MASSES FOR THIS WEEK
DAILY MASS – Mon - Thurs 8:30 am (except where noted)

Monday, Feb 24  Gabe Ritzert  
Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday, Feb 25  Mary DiFranza  
Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11a, 23; Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday, Feb 26  Ash Wednesday  
(8:30 am) Margaret Tejral  
(12:15 pm) Midday Prayer &Ashes  
(7:00 pm) For the Parishioners  
Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14,17;  
2 Cor 5:20–6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday, Feb 27  William Thompson  
Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

Friday, Feb 28  (No Mass)  
Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday, Feb 29  (9:00 am) Confessions  
(5:00 pm) Margaret Strayer  
Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

Sunday, Mar 1  (9:00 am) Ralph & Rita Lopus  
(11:00 am) For the Parishioners  
1st Sunday of Lent  
Gn 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Ps 51:3-6, 12, 13, 17;  
Rom 5:12-19; Mt 4:1-11

In Our Parish – What/Where/When

MONDAY, FEB 24, 2020  
5:00 Choir Practice/Church/6:30 pm  
9:00 Choir Practice/Church/8:00 pm

TUESDAY, FEB 25, 2020  
RCIA/Library/7:00 pm  
Bereavement Session/Parish Ctr Rm 104/7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY, FEB 26, 2020  
Men’s Bible Study/Church/6:30 am  
AA Meeting/Parish Ctr Rm 101/10:00 am  
**Lenten Alms Collection as you exit  
**Lenten Resources available (free-will offering)

THURSDAY, FEB 27, 2020  
Bible Study/Parish Ctr Rm 101/2:00 pm  
Evangelization Mtg/Parish Ctr Rm 101/7:00 pm

FRIDAY, FEB 28, 2020

SATURDAY, FEB 29, 2020  
Confessions/Church/9:00 am  
1st Recon Parent-Child Retreat/Parish Ctr Rm 101/2:30 pm  
**Lenten Alms Collection & Food Collection  
**Lenten Resources available (free-will offering)

SUNDAY, MAR 1, 2020  
Children’s Liturgy of the Word/Parish Ctr Rm 100/9:00 am  
Mass & Class Grade 7/Church/9:00 am  
PSR K-6 & 8 Grades/THS/10:45 am  
MS Youth Group/Parish Ctr Rm 101/6:30 pm  
**Lenten Alms Collection & Food Collection  
**Lenten Resources available (free-will offering)

OFFERTORY COLLECTION SUNDAY, FEB 16, 2020:  
Regular Collection.......................................................... $ 7,024.25  
# of Children’s Envs Rcvd ............................................. 4

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ASH WEDNESDAY THIS WEEK:  
† Masses are at 8:30 am & 7:00 pm. We will also have Mid-day Prayer and Ashes at 12:15 pm. Ash Wednesday is a day of FAST & ABSTINENCE (no meat and no eating between meals).

† Lenten/Easter Flyer: You should have received our annual Lenten/Easter flyer either by picking up your mailing in the back of church, or by receiving it in the mail, for those who were not here. It has information about our special liturgies, fasting rules, times for the sacrament of reconciliation, and basic information about special programs at Our Lady of Victory. KEEP IT HANDY to help you participate in some of the many Lenten activities coming. Extra copies are in the plastic holders at the entrances.

† Lenten Resources: Pick up your Lenten resources after the Ash Wednesday Masses, or any weekend thereafter, until they’re gone. A Free-will offering will be accepted. Every week be sure to try “Take Five for Faith”, the FREE leaflets available in the plastic holders at the entrances; and also enjoy the inserts to be included in each week’s bulletin during Lent. Resources for Holy Week, Triduum, and Easter (The “Little White Book”) will be available a little closer to Easter.

WEDNESDAY LENTEN PRAYERS: During Lent, we move our Wednesday morning Mass to 6:30 pm, to allow more people to attend, followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm, except Wednesday, Mar 11. (See next item.) We will not celebrate Mass or Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent.

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DIOCESAN EVENING OF CONFESSION – Wednesday, Mar 11, our parish and all parishes in the Diocese will offer “An Evening of Confession” from 5:00-8:00 pm. Mark your calendar and invite family or friends who are away from the Church to join in this special Lenten practice. Priests at all parishes will be present for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. More information is available at www.welcomecatholics.com.

