

# Holy Spirit Catholic Church

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February 14, 2021

“SEE THAT YOU TELL  
NO ONE ANYTHING,  
BUT GO, SHOW  
YOURSELF TO THE  
PRIEST AND OFFER  
FOR YOUR  
CLEANSING WHAT  
‘MOSES PRESCRIBED.’”  
- MK 1:44

6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME

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## Eucharistic Celebrations

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12 noon  
M, T, TH, F 8:30 a.m. Church  
Holy Day 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.  
Holiday 9:00 a.m. (Consult Bulletin)

## Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m. (Hall)

## New Parishioners

New parishioners are most welcome  
at Holy Spirit Parish.

Please register by calling the office at 440-933-3777.

## Parish School of Religion Classes (P.S.R.)

Pre-school, Kindergarten through Grade 8  
(Contact Terri Pastura)

## Youth Groups

Jr. High (Grades 6, 7, 8)  
Sunday 6:00 p.m. (St. Joseph Parish)  
Sr. High (Grades 9, 10, 11, 12)  
Sunday 7:30 p.m. (Holy Spirit Parish)

## Confirmation Preparation

Grades 9-12 (Contact Sarah Hamski)

**Parish Staff**

Rev. Charles F. Strebler, **Pastor**  
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Deacon Robert K. Walling, **Deacon**

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Fr. Mosovsky Hall.....440-933-8818  
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Catholic Credit Union .....440-933-2524

**Office Hours**

Monday through Friday: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

**Baptism:**

Call the Parish Office to make arrangements. Pre-Baptism instructions are required.

**Marriage:**

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. Pre-Cana Program and Couples Ministry are required. Please contact the parish office.

**Anointing of the Sick:**

Communal celebration yearly. Please call the office to arrange for visitation of the sick on Sundays and First Fridays at home or to advise of those in the hospital.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.):**

We welcome any adult interested in learning about the Catholic faith to call the parish office.

**Eucharistic Adoration:**

Monday, 2:00–4:00 p.m. (*Chapel of the Holy Family*)

**Rosary:**

~~Recited each weekday at 8:00 a.m. before Mass.~~

Watch the bulletin for updates on when Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary prayers will resume.

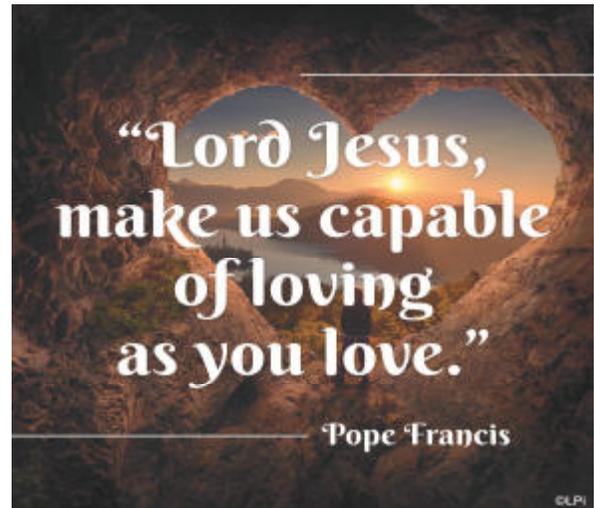
**Act of Spiritual Communion**

**My Jesus**, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen



**Our Parish Life**—Holy Spirit Parish celebrates and remembers the events of our parish family. Please keep the following people in your prayers as we are all called to be brothers and sisters in Christ.

**Holy Spirit Remembers:** Our prayers are with the family and friends of *Helen Woodward*. May the gift of eternal life be hers.

