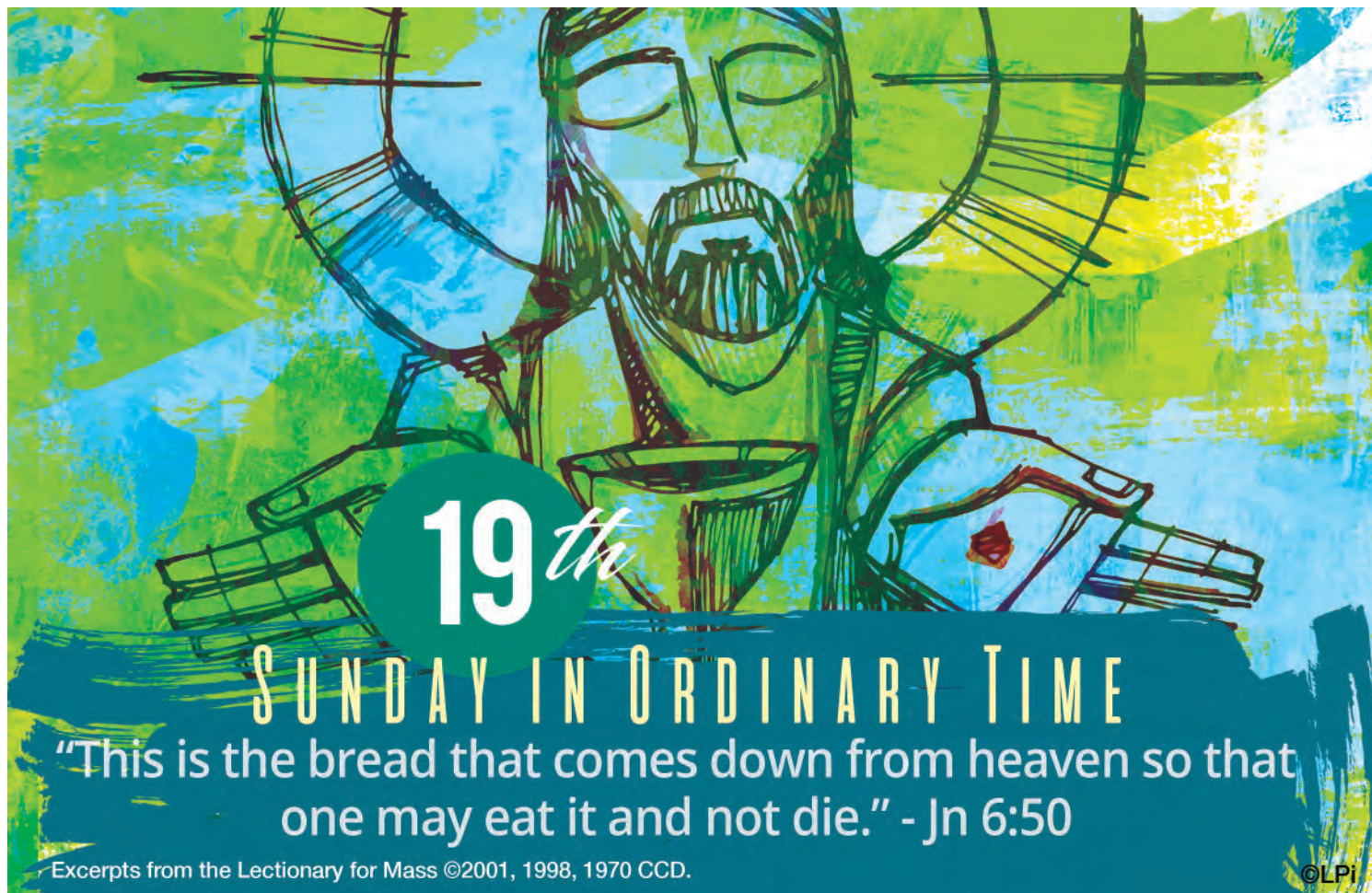


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## MISSION STATEMENT

Gesu Parish,  
a Catholic community in  
the Jesuit tradition, is committed to

Eucharistic **Living**  
Lifelong **Learning**  
Generous **Serving**

"All for the greater glory of God."

- AMDG -

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Weekends

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm  
Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am & 11:30 am

### Weekdays

Monday - Friday: 7:30 am

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00-4:00 pm  
or by appointment

## PASTORAL STAFF

**Reverend Lukas M. Laniauskas, SJ**  
Pastor

**Reverend Michael A. Vincent, SJ**  
Associate Pastor

**Reverend Gregory Hyde, SJ**  
Priest in Residence

**Reverend Dr. James K. O'Donnell**  
Deacon

**Sr. Kathleen Flannery, OSU**  
Parish Life & Liturgy

**Therese Blumenthal**  
Finance & Operations

**Mary Kate Farrar**  
Development & Communications

**Regan Kazel**  
School Principal

**Marcia Leous**  
Faith Formation

**Amy Zucca**  
Outreach Coordinator

**Mark Ehrbar**  
Music Ministry

## PARISH DIRECTORY

**Parish Office**  
(216) 932-0617

**Emergency Night Phone Service**  
(440) 942-6499

**Parish Office Fax**  
(216) 932-0731

**School Office**  
(216) 932-0620

**School Fax**  
(216) 932-8326

## PARISH MEMBERSHIP

New parishioners are invited to call the Parish Office for an appointment to register. Current members are asked to notify the Parish Office when they move.

## TEMPORARY OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm  
At other times, we will be checking email and phone messages.

## *Gospel Meditation*

The lens through which we view life makes a difference. It also determines who we choose to learn from and what we allow to shape our thoughts and feelings. For many, life is simply what it appears to be, a given that either through evolution or some other means just came to be. There is no apparent rhyme or reason to things and things can be dissected and understood only in terms of what they empirically present. To the person using this lens, a tree is a tree and a flower is a flower. Their composition and existence can be understood only to the extent that current human knowledge allows. Through this lens, what gives life purpose and meaning? This lens has an essentially unknown beginning and definite end. Once those are accepted, the middle becomes some kind of pursuit of happiness, with values and principles being things that are self-created and found acceptable.

But there is a Divine lens that also exists and deserves mention. It is found when one stumbles upon faith and begins to see things differently. This lens is of God and reveals a Divine Energy and Life that flows through and in all things. Faith then shows us that all that lives come from this one Source of Love. This is the only true lens that can give human beings the purpose and meaning they desperately need. From this perspective, all of life is much more than what is immediately apparent! It now tells and reveals a story about God generous, creative, and unconditional love! The unfolding of the human story is the unfolding of God's story. What meaning our lives have when they are viewed as a part of God's love affair with humanity! We are indeed special.

The lens of our faith asks us to learn from Jesus Christ. Jesus, as the real Bread of Life, shows us our eternal destiny and completes and frames our lives. It is only in allowing ourselves to be taught by Jesus, that faith, hope, and love take on much greater importance. All the relationships in our lives are now structured and ordered using God's primary commandment of love. Jesus, then, is not just some man who lived at some point in history. Jesus is the incarnate Son of God who shows us the way, the truth and the life. Using this lens changes things up a great deal. Looking at the creation that surrounds you and the special unique people you love, what is God trying to teach you about His love for you and the eternal life He wants you to have?

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# *This Week at Gesu*

## MONDAY 8/9

Mass.....7:30 am - MC  
Healing Rosary.....7:00 pm - PZ

## TUESDAY 8/10

Mass.....7:30 am - MC  
Virtus Training.....6:00 - 8:00 pm - MH

## WEDNESDAY 8/11

Mass.....7:30 am - MC

## THURSDAY 8/12

Mass.....7:30 am - MC  
Boy Scout Troop 620 Mtg.....7:00 - 8:30 pm - MH  
Ignatian Prayer & Faith Sharing.....7:00 - 8:30 pm - ZM

## FRIDAY 8/13

Mass.....7:30 am - MC

## SATURDAY 8/14

Confession.....3:00 - 4:00 pm - CH  
Mass.....4:30 pm - CH

## SUNDAY 8/15

Mass.....8:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:30 am - CH

<b>BG</b> Bulldog Gym	<b>LR</b> Loyola Room	<b>SH</b> Sacred Heart Room
<b>CA</b> Cafeteria	<b>MR</b> Manresa Room	<b>SC</b> School Chapel
<b>CH</b> Church	<b>MC</b> Marian Chapel	<b>SL</b> Schell House
<b>CR</b> Community Room	<b>MH</b> McAuley Hall	<b>SM</b> School Music Room
<b>DR</b> Dietz Room	<b>MG</b> McGivney Room	<b>SS</b> Server's Sacristy
<b>FC</b> Family Center	<b>NR</b> Nativity Room	<b>ZM</b> Zoom
<b>IL</b> Ignatius Library	<b>PZ</b> Piazza	

For the most up-to-date version of the meetings & events calendar, please visit [www.churchofthegesu.org/calendar](http://www.churchofthegesu.org/calendar).

## RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation is held each Saturday from 3:00-4:00 pm in the Church (or by appointment).

## BAPTISMS

To arrange a Baptism, please contact the Parish Office. Baptism instruction is necessary with the first child.

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA)

The Gesu RCIA process welcomes anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and prepares you to become a member of the Catholic Church. Please inquire at the Parish Office.

## MARRIAGE

Please contact one of the Gesu priests at the Parish Office at least six months in advance to arrange the use of the church and register for the marriage preparation program.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

You may make arrangements to receive the Sacrament of the Sick following any weekday or weekend Mass by calling the Parish Office in advance. That way, we will know which date and time you will be here.

## ILLNESS & HOSPITAL CALLS

Please notify the Parish Office when a member of your family is hospitalized or ill.



## REST IN PEACE

**Sarah Kuhar**

Wife of Frank;  
Mother of Adalyn

**Dr. Jessica Summers**

**William Lansdowne**



## PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS THIS WEEK

**Healing Rosary**

Monday, August 9  
7:00 pm  
Piazza



## HELP US UPDATE OUR PRAYER LISTS

Please help us update the "Sick" and "Servicemen and Women" prayer lists. If you have a family member who should be removed from one of the lists, please contact Sr. Linda at [lmartinosu@churchofthegesu.org](mailto:lmartinosu@churchofthegesu.org) or (216) 932-0617.



## DEATH NOTICES ONLINE

Death notices for parishioners with links to full obituaries (if available) can be found on the Gesu website at [www.churchofthegesu.org/death-notice](http://www.churchofthegesu.org/death-notice).

## REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for the following sick members of our community. Sick persons or family members may phone Sr. Linda at (216) 932-0617 to have a name listed. Names will stay on the list for up to one year unless removal or continuation is requested.

Pat Starr	Mary Jo Rourke	Cathy Kingsbury
Roger Ancheta	George Martin	Edison
Stacey Killeen	Jacob Gordon	George O'Hamill
Henriette Najm	Wayne Schmidt	Margaret Homoly
Dale A. Scully	Stacey Kelly	Beth
Rob Mooney	Mike Stinn	Heather
Ann Dolan	Mary Beth Miller	Gina Hespen
Bonnie-Jean Kennedy	Andrew Kascsak	Loretta Wiles
Theresa LoPresti	Cecilia T. Guccion	Barbara Rossy
Ryan S.	Edward P. Guccion	Claire Gascoigne
JoeAnn Franklin	Howard Widmann	Sarah Kuhar
Rita Huebner	Jeff Stevenson	Michael Markiewicz
Frank Gilmore	Grace Pressimone	Janet Markiewicz
Lou Cherry	Toni Consolo	Nick Gundersen
Melissa Currance	Bill & Denise Mirando	Joan Nuth
Alique Topalian	Eleanor Bertagni	John Bastulli, Jr.
Paul & Lynette Trolli	Marge Diemer	Samone Dean
Marian	Sheila Flannery	Bill Kiser
Amanda	Jeanne Horwath	Ryan M.
Jadon Michael Kalp	Richard Rarick	Marilyn Karlik
Denise Mastro	Baby Reese	Bernice Reed
Tara Conklin	Tom	John
Jamie Chitwood	Therese Hummer	Jackie Friend
Jonathan Sedor	Eileen Read	Elizabeth Kealy
Robert Schmidt	Gerri Greenfield	Shawn Sexton
George Coleman	Abby Grealis	Sandy Russell
Patricia Dye	Marsha	Mike Kiely, Jr.
Heather Pederson	Carole Baker	Marco Kaiser
Ellen Ferreri	Verna Bencie	John Hissong
Sandy Bonnot		

## PRAY FOR OUR SERVICEMEN & WOMEN

Please keep in your prayers the family and friends of Gesu Parishioners who are either activated reservists or active duty military personnel currently deployed. We're including names in our bulletin with family permission. If you'd like to include a relative, email [bulletin@churchofthegesu.org](mailto:bulletin@churchofthegesu.org).

Alex Prah	Brian Johnston	Capt. William Olmstead
Adam Thomas	Randolph Kloos	Patrick Murphy
Nick Corsones	Thomas P. Costello	Richard Rose
Kirklan Kudrna	Geffrey B. Slatter	Patrick Brodhead
Kevin Comiskey	Ellis Smith	R.J. Thacker
Christopher Scott	Matthew Kreiter	Samuel J. Driscoll
Combellick	Michael Heltzel	James Bruening
Zack Veselick	Andrew Rocco	Kate Hogan
Eric Aslakson	Thomas Garvey	C.J. Haag
Patrick McGroarty	Mouna Lograsso	

## THERE IS A CHANGE IN OUR WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE!



Beginning Monday, August 16, we will move to a new schedule:

**Monday through Friday: 7:30 am**

**Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:30 am**

(The Mass on Labor Day will be at 10:00 am.)

We will keep this schedule until November 1, and will evaluate if this will continue through the year.

Thank you to all those who shared their thoughts and suggestions in making this decision!

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION FORMATION



Do you feel called to be a Eucharistic Minister?

The Office for Worship has scheduled the following dates for Eucharistic Minister Formation Sessions. These are virtual. If you are interested, please email [hwalter@churchofthegesu.org](mailto:hwalter@churchofthegesu.org) before the given deadline for your preferred session.

*Registration must be submitted through Gesu.* You will receive a confirmation email and also the link to join one day in advance.

Formation sessions for extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion Virtual Zoom format:

- **Sunday, August 15 – 2:00-4:30 pm**  
(RSVP will be taken no later than 8/13/21)
- **Thursday, August 26 – 7:00-9:30 pm**  
(RSVP will be taken no later than 8/24/21)
- **Sunday, September 19 – 2:00-4:30 pm**  
(RSVP will be taken no later than 9/17/21)
- **Thursday, October 14 – 7:00-9:30 pm**  
(RSVP will be taken no later than 10/12/21)
- **SPANISH SESSION: Sunday, October 24 – 2:00-4:30 pm**  
(RSVP will be taken no later than 10/22/21)
- **Thursday, November 18 – 7:00-9:30 pm**  
(RSVP will be taken no later than 11/16/21)

## GESU NEEDS YOU!

We can really use additional ushers at our weekend Liturgies!

- **All are welcome** - Men, Women, Couples, Students
- Sign up to be a regular or a substitute usher

Guarantees: The salary comes in Special Blessings and many Graces! And our undying gratitude!

Please Contact, Mike Scalabrino at [mscalabrino@roadrunner.com](mailto:mscalabrino@roadrunner.com) or (216) 402-5425.

## Mass Intentions & SCRIPTURE READINGS

### MONDAY 8/9

**St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross**

*Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147;  
Mt 17:22-27*

7:30 am Anne Raguso

### TUESDAY 8/10

**St. Lawrence**

*2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112;  
Jn 12:24-26*

7:30 am John F. Schmitt

### WEDNESDAY 8/11

**St. Clare**

*Dt 34:1-12; Ps 66;  
Mt 18:15-20*

7:30 am Marilyn Kidd

### THURSDAY 8/12

**St. Jane Frances de Chantal**

*Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114;  
Mt 18:21-19:1*

7:30 am Mike Supler

### FRIDAY 8/13

**St. Pontian; St Hippolytus**

*Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136;  
Mt 19:3-12*

7:30 am Larry Vince

### SATURDAY 8/14

**St. Maximilian Kolbe**

*Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16;  
Mt 19:13-15*

### SATURDAY VIGIL & SUNDAY 8/15

**The Assumption of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary**

*Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45;  
1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56*

4:30 pm Megg Hawkins  
8:00 am Gene Skerl  
10:00 am Parishioners of Gesu  
11:30 am Miles Coburn

## GESU BIBLE STUDIES 2021-2022



Fr. Michael Vincent, SJ plans to continue his Bible Study on the Psalms that was discontinued by the pandemic in March 2020. Sessions will begin at Psalm 75 using the Second Volume of Dianne Bergant's

New Collegeville Bible Commentary on Psalms 73 - 150, and will take place on Wednesday mornings from 9:15-11:00 am, about twice a month in the Pastoral Center. A full schedule will be distributed on the first day, September 8, 2021. All are welcome, even if you did not attend the first half in 2019-2020. For more information or to express your interest, contact Fr. Vincent at [mvincentsj@churchofthegesu.org](mailto:mvincentsj@churchofthegesu.org).

The Saturday Bible group will begin a study of the Biblical Novellas: Tobit, Judith, Esther, 1 & 2 Maccabees - stories of faithful men and women after the Babylonian exile. Saturday, sessions are scheduled weekly from 12:00-2:00 pm, September 11 - December 18. Please bring your own Bible. A Liguori Press supplement will be available in the parish office. Requested donation is \$13. For more information or to express your interest, contact Christie Okocha at [ndaoko@msn.com](mailto:ndaoko@msn.com).

