The practice of praying the Stations of the Cross is strongly encouraged during Lent. We'll pray them as a community at 7pm on the Friday's of Lent ... but you're welcome to stop by the parish to pray them at a day/time of your choosing (as long as the parish office is open).

This is the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal weekend. To aid in your prayerful commitment to helping the needy within the Diocese of Cleveland, please complete and return the pledge form on the left.

I've received a few calls from people telling me *I've already pledged* or *I'm already giving to Catholic Charities*; do I still need to complete this pledge card?

The Diocese strongly recommends that YOU COMPLETE ANOTHER FORM and check that you're already giving. The reason for the additional form is for their "checks & balances:

- If you indicated you're already giving, but they don't have record of it—they'll reach out to you.
- If you indicate you're already giving, but your pledge is being credited to a different St. Patrick Parish (there are several in our diocese) they'll associate your giving with the proper St. Patrick Parish

Thank you, again, for your prayerful consideration of a pledge to help those who might otherwise go without!

To learn more about Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Cleveland, visit their website at:

<https://www.ccdocle.org>

Yes! I want to support the 2024 Appeal and donate electronically:

To make a safe, easy and secure gift online please choose an option below.

Your parish receives credit towards their parish goal regardless of how you donate.



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First Name _____ Last Name _____ Spouse _____

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City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

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Parish Name **St. Patrick Parish** Parish City **Wellington, OH**

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☐ \$2,500 \$250/monthly

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Circle of Hope

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Sat., Feb. 17th 10 am-1 pm
Tues., Feb. 20th 6-8 pm

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for the week

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8:45 am.... at St. Patrick Jackie Cardinale

Tuesday, February 13

9:00 am.... Our Lady Queen of Peace.... Grafton

Wednesday, February 14

6:30 pm.... at St. Patrick Anna Lasko

Thursday, February 15

8:45 am....at SH Leonardo Leocadio

Friday, February 16

8:45 am....at Sacred Heart Carl Kocina

Saturday, February 17

4:00 pm....at Sacred Heart Michael Toth

6:00 pm.... at St. Patrick Joanne Farr

Sunday, February 18

8:15 am.... at St. Patrick Carl Turner

10:30 am....at SH Eileen Bubukovich

Liturgical Ministers	ASH WEDNESDAY	February 14
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D. Breyley	C. Fedak	D. Johnston



The Community Meal on February 27th will all be done by the Men's Club. See you for sign-ups in March.



Daily Mass Readings

February 11 — February 17, 2024

Sunday	Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45
Monday	Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday	Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday	Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday	Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25
Friday	Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15
Saturday	Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32

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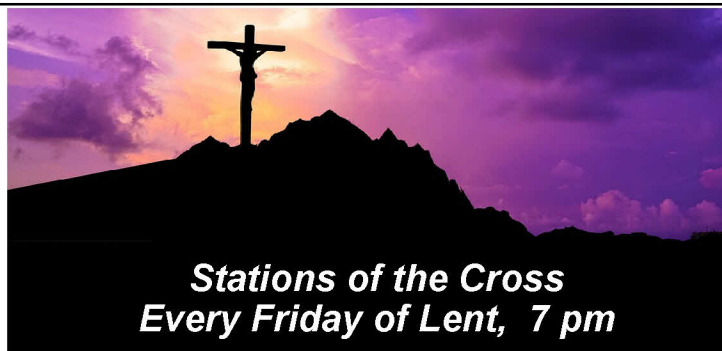
Strange as it may seem to us so soon after Advent and Christmas, but this is the first Sunday of Lent. On Ash Wednesday, we began our Lenten Pilgrimage with Jesus as we prepare to celebrate Easter. However, we have some way to go with Jesus and each other before we can experience the joy and new life of Easter.

Our gospel this Sunday sees Jesus being led into the desert. The gospel puts it rather more seriously than Jesus being led into the desert! It opens with the words, The Spirit drove Jesus into the wilderness (desert) and remained with Him for forty days. Why was Jesus led or driven into the desert?