**Prayers for the Sick:** Please pray for: Aaron Evilsizor, Nora Lally, Richard Stofear, Lucy Janoush, Susan Beckett, Jake Olsavsky, Ann Grossman, Rob Noland, Steve Zgurich, Glenna Reno, Terry Fleming, Tim Matsik, Jim Strickland, Thomas Schneider, Dorothy Boehnlein, Bill and Kay Pirnat, Rosa Maria Santos, Meredith McCartney Singer, David Kohl, Elayne Lewis, Linda and Doug Biesterveld, Grace Slarsgarten, Daniel John Zimmerman, Holland Neifer, Grace Penkala, Viola Free, Joanne Jubach, Vanessa Scott, Patricia Flynn, Alex Noland, Kathy Graham, Liz Elliott, Kevin Graham, Brian Grace, Paul Mitchell, Robert Sanson, Richard Hepp, Jim Novak, Pam Bouffard, Lois Woodward, Tina Morbito, Vera Snell, Fletcher Rollinson, Scott Pugh, George Shepherd, Jim Bizjak, Marilyn Brodke, Melissa Goode, Jack and Susan Storm, Susan Fain, Lisa and Mark Rose, Peggy Montgomery Hedgpeth, Barbara Moody, Kate Slack, Kelley Rybarczyk, William Arkey, Leah Templeton, Ann Valerio, Dolly Keberle, Jack Bergan and all the sick.

# From the Pastor

*“Lent is a time of going very deeply into ourselves... What is it that stands between us and God? Between us and our brothers and sisters? Between us and life, the life of the Spirit? Whatever it is, let us relentlessly tear it out, without a moment’s hesitation.”*  
 —Catherine Doherty

Dear Parishioners,

Today, February 14, is often commemorated as “Valentine’s Day” (though officially it is Saints Cyril and Methodius on the Church calendar). This is the day that people think of their loved ones and ask, “What are we doing for Lent?”

Yes, Lent starts this Wednesday, February 17. **Please see my column last week for what Ash Wednesday will look like this year—I don’t want anyone to be left feeling surprised.**

During Lent, Holy Spirit Parish will continue to have **daily Mass** at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. **Confessions** are Saturdays from 3:30—4:30 p.m. in the hall and classrooms. On the Saturday before Palm Sunday, both Fr. Koopman and I will be hearing confessions. Though the annual diocese-wide night of confession has been cancelled for this year, at Holy Spirit we will hear confessions from 6-8 p.m. on Wednesday, March 24. **Stations of the Cross** will be prayed in the church on Friday nights and will also be livestreamed. We will be livestreaming **Taize** prayer for you to be able to join at your convenience. sALt, the youth group of Holy Spirit and St. Joseph Parishes, will be doing the spiritual exercises of St. Ignatius on alternating Wednesdays.

There will also be other opportunities for spiritual growth. We will have at home and socially-distanced times for viewing and reflecting on *The Chosen*, a TV series that describes itself as, “Seeing Jesus through the eyes of those who knew Him.” I will be leading a video series on C.S. Lewis’ classic, *The Screwtape Letters*, where a senior devil gives a junior devil—and us—lessons on human beings and their relationship with God. I intend to have short video reflection on each of the letters, with about five coming out each week in Lent. You can watch them at your leisure. You can also send questions that I can answer in a future section.

**Rice Bowls** will be available this weekend. Also in the spirit of Lenten Almsgiving, please remember that next week will be the in-pew appeal for **Catholic Charities**. You can give online at <https://www.catholiccommunity.org/ways-to-give/donate/catholic-charities>. Last year, Holy Spirit Parish made 111% of its goal. In a pandemic year, that says a lot. Though times are tough, remember that they are also tough on the charities serving those for whom times are regularly tough.

