

## St. Remy Catholic Church Russia, Ohio ~January 16, 2022~

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# SCHEDULES, EVENTS & DAILY READINGS

#### MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY 15-23

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15 Sat:	5:00 p.m.	Ed & Jackie Barlage
16 Sun:	7:30 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
	9:00 a.m.	Paul & Erna Voisard
11:00 a.m.		Randy Marchal
17 Mon:	8:15 a.m.	Glen & Melva Francis
18 Tues:	8:15 a.m.	Harold & Rita McGreevy Family
	9:00 a.m.	Confession (Father Fox)
19 Wed:	5:00 p.m.	Confession (Father Fox)
	6:15 p.m.	Ben Stueve
20 Thurs: 8:15 a.m.		For Vocations
	3:00 p.m.	Confession (Father Fox)
	3:10 p.m.	Children's Eucharistic Adoration
	7:00 p.m.	Confession (Father Fox)
21 Fri:	8:15 a.m.	Barbara Caldwell & Don Magoto
22 Sat:	8:15 a.m.	Dennis Shaw
	9:00 a.m.	Confession (Father Fox)
	3:30 p.m.	Confession (Father Fox)
	5:00 p.m.	Doc Francis/Living & Deceased Members
		of the Delbert & Ruth Francis Family
23 Sun:	7:30 a.m.	Ed Bruns
		Irvin, Kathryn, & Tim Monnin
		Confession (Father Fox)
	11:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

#### Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send?" "Here I am," I said, "send me!"

~From today's First Reading on the Feast of St. Remy



**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION** is held every Thursday, beginning at the conclusion of the 8:15 a.m. Mass, and ending with Benediction at 8:30 p.m.

#### WEEKLY RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Tuesday: 9:00—9:15 a.m. Wednesday: 5:00—6:10 p.m. Thursday: 3:00—4:00 p.m., 7:00—8:20 p.m. Saturday: 9:00—10:00 a.m., 3:30—4:45 p.m. Sunday: 10:30—10:50 a.m.

#### **REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

- Knights of Columbus—3rd Monday of the month (January 17) at 8:00 p.m. in the parish office basement.
- Children's Adoration—every Thursday from 3:10-4:15.
- Pastoral Advisory Council—4th Tuesday of every other month (January 25) at 7:00 p.m. in the parish office basement.
- St. Vincent de Paul Society—2nd Wednesday of the month (February 9) at 7:00 p.m. at the Russia Library.
- Catholic War Veterans—3rd Wednesday of the month (January 19) at 8:00 p.m. at the CWV Hall.
- Patriotic Rosary—will be prayed every Tuesday at 7:45 a.m., as well as on the 1st Friday of the month (February 4) following the 7:00 a.m. Mass.
- Blessing for Expectant Mothers—will take place in church following the 11:00 Mass on the first Sunday of the month.

#### MINISTRY SCHEDULES FOR THE WEEKEND OF JANUARY 22-23

#### SERVERS

5:00 p.m.	Ross Fiessinger & Peter York			
7:30 a.m.	Jordan Meyer & Jonas Magoto			
9:00 a.m.	Jared Poling, Zeb & Malaki Schulze,			
	Matthew, Jacob, & Anthony Caldwell			
11:00 a.m.	Michael & Simon Voisard			
LECTORS				
5:00 p.m.	Barb Cordonnier			
7:30 a.m.	Kathy Pinchot			
9:00 a.m.	Doug Hoying			
11:00 a.m.	Becca Miller			
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS				
5:00 p.m.	Greg Pleiman			
7:30 a.m.	Jerry Borchers			
9:00 a.m.	Connie Guillozet			
11:00 a.m.	Deacon Meyer			
COLLECTION COUNTERS				
	Dave Borchers, Jerry Borchers, Josh J			

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After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the Gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The Kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the Gospel." As he passed by the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting their nets into the sea; they were fishermen. Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." ~From today's Gospel on the Feast of St. Remy

