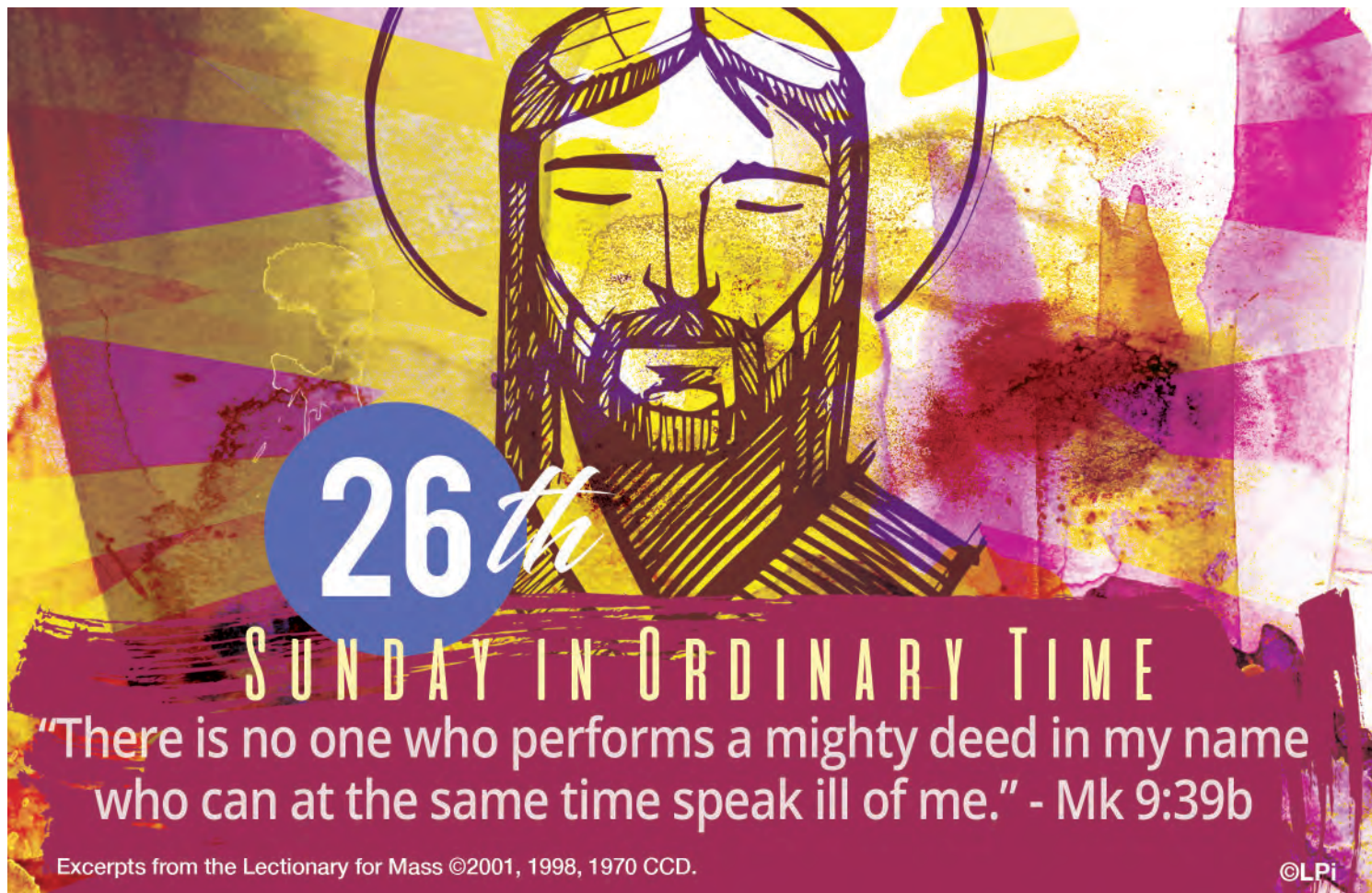


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MISSION STATEMENT

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
Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 8:30 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.

OFFICE HOURS

Regular Business Hours

Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Evenings & Weekends

Monday - Thursday, 5:00 - 8:00 pm

Saturday, 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Sunday, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Gospel Meditation

What are the little ones? They are the poor, the marginalized, the women and men at the well, the Zacchaeus' looking for Jesus from a tree, those mired in sin, the blind who want to see, and the lame who want to walk. They are the lepers and the different ones who have been told that they are unclean, and the ones who suffer from abuse and grave injustices and oppression. They are children who want nothing more than to be loved and enjoy celebrating their innocence. These are all the little ones and they are all vulnerable. Life already brings them burdens, we don't need to add to them.