Sincerely,

*Rev. Charles F. Strebler*

Rev. Charles F. Strebler, Pastor

**Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule:  
8:30 a.m., 12:00 noon, 7:00 p.m.**

**AN ILLUSTRATED GUIDE TO LENTEN FASTING & ABSTINENCE**  
PRESENTED BY JONATHAN TEJERA FOR THE FOCUS BLOG

**WHAT**

**ABSTINENCE**

**NO MEAT**  
Meatless or Piel

**FISH IS OK**  
By the Apostles and Tradition

**FASTING**

**1 REGULAR MEAL AND 2 SMALLER MEALS**  
That together do not equal the regular meal in size

**NO SNACKS**

**WHEN**

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

**GOOD FRIDAY**

**FRIDAYS IN LENT**

**FASTING AND ABSTINENCE**

**ABSTINENCE**

**INTERESTING NOTE:**  
 Canon 1250 names Fridays all year long as penitential days which should be marked by some sort of sacrifice and penance. While abstinence from meat is a traditional sacrifice, Canon 1253 leaves the decision for the particular sacrifice up to the local conference of Bishops. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has obtained permission from the Holy See for Catholics in the USA to substitute a different penitential, or even a charitable, practice for abstinence from meat during the year, if they so choose.  
**Abstinence from meat is obligatory during Lent everywhere.**

**WHO**

**CATHOLICS 14+ ARE OBLIGED TO PRACTICE ABSTINENCE**

**CATHOLICS 18-58 ARE OBLIGED TO FAST**

**THOSE OUTSIDE THE AGE LIMITS**  
 and those whose state in life (e.g. pregnant women, manual laborers, those who are ill) may be excused from the requirements of fasting and abstinence, but are encouraged to take up some other form of penance or acts of charity or piety.

**PLEASE NOTE**

These guidelines are the minimum requirements for Lenten sacrifices. All are encouraged to impose some sort of personal penance or act of charity or piety on top of these minimums.

You could increase the number of days you practice fasting and/or abstinence, or abstain from a favorite food or activity for all of Lent. You could add things, such as committing to read the Bible for 20 minutes a day.

**As in all things, Lenten penance and mortification calls for prudence.**

It is wise to consult your spiritual director before undertaking additional Lenten practices.

**LENTENFASTING**  
This Illustrated Guide to Lenten Fasting and Abstinence was created by Jonathan Tejera for the Focus Blog as part of LentenFast.org. All are encouraged to use this guide for Lent the best way you can. Please visit [www.lentenfasting.org](http://www.lentenfasting.org) and download the LentenFast app, available in the Apple App Store and Google Play.

# WEEKLY PRAYER

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 14, 2021

- SUN 2/14** Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45
- MON 2/15** Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21 [14a]/Mk 8:11-13
- TUE 2/16** Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10 [11b]/Mk 8:14-21
- WED 2/17** Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 [cf. 3a]/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
- THR 2/18** Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5a]/Lk 9:22-25
- FRI 2/19** Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 [19b]/Mt 9:14-15
- SAT 2/20** Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [11ab]/Lk 5:27-32
- SUN 2/21** Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 10]/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

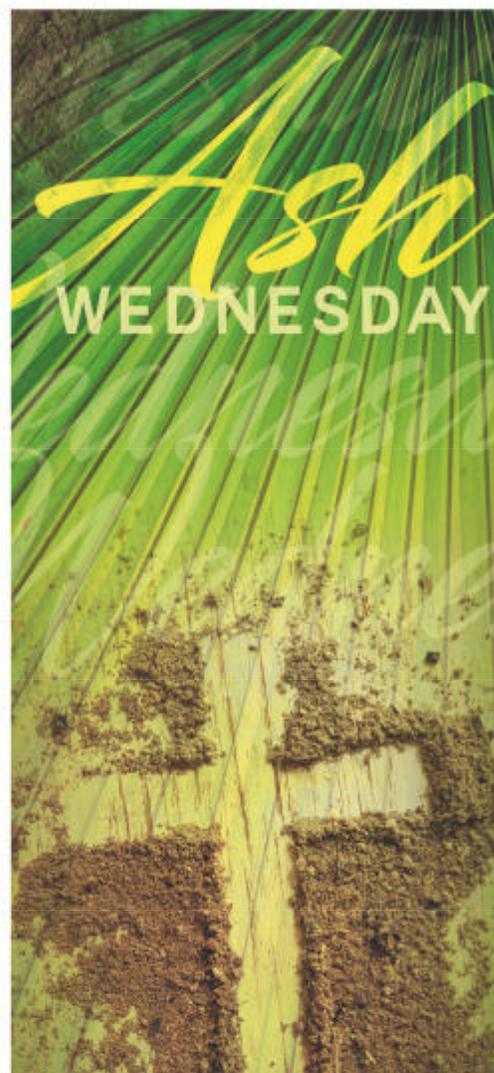
## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 14, 2021