Watch for information on Gesu's Women's Bible Study.

## VISIT THE IGNATIUS LIBRARY!

Are you acquainted with our Ignatius Library, located on the first floor of the Pastoral Center (parish office)? You will find inspirational and informative material on The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, Jesuit history, publications by numerous Jesuit writers on all aspects of Ignatian spirituality, lives of the saints, Jesus, Scripture commentary - Old and New Testament, noteworthy biographies, as well as a selection of DVDs. Stop in and borrow what appeals to you! Take a look at the catalog on our website, under Faith Formation.



## FIRST SPIRITUAL EXERCISES: INNER PEACE IN THE SERVICE OF GOD

### Virtual Retreat Hosted by the Jesuit Retreat Center

Tuesday, September 7, from 7:00-8:30 pm

Saturday, September 18, from 10:00-11:30 am

Saturday, September 25, from 10:00-11:30 am

Saturday, October 2, from 10:00-11:30 am

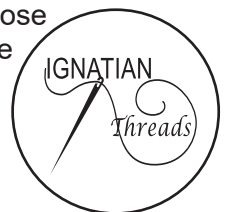
Saturday, October 9, from 10:00-11:30 am

This particular retreat, Inner Peace in the Service of God, aims to free sacred desires and loosen one's feet for the service of God. It hopes to bring the retreatant the peace that comes from knowing one's work with Jesus in a particular service is deeply right to who one is.

Each four-week retreat in daily life involves a commitment to 40-50 minutes a day of structured prayer from Monday to Thursday and a weekend exercise. Retreatants meet weekly (via Zoom on Saturday morning) during the retreat to receive guidance from the retreat leaders and to share their experience in small group spiritual conversation with facilitators. Come and experience this journey into a more fruitful service! Visit [jesuitretreatcenter.org](http://jesuitretreatcenter.org) for more information or to register.

## IGNATIAN THREADS

Last week we celebrated the Feast of St. Ignatius, notably his "cannonball moment" depicted in the top window panel to the right of the altar. St. Francis Xavier, whose life is depicted in stained glass window panels to the left of the altar, and whose statue is in our narthex, met Ignatius of Loyola when both were students at the University of Paris, himself a roommate of Peter Fabre, another Jesuit saint. His Feast Day was August 1st. Francis Xavier was born into a noble family in Navarre, now a part of Spain. He abandoned ambitions for fame and wealth when Ignatius convinced him to join his followers in service of God and the Church. In 1534 they expressed vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience at Montmartre in Paris. Francis Xavier was among those who, in 1539-40, petitioned the pope to allow the First Companions to form the Jesuits as a religious order in the Catholic Church.





## COME AND SEE!



Gesu Parish seeks to be a church that welcomes everyone, **children and adults** alike, and we need your help in getting the word out! Perhaps you or someone you know is considering joining us in the Catholic faith. We, as a parish community, would be happy to accompany you on such a path of exploration and discernment. If you wish to know more, please contact Marcia Leous, Director of Faith Formation for Adults, at [mleous@churchofthegesu.org](mailto:mleous@churchofthegesu.org), or anyone on the parish staff at (216) 932-0617.

## CONNECT WITH GOD ON YOUR ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Ignatian spirituality reminds us that God pursues us in the routines of our daily living. Check out these suggestions - most have apps. Enjoy prayer and reflection at your fingertips!



- *Jesuit Prayer*
- *3-Minute Retreat*
- *Reimagining the Examen*
- *Pray-As-You-Go*
- *Sacred Space* - daily prayer (ministry of the Irish Jesuits)

- *The Word Among Us*
- *Ignatianspirituality.com* - great blogs, content, sign up for daily emails
- *America: The Jesuit Review* - [americamagazine.org/podcasts](http://americamagazine.org/podcasts)

## IGNATIAN PRAYER & FAITH SHARING



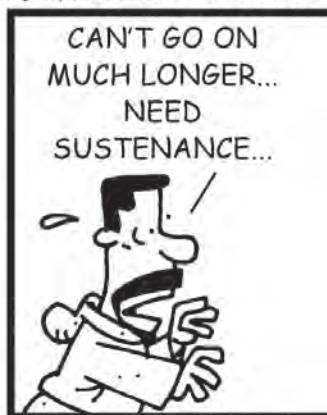
The next virtual Zoom gathering of Ignatian Prayer & Faith Sharing will be Thursday, August 12, 2021 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. Participants can use a computer, tablet/iPad, or phone for this experience of praying in the Ignatian way as we share reflections on the coming Sunday's Gospel and other readings. If you are interested in joining this session, please email Hilda at [hwalter@churchofthegesu.org](mailto:hwalter@churchofthegesu.org). We would love to "see" you there!

## PRAYER TO ST. IGNATIUS

St. Ignatius, teach us not to fear  
The holy cannonballs that burst into our lives,  
Blessedly interrupting our plans and priorities.  
St. Ignatius, lead us with you  
Into the cave at Manresa,  
Where we may suffer  
And yet emerge transformed.  
St. Ignatius, let us sit beside you  
On the banks of the Cardoner River,  
And be awash, as you were, in revelation.  
St. Ignatius, lock us with you  
In a cell run by Inquisitors  
And set alight in us your devotion to growth,  
Even when met with distrust and disapproval.  
St. Ignatius, send us out into the world  
Like you did your first companions,  
Making every moment a monastery  
And finding God in all things. Amen.

– Cameron Bellm

### 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



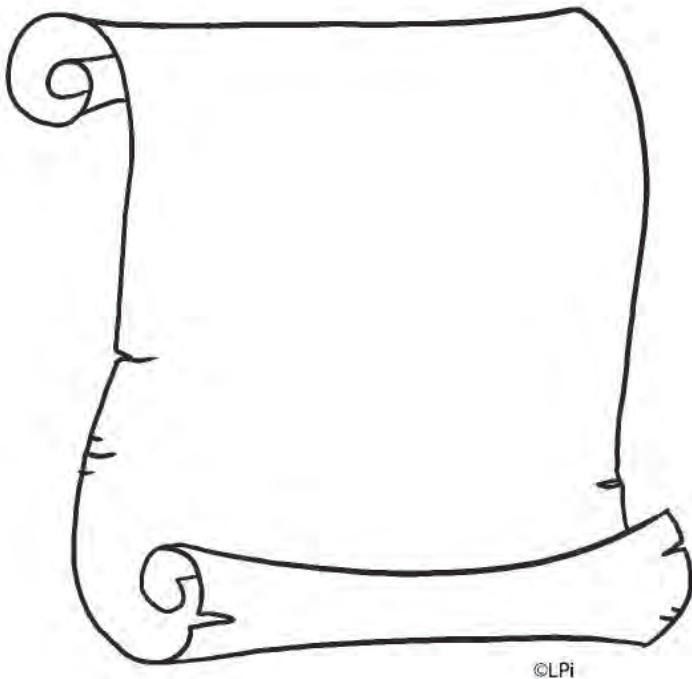
# CHILDREN'S CORNER

## SHARING THE GOSPEL

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus compared himself to manna. A long time ago God's people ate manna in the desert, because there was no other food to eat. By sending manna falling from the sky every morning, God taught his people to trust him. Manna tasted good, and it kept them healthy. God took care of them and gave them all they needed. Then, hundreds of years later, God sent Jesus down from heaven, so people could have everlasting life with him.

## SOMETHING TO DRAW

Draw a picture of manna falling out of the sky.



## PUZZLE

Find and circle eight things that are different.



## MISSION FOR THE WEEK

The Hebrews often baked manna into little cakes. Ask your parents if you can make pancakes this weekend, and talk about how Jesus is like manna.

## PRAYER

Dear God, thank you for sending Jesus down from heaven so that we can look forward to living with you forever in heaven. Amen.



## SUMMER CLOTHING, SOCKS AND UNDERWEAR NEEDED



The Men's Shelter at 2100 Lakeside needs summer clothing for the homeless men they serve. Please consider donating men's t-shirts, shorts, socks, and underwear. Gesu's Items for Homeless Shelters collection bin is located in the Church Narthex.



WELCOME BACK TO THE  
*50+ Club*

We hope you can join us for these upcoming events!

**AUGUST 21**  
Gesu Parish Block Party  
Following the 4:30 pm, Outdoor Mass

**SEPTEMBER 24**  
One-day trip to the Age of Steam Roundhouse, Ravens Glenn Winery for tasting and lunch, Dennison Railroad Museum, TV and Radio Museum and a stop at a Cheese shop.  
Flyers with more information and reservations are on the tables at the entrances to the church.