#### **READINGS FOR THIS WEEK**

This Sunday:	different Readings	Feast of St. Remy, Patron of Our Parish
Monday:	1 Sm 15:16-23 Mk 2:18-22	St. Anthony
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	St. Fabian, St. Sebastian
Friday:	1 Sm 24:3-21 Mk 3:13-19	St. Agnes
Saturday:	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27 Mk 3:20-21	Day of Prayer for Legal Protection of the Unborn
Next Sunday:	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10 1 Cor 12:12-30 Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE FEAST OF ST. REMY, PATRON OF OUR PARISH

# WHAT DOES FATHER FOX SAY?

**JANUARY 16, 2022** 

*What's up with the Traditional Latin Mass?* On December 18, one of the top officials in the Vatican issued further restrictions on the ability of priests to offer the Traditional Latin Mass (TLM) for the faithful. I won't go into all of that here, as there is plenty written about all this elsewhere. What matters most is what Archbishop Schnurr has to say about it – in this case, through Father Ryan Ruiz, who the Archbishop has appointed "delegate" to oversee all these matters. On December 22, the archbishop issued specific directions on who can offer the TLM, where, and how.

The Archbishop had previously designated two locations in Cincinnati and one in Dayton where the TLM can be offered publicly. He plans to designate more locations, but I suspect this is complicated by the more recent directive from Rome that reiterated that ordinary parishes cannot be allowed to have the TLM. Bishops have to ask specific permission from Rome to use a parish setting, and there are other complications, as well. I suspect this is why Archbishop Schnurr has yet to designate more locations for the Traditional Latin Mass.

## Meanwhile, priests who have previously offered the TLM may continue to do so.

"Qualified priests may celebrate non-scheduled and non-publicized Masses in a sacred place, or at least a decent place, with the Archbishop's permission. These Masses may admit a minister to make the necessary responses and otherwise assist the celebrant during Mass." This is what I'm doing at present: I regularly offer the TLM, but it is not "scheduled," and it is not "publicized." To comply with this requirement, I am not telling you what days and times I offer these Masses.

The additional restrictions also said that a priest could not offer a newer form of the Mass and a Traditional Latin Mass on the same day! But according to Father Ruiz, this should be seen in light of a prior permission, given to priests in this archdiocese in 1997, to offer Mass three times a day as needed.

**Bottom line:** what I'm doing is entirely consistent with what the Archbishop wishes. I say this for the benefit of anyone who may think I'm being disobedient.

How do we respond to people who "come out" as "gay" or "trans?" As I said in my homily last weekend, you and I cannot always endorse every choice someone makes in living his or her life, but we can and must always embrace each human being as a child of God. Some people are bristling for a fight; my approach is to live and let live to the extent I can. So, if you had been "Fred" and now you call yourself "Sylvia," I suppose you can call yourself whatever name you want. If you start wearing clothing that seems odd to me, there's not much I can do about that, either. But if you tell me what I must think, or try to dictate my own choices, then we have a problem. I don't understand why some folks feel alienated from their own maleness or femaleness, but this is a real trial for some people. Our task should be to offer a better answer than playing pretend, or worse, doing damage to one's body.

*What is "Ordinary Time?"* The term comes from the word "ordinal," which describes numbers used to count. When we say, "one, two, three," those are termed "cardinal" numbers. When we say "first, second, third," those are "ordinal" numbers. This time of the church year is "counted" time – i.e., Ordinary Time. This is A.D. 2022. Note: A.D. comes first, as a matter of good grammar. It stands for *anno Domini*, or the "year of the Lord" (not "after death," as apparently a lot of people think!). I suppose, if you wanted to, you could write "2022th A.D." – or the 2,022th year of the Lord" – but it's easier putting A.D. first.

To explain it another way, you and I count weeks and years because the Son of God was born in time, and now all time is His time. As I write this, it's the first week in Ordinary (i.e., counted) Time, and when we reach the end of the liturgical year in November, we'll be gearing up for A.D. 2023.

**Do you have a question you'd like answered in this column?** Let me know! My phone and email are below. I won't use your name in my column.