- Sunday: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Marriage Day; Valentine's Day
- Monday: Presidents' Day
- Wednesday: Ash Wednesday
- Next Sunday: 1st Sunday of Lent

## LIVE THE LITURGY

### Inspiration for the week

Everybody has a place at the table, and nobody deserves to feel inferior, unworthy, unwanted, or marginalized. It is not part of God's vision. Jesus came to heal, make things whole, set things right, and restore relationships. No one is to feel unwelcome or alienated from the community. Whether we like it or not, this message is at the core of the Gospel. It makes a lot of sense when you think about it. Perhaps this is why people kept coming from everywhere to listen to Jesus speak and to be in his presence. He made perfect sense. Most of us have no issue buying into this vision. We run into trouble, however, when we fall into the trap of privilege and power. We diverge from God's vision when the powerful begin to control who is entitled to wholeness and inclusion, and greed becomes a driving force. Prejudice and entitlement have no place in the kingdom of God, and even the most needy and hurting among us are worthy of the compassion Jesus desires to offer. There are no easy solutions to the world's dilemmas. But one thing is for certain, no one can be singled out, excluded or mistreated. Everyone matters.



“God is waiting for you.”

—POPE FRANCIS

# WORSHIP & MEDITATION



## FIRST READING

He shall dwell apart, making his abode outside the camp. (Lv 13:46)



## PSALM

I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation. (Ps 32)



## SECOND READING

Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God. (1 Cor 10:31)



## GOSPEL

The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean. (Mk 1:42)

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## GOSPEL MEDITATION

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

The Church, as a voice of the Gospel, proclaims the sacredness of all human life. Everyone created by God is fashioned in God's image and has Divine DNA at the center of their soul. God never leaves what God creates but always remains intimately bound to what he has given form. Everyone has a place and because they have received the gift of Divine Blessing, nobody deserves to feel inferior, unworthy, unwanted, unclean or marginalized. Even the most broken of souls has a place. We, the Body of Christ, have the privilege and responsibility to give voice to the voiceless. The cries of the little one in his or her mother's womb are just as sacred as the cries of one who is homeless and hungry. The migrant deserves our attention as much as the forgotten elderly and even the prisoner, with a heart hardened by anger and resentment, deserves respect and dignity.

The Gospel of Life is often hard to swallow, and we would rather keep those we consider unclean, different or unfixable in a place by themselves. It is hard to see them with us, but they deserve to be. There is far too much violence in this world and the result of that violence is the assault on human life. Many are forced to leave the place they call home in search of safer ground, finding few if any along the way who will help them. How different today's Gospel story would be if Jesus gave in to what was politically correct at that time. The leper would have been turned away and a soul, already beaten down by disease and fear, would have experienced an even deeper wound. Jesus wouldn't have captured much attention from anyone, nor would he have mirrored the Father's compassion and love.

Where do we stand with all of this? Do we at least understand that God's vision is often in conflict with the vision put forth in our world and even the one we advance ourselves? There is no doubt that it is incredibly challenging to find a place for everyone at the table. This challenge is compounded when the systems of operation and structure that are so ingrained in us affirm power and privilege rather than inclusivity and justice. Everything really goes askew when the powerful begin to control who is entitled to wholeness and inclusion, and greed becomes a driving force. Prejudice and entitlement raise their ugly heads and we find ourselves with quite a mess. It's time to admit that things have been a mess for a very long time. The mess needs to be healed, not by erasing it but by allowing God to touch it and make it whole. We need to bring God back to the center of life where God belongs. There are no easy solutions to the world's dilemmas. But, knowing that wholeness, healing, and dignity are worthy pursuits, we can more confidently labor to achieve God's vision.