The desert in Jewish history is very important. When God freed and saved the People of Israel from slavery in Egypt, they spent forty years in the desert. They wandered and sometimes got lost as they tried to find their way to the Promised Land. This was not an easy journey for them. At times they lost faith in each other and in God. They forgot the promise that God made with them; 'I will be your God and you will be My people.' As they made their way through the desert, many would have stopped travelling and settled near the closest oasis or watering hole. Some others would have joined others tribes and religions that they met on along the way. Famously, when they were at their lowest, they made a statue of a golden calf and began to worship it. They had forgotten where they had come from, what God had done for them and lost sight of where God was leading them.

It is no surprise that we begin Lent with Jesus in the desert. Like His ancestors, He too is tried, tested and tempted. However, Jesus refused to give up or give in so quickly or so easily. Although our gospel for this Sunday is written by St. Mark, the gospel of St. Matthew gives us more information about what might have happened to Jesus. He is tempted with the false gifts of power, prestige and wealth. His power and identity come from God. Jesus knows who He is, where He comes from and where He is going on His own journey. He leaves the desert with these powerful words which He offers us today; 'The time has come, the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.' What is this Good News that Jesus asks us to hear and believe? It is the good news that each of us is created, loved and forgiven by God.

As we begin our own Lenten journey



today, we need to recall and remember that we are not setting out on this journey on our own. God is with us walking by our side very step of way. When we are tempted, we need to follow the example of Jesus. He did not rely on His own strength. He turned to God and asked for help which He received. We will not be able to walk the Lenten journey on our own. We need to realize that like Jesus, we too need God's help, support, guidance and protection. Whenever we feel tired or ready to give up or give in, we need to turn to God for encouragement. We know that God will be with us during Lent as God was with Jesus when He was in the desert. God will never leave us alone.

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Collection Report for January

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Maintenance.....	\$250.00
Outreach.....	\$772.70
Designated for Parish Use Only	\$9333.90
Total Received	\$17373.90

**Thank you for sharing that which God
has so generously shared with you!**



Mass Intentions

for the week

Monday, February 19

8:45 am..... at St. Patrick..... Marie Mycek &
Elizabeth Cannon

Tuesday, February 20

9:00 am..... Our Lady Queen of Peace Grafton

Wednesday, February 21

6:30 pm..... at St. Patrick..... James Lasko

Thursday, February 22

8:45 am..... at Sacred Heart..... Parishioners

Friday, February 23

8:45 am..... at Sacred Heart..... Parishioners

Saturday, February 24

4:00 pm..... at SH..... Inocente Martínez Bautista
6:00 pm..... at St. Patrick..... Helen Opalecky

Sunday, February 25

8:15 am..... at St. Patrick..... Parishioners
10:30 am..... at Sacred Heart..... Robert Diedrick

Mass intentions for the calendar year 2024 are now being accepted. Birthdays and anniversaries are special days that can be remembered with a mass intention. Mass stipends are \$10 each. Please call the office or stop by to schedule masses.

Daily Mass Readings

February 18 — February 24, 2024

Sunday	Gn 9:8-15/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15
Monday	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday	Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday	Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32
Thursday	1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19
Friday	Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26
Saturday	Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48

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If you haven't heard it already, you will shortly: the Diocese of Cleveland will be advertising and promoting an *Evening*

of Confession throughout the Diocese THIS Wednesday, Feb 28th from 5-8pm.

This event has always been well-received, and has been an occasion for many who've been away from the church to return; the healing that takes place through Confession is often overwhelming.

As I am responsible for both Sacred Heart and St. Patrick parishes and cannot physically be present at both for the same ***Evening of Confessions***, the event will be segmented (as it has been in years past).

- Weds, Feb 28th from 5-8pm at St. Patrick,
- Sun, Mar 3rd from Noon-2pm at Sacred Heart

Enclosed in today's bulletin is an Examination of Conscience; it is one of a plethora of examinations that is available. Should you not find this one to be of particular use, you may download an assortment of examinations, as well as a guide indicating how to go to confess, by visiting the following page on the parish website (it'll automatically open as a PDF):