**OCTOBER 24**  
Clambake  
5:00 pm, McAuley Hall

**DECEMBER 3**  
One-day Christmas Trip to Pittsburgh

**JANUARY 2022**  
Afternoon of Reflection and Mass

## WALK AND PRAY FOR LIFE

Please join Our Lady of Peace Respect Life Committee on our upcoming rosary walk. On Saturday, August 28, after the 4:00 pm vigil Mass, please join us as we walk from Our Lady of Peace (12601 Shaker Blvd., just west of Shaker Square) to Preterm (Ohio's largest abortion clinic). We will pray the rosary as we walk. We pray for all unborn children, their mothers, and all babies and moms who have been hurt by abortion. After the walk, we will gather in OLP's Cummins Hall for snacks and refreshments.

## LET'S PLAY BRIDGE!

It's been a long time since we could play bridge together, and we are happy to invite you to sign up for the 2021-2022 Gesu Bridge Marathon season! If you haven't played with us before, please consider joining us for some fun at the bridge table! We play regular rubber bridge, and there is a men's group, a women's group and a couples group. We welcome all vaccinated bridge players, and we would like to have even more teams.

**No crowded rooms:** each month you play one other couple in your home or theirs. Games are played at a time that is convenient for both teams. Sign up with a partner and you will receive a schedule that shows which team you and your partner will play each month. If you are not able to play your game in a particular month, you may play at another time that is convenient for both teams.

**Deadline to sign up is August 25.** The fee for the season is \$15 per person. Make checks payable to "Gesu Women's Guild." Send with the name, address, phone and the email of you and your partner to: Anne Raby, 2419 South Belvoir Blvd., University Heights, OH 44118. Please sign up promptly so we can get the schedules out for September play.

**Any questions?** Contact Jo Ann at (216) 831-4910, Anne at (216) 382-0326 or [anne.raby@gmail.com](mailto:anne.raby@gmail.com). For the men's bridge group contact Dave Plottner at (440) 708-1739 or [dplot80079@aol.com](mailto:dplot80079@aol.com).



## SHOP GESU SCHOOL'S USED UNIFORM SALE!



**Where:** Gesu Cafeteria

**When:** Saturday, August 21, from 2:30-4:30 pm  
(before the 4:30 Mass & Gesu Block Party)

Shop for used jumpers (\$10), skirts (\$8), shorts & pants (\$4), shirts (\$2), gym clothes, sweaters, sweatshirts, spirit wear, and more! Accepting cash or checks made payable to Gesu PTO. Proceeds benefit Gesu PTO.

Have used uniforms or spirit wear to donate? Drop them off at the school office, the bin in the church lobby, or bring them to the sale (no uniform swapping, please).

Event info: [katieplato28@gmail.com](mailto:katieplato28@gmail.com)

To volunteer: [meagan.salata@gmail.com](mailto:meagan.salata@gmail.com)

Uniform donations: [missybrokaw@yahoo.com](mailto:missybrokaw@yahoo.com)

## CRAFT SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR BELLEFAIRE JCB'S AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM



Please consider donating new or gently used creative art supplies for children ages 6-13! This is a general list of what they use:

Dry erase boards (small for each client), dry erase markers, dry erase spray, cork boards, crayons, markers, colored pencils, scissors, glue sticks, glue, construction paper, white copy paper, pencils, erasers, pens, stapler, staples, paper clips, post-its, highlighters, stickers, binders, note pads.

Donations can be dropped off to Amy Zucca, Outreach Coordinator, at the Gesu Parish Offices.

## WOMANKIND CLEVELAND: SUPPORTING PRENATAL CARE

Womankind's core service is providing comprehensive prenatal care to pregnant women in need. Financial support to provide this care in a safe, welcoming, convenient facility and coordinated by a trained compassionate staff is always our greatest need. Please consider a donation for healthy moms, healthy babies. Visit [Womankindcleveland.org](http://Womankindcleveland.org) for more information.

- \$500 sponsors prenatal care for one mom
- \$400 provides internet access, e-mail and phone service for one month.
- \$250 supplies us with 100 pregnancy test kits
- \$100 supports one hour of counseling
- \$50 applied toward client educational materials

## ZELIE'S HOME

### Residence for Homeless Expectant and Parenting Mothers and Their Babies

Consider a donation to Zelig's Home to empower women and their babies to move beyond their circumstances. "Whatever you do to the least of my brothers, you do unto me" (Matthew 25:40). Please contact Zelig's home before dropping off items at (440) 886-2620 or [Zelieshome.org](http://Zelieshome.org).

#### Items Needed:

- Bus passes: 5-ride or All Day
- Cleaning products: paper towels, toilet paper, tissue, kitchen trash bags
- Gift cards: Giant Eagle, Marc's

## CCA MONTHLY GRIEF SUPPORT

### August 15th

Catholic Cemeteries Association provides free monthly grief support groups in two formats: In-Office (3:00 pm) at six Cemetery offices and Virtually (5:00 pm). Our next meeting date is Sunday, August 15, and the topics are "Planning for Special Days/Memorials" and "Family Dynamics in Grief." We offer a comfortable, private and safe environment where you are free to explore your grief. Come and be in the presence of those who understand. Please visit [www.clecem.org/](http://www.clecem.org/) for more information.



# GESU PARISH BLOCK PARTY!

**Saturday, August 21<sup>st</sup>**

**5:30 - 8:00 pm**

**Following a 4:30 pm Outdoor Mass**

## MIDWAY

**Burgers, Dogs, Chips  
Face Painting  
Arts & Crafts**

## LIVE MUSIC

**No Strangers Here  
Irish/Celtic Music and  
covers from 60's - today.**

## For Purchase\*

**Ice Cream Truck  
Beer\*\***

**\*Cash required for purchase\***

**\*\*For Adults 21 and over**

**\*\*Proper ID is required for purchase**

## SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

**Rocket Car  
Jungle Bob  
Inflatables  
UH Fire & Police  
Climbing Wall**

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**Please contact Lori at [lwright@churchofthegesu.org](mailto:lwright@churchofthegesu.org) or 216-932-0617.**



## VIRTUS TRAINING AND FINGER-PRINTING FOR VOLUNTEERS WORKING WITH GESU CHILDREN

### Virtus Training

Virtus Training at Gesu will be Tuesday, August 10, from 6:00-9:00 pm in McAuley Hall. Please register online at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). If you attended a Virtus Training session in the past, you do not need to repeat the training.

### Fingerprinting for Gesu Volunteers

Background checks are a requirement for VIRTUS certification. Checks can be completed electronically on the VIRTUS website when setting up your personal account.

This training is critical for those who wish to work four or more hours a month, or more than once a month with the children of our parish. **YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO BEGIN COACHING OR OTHER VOLUNTEERING WITH CHILDREN AT GESU UNTIL YOU HAVE COMPLIED WITH THESE DIOCESAN REQUIREMENTS.** For more information and links to the required forms please visit the Gesu school website at [www.gesu.com](http://www.gesu.com). Select the Parents tab at the top of the page then click on Volunteer Requirements.

## SUPPORT GESU SUNDAY OFFERING



If you are able, please continue to support the Gesu Sunday Offering. There are 4 simple and secure ways to do this:

- Visit [churchofthegesu.org](http://churchofthegesu.org) and select *Make a Gift*
- Register to make contributions through Faith Direct at [churchofthegesu.org/parish-giving](http://churchofthegesu.org/parish-giving).
- Mail your offering to Gesu Church, 2470 Miramar Blvd., University Heights, OH 44118
- Text \$ amount to (216) 930-2992; Register your credit/debit card

We are very grateful for your support as it helps us continue our mission.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT CHURCH OF THE GESU

For more information and full job descriptions for each of the positions below, please visit our Employment Opportunities page on our website: [churchofthegesu.org/employment-opportunities](http://churchofthegesu.org/employment-opportunities)

### Administrative Assistant for the Development & Communications Office

Gesu Parish seeks a part-time Administrative Assistant for the Development & Communications Office. Assistant to provide administrative support to the Development Office and participate in fundraising donor relations, communications and special events. We are seeking a candidate who has a strong administrative background, provides attention to detail with assignments, has ability to multitask and has strong interpersonal skills. A few responsibilities include data entry, gift acknowledgments, pledge notices and assisting with annual projects and occasional special events. The position reports to the Development & Communications Director.

***Resumes must be received by August 15, 2021.***

### Director of Faith Formation for Children and Families

Church of the Gesu is looking for a full-time Director of Faith Formation for Children and Families. This position includes coordination of Parish School of Religion, Sacrament Preparation for First Reconciliation and Communion, Catechumenate adapted for Children, Catechesis of Children with Adaptive Needs, and liaison to parish school for catechesis and liturgy. Expectations include recruitment and formation of volunteers, development of programming that meets the needs of today's families, resource for Faith Formation Commission, and engagement with the parish staff.

### Youth Minister

Church of the Gesu is looking for a part-time Youth Minister. This position includes forming a comprehensive youth ministry program junior through senior high, recruitment and training of leaders, and coordination of the Confirmation preparation program.

