

ST. ANGELA MERICI ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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AUGUST 29, 2021



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SPECIAL COLLECTION All Masses - August 28th and 29th

St. Angela Merici will have a special collection on behalf of the people of Haiti who were recently devastated by an earthquake and Tropical Storm Grace.

Checks to be made payable to St. Angela Merici Parish with memo line marked Haiti Relief



WELCOME... BISHOP MALESIC!



St. Angela Merici Parish welcomes Bishop Edward Malesic as he celebrates Mass with us on Sunday, August 29th at 9:30 a.m.

Bishop Malesic will also dedicate a memorial plaque in memory of Monsignor Robert C. Wolff, beloved pastor at St. Angela Merici Parish from 1972—1988.

This plaque is located in the Children's Shrine on the west side of the interior of the church.

Welcome Back
SAM STUDENTS!

First day of school:

GRADES 1-8
Wednesday, September 1st

KINDERGARTEN
Thursday, September 2nd

PRESCHOOL
Tuesday, September 7th



Dear Friends,



Well, the world has turned around again and again, and even the hint of fall is everywhere we look. The

leaves seem to be changing, the sunlight has slanted a bit south, the days grow shorter, and the colors on the flowers in front of church are even taking on a different hue! What do these hints tell us about our days?



Do we call these days



or are they really a return to those great



For some of us, school seems to come way too early, but for most of us, if we were honest, we do love getting back to marvelous routine of learning, of friends, of making new friends, and of just being together as we pray, explore our world, and begin again the great journey of discovery in our minds and hearts! It's time again to challenge our minds, play new games, test our athletic ability, and realize once again in the gift of our Catholic school that God is really love – and to realize that God truly does love us – each one of us and every one of us. We learn who God is and all the marvelous things God has done for us – creating this great world and universe, giving us life, showing us how to live with Jesus and following his example, He who is our brother and Lord, and inspiring us thru the Spirit at each moment to open ourselves to the wonder of God's presence in us and all who surround us!



To school, to PSR, to Pre-School, to YOSA, and to all the many aspects of our life together here at SAM. We hope that your

summer was restful and filled with great memories. Now it's time to get back into gear and to start the year off in the right way! And what a surprise we have this year:



Welcome, Bishop Malesic, to St. Angela Merici! It is always an

honor and privilege to welcome the local bishop, our shepherd, and this week especially for his first visit. He's a busy man with such a large diocese, and he is our pastor and spiritual leader for so many. Likewise, it's good to remember that he is a successor to the apostles for us, the man appointed by

the Pope for our diocese! So I hope you can stop by to greet him at 9:30 Mass or at the parish Welcome Back Day and Parish Picnic gathering.



If you would like to get a closer glimpse of the bishop, the man who is the 12th bishop of the Diocese of Cleveland, I recommend you check out the diocesan website under the section "Meet Our Shepherd". This will give you an excellent

opportunity to see how the Spirit of God has led this man in his life and who he is for you and me. The link is www.dioceseofcleveland.org. Also, do you know what we mean by the term **Apostolic Succession**? Very important for us! We can trace ministry of our bishops right back to Jesus Himself and the apostles! You can look at [Hierarchy of the Catholic Church - Wikipedia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hierarchy_of_the_Catholic_Church), and also the teaching on the Catholic Church about bishops; a bishop is an ordained minister **who holds the fullness of the sacrament of holy orders** and is responsible for teaching doctrine, governing Catholics in his jurisdiction, sanctifying the world and representing the Church. Catholics trace the origins of the office of bishop to the apostles, who we believe were endowed with a special charism by the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. **Catholics believe this special charism has been transmitted through an unbroken succession of bishops by the laying on of hands in the sacrament of holy orders.**

Diocesan bishops—known as eparchs in the Eastern Catholic Churches—are assigned to govern local regions within the Catholic Church known as dioceses in the Latin Church and eparchies in the Eastern Churches. Bishops are collectively known as the College of Bishops and can hold such additional titles as archbishop, cardinal, patriarch, or pope. As of 2020 there were approximately 5,600 living bishops total in the Latin and Eastern churches of the Catholic Church. The concept of Apostolic Succession is really a gift and a guarantee for us, and for our own bishop! Remember why apostolic succession is so important: It doesn't just mean one bishop following another in a diocese. **Apostolic succession is important, because it is the means by which Christ's authority currently exists in the world. Christ gave his Apostles the ability to grant assurance of the forgiveness of sins, heal the sick, and perform the Eucharist, as well as the ability to pass this authority to others.** No wonder we give such respect to our bishops! Both the men and the office they hold!