-Father Fox StRemyPastor@gmail.com (937)526-3437

#### ST. REMY CATHOLIC CHURCH ~ RUSSIA, OHIO





The family receiving the **TRAVELING VOCA-TION CHALICE** this Sunday is Jeff and Carrie Siegrist. The family receiving it the week of January 23 is Wes and Chandra Goubeaux. Please pick up the chalice from the table inside the rectory door after Mass on Sunday, and return it to the same place the following Friday.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BRING THE TRAVELING VOCA-TION CHALICE AND RELATED MATERIALS INTO YOUR HOME? Please see the binder in the back of church to sign up. This is a great tool to encourage vocations in your home, as well as to pray for our priests and for more vocations.



CINCINNATI THE MEN'S CONFERENCE will be hosting two amazing speakers this Jim Caviezel vear: ("Jesus" from The Passion of the Christ), and Ravmond Arrovo (EŴTN and FOX News). Don't miss the opportunity to hear

them share their messages of strength and encouragement on Saturday, April 2 at the Fifth Third Arena on the University of Cincinnati campus. UC head football coach Luke Fickell will also be speaking at this year's conference, which is themed "Evil Prevails When Good Men Do Nothing." To view the promo video and order tickets, visit www.CincinnatiMensConference.com. Get your family and friends together to take in this amazing event!

#### THE SHELBY COUNTY PRO-LIFE ORATORY CONTEST

is an opportunity for young men and women to develop their skills in defending pro-life positions. This contest is for all high school juniors and seniors who reside in Shelby County or who attend a Shelby County high school. It will be held at St. John's Lutheran Church in Sidney on Monday, February 21 at 6:30 p.m. Contestants are to give a prolife speech, 5-7 minutes in length, on one of four topics: abortion, doctor prescribed suicide, infanticide, or the unethical practices of embryonic research. Prizes of \$500, \$250, and \$100 will be awarded to the top three contestants. Those interested are asked to register by Friday, February 18 by calling (937)658-3535 or emailing director@shelbycountyRTL.org. Rules and resources can be found on the RTL website at http://shelbycountyrtl.org/ oratorycontest/oratorycontestmain.html.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY



We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.



THE MONTHLY LUNCH FOR THE 70ish AND OLDER CROWD is canceled this month to protect everyone from the various sicknesses that are going around. We look forward to providing a nice lunch for you next month!

If your group or organization would like to **REQUEST FUNDS FROM THE PROCEEDS OF THE RUSSIA PIC-NIC**, please submit your request in writing and mail it or drop it off at the parish office at 108 E. Main Street. Be sure to include the name of the organization and what the funds would be used to purchase. All requests should be received by Tuesday, January 18.



SHELBY COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE'S ANNUAL CANDLELIGHT VIGIL will be held on Thursday, January 20 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. at the Shelby County Courthouse. This event is held in commemoration of the anniversary of Roe v. Wade and the millions of lives lost to abortion since that time. There will be a speaker, a time of prayer, and an outdoor candlelight procession, followed by a send-off for the buses

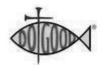
headed to the March for Life in Washington, D.C. For more information, please see the Shelby County Right to Life website at www.shelbycountyrtl.org.



**DO YOU HELP CARE FOR AN AG-ING OR DISABLED LOVED ONE?** Do you sometimes find yourself struggling to balance all of your responsibilities? Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio can help through their Caregiver Assistance Network. Call their CAREline at (513)869-4483

for resource information, referrals, and support. If you wish to be a part of their Online Caregiver Support Group that meets weekly on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:30, call (513)672-3834.

**ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE BY DIALLING 2-1-1.** Calling this confidential line enables you to talk to a live crisis trained representative 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. This line has information about the many human services available in Shelby County, including mental health counseling services, substance abuse, food pantries, hot meals, senior programming, and rent and utility assistance.



DO GOOD RESTAURANT AND MINIS-TRY IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS AND PART-TIME HELP in the kitchen. If you are a teenager, retired person, or any-

one in between who would like to further God's Kingdom through this ministry, please email Karen Homan at karenhoman@dogoodrm.com or text her at (567) 644-5255. Remember the Do Good's motto: "Brothers and sisters, while we are here, let us do good."