St. Oscar Romero said, "When the church hears the cry of the oppressed it cannot but denounce the social structures that give rise to and perpetuate the misery from which the cry arises." Why are so many people still so gravely hurting? We have the resources and the means to make things better. We choose not to. There are still those things called greed, pride, lust, apathy, jealousy, gluttony and anger that prevent us from seeing each other and people to be loved and not objects to be used. Is this how God intended things to be?

God loves what is good and upright. It doesn't matter who did it or where it came from. In God's eyes, the end result is always faith, hope and love. Those will always unite a person with God. We fill our lives with many things that are not good either for ourselves or for others. All of us have to work to discover what it is, exactly, that leads to the world's brokenness. There are people, systems and ideologies in place that foster oppression and injustice rather than equity and fairness. Sadly, our complacency can be the greatest evil. Turning a blind eye, ignoring the truth, and believing that we are helpless to fix so great a problem does little to move us closer to the kingdom of God. As members of the Body of Christ, we cannot condone anything that keeps people in misery.

As it is said, charity begins at home. Perhaps a good place to start is with our own households and making sure their foundations are properly laid.

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26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



This Week at Gesu

MONDAY 9/27

Mass.....7:30 am, 8:30 am - MC
Legion of Mary Mtg.....6:30 - 7:30 pm - MG
Healing Rosary.....7:00 - 8:00 pm - PZ

TUESDAY 9/28

Mass.....7:30 am - MC
Women's Bible Study.....9:00 - 10:30 am - ZM
GYF Matt Pilates.....1:30 - 2:30 pm - MH
RCIA.....6:30 - 9:30 pm - DR

WEDNESDAY 9/29

Mass.....7:30 am, 8:30 am - MC
Rosary for Life.....8:00 am - CH
Psalms Bible Study.....9:15 - 11:00 am - MH

THURSDAY 9/30

Mass.....7:30 am - MC
Christian Life Community.....3:15 - 5:30 pm - DR
Boy Scout Troop 620 Mtg.....7:00 - 8:30 pm - MH
Women's Bible Study.....7:00 - 8:00 pm - ZM

FRIDAY 10/1

Mass.....7:30 am - MC
All School Mass.....8:30 am - Outside

SATURDAY 10/2

Bible Study: Judith.....12:00 - 2:00 pm - ZM
Confession.....3:00 - 4:00 pm - CH
Mass.....4:30 pm - CH

SUNDAY 10/3

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

CH Church	MG McGivney Room	PZ Piazza
DR Dietz Room	MH McAuley Hall	ZM Zoom
MC Marian Chapel		

For the most up-to-date version of the meetings & events calendar, please visit 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.

ILLNESS & HOSPITAL CALLS

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

REST IN PEACE

Debbie McLeod

Sister-in-law of Flo &
Donald Fitzgerald

Dolores Guillia Tornambe

Dorothy Kreuzman

Mother of Deborah (Stephen)
Gladstone; Grandmother of
Caroline, Patrick,
Theresa & Margaret

NEWLY BAPTIZED

Paulius Jonas Laniauskas

Matas & Daina Laniauskas

Mara Rose French

Eric & Jessica French

McCabe Knight Hildebrandt

Stephen & Molly Hildebrandt

Cameron Christine Rosinski

Matthew & Stephanie Rosinski

Anthony Richard Hoehm

Richard & Erin Hoehm

Connor Murphy Etscheidt

Jordon & Bridget Etscheidt

MARRIAGE BANNS

Hannah Suttles &

Daniel Mascio

October 2, 2021

Jayme Fasola &

Chad Guy

October 9, 2021

Hannah Bedinghaus &

Anthony Mancuso

October 9, 2021

PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS THIS WEEK

Healing Rosary

Monday, September 27
7:00 pm - Piazza

Rosary for Life

Wednesday, September 29
8:00 am - Church

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.

Grant Auletta
Deborah Davis
Terry Gabel
Harold (Skip) Ludtke
Robert Dubs
Pat Starr
Roger Ancheta
Stacey Killeen
Henriette Najm
Dale A. Scully
Rob Mooney
Ann Dolan
Theresa LoPresti
Ryan S.
JoeAnn Franklin
Rita Huebner
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
Mary Jo Rourke
George Martin
Jacob Gordon
Wayne Schmidt
Stacey Kelly
Mike Stinn
Mary Beth Miller
Cecilia T. Guccion
Edward P. Guccion
Howard Widmann
Jeff Stevenson
Grace Pressimone
Toni Consolo
Bill & Denise Miranda
Eleanor Bertagni
Marge Diemer
Sheila Flannery
Jeanne Horwath
Richard Rarick
Baby Reese
Tom
Therese Hummer
Eileen Read
Gerri Greenfield
Abby Grealis
Marsha Sarakaitis
Carole Baker

Verna Bencie
Edison
George O'Hamill
Margaret Homoly
Beth
Heather
Gina Hespen
Loretta Wiles
Barbara Rossy
Claire Gascoigne
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 Parish-ioners 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.