HEART OF A SHEPHERD
Catholic Diocese of Cleveland

Speaking of shepherds, in case you missed this last week, we are beginning to think about something you may have heard about in the diocese: The Heart of a Shepherd Campaign. This is a multi-part

endeavor to plan for the future, especially for our seminary and for future priests, something the diocese is asking us to reflect on as the future unfolds in this 21st Century.

Today is an exciting time for the faithful of the Diocese of Cleveland – a time to recommit ourselves to our future and present priests who lead us in faith. Your support of this important campaign is essential to encourage vocations, support our priests, and continue the long history of faith built by those who have come before us. In the coming weeks, we will tell you more about it and how our parish

can help. And at the same time for us at SAM it will help us locally as we look forward to our centennial.

 **The Heart of a Shepherd initiative is an extraordinary endeavor designed specifically to strengthen and better meet the needs of the Saint Mary and Borromeo Seminaries, its seminarians and our newly-ordained and retired clergy. In addition, this effort will aid our parishes in recovery from the economic impact of the pandemic.** You will learn much more about it on the diocesan website at catholiccommunity.org/heart-of-a-shepherd. Together, we will explore what this undertaking is and how very successful it has already been in the diocese.

Obviously, these are trying times for many. Thus, we know that not everyone will be able to participate in this experience. But the diocese would like us to think about it over the coming weeks and years. Thanks for keeping an open mind and heart! It's a great tradition of northeast Ohio and especially of St. Angela Merici Parish!

To get started, here are some quick facts provided by the diocese:

PART I: RENOVATE OUR SEMINARIES

 **\$20 MILLION**
The interior renovation of Borromeo Seminary and Saint Mary Seminary and Graduate School of Theology is long overdue; the building is over 70 years old. The holistic formation of priests in our Diocese requires renovations to provide suitable physical space for:

- Liturgical worship, prayer, and reflection
- Fostering formation and human development
- Encouraging relational and vocational growth
- Private study
- Inviting safe social interactions

Renovations will include renovated student rooms for all students with individual bathrooms for graduate students, individually controlled heating and cooling, ADA accessible rooms, faculty and guest suite renovations, new furniture, an upgraded elevator and new elevator connecting all floors, common lounge area and study space, laundry rooms, and an updated Reconciliation Chapel.

Resurrection Chapel, a prayerful space where seminarians gather five times a day for prayer and discern their vocation, will also be renovated with a new double door entryway, installation of a Baptismal font, refurbished pews and kneelers, pipe organ restoration, new lighting, and new liturgical furnishings.

PART II: CARE FOR RETIRED PRIESTS

 **\$7 MILLION**

In our Diocese, we are fortunate to have 258 active priests and 97 retired priests who have dedicated their lives to serving us. Many priests continue to serve our community of faith after retirement, and

we are called to do what is necessary to provide them with adequate care. However, the Retired Clergy Pension Fund is not yet fully funded, placing more of the burden on parishes to ensure that priests receive adequate pensions. To secure proper care for our clergy, while reducing annual premiums for parishes, this initiative will allocate \$7 million to meet this important obligation.

 **PART III: SUPPORT FOR NEWLY-ORDAINED CLERGY**
\$3 MILLION

When seminarians are ordained, many are burdened with financial hardship. A seminarian graduating today may have accumulated between \$8,000 and \$112,000 in education debt, for an average of \$38,000. Support is needed to ensure that these priests can dedicate their lives to the Lord and serve our communities without the weight of financial hardship. Our goal is to invest \$3 million in an endowment dedicated to loan repayment assistance for newly-ordained priests.

 **PART IV: SUPPORT TO OUR PARISH**

The many vibrant parishes that comprise our Diocese of Cleveland serve as a pillar of faith, hope, and charity in our communities. In direct response to the challenges set forth by the COVID-19 pandemic, this campaign will provide an opportunity for our parishes across the Diocese to raise funds for pressing local needs. This means we will raise money and keep a large percentage of the money here in our own parish. Again, as we unfold the campaign initiative, you will learn more about this. Interestingly enough, parishes that have already done this have been wonderfully successful. But again, we need to reflect on this for our own situation and for the households in our own parish.

 **Luckily, we have two parishioners from SAM who serve on the seminary boards.** They will help us to get more acquainted with the needs of the future. It has been a long time since we had priests from our suburban west district of the diocese. Perhaps this venture will instill some spark of interest for future vocations.