# May Collections

	Monthly Offering 5/1/21 - 5/31/21	Year-to-Date Offering 7/1/20 - 5/31/21
Sunday Offering	\$50,203	\$901,962
Faith Direct	\$44,772	\$454,946
Christmas/Easter	\$1,300	\$82,087
Holy Days	\$631	\$6,083
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$96,906</b>	<b>\$1,445,079</b>
Budget	\$119,500	\$1,406,500
Variance from Budget	(\$22,594)	\$38,579
<b>Other Monthly Collections</b>		
Honduras Mission	-	\$1,200
Food Fund	\$84	\$17,544
Corporal Works of Mercy	\$539	\$6,772
Fund for Gesu	\$3,338	\$25,077
<b>Monthly Special Collections</b>		
Eastern Europe	\$50	\$265
Catholic Home Mission	\$175	\$889
Newman Center	\$272	\$272

## AMAZON SMILE

Please consider shopping Amazon Smile today and support Gesu Church and School! Amazon Smile has the same great products and prices as Amazon with an added bonus - a portion of eligible purchases will be donated back to Gesu just by choosing Gesu Parish in University Heights as your preferred charity! Shop all year long on Amazon Smile and support Gesu. Share with your friends and family! Happy shopping at [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com).



## GESU BULLETIN

### Bulletin Submissions

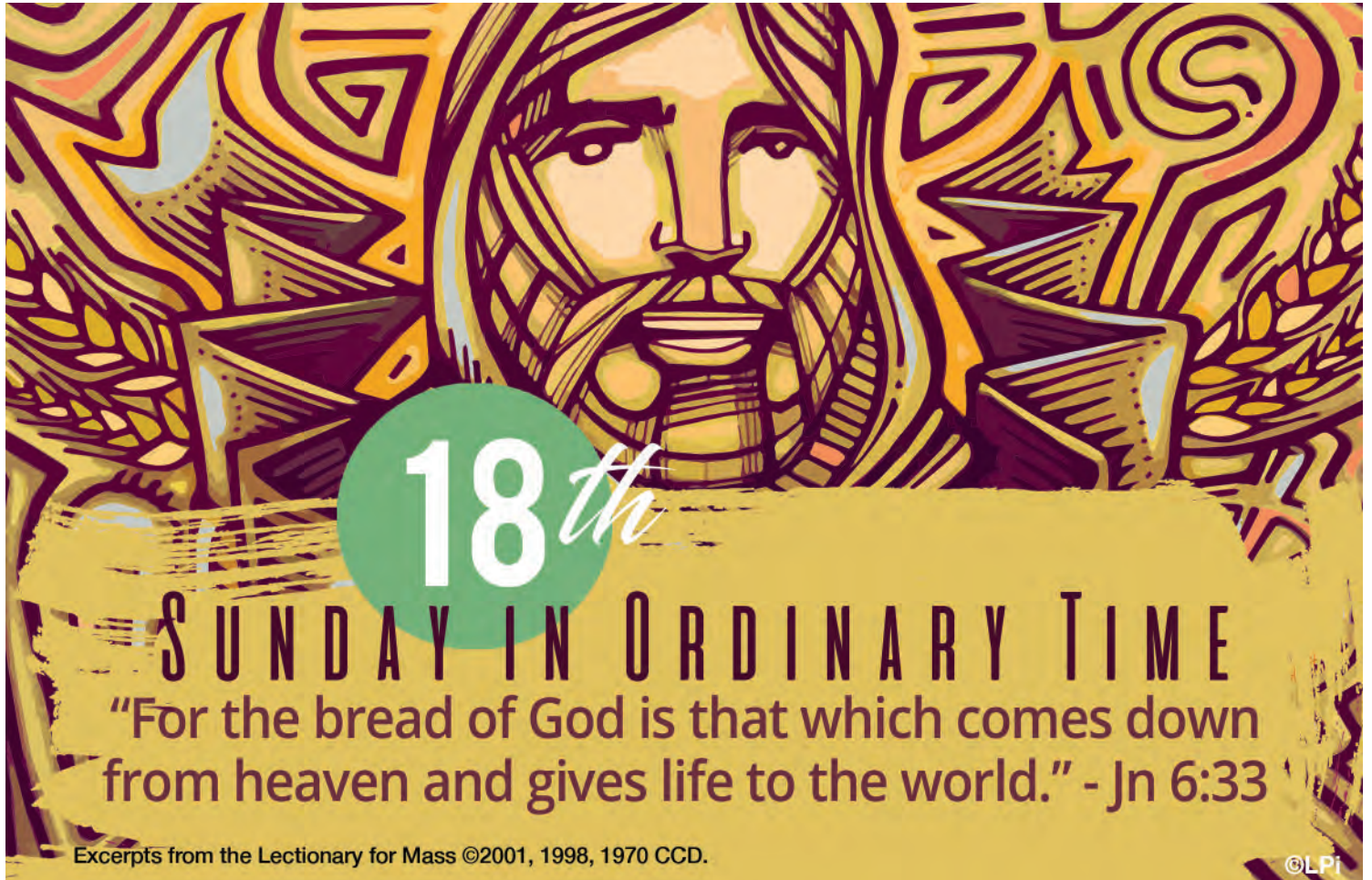
All information and materials for the bulletin should be emailed to [bulletin@churchofthegesu.org](mailto:bulletin@churchofthegesu.org) by Friday at 5:00 pm (nine days prior to publication).

**Submissions for the August 21/22 bulletin are due by 5:00 pm on Friday, August 13.**

### Advertising

To advertise in this bulletin, please call LPI at (800) 477-4574. Gesu Parish cannot endorse any business that sponsors an ad in the bulletin.

2470 Miramar Blvd., University Heights, OH 44118



## MISSION STATEMENT

Gesu Parish,  
a Catholic community in  
the Jesuit tradition, is committed to

Eucharistic **Living**  
Lifelong **Learning**  
Generous **Serving**

"All for the greater glory of God."

- AMDG -

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Weekends

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm  
Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am & 11:30 am

### Weekdays

Monday - Friday: 7:30 am

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00-4:00 pm  
or by appointment



## PASTORAL STAFF

**Reverend Lukas M. Laniauskas, SJ**  
Pastor

**Reverend Michael A. Vincent, SJ**  
Associate Pastor

**Reverend Gregory Hyde, SJ**  
Priest in Residence

**Reverend Dr. James K. O'Donnell**  
Deacon

**Sr. Kathleen Flannery, OSU**  
Parish Life & Liturgy

**Therese Blumenthal**  
Finance & Operations

**Mary Kate Farrar**  
Development & Communications

**Regan Kazel**  
School Principal

**Marcia Leous**  
Faith Formation

**Amy Zucca**  
Outreach Coordinator

**Mark Ehrbar**  
Music Ministry

## PARISH DIRECTORY

**Parish Office**  
(216) 932-0617

**Emergency Night Phone Service**  
(440) 942-6499

**Parish Office Fax**  
(216) 932-0731

**School Office**  
(216) 932-0620

**School Fax**  
(216) 932-8326

## PARISH MEMBERSHIP

New parishioners are invited to call the Parish Office for an appointment to register. Current members are asked to notify the Parish Office when they move.

## TEMPORARY OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm  
At other times, we will be checking email and phone messages.

## *Gospel Meditation*

"You cannot see the forest for the trees" is a widely known saying that can bring wisdom to our understanding of our journey. Often, our sight becomes limited to what is immediately before us. We lose touch with lessons and experiences from the past and promises and hope for the future. As human beings, we have the privilege of being able to choose things. What I like and don't like, want, and don't want can be major preoccupations of our minds and hearts. Our preferences and desires begin to define us more than the simple fact of our being. Who we are matters more than what we are or what we have. If we don't move beyond the external and superficial stuff to what really is of essence, we risk becoming very unsettled, disorientated, angry and unhappy. We fail to see the bigger picture of hope and promise that lies ahead and the Divine Presence that has sustained and carried us before.

We like it when the "now" time of our lives satisfy us. Even the people who witnessed Jesus feed the five thousand got confused and distracted. It felt good when thousands of people were able to eat. They wanted to know what they could do to get this to happen again! But Jesus quickly reminds them that this is not the point of this sign. As much as the now time of our lives is of concern, it is not what is ultimately important. We need to learn the difference between being and doing, drawing more strength from who we are and who God is rather than what is happening around us and the choices we can make. Jesus is the true bread that came down from heaven. Jesus is the very incarnate presence of God who sustains life and assures us that we will not perish. This is not easy to understand and feel. We have to practice being in the presence of ourselves, others, creation and God. We are brought to a holy place when we encounter the sacredness of being. This is real prayer.

Then, we learn to trust. It is when we cease trusting that we start to become afraid, uncertain, apprehensive and doubtful, and overly self-concerned. We even start to grumble. God has our back. That is the essential powerful message of the living bread come down from heaven. God, who is alpha is also omega, the beginning and the end, and has everything in between in his care as well. A woman once remarked that her most powerful God moment happened when she and her husband cuddled with their new baby for a time. Without exchanging words and using only the affection communicated through sight and touch, they rested in being with each other. This brought them to the sacred, where they realized that a greater Being was with them. It was real. They knew that they were part of something bigger, intimate and profound. When we rest in the Living Source of life, we will find that our souls are no longer hungry or thirsty.