From February 17 – March 28, you are invited to join with other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You are also invited to stand and peacefully pray anytime between 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. during the 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside **Preterm** - 12000 Shaker Blvd, Cleveland, 44120 or **Planned Parenthood** - 25350 Rockside Rd, Bedford Hts, 44146, or **Family Planning** – 462 Chardon St, Painesville, 44077.

Join us at the Kickoff Rally at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church gymnasium on Sunday, February 14 at 2 p.m. For more information contact John Noall at [clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com](mailto:clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com) or 216-245-9744.

**WEBSITES:**

[www.40daysforlife.com/cleveland](http://www.40daysforlife.com/cleveland).



**2021 Bringing America Back to Life Convention**  
**March 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>**

The Bringing America Back to Life Convention is the premier Diocesan-wide pro-life event: 2 jam-packed days filled with the nation’s top speakers, workshops, and exhibitors. To discover more about this must-see event, to view the impressive line-up of speakers, and to register, visit [www.bringingamericabacktolife.org](http://www.bringingamericabacktolife.org) or call (440) 281-1502. Join us as we Bring America Back to Life!

**Catholic Cemeteries Association  
 Monthly Sunday Grief Support  
 February 21, 2021**

Catholic Cemeteries Association continues with our free monthly in-office grief support groups on February 21<sup>st</sup> with limited seating for social distancing. We offer a comfortable, private, and safe environment where you are free to explore your grief. Meetings are open discussion format, surrounding a monthly topic or whatever is on your heart. They do not build off each other so you can stop in any month and fit right in. If you are not yet able to talk about your grief, come and listen and be in the presence of those who understand. The February topic is “Experiencing God’s Loving Embrace.” We meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of every month from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at six locations:

- Saint Joseph Cemetery, Avon (**NEW office**);
- Holy Cross Cemetery, Brook Park (office);
- Calvary Cemetery, Cleveland (office);

Meeting sites are sanitized and seating is arranged at a safe distance. Participants are asked to RSVP. We require all in attendance to wear protective facial coverings. To RSVP or for questions, please contact Rhonda at [rabrums@clecem.org](mailto:rabrums@clecem.org) or 216-930-4866.



**AM 160 The Rock**—“God Calling” airs Sundays at 4:30 p.m. and features vocation stories from priests, religious, married, and single Catholics. Veteran broadcaster Paul

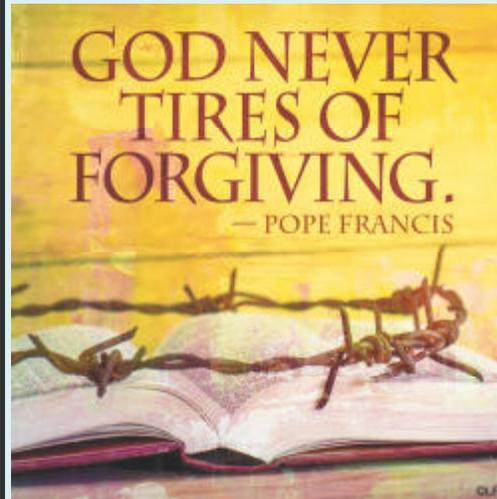
Orlousky hosts this 30-minute glimpse into how God calls each one of us. February’s lineup includes:

- 2/14—Vic and Pat Voinovich (our Valentine’s Episode)
- 2/21—Fr. Joe Mamich, Pastor—St. Joseph Parish, Strongsville
- 2/28—Deacon Bill and Nancy Fredrick, St. Joseph Byzantine Church, Brecksville

Please tune in to AM1260 The Rock, download our app or listen online at [www.am1260therock.com](http://www.am1260therock.com).