<https://StPatrick.cc/eoc>

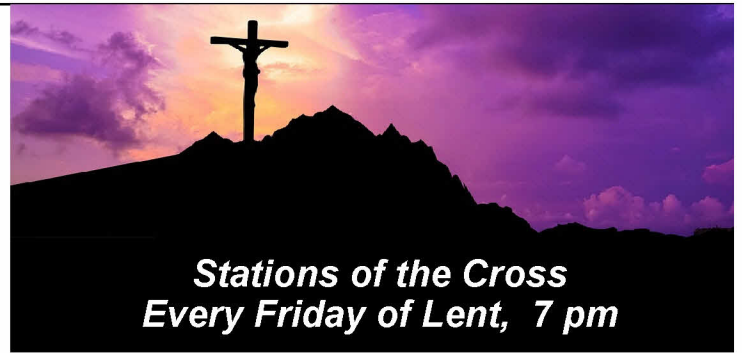
The good thing about segmenting the *Evening of Confession* is that you now have two (not just one) additional opportunities to share in the sacrament of confession. And if neither of these work, the sacrament is available during Eucharist Adoration:

St. Patrick

Wednesdays: 5:30→6:15pm

Sacred Heart

Fridays: 7→8:15am



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*Pancake
Breakfast*



St. Patrick Men's Club
**Pancake & Sausage
Breakfast**

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Liturgical Ministers MARCH 2024

	Saturday 6 PM	Sun. 8:15 AM
LECTOR	Ken Ferris P. Sumpter 3/23	Denise Breyley A. Paradise 3/24
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	Kathy Murowsky Jay Maurer S. Dvorak-3/2-3/16 T. Garn 3/9, 23, 30	Larry Shvak Sheila Holmes Russ Breyley
SERVERS	3/9-3/23 Vayda Hovinetz 3/2-3/16 Mary Dvorak	Tom Shvak



Mass Intentions

for the week

Monday, February 26

8:45 am.... at St. Patrick.....Jacob Dragan

Tuesday, February 27

9:00 am.... Our Lady Queen of Peace..... Grafton

Wednesday, February 28

6:30 pm.... at St. Patrick.....NO MASS

Thursday, February 29

8:45 am....at Sacred Heart..... Elsie McCormick

Friday, March 1

8:45 am....at Sacred Heart..... Parishioners

Saturday, March 2

4:00 pm....at SH..... Anthony & Ann Zulli

6:00 pm.... at St. Patrick..... Milt Wilhelm Family

Sunday, March 3

8:15 am.... at St. Patrick..... Parishioners

10:30 am....at Sacred Heart..... Joseph A. Perlas

COMMUNITY DINNER

Tuesday,
February 27th
5:00—6:00 pm

ALL ARE WELCOME!




Daily Mass Readings

February 25— March 2, 2024

Sunday Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10
Monday Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28
Thursday Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31
Friday Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

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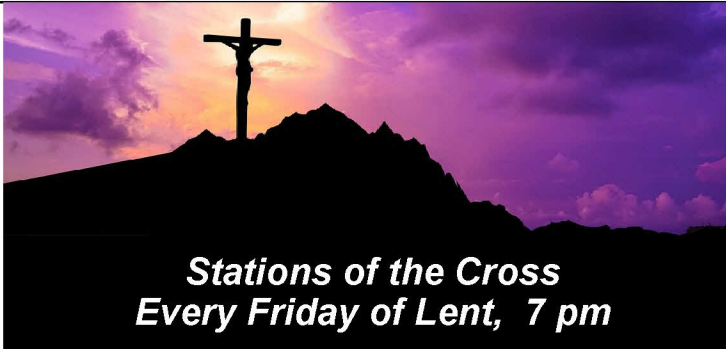
As we inch ever-closer to Holy Week and Easter, it's about time to start publicizing the schedule.

Below you'll find the schedule for Holy Week. Please DO NOT KEEP IT, but, rather, clip-and-share it with someone who's been away from the Church (perhaps since 2020 and the start of COVID). For some, a personal invite might be all it takes to bring them back to Church and the Sacraments.

Don't worry about giving away your copy of the schedule; it'll be published again in the coming weeks. Also, there's nothing that says you can only take one copy of the weekly bulletin! lol

Although we hosted the Diocesan-wide Evening of Confession at St. Pat's this week, I'm also making the Sacrament of Confession available at Sacred Heart today (tomorrow), Sunday, March 3rd, from Noon until 2pm. Feel free to stop by if you weren't able, or forgot to stop by St. Pat's on Wednesday. Additionally, the Sacrament of Confession is always available during Eucharistic Adoration:

- Every Wednesday from 5:30-6:15 pm at St. Pat's, and
- Every Friday from 7:00-8:15am at Sacred Heart.