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We extend a sincere thank you to all of the businesses that advertise on the back cover of our bulletin. Their sponsorship covers the church's entire expenses in printing the bulletins each week. Please call on these businesses when you are looking for products and services.



It's time to kick off the annual CATHOLIC MINITRIES AP-PEAL (CMA) in our archdiocese. This appeal funds 6 vital ministries, including Catholic Social Services, St. Rita School for the Deaf, retired priests, our seminary, evangelization, and campus, hospital, and prison ministries. То make your gift online, visit CatholicAOC.org/CMA, or text "DONATE" to (513)586-1978.

Please remember to pray for the people listed in the St. Remy Prayer Intentions Book located in the back of church.

IF YOU HAVE AN EMERGENCY AND NEED TO REACH FATHER FOX, please call the parish office at 526-3437. This is the best way to reach Father, day or night. If he isn't home, his home phone answering machine alerts his cell phone, so your message will get to him.

## St. Remy, Patron of Our Parish

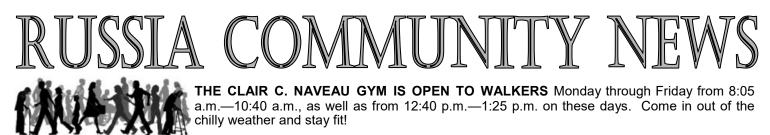
St. Remigius, or Remy, the Bishop of Rheims (in present day France), was the great apostle of the Franks. He was illustrious for his learning, sanctity, and miracles during his episcopacy (term as bishop) of over 70 years, which made him famous in the Church. As a boy, he made great progress in learning. In the opinion of St. Sidonius Apollinaris, who was acquainted with him in his youth, he became the most eloquent person in that age.

When Remigius was only 22, an age typically considered too young to be a priest, he actually became not only a priest, but a bishop, as well. Ordained and consecrated in spite of his youth, he amply made up for his lack of experience by his fervor and energy.

After Remigius baptized King Clovis, he enjoyed the protection of the king and was able to spread the Gospel of Christ among the Franks. It is said that God endowed him with an extraordinary gift of miracles. The bishops who were assembled in a conference in Lyons declared that they were stirred to exert their zeal in defense of the Catholic Faith by the example of Remy, who they said, "has everywhere destroyed the altars of the idols by a multitude of miracles and signs."

St. Remy, whom St. Gregory of Tours referred to as "a man of great learning, fond of rhetorical studies, and equal in his holiness to St. Silvester," died around the year 530.

What is it that we see in St. Remy that we hope to develop in ourselves? His love of learning, his holiness, and his zeal for souls are such a remarkable example to St. Remy, please pray for us to grow in the all of us. knowledge of God, in holiness and virtue, and in our care and concern for the well-being of the bodies and souls of all we meet.





## YOUTH MINISTRY

### Attention All Adults of the Parish:

Due to so many of our catechists being unable to teach CCD from week to week due to sickness during this time of the year, we are seeking individuals who would be willing to come in as a sub for students in grades 7-12 on Wednesday nights. Classes meet from 7:00-8:00 p.m. If you can help by volunteering occasionally on Wednesday evenings, please contact Karen Rosenbeck at stremydre@roadrunner.com.



## Second Grade Retreat

Speaker and author John Wood is coming to Russia to facilitate our **Second Grade Retreat** for all those preparing for their First Holy Communion and their parents. This high-energy interactive retreat is mandatory and will be held this Sunday, January 16 from 12:30-3:30 p.m. at Russia Local School in the commons area. In addition, please note that **First Confession** for the second graders will be offered on Saturday, January 22 at 10:00 a.m. Parents are encouraged to receive the Sacrament of Confession that morning, as well.



## **Polar Bear Volleyball**

All high school students are welcome to participate in our first ever Polar Bear Volleyball Tournament on Monday, January 17 (Martin Luther King Day) at 1:00 p.m. in the park. Teams will be established once everyone arrives. Dress warm and join us for hot chocolate and a campfire! Students are encouraged to bring gently used winter coats and newly purchased socks and gloves that will be donated to a local homeless shelter. Invite your friends!