 **And lest we forget this weekend amidst the blitz of media, let's remember:** during these 'post protocol times' we have the bishop's directives for getting back on track; and we continue to pray for the whole world that we may begin anew and grow deeper in our love for Jesus at Mass and the celebration and reception of Holy Communion.

We all know: the pandemic is not over across the globe, so we're not out of the woods yet. Some news reports are calling it the most elusive 'moving target' we have to face

In the world. Thus we ask God to bless all who are still working on health care issues and fighting disease and viruses and variants as these challenges to our health appear to mutate and confound our most dedicated attempts to eradicate them. Thank God that so many are committed to helping one another as the Body of Christ in the world.

 **Re COVID, here is an important communication from our diocese to assist us in making wise decisions:**

As COVID-19 seems to be resurging and new variants of the virus emerge in Northeast Ohio, it is necessary once again to offer recommendations and reminders based on the latest guidance from federal, state and local public health agencies for the safety of all who worship at Catholic parishes throughout the Diocese of Cleveland.

Pope Francis reminds everyone that "Vaccines are an essential tool in this fight" against the virus. Those who are eligible should talk to their health care provider and seriously consider getting vaccinated to protect their health, the health of others, and to ease the increased burdens on our healthcare system and those who work there, many of them who are heroes to us.

All ministries of the Diocese of Cleveland, including parishes, schools, PSR, youth ministry and the like, are collaborating with and considering the various recommendations of public health authorities as they continue in their efforts to reduce the risk of COVID-19 for those they serve.

All persons - whether vaccinated or unvaccinated - should consider wearing masks when in close proximity to others. Frequent hand washing and practicing social distancing also are strongly encouraged. Health professionals say that these steps, along with regular disinfection of frequently touched surfaces, will help prevent the spread of the disease.

It is inevitable that people will make different choices about masking and other public health recommendations. Everyone is reminded to show kindness and respect to one another, especially those who may be taking an approach different from their own. Individuals and families must decide for themselves how best to respond to the current situation taking into consideration information from credible health authorities while

following our Lord's command, "As I have loved you, so you also should love one another" (John 13:34).

Those who are ill, have significant health risk factors or care for someone who is immune-compromised or ill, as well as those who have significant fear or anxiety about contracting the coronavirus in a large group of persons are not obliged to attend Mass.

Remember that the situation continues to be fluid. Stay connected to information coming from national, state and local health authorities and stay home and get tested for COVID when you are not feeling well. Following these recommendations will go a long way in helping to keep you and others around you safe.

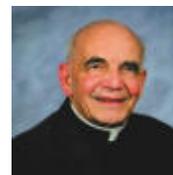
Jesus reminded his Apostles in the Gospel of Matthew to "take courage and do not be afraid" when facing the storm. Jesus remains with us today and through our faith in him and our love for one another, we too can endure the trying challenges facing us today.

Thanks to all who have done their part to reduce the risk of infection for themselves and others. May God bless and watch over us in our time of need.



Let's keep our hopes high and our loving actions at the forefront of our daily prayers and service. Perhaps a prayer to Mary, Health of the Sick, Patroness of our Country, Mother of the Church might bring us comfort and consolation as we ask her intercession for the whole world and especially all those we love. And may she be with those who are working so hard in health care to bring solace to the sick and dying and inspiration to those in the realms of medical research. Amen!

This weekend also, we will be dedicating the newest plaque in the church for a former pastor, Msgr. Robert Wolff. We thank Bishop Malesic for helping us to remember and honor Msgr. Wolff whose plaque will reside near the Guardian Angel shrine on the west side of the church.



Msgr. Wolff was a brilliant man and a faith-filled priest and pastor. He loved young people, so I'm sure he's smiling down on us for thinking so warmly of his ministry here, at the seminary, and among his many friends and acquaintances in the Diocese of Cleveland. BTW, Msgr. Wolff also provided the Holy Family Shrine directly behind the Parish Center. May the plaque in our church remind us of his dedication and service. May it inspire other young men and women to lives of service in the priesthood and religious life. Amen!

On this final weekend of August as we pray for young people starting school again and for those especially from our parish family who have gone on to college, here are some reflections for this week's Scripture lessons:



JUST DO IT – Be Doers of the Word: *The 22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—CYCLE B, Text: James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27*



Nike, the international manufacturer of athletic wear, and trend-setter for active fashion around the world, coined the famous tag-line to attract its action-oriented clientele; **JUST DO IT!** The marketing department at Nike summed up their buyers as

people who were doers more than thinkers, active more than passive, in motion rather than sedentary. "JUST DO IT," Nike admonished, "and, while you are doing it, wear Nike shoes and clothing, like Michael Jordan and Tiger Woods do." And just like that, Nike set a generation of human swooshes in motion.