GIVING ALMS FOR THE NEEDY:

1) FINANCIAL SUPPORT: Beginning Ash Wednesday, through Palm Sunday, weekly Alms will be collected by our Ushers as we go forth from Mass to “Proclaim the Gospel of the Lord by our lives”. These alms will be provided to the Blessed Trinity Food Pantry who, in addition to food distribution, along with Catholic Social Services, provides hot meals each week to those in need. (make checks payable to Our Lady of Victory)

2) FOOD: On Feb 29/Mar 1, we invite all to participate in our annual Food for the Hungry by placing non-perishable items near the baptismal font in the Sanctuary. These items will be given to Blessed Trinity Food Pantry, for the needy in North Hill. All other weeks through Palm Sunday, place these items in the front vestibule of the Church and they will be provided the Tallmadge Good Neighbors for distribution to the needy in Tallmadge.

Question of the Week
Reading: Matthew 5:38-48
Adults: In Leviticus, the Lord tells the people through Moses to “be holy, for I am holy”; Paul reminds us that we are the temple of God; and Jesus tells us to “love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us”. How will you live today’s readings this Lent?

Children: It is hard to choose to love someone I really don’t like. What do I have to do to make the choice to love anyway?

Coming Events/News in our Parish

2020 CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL APPEAL - If you took an in-pew envelope home from the appeal weekend, PLEASE return it to the office ASAP, as we are instructed to mail them back in a timely fashion. Our goal for this year is $74,429. On behalf of the poor and needy of Northeast Ohio, thank you for your commitment to make a difference.

NEXT WEEKEND YOU’LL FIND YOUR ENVELOPE for the National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Your support helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, religious education, and diocesan ministries depend on us. Help! We have a parishioner living in Tallmadge, who is looking for a ride to the 11:00 Mass during the winter months. If you can help, please call the Parish Office at 330-633-3637. Thank you!

SIGNATURE & MEDIA CAMPAIGN – Heartfelt thanks goes to all participants including our Knights of Columbus for your outstanding support & generosity of this annual campaign. 108 signatures will be sent to our state legislators to support pro-life policies. Also, the $1,695 in donations will support Right to Life of Northeast Ohio’s highly successful Pro-Life multi-media education initiatives which provide women and families with life-saving choices. Your steadfast commitment to protect the sanctity of innocent human life from conception through natural death, combined with the power of your prayers, is helping to win hearts, change minds, and build a stronger Culture of Life. Together, we are saving lives NOW!!!

CONGRATULATIONS to the 200 Club winner(s) for the weekend of February 16, 2020:

#65 – MARNETTA CARLSON - $50.00

News & Notes in our Neighborhood

JOB POSTING - Embrace Clinic and Care Center (formerly known as Community Pregnancy Center) in Barberton, is in search of a Program Coordinator. This is a part-time hourly position (10-12 hours per week to start). For more information, please call 330-825-1900 or email at kathryn@embraceccc.org.

FISH FRY – Polish American Citizens Club, 472 E Glenwood Ave, Akron – Ash Wednesday from 4:30 – 8:00 pm. Entrance is off Dan Street.

MARY, QUEEN OF HEAVEN AND EARTH CHAPTER OF MAGNIFICAT, invites you to a breakfast on Saturday, March 14 at Walsh University, Barrette Center. 2020 E Maple St, N Canton. Erin Clark will be the guest speaker. Cost: $22 Mail-in / $23 Online -- Go to www.magnificatkart.steakily.com to print out a Reservation Form or to pay online. Make checks payable to “Magnificat of Stark County” and send with a completed Reservation Form to Vicki Vasto, 8735 Glenarden Circle NW, Massillon, OH 44646. RESERVATIONS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER MARCH 7. Doors open at 8:30 am with Breakfast at 9:00 am. For further information call Joan Spieth at 330-933-8778.

DR SCOTT HAHN is coming to St Sebastian Parish Saturday, April 25, and will be speaking on the importance of marriage, beginning at 8:00 am! More information and registration can be found at https://stpaulcenter.com/akron/.

Caring Commission

Pray for the Sick: Marianne Bertsch, Nancy Bisesi, Frank Casalinova, Anita Clymer, Catherine Cooper, Tim Eaton, Daysha Furtney, Mary Ellen Gondek, Michele Gray, Dom Iacobucci, Brenden Kidikas, Dave Riffle, Cheryl Shumaker, Katrina Shunk, Bob Tejral, Michael Varga.

We pray with the Church that Deacon Robert Piskach, Joseph Reich, Mary Rickert, and Rev Ronald Tomicky may share in the peace and joy of the Risen Lord.

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