## Come to "Rosary and Doughnuts" Before School

In solidarity with those who will be participating in the National March for Life in Washington, D.C. on January 21, all high school students are invited to come to church to pray the Rosary together before school on Friday, January 21. Please meet in church at 7:15 a.m. Following the Rosary, we will head to the parish office basement for doughnuts and beverages. Don't miss this opportunity to pray for the protection of all life, from the womb to the tomb.

## Alive Night

Alive Night for all freshmen and sophomores will be held on Wednesday, January 19 from 8:00-9:30 at school.

## You Night

You Night for all junior high students will be held on Wednesday, January 26 from 8:00-9:30 p.m. at school.



## Steubenville Update

The annual Steubenville Youth Conference for high school students will be held July 15-17. To reserve your spot for this popular event, please submit a \$50 check made out to St. Remy Church by January 31. Checks may be turned in at the parish office during regular business hours or may be slid under the door to the office any time.



## **Events for Gentlemen**

• Knights of Our Lady (grades 4-6) will meet on Monday, January 17 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at school. We will be playing Nerf dart tag, so please bring your own Nerf equipment, as well as any extra that you can share with others.

• Brotherhood of Virtue (high school) will be held on Monday, January 31 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at school.



## • Daughters of the Immaculate Heart (grades 4-6) will meet on Monday, January 17 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the parish office basement.

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**Events for Girls** 



### It is Our Moral Conviction to Defend Life

It has been 49 years since the Supreme Court of the United States voted to make abortion legal and available on demand throughout our country. Sixty-two million lives have been taken since that decision in 1973. The first March for Life took place in Washington, D.C. exactly one year after the U.S. Supreme Court made their landmark ruling in *Roe v. Wade*. Once again, on January 21, we unite to communicate to our nation: Abortion is taking the life of a unique person created by God. It is murder. And we can't stand for it, any more than it is OK to stand by and watch any other group of people be massacred. The unborn need and deserve our help! It is our moral conviction to do all that we can to defend life. Let's pray for an end to this heartbreak.

The March for Life is an annual event, but pro-life education, advocacy, and prayer are important all year long. Become educated on the facts, and share them with others. The marchfor-life.org website shares a short video that brings to light in very simple terms the reality that an unborn child is just that—a child. In the audio portion of that video, you can hear a heart beating, and a child is speaking to her mother:

Week 6: Hear that, Mom? My heart is beating so fast.

*Week 8:* Do you have hands, too? I wonder what my hands will do...

*Week 18:* Your heart is beating too! I can hear your heart beating just like mine.

Week 20: Did you feel that, Mom? I'm getting stronger.

Week 27: Can you sing to me again? I LOVE listening to your voice.

*Week 38:* Will I see you soon? I can't wait any longer to meet you!

It's time to stop being comfortable and complacent with unborn children being killed. Let's think about what we need to do to end this national tragedy. As you take a look at these two pictures of children, consider the main thing that is different...



The answer: LOCATION. The first child is out of the womb, the second child is in the womb. If we wouldn't sit back and allow the first child, out of the womb, to be killed, why would we do nothing for the second child, in the womb? You know what they say about the value of real estate: location, location, location. Let's not let a child's LOCATION determine if he or she lives or dies. Let's unite to protect ALL of our children!

# How will *YOU* change the world?

What is the key to molding our culture into one of life, not death, into a culture for God, not idols?

Where do we, as followers of Jesus Christ, begin?

Your mission—your family's mission is to be disciples of Jesus Christ.

Just as Jesus sent His disciples out into the world, He now sends you as husband, wife, daughter, mother, friend, neighbor, father, brother to reclaim the world for truth and goodness.

His mission rests now within your families and parishes, proclaiming the Good News that has changed your life and can change the lives of others the Good News that Jesus Christ has come, not to condemn the world, but to save it.

> And the best part is, He wants YOU to be a part of it. He wants YOUR mission to be His. He wants YOU to help Him in this greatest adventure of all.

## ARE YOU READY?

~Jon Leonetti, Catholic radio host