JUST DO IT. An original thought? Not really; just new packaging. Long before the Nike advertising campaign, philosophers and pundits have offered the same counsel to those who would make a difference in a world too full of talk, and too empty of action. Consider the following examples:

Talk doesn't cook rice.

--Chinese proverb

You have a zero percent scoring average on shots you don't take.

--Wayne Gretzky, hockey player

There comes a moment when you have to stop revving up the car and shove it into gear.

--David Mahoney, race car driver

You may not like all my methods of ministry. I don't either. But I like my way of doing something better than you're way of doing nothing.

--Dwight L. Moody, evangelist

Pray to God to be saved from the storm, but keep rowing toward the shore.

--Russian proverb

The original sin of Adam and Eve was inertia. They were just too lazy to get up and check out whether the serpent was telling the truth or a lie.

--Jewish Rabbinical teaching



Now add to this list the counsel of James, taken from our scripture lesson today. Be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.

James is a big believer that Christians should be people of action, putting their faith in practice. If we who claim to follow Christ are the salt of the earth, James thinks we should be out of the salt shaker and scattered in the world where we can do some good. James has little patience for pious talk, orthodox creeds, and polite worship if those words and beliefs do not propel a person into the world of need as the caring, redemptive, reconciling presence of Christ. In virtually every chapter of his epistle, James will return to this theme. As he will say elsewhere, Faith without works is dead. Translation? If you would be a follower of Christ, then don't just sit there, get up and follow. JUST DO IT!



It is not that James thinks Christian faith is all action and no belief, or all left up to our good deeds without dependence on the good work of God towards us in Christ.

His insistence on public action as a testimony to one's private faith led many readers of the Epistle of James to conclude that his teaching was in direct conflict with the epistles of Paul, who taught his readers that we are saved by faith, not by works (Ephesians 2:8-9). This misreading of James caused this letter to be one of the last books of the New Testament to receive universal approval in the Church's Canon (*official list*) of Holy

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needed some prodding to depend less on their works of piety and more on God's first act of grace toward us in Jesus Christ. James, on the other hand, addresses a Church prone to sing its songs, pray its prayers, and recite its creeds, but then fail to put those beliefs into action seeking justice and peace in the world in the name of Christ.

But both Paul and James know that the first action of salvation was God's grace towards us, and then after a person receives that grace, it should result in gracious acts of Christian witness.

For example, in Paul's letter to the Ephesians, immediately after saying "we are saved by grace, and not by works," he writes, "but we are created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God intends to be our way of life" (Ephesians 2:10). And likewise, in our same lesson today from James, prior to his strong statement about being doers and not just hearers of the Word, James reminds the reader that first we must "humbly receive the Word that has been planted in our hearts, and which alone is able to save our souls." So even for James, the champion of the active voice in Christian life, there is first the passive voice, this reception of saving grace, like soil receiving the life-giving seed.



But the farming imagery James uses to illustrate our reception of God's grace, also serves to illustrate his admonition to bear fruit with that good seed.

And what is the fruit of real religion for James? As we might expect, it is shown in action, the tongues in one's shoes more than the tongues in one's mouth, bearing witness to mature faith. "Take care of those at the bottom rung of the power ladder in society, the widows and orphans," says James. Who are those at the bottom rung of our society? Many widows and all orphans, to be sure. But perhaps also the poor in general, the outcast, the illegal alien, the handicapped, the homeless. James

teaches us that if we are hoping to join God in the world, or if we are wondering where we might find God, we might go to work first wherever there is suffering, whenever there is the muffled sob of heartbreak, with whomever feels furthest from God. For when God makes an appearance, that is most likely where He starts. And God intends to be present in us, through us, as we represent Him there. As the old saying goes, "No one cares what we believe, unless they can first believe that we care." So, people of faith, put your faith to work, James says. JUST DO IT!



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Time to make plans as Doers of the Word, not just Hearers. Once again, what's left on your 'To-Do Checklist'? What plans do you have for the coming months? Maybe they might include some of the following:

• **Welcome back, School Community, PSR, and Pre-School staffs and families! We have been working hard all summer to make sure our young ones and their families are being taken care of.** God bless everyone's enthusiastic pledge to education and faith formation!