Caitlin O'Connor Cruz
Alex Pahl
Adam Thomas
Nick Corsones
Kirkland Kudrna
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

ROSARY FOR LIFE

Wednesday, September 29, after the 7:30 am Mass
Marian Chapel



"I promise my special protection and the greatest graces to all those who shall recite the Rosary."

- Sister Lucias dos Santos,
one of the children at Fatima

MASS INTENTIONS

The practice of requesting a Mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and wonderful part of our Catholic tradition. The offering is \$10 per Mass. If you would like a Mass said, please come to the parish office during regular business hours 9:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday, and we would be happy to assist you.

1. We do not currently have any Masses available in 2021. If the current weekday schedule continues, we will add more 8:30 am Mass Intentions in November.
2. The Mass Intention book for 2022 is now open for 7:30 am weekday and weekend Mass Intentions. Once the current weekday Mass schedule is evaluated, we may also be able to schedule 8:30 am weekday Mass Intentions.

GESU CATHOLIC SCHOOL CELEBRATES MASS OUTDOORS

Our Gesu school community has been celebrating Mass outdoors each Friday, transforming the parking lot into a beautiful place to worship together! The photo below is from the school's annual Mass of the Holy Spirit on September 3.



Mass Intentions & SCRIPTURE READINGS

MONDAY 9/27

St. Vincent de Paul

Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102; Lk 9:46-50

7:30 am Matthew O'Hearn
8:30 am Dr. William &
Fern Ulrich

TUESDAY 9/28

St. Wenceslaus; St. Lawrence Ruiz & Comps.

Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87; Lk 9:51-56

7:30 am Constance & John Lyons

WEDNESDAY 9/29

Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael

*Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab;
Ps 138; Jn 1:47-51*

7:30 am Barbara Steigerwald
8:30 am Margaret &
Arthur Markee

THURSDAY 9/30

St. Jerome

Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19; Lk 10:1-12

7:30 am Eugene Skerl

FRIDAY 10/1

St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus

Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79; Lk 10:13-16

7:30 am Tom Christy
8:30 am Antoinette Leone

SATURDAY 10/2

The Holy Guardian Angels

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Jer 69; Mt 18:1-5, 10

SATURDAY VIGIL & SUNDAY 10/3 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128;
Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12*

4:30 pm DeFino &
McManus Families
8:00 am Vincetta Dooner
10:00 am Caridad Chavez
11:30 am Parishioners of Gesu

FIRST RECONCILIATION/ FIRST COMMUNION

The 2021-2022 First Reconciliation and First Communion program at the Church of the Gesu will begin soon. These sacraments are traditionally celebrated during the second grade year for baptized Catholic children. If you have an older child who has not yet celebrated these sacraments, we would love to have you join us as well! Additionally, please let us know if the sacrament of Baptism is needed.

Please register for the 2021-2022 program at: <https://membership.faithdirect.net/events/details/7519>.

A digital program flyer is available and posted on the parish website at www.churchofthegesu.org/sacramental-preparation. Contact Marcia Leous for more information at mleous@churchofthegesu.org or (216) 932-0617.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Ladies, it's not too late to join us in learning more about the love and mercy of Jesus found in Sacred Scripture, all while building friendships! We'd love for you to join us for this fall's Women's Bible Study, which will look at the Parables of Jesus. You may sign up for either the morning or evening session. The daytime study is being offered on Tuesdays, 9:00-10:00 am, through October 26. The evening study takes place on Thursdays, 7:00-8:00 pm through October 28. Note that this study will consist of some Zoom sessions and some in-person sessions.

The guide, "Treasures Uncovered," by Jeanne Kun, is available at the Pastoral Center. Suggested donation is \$10. We hope you consider joining. Reading and studying Scripture in a small faith-sharing group serves to deepen our relationship with Jesus and with each other. For more information or to express interest, please contact Debbie Bruening at debbruening1@gmail.com.



PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR) REGISTRATION



Welcome to the Parish School of Religion Grades Preschool through Grade 8 at Gesu Parish for 2021-2022.

This program will be a Virtual experience using Zoom in consideration of the current pandemic conditions.

To register please go to:

<https://membership.faithdirect.net/events/details/6661>

We look forward to sharing this year with all of you!

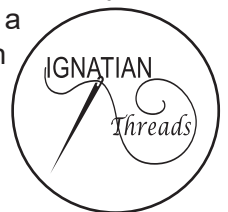
If any family chooses to do an "at-home" family program, please contact Sister Kathleen at kflannery@churchofthegesu.org or (216) 932-0617.

Grades 9 through 12

At this point, we do not have a high school PSR component. But the preparation for CONFIRMATION for students in grade 9 and up will take place in the second semester. Registration will take place in the coming months.