Join us Sunday March 17th for corned beef and cabbage and white elephant bingo. Come for just the meal or stay for bingo. The meal begins at 12:30 and will consist of corned beef, cabbage, boiled potatoes and carrots, salad, roll, and dessert. Please bring a white elephant gift for bingo. We are in need of help for set up and clean up. Meals are \$12.00 adult and \$6.00 kids (6-12) children 5 and under free. Bingo is free and will start at 1:30. Please call the office to make meal reservations. Money may also be dropped off in the office. Make checks payable to St. Patrick Parish and in the memo line write "activities committee".



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<u>HOLY THURSDAY</u>		
7:30 pm	Thursday, March 28	
<u>GOOD FRIDAY</u>		
3:00 pm	Friday, March 29	7:30 pm
<u>BLESSING OF EASTER FOODS</u>		
	Saturday, March 30	1:00 pm
<u>EASTER VIGIL</u>		
	Saturday, March 30	8:45 pm
<u>EASTER SUNDAY</u>		
9:00 am	Sunday, March 31	11:00 am
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Craft Night

The next Craft Night is March 7th 6:00 – 8:30 p.m. in the church hall. We will be making pocket rosaries or a bracelet, 2 Easter cards, Diamond Painting, and making chocolate peanut clusters. We will be busy! You must register early so we have enough supplies. Text Darlene at 440-371-3888. A \$10.00 fee to help cover the cost of supplies is due that night.

Craft Night is also sponsoring a "Learn to Use Your Cricut" class in the church hall on March 23rd. We will have 2 classes available that day. The 3 hour class will be taught by Sandi Singer. Seating is limited so get your reservation in early. The cost is \$30.00 per person and all proceeds will go to Craft Night to pay for supplies. Text Darlene to register 440-371-

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Monday, March 4

8:45 am at St. Patrick Joanne Farr

Tuesday, March 5

9:00 am Our Lady Queen of Peace Grafton

Wednesday, March 6

6:30 pm at St. Patrick Leslie Franklin

Thursday, March 7

8:45 am....at Sacred Heart..... Parishioners

Friday, March 8

8:45 am....at Sacred Heart..... Parishioners

Saturday, March 9

4:00 pm....at Sacred Heart..... Charlie Stimak

6:00 pm at St. Patrick Parishioners

Sunday, March 10

8:15 am at St. Patrick Joanne Farr

10:30 am....at Sacred Heart..... Betty Diedrick

BAKE SALE



There will be a bake sale after Masses on March 9th & 10th in the church hall. Proceeds will go toward supplies, etc. to help keep costs down for Craft Nights. All baked items will be available for a donation.

Daily Mass Readings

March 3 — March 9, 2024

Sunday	Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25
Monday	2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday	Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday	Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19
Thursday	Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23
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At the time of Jesus, those in charge of the religious and social laws of the Jewish people were the Scribes and Pharisees. They had reduced belief in God to rules, laws

and regulations. Anyone who could not keep these strict rules was not worthy of God and were generally kept out of the synagogue and the Temple. This meant those who were sick in any way, the poor, the widows and tax collectors. According to the Pharisees they were not worthy of God. But these were the very people that Jesus came to be with it. These are the very people to whom Jesus came with the Good News that God loved them and that the Kingdom of God belonged to them. Because of this, the Scribes and Pharisees were always looking for a way to undermine Jesus. They even said of Him, *'Look this man even eats with sinners.'* Jesus in return was never afraid to challenge these religious leaders. He accused them of being hypocrites. He said that they laid burdens upon people's shoulders but did nothing to help people. They liked to be seen as important and often took the best seats in the synagogue and the Temple. He accused them of saying one thing, but then doing the very opposite.