• **Remember: We are constantly looking to invite folks to be extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, lectors, ushers, etc.** If you feel the call, give us a call! Not everyone has gifts for every ministry. But you may have a gift for one or the other. And reaching out to those in need and being an active member of the community is not only enriching but helps others. And it gives a chance to meet others in the parish family. A good, good thing!

• **RCIA—the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the way folks join our faith.** Please see Fr. Don if you are interested in becoming Catholic, coming back the Church after many years, have never made your First Communion or Confirmation but are baptized, or concerned about confession, issues of marriage, etc. We are here to help you come close to the Lord and 'fix' what might have been 'broken' in your life. **It's really much easier than you might imagine.**

• **The school and other parish buildings have been washed and cleaned; replacement carpets, fixing broken problems such as doors and toilets, etc.** Our maintenance gang worked feverishly during the fast summer months.

• **Bushes and trees do not last forever; in fact, they may become hazards after awhile.** We need to clip a few overgrown trees and bushes when we get a chance. Some trees and shrubs have been growing for twenty years and have weak, shallow roots. They need replacing, especially the fir trees so that they don't damage your car – or my car – in a fierce windstorm.

• **We are thinking about our Centennial as a parish in 2023.** More about that as time unfolds. Now with live-streaming, we will be able to reach out to alums and families from our history across the globe! Question: would you like a picture book/coffee table book about our parish? Would that interest you? Someone posed the idea, so let me know what you think.

• **We are also fixing/replacing/updating our HV/AC heating and air-conditioning systems as needs arise.** This is a plant with buildings that are good but in need of updating as technology zooms ahead. Just like at your house, nothing lasts forever nor can it always be fixed. Remember radios and TVs with tubes! Same with all manner of building issues and everything that goes with them. Thanks for your great support and generosity in keeping things in good order. God bless our business office and maintenance staff for their dedicated and selfless care of our community and our grounds and buildings. Not an easy job! Thank God they are here and so steadfast, committed, and faithful.

• **And always remember:** *Audentes (or fortes) fortuna iuvat!* Fortune favors the brave!

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FUNDRAISER

Thanks to everyone for making this quick summer appeal a success in 2021. It really helps us over the hurdle of summer when folks are busy traveling. Congrats to the winner, whoever that may be! This summer fundraiser really helps us to move through the vacation time and care for needed repairs, etc. God bless you.



Oremus pro invicem. Soli Deo Gloria.

Father Michael J. Lanning, Pastor

Avilas of St. Angela Merici



First Friday Eucharistic Adoration is held on the first Friday of **each month from 9:15 a.m.—3:00 p.m.** in the Church.

Everyone is invited to come in and pray with us.

During this time, because the Eucharist is set out, someone **must** be in the Church at all times. We need more participants in order to continue this important ministry, especially from 11:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

For more information and to learn how you can become involved, please contact the Parish Center at (440) 333-2133.

St. Angela Merici Rosary Group



We are back!

All are welcome to join The St. Angela evening rosary group which will resume meeting in person at the Parish Center on the 1st Wednesday of each month.

No worries if you're unsure on how to recite the rosary - we'll provide "How to Pray the Rosary" sheets. Just bring your rosary and intentions to offer our Blessed Mother.

We are looking forward to seeing many new and familiar faces!

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, September 1st at 7:00 p.m.

WORD OF GOD



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8 / Ps 15:2-5 / Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27 / Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

MONDAY: 1 Thes 4:13-18 / Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13 / Lk 4:16-30

TUESDAY: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11 / Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 / Lk 4:31-37

WEDNESDAY: Col 1:1-8 / Ps 52:10, 11 / Lk 4:38-44

THURSDAY: Col 1:9-14 / Ps 98:2-6 / Lk 5:1-11

FRIDAY: Col 1:15-20 / Ps 100:1b-5 / Lk 5:33-39

SATURDAY: Col 1:21-23 / Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8 / Lk 6:1-5

NEXT SUNDAY: Is 35:4-7a / Ps 146:7-10 / Jas 2:1-5 / Mk 7:31-37

Marriage Banns

III

Mary Carol Whitmore
and
Nathaniel David Frye
September 3, 2021

III

Grace Elizabeth Durbak
and
Joseph Patrick Palmer
September 4, 2021

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Leigh Anne Galla
and
Anthony Neil Bowman
September 18, 2021



HEART OF A SHEPHERD
Building the Faith of Tomorrow Today

Upcoming Heart of a Shepherd Campaign

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To learn more, see pages 2-3 of the pastor's letter in this bulletin, or visit:

catholiccommunity.org/heart-of-a-shepherd.