**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS**

The Unfailing Goodness of God



I have always wondered why Jesus told the cleansed leper not to publicize how he had been healed by the Son of God. It’s not that I can’t understand why Jesus would want to keep the matter quiet — after all, He knew that as soon as people heard, He would be mobbed with requests for healings, and His

movements restricted.

What gets me is the fact that Jesus simply must have realized the leper would not listen to Him. Why give someone a command you know they will ignore? It’s a complicated question, and when I reflect on it, I can’t help but connect it to another equally complicated question: why does God, all-good and all-knowing, allow bad things to happen?

Yes, God is all-good and all-knowing. So when He gives us free will, He knows what we will do with it. However, He is also all-powerful. He can and will bring good from any situation, any tragedy, or even any instance where someone ignores Him.

Was it a sin for this leper to do other than what Jesus had said? That’s a heavy question for a Sunday morning! But it’s plain to see that, even though this man ignored Jesus’ command, God still used his actions. How many were brought to Christ because of the news spread by this leper!

As someone trying to live out a stewardship way of life, what is God requesting of you right now?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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# YOUTH MINISTRY

## Valentine's Day Facts:

There may have been multiple St. Valentines and the stories we have are a conglomerate of these men, all named Valentine. Unfortunately, it looks like all of them were martyred as well-in some pretty gruesome ways. Not something you'd see on a greeting card but a part of the story nonetheless. #themoreyouknow

## JR. HIGH (SALT LITE):

We welcome anyone in grades 6-8, from any city, parish, or no parish at all. No registration, no cost, just show up!:)

## LITE NIGHTS

Every other Sunday 6:00p to 7:30!  
Anyone grades 6-8 is welcome to join us for  
Food, Friends, & Fun!

Next Meeting: February 14th <3  
IN PERSON in the Social Hall at St. Joseph

## HIGH SCHOOL (SALT):

**INSIGHT NIGHT:** Sundays 7:30-9:30pm (*IN PERSON* in Fr. Mosovsky Hall and hybrid!).

What is Insight Night? Discussing what is important to YOU (and a touch of chaos if we're honest)

**2/14: What is Love [Baby Don't Hurt Me]**  
**2/21: Can People Change?** (Greg House says no)

## DROP-IN GOES LATE. AND GETS COFFEE.

Drop-In is alternating Wednesdays with Coffee and Contemplation, our program meant for those who are looking to take a deeper dive. We'll be joining St. Joe's as they work through the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius (yup, Cannonball Guy) throughout Lent. Both Drop-In and Coffee and Contemplation will take place Wed 5:00-6:30 in the Hall.

2/10: Coffee and Contemplation  
2/17: Coffee and Contemplation w/ Ash Wednesday Mass following  
2/24: Drop-In



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# Lifelong Learning

## Lent !

### Prayer for Married Couples



Almighty and eternal God,  
 You blessed the union of married couples  
 so that they might reflect the union of Christ  
 with his Church:  
 look with kindness on them.  
 Renew their marriage covenant,  
 increase your love in them,  
 and strengthen their bond of peace  
 so that, with their children,  
 they may always rejoice in the gift of  
 your blessing.  
 We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
 Amen.

If you are reading this and are still not able to participate with us at Holy Spirit on Sundays, you may have missed the Lenten Materials that we offered for take home use this weekend.

You are still able to pick up packets, including the CRS Rice Bowls, at the parish office from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. The package is too substantial to mail, but if you cannot come to us, call the parish office and let us know that you are interested. We will try to arrange to have one delivered to you.

We are offering a variety of opportunities to try and meet a variety of needs. We don't expect that anyone participate in everything! If you want additional information, you can go to the parish website ([www.hspal.org](http://www.hspal.org)) or phone the parish office.