The person in the gospel today with Jesus is called Nicodemus. He is a Pharisee. He comes to see Jesus at night because he is afraid that someone might see him talking with Jesus. He would have had a very set and fixed idea of who God was. However, Jesus offers him a very different image of God. He reveals a much bigger sort of God that Nicodemus cannot even begin to imagine. The God of the Pharisees tended to be

angry and judgmental. The God that Jesus offers is one who does not judge or condemn. The God of Jesus is God who loves us, who does not punish us, but deeply wants a personal and intimate relationship with us. The God of Jesus is one who does not destroy us but lifts us up.

God loves each of us so much and so deeply that He sent Jesus so that we might have eternal life. God loves us so much and so passionately that He sent Jesus so that we may not be lost, but found. God sent us Jesus so that we will be saved, not condemned. Jesus comes to not only show us how to live but how to life fully in the light.

Being a Christian is not just about following rules and regulations; it is about following a person. It is about following Jesus Christ. Being a disciple of Jesus is not just or even a matter of the head; it is a matter of the heart. God, through the words, actions, life death and resurrection of Jesus offers us the gifts of reconciliation and eternal life. God through the person of Jesus reaches out to each of us; God through Jesus speaks to us. To see Jesus is to see God. To hear Jesus is to hear God. To experience Jesus is to experience God.

Jesus invited Nicodemus out the dark and into the light. As we take another step on our Lenten journey, Jesus does the same for us. We are people of the light, not the darkness. We are a people who are on a journey with Jesus to the cross and crucifixion. As Jesus asks us to walk with Him to the cross, He also invites us to share in His resurrection. Through the new life of Easter will be renewed and restored to new life in Jesus. What word or message does Jesus wants to offer you this week?



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Pot Luck Fish Frys!



March 1, 8, 15, and 22
from 5-6:30 pm.

Join us!

Fish Fries are back! Thank you to parishioner stepping up to help, we will hold the Pot Luck Fish Fries on 2/23, 3/1, 3/8, 3/15, and 3/22. The Activities Committee will provide fish, coleslaw and fries. You bring a side dish and/or dessert to share (enough for 8-10 people). Cost is a donation. Take out orders of fish, coleslaw and fries are available for \$18. Bring your family and friends!

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HELPING HANDS

Sat., Mar. 16th 10 am -1 pm
Tues., Mar. 19th 6-8 pm

The pantry is open to residents in the 44090 zip code and ALL St. Patrick Parishioners. Income restrictions apply. You will need a photo ID and address verification.

46 families (110 people) were served in February.
Thank you for your generosity.



Mass Intentions

for the week

Monday, March 11

8:45 am..... at St. Patrick Tom Murowsky

Tuesday, March 12

9:00 am..... Our Lady Queen of Peace Grafton

Wednesday, March 13

6:30 pm..... at St. Patrick Tom Seman

Thursday, March 14

8:45 am....at Sacred Heart Sharon Garrah

Friday, March 15

8:45 am....at SH..... Leonardo Leocadio

Saturday, March 16

4:00 pm....at SH..... Iwan Rozmarynowycz

6:00 pm..... at St. Patrick Norm Wohlever

Sunday, March 17

8:15 am..... at St. Patrick Barb O'Keefe

10:30 am....at SH Rosalba Imelda
Velasco Vite



There will be a bake sale after Masses this weekend in the church hall. Proceeds will go toward supplies, etc. to help keep costs down for Craft Nights. All baked items will be available for a donation.

Daily Mass Readings

March 10 — March 16, 2024

Sunday	2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21
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

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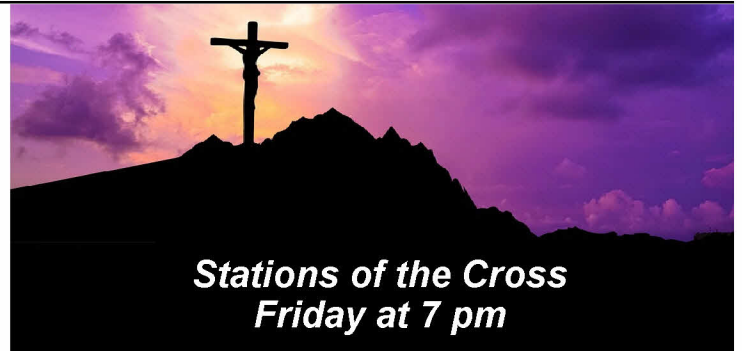


*A note
from our Pastor*

Hopefully, at this stage of the year and at this part of our Lenten journey, we have a deeper awareness that the long cold darkness of winter is behind us. By now we will have noticed more light in the mornings and at evening time. The hibernation of creation and nature is coming to an end and new life is beginning to be seen and felt all around us.