DON'T FORGET TO JOIN US!

St. Angela Merici PARISH PICNIC and WELCOME BACK DAY

Sunday, August 29, 2021
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Join us for food, games, socializing and more.

50/50 Drawing tickets (\$100 each) will be available for purchase at the picnic. Drawing will take place after the 11:30 a.m. Mass.

SAM School families - bring your school supplies and meet your teacher.

ALL ARE WELCOME!





REMEMBER
in your prayers

OREMUS PRO INVICEM
(Pray for one another)

In your prayers, please remember those in need of healing, especially:

Frances Allington, Maureen Ashdown, Donna Bartos, Beverly Baum, Paul Boscoe, Grace Bostwick, Ella Burns, Alice Cameron, Lainey Chisholm, Levi Chisholm, Maddy Coughlin, Joseph Crupi, Ken DeCrane, Deacon Kenneth DeLuca, Francisco Deras-Solits, Jean DiRuggiero, Peggy Drew, Aranka Gajzer, Woody Granger, Ann Hawk, Frank Hawk, Hank Hout, Megan Keefe, Richard Kubicina, Barb Loyer, Fr. Jim Lee, Robert Lynch, Maureen Materna, Imelda Moenter, Deborah Mortack, Mike O'Donnell, Mary O'Hern, Frances Parcaro, Michael Pitts, Marion Rich, Ed Saunders, William Schmidt, Margaret Simmons, Donna Smith, Ann Stromp, Matthew Yaroma, Kimberly Yaeger, Charlotte Zak and Daniel Zak.

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for Mary Egel. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

FINANCIAL REPORTS



PARISH CENTER HOURS

Please Note:

The Parish Center will be closed Monday, September 6th in observance of Labor Day.

The Parish Center will reopen on Tuesday, September 7th at 9:00 a.m.



Monday, August 30

8:30AM Attila Nemeth

Tuesday, August 31

8:30AM John Pickett

Wednesday, September 1

8:30AM James Rakowsky

Thursday, September 2

8:30AM Chuck Gallagher

Friday, September 3—St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

8:30AM Judge Leo Spellacy

Saturday, September 4—BVM

8:30AM Maria DiRuggiero

4:30PM Daniel Kocon & 50th Wedding Anniversary of Mary & Gary Easter

Sunday, September 5—23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM John Donnellan

9:30AM Ruth & Albert Bennett

11:30AM John & Rosemary Eyerman

5:30PM For the Parish

COMMUNION FOR THE ELDERLY



St. Angela Merici is looking for volunteers to assist with distributing communion to residents at Rockport Senior Living Community in Rocky River.

Anyone interested in learning more about this important and rewarding ministry, you are invited to call Christine Becker at (216) 346-7481.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

St. Angela Merici is looking for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to assist in the distribution of communion to the homebound of our parish.

If this important and rewarding ministry is calling to you, please contact the Parish Office at (440) 333-2133 for more information or to sign up.

SAM Men's Faithsharing Group

All men of the parish are welcome to join us **Saturday, September 11th at 7:00 a.m. at Bohlken Park pavilion.**

Our topic this month is *The Family As Domestic Church: The Miniature Church*

Adult Spirituality and Faith Formation Series

SAM is offering an Adult Spirituality/Faith Formation series, **The Mass and Eucharist with Bishop Robert Barron.**

The sessions will include twelve different weekly topics, with three opportunities to attend each week:

Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. and Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

Each session will be held in the Seminar Room and will last about 45 minutes. There is no obligation to attend every week.

The series will begin the week of **Tuesday, September 14th** with the topic *A Privileged Encounter.*

For a complete list of session topics, visit samparish.org

All are welcome and encouraged to join us.



FAMILY MEMBERS IN THE ARMED SERVICES

Lord, we pray for all family members in the armed services, especially those who have asked for prayers:

Jason Actis, Liam Anglin, Captain Kevin Comiskey, Patrick Corrigan, Brent Cox, Patrick Elfers, Michael P. Gallagher, James Graham, Ron Grethel, Shane Hillman, Michael Hills, Derek Lisowski, Coulton Manning, Reese Marsh, Matthew Martis, Dan Meleason, Joseph O'Malley, Andrew Pipak, Captain Christopher Salisbury, and Jonathan Traczyk.

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