The singular event requiring registration is the daytime study of "The Chosen" since we will have to be socially-distanced in Mosovsky Hall. You can register on the website or by phoning the office. Please contact us before the first session on February 21st.

May our Lenten journeys be ones of renewal and growth!



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## FORMED

PICK OF THE WEEK

February 14, 2021

LEARN

### FORMED NOW! HOW TO STUDY THE BIBLE

Are you looking to take your spiritual life deeper this Lent? There's no better place to start than the Lord's Word. Join Dr. Gray and Dr. Giszczak as they explain how to study and devote yourself to Scripture!



To set up your free account visit [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup) and select our parish.

**READ THE  
GOSPEL AND  
COMPLETE A  
PUZZLE!**

**SHARING THE GOSPEL**

It is not fun to be sick. You miss your friends at school. You can't go outside to play. On top of being bored and lonely, you don't feel well at all. The man with leprosy in today's Gospel was sick a long, long time. He was really bored, lonely, and feeling awful. There was no medicine for leprosy. Jesus was the only one who could help him.

**PRAYER**

God, you have the power to heal. Help me to trust you, even when I'm sick.

**MISSION  
FOR THE WEEK**

Visit the sick. Make a card.  
Take a treat to share.  
Give them something to read.  
Pray for them before you leave.  
You will brighten their day.

**KIDS CORNER**

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

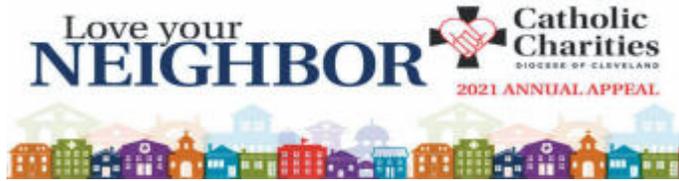
LEPROSY  
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**2021 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal**

The 2021 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal will take place next weekend in our parish. Please refer to the insert in this week’s bulletin which includes our parish’s goal and an overview of the importance of Catholic Charities in our communities. This year’s appeal theme is Love Your Neighbor. Your generous support will transform the lives of others, to offer dignity, possibilities and companionship to those who are most vulnerable. As in the past, an in-pew commitment process will take place next weekend, February 20-21.

All who have not received the mailing from Bishop Malesic, or have not had a chance to respond to it, will be asked to consider making a generous pledge to support the ministries and services provided by Catholic Charities. If you have received the mailing, please respond generously to it and we ask you to also complete the in-pew envelope and indicate by checking the box that you have responded by mail.

We invite you to view stories of inspiration and more information at [CatholicCommunity.org/2021Appeal](http://CatholicCommunity.org/2021Appeal).

Double your impact! A generous donor, who believes in the mission of Catholic Charities, will match your gift, up to \$1 million. Do twice as much good when you give online at [CatholicCommunity.org/Match](http://CatholicCommunity.org/Match). Thank you!

**Pre-Baptism Classes**



Parents wishing to have their child baptized in the Catholic Church must attend a Pre-Baptism class. Holy Spirit Parish shares the responsibility of these classes with other parishes in our area. Following is a list of each class with time and place each will be held. To

register for a class, please call the hosting parish:

Holy Spirit—440-933-3777      St. Joseph—440-933-3152  
 St. Mary—440-934-4212      St. Thomas—440-949-7744

**Thursday 7:30 p.m. February 18, 2021 Holy Spirit**  
**Tuesday 6:30 p.m. March 16, 2021 St. Joseph**  
**Sunday 11:30 a.m. April 18, 2021 St. Thomas**

Baptisms are celebrated at Holy Spirit Parish by appointment only. Call the Parish Office at 440-933-3777 for information.

**Contribution Report**

January 31, 2021	\$15,464.00	142 envelopes used
Repairs & Improvements	\$650.00	16 envelopes used
Latin America	\$220.00	8 envelopes used
University of America	\$115.00	4 envelopes used
February 7, 2021	\$13,668.00	112 envelopes used
Repairs & Improvements	\$830.00	17 envelopes used
Food Bank	\$200.00	Thank you!