You may have like other people sown seeds and bulbs in the ground or even in small pots during winter. When we sow seeds or bulbs, we care for them and nourish what we have sown. We water and nurture the ground and then we patiently for nature to take its course. As spring approaches what was sown is now beginning to grow and flourish. As if by a miracle beyond our control new life begins to come forth from the dark earth. The small seed sown months ago has changed and transformed into something beautiful that is beyond our dreams and imagination.

There are many different images and symbols used in scripture to talk about and describe Jesus. He talks about Himself as Light, Water, Bread, the Vine and being like a Shepherd. In the gospel this Sunday, He talks about Himself in terms of a seed being sown in the ground. There is nothing romantic in or about nature. The circle and cycle of life can be harsh and even violent. The seasons themselves do not last forever. The each come and go in their own way and in their own time. The fruitfulness of spring and summer give way to the harvest of autumn. The fruits of summer are collected and consumed in autumn and winter. There is always a dying and letting go. Nature does not hold on to things.



Jesus tells us that if a seed does not fall to the ground and die, it is still only one single small seed. However, it falls to the ground and dies, something miraculous happens. Over time the seed ceases to be a seed. In the dark earth it becomes something altogether different. As it gives up its life, something powerful and previously unseen comes to light and to birth.

Though the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, this is what happens for us. Jesus goes into the earth. There through the power of God He is changed and transformed, He emerges from the earth with new and everlasting life. This is the mystery of the cross and fruit of the resurrection. Jesus freely gives Himself to us. He offers Himself to each of us as the seed that falls to the ground and dies only to be resurrected.

Jesus does not hang on to or cling to His earthly life. Like all things in nature, He lets go when the time and conditions are right. We are almost coming to end of our Lenten Journey. Next Sunday is Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week. Jesus knows His time of suffering His approaching. As we began our Lenten journey with Him, Jesus now asks to remain with Him.

Can we stay with Jesus as He falls to the ground and dies?

Can we stay with Him, experience the cross with Him so that we can experience the new life and fruitfulness of His Resurrection?



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HOLY THURSDAY

7:30 pm Thursday, March 28

GOOD FRIDAY

3:00 pm Friday, March 29 7:30 pm

BLESSING OF EASTER FOODS

Saturday, March 30 1:00 pm

EASTER VIGIL

Saturday, March 30 8:45 pm

EASTER SUNDAY

9:00 am Sunday, March 31 11:00 am

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Sacred Heart of Jesus

Catholic Church
410 West Lorain Street
Oberlin, OH 44074
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Please

remember to place your Rice Bowl in a resealable plastic bag when returning it to the church. This helps keep all of the money (especially coins) from falling out.

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for the week

Monday, March 18

8:45 am at St. Patrick..... Mary Dragan

Tuesday, March 19

9:00 am Our Lady Queen of Peace Grafton

Wednesday, March 20

6:30 pm at St. Patrick..... Ella Holmes

Thursday, March 21

8:45 am.....at Sacred Heart Dennis Smith

Friday, March 22

8:45 am.....at Sacred Heart Elsie McCormick

Saturday, March 23

4:00 pm.....at SH.....Thomas & Michael Findlan

6:00 pm at St. Patrick.....Jean Sudnick

Sunday, March 24

8:15 am at St. Patrick..... Robert Leshnak

10:30 am.....at Sacred Heart.....Michael Toth

Collection Report for February

Sunday Offering.....	\$6392.60
Maintenance	\$50.00
Outreach	\$581.70
Designated for Parish Use Only.....	\$18849.00
Total Received	\$25873.30

**Thank you for sharing that which God
has so generously shared with you!**

Daily Mass Readings

March 17— March 23, 2024

Sunday	Jer 31:31-34/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33
Monday	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday	2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Wednesday	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31-42
Thursday	Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59
Friday	Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42
Saturday	Ez 37:21-28/Jn 11:45-56

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