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# *This Week at Gesu*

## MONDAY 8/2

Mass.....7:30 am - MC  
Gesu Tech Camp.....8:45 am - 12:00 pm  
Volleyball Camp.....9:00 am - 3:00 pm - FC  
Gesu Boosters Mtg.....7:30 - 9:30 pm - ZM

## TUESDAY 8/3

Mass.....7:30 am - MC  
Gesu Tech Camp.....8:45 am - 12:00 pm  
Volleyball Camp.....9:00 am - 1:00 pm - FC  
50+ Club Mtg.....11:00 am - 1:00 pm - IL  
Fall Athletics Parents Mtg.....7:00 - 9:00 pm - MH

## WEDNESDAY 8/4

Mass.....7:30 am - MC  
Gesu Tech Camp.....8:45 am - 12:00 pm  
Volleyball Camp.....9:00 am - 3:00 pm - FC

## THURSDAY 8/5

Mass.....7:30 am - MC  
Gesu Tech Camp.....8:45 am - 12:00 pm  
Volleyball Camp.....9:00 am - 1:00 pm - FC  
Christian Life Community.....3:45 - 4:45 pm - SH  
Boy Scout Troop 620 Mtg.....7:00 - 8:30 pm - MH

## FRIDAY 8/6

Mass.....7:30 am - MC  
Gesu Tech Camp.....8:45 am - 12:00 pm  
Volleyball Camp.....9:00 am - 3:00 pm - FC

## SATURDAY 8/7

Confession.....3:00 - 4:00 pm - CH  
Mass.....4:30 pm - CH

## SUNDAY 8/8

Mass.....8:00 am, 10:00 am, 11:30 am - CH

CH Church

MC Marian Chapel

PZ Piazza

FC Family Center

MH McAuley Hall

ZM Zoom

IL Ignatius Library

SH Sacred Heart Room

## RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation is held each Saturday from 3:00-4:00 pm in the Church (or by appointment).

## BAPTISMS

To arrange a Baptism, please contact the Parish Office. Baptism instruction is necessary with the first child.

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA)

The Gesu RCIA process welcomes anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and prepares you to become a member of the Catholic Church. Please inquire at the Parish Office.

## MARRIAGE

Please contact one of the Gesu priests at the Parish Office at least six months in advance to arrange the use of the church and register for the marriage preparation program.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

You may make arrangements to receive the Sacrament of the Sick following any weekday or weekend Mass by calling the Parish Office in advance. That way, we will know which date and time you will be here.

## ILLNESS & HOSPITAL CALLS

Please notify the Parish Office when a member of your family is hospitalized or ill.

## NEWLY BAPTIZED

**Cecilia Carmella Miclot**  
Daughter of Adam &  
Grace Miclot

**John Michael Robinson**  
Son of Jacob &  
Mary Margaret Robinson

**Asher Morgan Hackman**  
Son of  
Brett Hackman  
(deceased)  
& Ananda Watson



## HELP US UPDATE OUR PRAYER LISTS

Please help us update the "Sick" and "Servicemen and Women" prayer lists. If you have a family member who should be removed from one of the lists, please contact Sr. Linda at **lmartinosu@churchofthegesu.org** or (216) 932-0617.



## DEATH NOTICES ONLINE

Death notices for parishioners with links to full obituaries (if available) can be found on the Gesu website at [www.churchofthegesu.org/death-notices](http://www.churchofthegesu.org/death-notices).

## REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS



Please pray for the following sick members of our community. Sick persons or family members may phone Sr. Linda at (216) 932-0617 to have a name listed. Names will stay on the list for up to one year unless removal or continuation is requested.

Stacey Killeen  
Henriette Najm  
Dale A. Scully  
Rob Mooney  
Ann Dolan  
Bonnie-Jean Kennedy  
Theresa LoPresti  
Ryan S.  
JoeAnn Franklin  
Rita Huebner  
Frank Gilmore  
Lou Cherry  
Melissa Currance  
Alique Topalian  
Paul & Lynette Trolli  
Marian  
Amanda  
Jadon Michael Kalp  
Denise Mastro  
Tara Conklin  
Jamie Chitwood  
Jonathan Sedor  
Robert Schmidt  
George Coleman  
Patricia Dye  
Heather Pederson  
Ellen Ferreri  
Sandy Bonnot  
Mary Jo Rourke

George Martin  
Jacob Gordon  
Wayne Schmidt  
Stacey Kelly  
Mike Stinn  
Mary Beth Miller  
Andrew Kascsak  
Cecilia T. Guccion  
Edward P. Guccion  
Howard Widmann  
Jeff Stevenson  
Grace Pressimone  
Toni Consolo  
Bill & Denise Mirando  
Eleanor Bertagni  
Marge Diemer  
Sheila Flannery  
Jeanne Horwath  
Richard Rarick  
Baby Reese  
Tom  
Therese Hummer  
Eileen Read  
Gerri Greenfield  
Abby Grealis  
Marsha  
Carole Baker  
Verna Bencie  
Cathy Kingsbury

Edison  
George O'Hamill  
Margaret Homoly  
Beth  
Heather  
Gina Hespen  
Loretta Wiles  
Barbara Rossy  
Claire Gascoigne  
Sarah Kuhar  
Michael Markiewicz  
Janet Markiewicz  
Nick Gundersen  
Joan Nuth  
John Bastulli, Jr.  
Samone Dean  
Bill Kiser  
Ryan M.  
Marilyn Karlik  
Bernice Reed  
John  
Jackie Friend  
Elizabeth Kealy  
Shawn Sexton  
Sandy Russell  
Mike Kiely, Jr.  
Marco Kaiser  
John Hissong

## PRAY FOR OUR SERVICEMEN & WOMEN

Please keep in your prayers the family and friends of Gesu Parishioners who are either activated reservists or active duty military personnel currently deployed. We're including names in our bulletin with family permission. If you'd like to include a relative, email **bulletin@churchofthegesu.org**.

Alex Prael  
Adam Thomas  
Nick Corsones  
Kirklan Kudrna  
Brady Smith  
Kevin Comiskey  
Christopher Scott  
Combellick  
Zack Veselick  
Eric Aslakson

Patrick McGroarty  
Brian Johnston  
Randolph Kloos  
Thomas P. Costello  
Geffrey B. Slatter  
Ellis Smith  
Matthew Kreiter  
Michael Heltzel  
Andrew Rocco  
Thomas Garvey

Mouna Lograsso  
Capt. William Olmstead  
Patrick Murphy  
Richard Rose  
Patrick Brodhead  
R.J. Thacker  
Samuel J. Driscoll  
James Bruening  
Kate Hogan  
C.J. Haag



## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION FORMATION



Do you feel called to be a Eucharistic Minister? The Office for Worship has scheduled the following dates for Eucharistic Minister Formation Sessions. These are virtual. If you are interested, please email [hwalter@churchofthegesu.org](mailto:hwalter@churchofthegesu.org) before the given deadline for your preferred session.

Registration must be submitted through Gesu. You will receive a confirmation email and also the link to join one day in advance.

Formation sessions for extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion Virtual Zoom format:

- **Sunday, August 15 – 2:00-4:30 pm**  
(RSVP will be taken no later than 8/13/21)
- **Thursday, August 26 – 7:00-9:30 pm**  
(RSVP will be taken no later than 8/24/21)
- **Sunday, September 19 – 2:00-4:30 pm**  
(RSVP will be taken no later than 9/17/21)
- **Thursday, October 14 – 7:00-9:30 pm**  
(RSVP will be taken no later than 10/12/21)
- **SPANISH SESSION: Sunday, October 24 – 2:00-4:30 pm**  
(RSVP will be taken no later than 10/22/21)
- **Thursday, November 18 – 7:00-9:30 pm**  
(RSVP will be taken no later than 11/16/21)

## GESU NEEDS YOU!



We can really use additional ushers at our weekend Liturgies!

- **All are welcome** - Men, Women, Couples, Students
- Sign up to be a regular or a substitute usher

Guarantees: The salary comes in Special Blessings and many Graces! And our undying gratitude!

Please Contact, Mike Scalabrino at [mscalabrino@roadrunner.com](mailto:mscalabrino@roadrunner.com) or (216) 402-5425.