We are now building up our fund total: the current Repairs & Improvements project total is now \$74,714. Thank you for the generosity of so many!

Thank you to all who contribute in both large and small ways to Holy Spirit Parish. Your help is greatly appreciated!

**Worship and Music at Holy Spirit Parish**

Sacristans needed –

Are you looking for volunteer opportunities in our parish? We are in need of several sacristans to assist with setting up for weekend and feast day Masses. Responsibilities include arriving at least 30 minutes before the scheduled start time of Mass, turning on the lights and sound system, setting out liturgical books and vessels, lighting the candles, preparing the linens, and setting out the bulletins. You will serve as one of the hospitality ministers (greeters) as time allows and confirm that the scheduled lectors and extraordinary ministers are present. There are also some brief duties during Mass, and sacristans clean up after Mass. Depending on the level of interest, you may be needed as often as every week or perhaps only every second or third week. Training is provided. You must be an adult and a confirmed member of the parish. Please contact Nathan Hetrick, Director of Worship and Music, at the parish office if you are interested—[nhetrick@hspal.org](mailto:nhetrick@hspal.org) or 440-933-3777, ext. 212.

Nathan Hetrick  
 Director of Worship and Music

## Mass Intentions

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 13 / Blessed Virgin Mary</b>
5:00 p.m.	Parishioners of Holy Spirit
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 14 / Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
9:00 a.m.	Hugh David McNeeley (Eva Kisley)
10:30 a.m.	James St. John (Avon / Avon Lake Knights of Columbus)
12:00 p.m.	Thomas Bednar and Bradley Bednar (Friends)
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 15 / Weekday</b>
8:30 a.m.	Marianne and Angelo Pastura (Terri Pastura)
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 16 / Weekday</b>
8:30 a.m.	Open Intention
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 17 / ASH WEDNESDAY</b>
8:30 a.m.	Open Intention
12:00 p.m.	Open Intention
7:00 p.m.	Parishioners of Holy Spirit
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 18 / Thursday after Ash Wednesday</b>
8:30 a.m.	Open Intention
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 19 / Friday after Ash Wednesday</b>
8:30 a.m.	Open Intention
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 20 / Blessed Virgin Mary</b>
5:00 p.m.	Peggy Gall (Larry and Mary Lou Gall)
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>FEBRUARY 21 / First Sunday of Lent</b>
9:00 a.m.	Parishioners of Holy Spirit
10:30 a.m.	Carol Lavish (Mr. and Mrs. Wagner)
12:00 p.m.	Louis Bertuzzi (Kevin and Lisa Nelson)

There are several available Mass Intentions this coming week. Please call the parish office at 440-933-3777 to arrange to have a Mass Intention.

## Cluster Parish Mass and Sacrament of Reconciliation Schedules

**St. Joseph Church—32929 Lake Rd., Avon Lake**  
 Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:30 p.m.  
 Distribution of Communion in parking lot until 5:45 p.m.  
 Sunday Mass: 8:30 a.m.  
 Distribution of Communion in parking lot until 9:45 a.m.  
 Sunday Mass: 11:00 a.m.  
 Distribution of Communion in parking lot until 12:15 p.m.  
 Sunday Afternoon Mass: 5:00 p.m. No livestream. No distribution of Communion afterwards.  
 Daily Mass: Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.—Communion will be offered following Mass for those who attend in person, and under the tent for those who watched from home.  
 Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3 to 4 p.m.  
**Ash Wednesday—Masses:** 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

**St. Raphael Church—525 Dover Center Rd., Bay Village**  
 Daily Mass: Monday through Friday—9:15 a.m.  
 Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:30 p.m.  
 Sunday Masses: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.  
 Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday—3:00-4:00 p.m.  
**Ash Wednesday—Masses:** 9:15 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.;  
**Prayer Service:** 4:30 p.m.

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