18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## Mass Intentions & SCRIPTURE READINGS

### MONDAY 8/2

**St. Eusebius of Vercelli;**  
**St. Peter Julian Eymard**

*Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81;*

*Mt 14:13-21*

7:30 am Judy Beasley

### TUESDAY 8/3

*Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51;*

*Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14*

7:30 am John Chambers

### WEDNESDAY 8/4

**John Vianney**

*Nm 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26a-29a, 34-35;*  
*Ps 106; Mt 15:21-28*

7:30 am Diane Etowski

### THURSDAY 8/5

*Nm 20:1-13; Ps 95;*

*Mt 16:13-23*

7:30 am Michael Musel

### FRIDAY 8/6

**Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord**

*Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97;*

*2 Pt 1:16-19; Mk 9:2-10*

7:30 am Ben Iacobucci

### SATURDAY 8/7

**St. Sixtus II & Comps; Saint Cajetan;**  
**BVM**

*Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18;*

*Mt 17:14-20*

### SATURDAY VIGIL & SUNDAY 8/8

**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*1 Kgs 19:4-8; Ps 34;*

*Eph 4:30-5:2; Jn 6:41-51*

4:30 pm Richard L. Elliott  
8:00 am Parishioners of Gesu  
10:00 am Deceased Members of  
Redman & Musel  
Families  
11:30 am Gene Thoma

## IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY FOR TODAY



### Featured Article

*"Our world faces new challenges. Covid-19 alone has shattered our normal ways of life. We need faith to be able to see anew."* What does St. Ignatius, founder of the Society of Jesus, the Catholic religious order of priests and brothers who

staff and serve the Church of the Gesu and Gesu School have to say about our own reality 500 years later?

Read the following article to learn more as we continue to celebrate the Ignatian Year, which began on May 20 and continues until July 31, 2022: <https://www.americamagazine.org/faith/2021/04/22/st-ignatius-conversion-500-years-later-240490>.



*All for the Greater Glory of God*

**FEAST DAY OF  
ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA**

**July 31<sup>st</sup>**

## GESU BIBLE STUDIES 2021-2022



Fr. Michael Vincent, SJ plans to continue his Bible Study on the Psalms that was discontinued by the pandemic in March 2020. Sessions will begin at Psalm 75 using the Second Volume of Dianne Bergant's

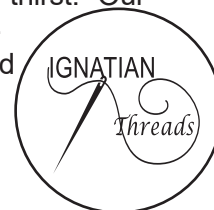
New Collegeville Bible Commentary on Psalms 73 - 150, and will take place on Wednesday mornings from 9:15-11:00 am, about twice a month in the Pastoral Center. A full schedule will be distributed on the first day, September 8, 2021. All are welcome, even if you did not attend the first half in 2019-2020. For more information or to express your interest, contact Fr. Vincent at [mvincentsj@churchofthegesu.org](mailto:mvincentsj@churchofthegesu.org).

The Saturday Bible group will begin a study of the Biblical Novellas: Tobit, Judith, Esther, 1 & 2 Maccabees - stories of faithful men and women after the Babylonian exile. Saturday, sessions are scheduled weekly from 12:00-2:00 pm, September 11 - December 18. Please bring your own Bible. A Liguori Press supplement will be available in the parish office. Requested donation is \$13. For more information or to express your interest, contact Christie Okocha at [ndaoko@msn.com](mailto:ndaoko@msn.com).

Watch for information on Gesu's Women's Bible Study.

### IGNATIAN THREADS

Today we celebrate the "cannonball moment" on the Feast of St. Ignatius, as Jesuits worldwide are beginning a special Ignatian year. Surely Ignatius would have connected readily with today's Gospel from John. Jesus says to the crowd: "My Father gives you the true bread from heaven...I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst." Note the very top panel in our Ignatius windows. Here, Ignatius is depicted with serious injury at Plampona, the actual "cannonball moment" which led to his life-changing conversion which inspires us today. Then, notice a lower right-side panel in which Ignatius is presiding at Mass, gazing at the cup and host. Let us reflect with Ignatius on what it means for us to never "hunger" or "thirst." Our loving God is always with us, accessible in the Eucharist...our true bread from heaven, ready to accompany us through our own "cannonball moment."





## COME AND SEE!



Gesu Parish seeks to be a church that welcomes everyone, **children and adults** alike, and we need your help in getting the word out! Perhaps you or someone you know is considering joining us in the Catholic faith. We, as a parish community, would be happy to accompany you on such a path of exploration and discernment. If you wish to know more, please contact Marcia Leous, Director of Faith Formation for Adults, at [mleous@churchofthegesu.org](mailto:mleous@churchofthegesu.org), or anyone on the parish staff at (216) 932-0617.

## IGNATIUS PRAYER & FAITH SHARING



The next virtual Zoom gathering of Ignatian Prayer & Faith Sharing will be Thursday, August 12, 2021 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. Participants can use a computer, tablet/iPad, or phone for this experience of praying in the Ignatian way as we share reflections on the coming Sunday's Gospel and other readings. If you are interested in joining this session, please email Hilda at [hwalter@churchofthegesu.org](mailto:hwalter@churchofthegesu.org). We would love to "see" you there!

## VISIT THE IGNATIUS LIBRARY!

Are you acquainted with our Ignatius Library, located on the first floor of the Pastoral Center (parish office)? You will find inspirational and informative material on The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, Jesuit history, publications by numerous Jesuit writers on all aspects of Ignatian spirituality, lives of the saints, Jesus, Scripture commentary - Old and New Testament, noteworthy biographies, as well as a selection of DVDs. Stop in and borrow what appeals to you! Take a look at the catalog on our website, under Faith Formation.



## INVITATION TO NEW CATECHISTS



### Just what is a "Catechist?"

The word catechist comes from the Greek word "to echo." As catechists, we echo the teachings of the Church. We also echo our

own personal relationship with Jesus Christ through our words and deeds.

Is God calling YOU in a specific way?

As we look to a new year here at Church of the Gesu, especially for those children (kindergarten through high school!) and families attending our neighboring schools, we are inviting you to listen, to be attentive, to hear God's call as a catechist! Serving as a catechist is more than simple volunteerism. It is more than filling a slot. It is a vocation: a call from God to serve his Church!

We are looking for those who have:

### Qualities

- A desire to grow in and share the Catholic faith
- An awareness of God's grace and the desire to respond to that grace
- A commitment to the Church's liturgical and sacramental life and moral teachings
- A strength of character built on patience, responsibility, confidence and creativity
- A generosity of spirit, respect for diversity, and a habit of hospitality and inclusion

### Knowledge and Skills

- A basic understanding of Catholic teaching, Scripture and Catholic Tradition
- Honest and caring relationships with the age group being served
- Developing effective teaching techniques and strategies

Serving as a catechist is an opportunity to grow in faith for yourself, as well as for the young people in one's care. And it does not happen always alone! Being a catechist is rooted in a community of other persons and families who desire the same thing! And in that community, we also find people who can help us grow and discover the knowledge and skills that are central to our "passing on" the Faith to our young ones!

If you find yourself intrigued, or curious, or would like more information, please contact Sister Kathleen at the parish office or by email at [kflannery@churchofthegesu.org](mailto:kflannery@churchofthegesu.org).

# CHILDREN'S CORNER

## SHARING THE GOSPEL

Just one day earlier, Jesus multiplied five loaves of bread and two fish to feed over five thousand people. In today's Gospel, some of those people came looking for Jesus, hoping to get another free lunch. They didn't understand that Jesus wants all people to believe in him. Through faith in Jesus, you can live forever. In heaven you will never be hungry or thirsty again.

## PUZZLE

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

F00Ð	MANNA	LIFE
THIRSTY	FAITH	HUNGRY
MIRACLE	BREAD	COMES

fodo	<u>f</u> <u>o</u> <u>o</u> <u>d</u>
mracael	_____
mnana	_____
berad	_____
lfie	_____
cmose	_____
hnurgy	_____
fatih	_____
thritys	_____



## SOMETHING TO DRAW

Draw Jesus holding your hand in heaven, next to a pretty river.

## MISSION FOR THE WEEK

If you believe in Jesus, you can look forward to heaven one day. Read Revelation 21:3-7 with your family. Heaven will be wonderful!

## PRAYER

Dear God, fill me up with love for Jesus.



## SUMMER CLOTHING, SOCKS AND UNDERWEAR NEEDED



The Men's Shelter at 2100 Lakeside needs summer clothing for the homeless men they serve. Please consider donating men's t-shirts, shorts, socks, and underwear. Gesu's Items for Homeless Shelters collection bin is located in the Church Narthex.



WELCOME BACK TO THE  
*50+ Club*

We hope you can join us for these upcoming events!

**AUGUST 21**  
Gesu Parish Block Party  
Following the 4:30 pm, Outdoor Mass

**SEPTEMBER 24**  
One-day trip to the Age of Steam Roundhouse, Ravens Glenn Winery for tasting and lunch, Dennison Railroad Museum, TV and Radio Museum and a stop at a Cheese shop.  
Flyers with more information and reservations are on the tables at the entrances to the church.

**OCTOBER 24**  
Clambake  
5:00 pm, McAuley Hall

**DECEMBER 3**  
One-day Christmas Trip to Pittsburgh

**JANUARY 2022**  
Afternoon of Reflection and Mass

## WALK AND PRAY FOR LIFE

Please join Our Lady of Peace Respect Life Committee on our upcoming rosary walk. On Saturday, August 28, after the 4:00 pm vigil Mass, please join us as we walk from Our Lady of Peace (12601 Shaker Blvd., just west of Shaker Square) to Preterm (Ohio's largest abortion clinic). We will pray the rosary as we walk. We pray for all unborn children, their mothers, and all babies and moms who have been hurt by abortion. After the walk, we will gather in OLP's Cummins Hall for snacks and refreshments.

## LET'S PLAY BRIDGE!

It's been a long time since we could play bridge together, and we are happy to invite you to sign up for the 2021-2022 Gesu Bridge Marathon season! If you haven't played with us before, please consider joining us for some fun at the bridge table! We play regular rubber bridge, and there is a men's group, a women's group and a couples group. We welcome all vaccinated bridge players, and we would like to have even more teams.

**No crowded rooms:** each month you play one other couple in your home or theirs. Games are played at a time that is convenient for both teams. Sign up with a partner and you will receive a schedule that shows which team you and your partner will play each month. If you are not able to play your game in a particular month, you may play at another time that is convenient for both teams.

**Deadline to sign up is August 25.** The fee for the season is \$15 per person. Make checks payable to "Gesu Women's Guild." Send with the name, address, phone and the email of you and your partner to: Anne Raby, 2419 South Belvoir Blvd., University Heights, OH 44118. Please sign up promptly so we can get the schedules out for September play.

**Any questions?** Contact Jo Ann at (216) 831-4910, Anne at (216) 382-0326 or [anne.raby@gmail.com](mailto:anne.raby@gmail.com). For the men's bridge group contact Dave Plottner at (440) 708-1739 or [dplot80079@aol.com](mailto:dplot80079@aol.com).



## SHOP GESU SCHOOL'S USED UNIFORM SALE!



**Where:** Gesu Cafeteria

**When:** Saturday, August 21, from 2:30-4:30 pm  
(before the 4:30 Mass & Gesu Block Party)

Shop for used jumpers (\$10), skirts (\$8), shorts & pants (\$4), shirts (\$2), gym clothes, sweaters, sweatshirts, spirit wear, and more! Accepting cash or checks made payable to Gesu PTO. Proceeds benefit Gesu PTO.

Have used uniforms or spirit wear to donate? Drop them off at the school office, the bin in the church lobby, or bring them to the sale (no uniform swapping, please).

Event info: [katieplato28@gmail.com](mailto:katieplato28@gmail.com)

To volunteer: [meagan.salata@gmail.com](mailto:meagan.salata@gmail.com)

Uniform donations: [missybrokaw@yahoo.com](mailto:missybrokaw@yahoo.com)

## GOLFING FOR THE GOOD NEWS!

### Cleveland Performing Arts Golf Outing

Don't let the summer pass you by! Enjoy a round of golf and help support Cleveland Performing Arts Ministries' production of the musical passion play, *Tetéléstai*. Join us for our Path Master, Inc. *Tetéléstai* Golf Outing Fundraiser, presented in conjunction with Audio-Technica. The outing will be held August 8 at The Tanglewood Club in Chagrin Falls, OH. \$125 per golfer. Registration includes 18 holes, riding cart, lunch and dinner.

This fun, low-key event includes raffles, contests and prizes galore – even a \$10,000 hole-in-one contest and \*TWO\* New Car hole-in-one contests sponsored by Jay Honda of Bedford and Fred Martin Ford! This year's Title Sponsor is Path Master, Inc. – “where traffic meets technology” – and we are VERY GRATEFUL! In addition, we are pleased to have Audio-Technica as our 2021 Presenting Sponsor! Additional sponsorship opportunities are available. Visit [livethepassion.org](http://livethepassion.org) to learn more or call (440) 944-0635. *Tetéléstai* brings the Good News to thousands each year and is supported solely by donations and fundraising. Thank you for your support!

## WOMANKIND CLEVELAND: SUPPORTING PRENATAL CARE

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- \$500 sponsors prenatal care for one mom
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## CCA MONTHLY GRIEF SUPPORT

### August 15th

Catholic Cemeteries Association provides free monthly grief support groups in two formats: In-Office (3:00 pm) at six Cemetery offices and Virtually (5:00 pm). Our next meeting date is Sunday, August 15, and the topics are “Planning for Special Days/Memorials” and “Family Dynamics in Grief.” We offer a comfortable, private and safe environment where you are free to explore your grief. Come and be in the presence of those who understand. Please visit [www.clecem.org/](http://www.clecem.org/) for more information.



# GESU PARISH BLOCK PARTY!

**Saturday, August 21<sup>st</sup>**

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## VIRTUS TRAINING AND FINGER-PRINTING FOR VOLUNTEERS WORKING WITH GESU CHILDREN

### Virtus Training

Virtus Training at Gesu will be Tuesday, August 10, from 6:00-9:00 pm in McAuley Hall. Please register online at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). If you attended a Virtus Training session in the past, you do not need to repeat the training.

### Fingerprinting for Gesu Volunteers

Background checks are a requirement for VIRTUS certification. Checks can be completed electronically on the VIRTUS website when setting up your personal account.

This training is critical for those who wish to work four or more hours a month, or more than once a month with the children of our parish. **YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO BEGIN COACHING OR OTHER VOLUNTEERING WITH CHILDREN AT GESU UNTIL YOU HAVE COMPLIED WITH THESE DIOCESAN REQUIREMENTS.** For more information and links to the required forms please visit the Gesu school website at [www.gesu.com](http://www.gesu.com). Select the Parents tab at the top of the page then click on Volunteer Requirements.

## GESU EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS

We are registering now for both our Gesu Early Childhood programs, Happy Together and TOPS (Time Out for Parents).

**Happy Together** is a parent/child class for children 16 - 30 months old. It takes place on Monday mornings during the school year from 10:00-11:00 am. The children free play, do art projects and easel painting, and have circle time.

**TOPS (Time Out for Parents)** is a drop off program for two and three year olds. Two-year-old children turning two by 9/30 can attend one morning per week, Tuesday through Friday. Children who turn three by 12/31 have the option to do two mornings per week. There is free play, art, circle time, and gym and playground time.

Both classes take place in our awesome room full of toys in the lower level of Gesu School! The fall session begins in mid-September and concludes the week before Christmas. Pick up forms for both classes in the Gesu parish office. Please contact Karen C. Smith at (440) 667-1326 (leave a voicemail) or [bjkcsmith@roadrunner.com](mailto:bjkcsmith@roadrunner.com) with questions.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT CHURCH OF THE GESU

For more information and full job descriptions for each of the positions below, please visit our Employment Opportunities page on our website: [churchofthegesu.org/employment-opportunities](http://churchofthegesu.org/employment-opportunities)

### Administrative Assistant for the Development & Communications Office

Gesu Parish seeks a part-time Administrative Assistant for the Development & Communications Office. Assistant to provide administrative support to the Development Office and participate in fundraising donor relations, communications and special events. We are seeking a candidate who has a strong administrative background, provides attention to detail with assignments, has ability to multitask and has strong interpersonal skills. A few responsibilities include data entry, gift acknowledgments, pledge notices and assisting with annual projects and occasional special events. The position reports to the Development & Communications Director.

***Resumes must be received by August 15, 2021.***

### Director of Faith Formation for Children and Families

Church of the Gesu is looking for a full-time Director of Faith Formation for Children and Families. This position includes coordination of Parish School of Religion, Sacrament Preparation for First Reconciliation and Communion, Catechumenate adapted for Children, Catechesis of Children with Adaptive Needs, and liaison to parish school for catechesis and liturgy. Expectations include recruitment and formation of volunteers, development of programming that meets the needs of today's families, resource for Faith Formation Commission, and engagement with the parish staff.

### Youth Minister

Church of the Gesu is looking for a part-time Youth Minister. This position includes forming a comprehensive youth ministry program junior through senior high, recruitment and training of leaders, and coordination of the Confirmation preparation program.



## May Collections

	Monthly Offering 5/1/21 - 5/31/21	Year-to-Date Offering 7/1/20 - 5/31/21
Sunday Offering	\$50,203	\$901,962
Faith Direct	\$44,772	\$454,946
Christmas/Easter	\$1,300	\$82,087
Holy Days	\$631	\$6,083
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$96,906</b>	<b>\$1,445,079</b>
Budget	\$119,500	\$1,406,500
Variance from Budget	(\$22,594)	\$38,579
<b>Other Monthly Collections</b>		
Honduras Mission	-	\$1,200
Food Fund	\$84	\$17,544
Corporal Works of Mercy	\$539	\$6,772
Fund for Gesu	\$3,338	\$25,077
<b>Monthly Special Collections</b>		
Eastern Europe	\$50	\$265
Catholic Home Mission	\$175	\$889
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