IGNATIAN THREADS

Peter Faber experienced a mobile ministry in the Society of Jesus. He spent two years in Portugal and Spain, helping to establish the Society of Jesus. He lived as a pilgrim, traveling with few possessions. In each place where he was missioned, he undertook spiritual direction and gave the Spiritual Exercises. In 1546 Pope Paul III appointed him to be one of the expert theologians at the Council of Trent. By that time, at age 40, Peter's health was precarious. He was exhausted by incessant efforts and constant journeys, mostly undertaken on foot. He left Spain to attend the Council in Rome, but weakened by fever, the future Saint Peter Faber died on August 1, reportedly in the arms of Ignatius Loyola. In a diary of his spiritual life, Faber entered a final note beginning with a quotation from Psalm 103: "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget none of His benefits."



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

MEN'S RETREAT

Sponsored by the Men of Praise Prayer Group, this retreat takes place October 1-3 at Hiram House Retreat Center in Chagrin Falls. The fee is \$130. For more information or to register, contact Mike at (440) 935-0191.

CLEVELAND CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

All women are invited to the third annual Cleveland Catholic Women's Conference, Saturday, October 9, at the Hilton Garden Inn and Conference Center in Mayfield Village. Hear from speakers including Sarah Swafford, Mother Jeanette of the Mercedarian Sisters of Cleveland, Maggie Craig, and musicians Kira and Jeff Andrea as they invite us to trust in God's will for our lives and His Divine Mercy. The day will also include Mass with Bishop Malesic, and opportunities for prayer, confession, Eucharistic adoration and forming friendships with other women of faith. Visit www.clecatholicwomen.org to register or for more information.

WE ARE COMPANIONS ON A JOURNEY: R.C.I.A.



The Church of the Gesu is beginning a new journey to welcome those who wish to learn more about our Catholic faith through a process called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, or R.C.I.A. If you wish to know more, please contact Marcia Leous, Director of Faith Formation for Adults, at (216) 932-0617 or mleous@churchofthegesu.org.

R.C.I.A. Online Registration Link:
gesuchurch.wufoo.com/forms/z1f68kvm0ypj3c1/

NOVENA TO SAINT THERESE

Join the Carmelite nuns at Our Lady of Peace Parish (12601 Shaker Blvd.) in honoring Saint Therese. Their Feast Day Liturgy takes place Friday, October 1, at 8:00 am. The service will also be live streamed and can be accessed at <https://olpchurch.com>.

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

On Sunday, September 19, Church of the Gesu celebrated Catechetical Sunday at our 10:00 am Mass. The community offered a blessing for those involved with sharing and teaching the Gospel at our parish, including teachers in our day school, our PSR catechists, adult Bible study leaders, and our RCIA team. We thank them all for their willingness to share the love of Christ with our community!



CHILDREN'S CORNER

SHARING THE GOSPEL

The disciples started to feel proud because they thought they were the "in" group of friends of Jesus. One day they saw a complete stranger working powerful miracles in the name of Jesus. The disciples told the stranger to stop because he was not part of their special group. The disciples should have encouraged him instead.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Pray for missionaries around the world who teach others about Jesus.

PUZZLE

Find 10 differences.



PRAYER

Dear God, help me to work side-by-side with other people who love Jesus, no matter who they are.

SOMETHING TO DRAW

Draw a picture of people working together to build a church, or a sandcastle.



5K RACE & 1 MILE FUN RUN/WALK

GESU CATHOLIC SCHOOL | 2450 MIRAMAR BLVD. | UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS, OHIO 44118

SATURDAY, OCT. 23 ⚡ 10AM

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION - BY 9/30

- ⚡ \$25 (5K) / \$20 (Fun Run/Walk)
- ⚡ Includes t-shirt
- ⚡ \$75 Cap for families of 4 or more

PRE-REGISTRATION - 10/1-10/21

- ⚡ \$30 (5K) / \$20 (Fun Run/Walk)
- ⚡ Includes t-shirt - *while supplies last*
- ⚡ \$80 Cap for families of 4 or more

DAY OF REGISTRATION - 10/23

- ⚡ \$35 (5K) / \$20 (Fun Run/Walk)
- ⚡ Includes t-shirt - *while supplies last*
- ⚡ \$90 Cap for families of 4 or more

★ **FREE** ★
Fun Run/Walk
for kids ages 5/under.
(t-shirt not included)

AFTER PARTY

(11AM - 2PM)

- ⚡ **FOOD TRUCK**
- ⚡ **BEER & DRINKS**
- ⚡ **COLLEGE FOOTBALL**
- ⚡ **AWARDS & PRIZES**
- ⚡ **DJ LANCE HAHN**
- ⚡ **FUN & GAMES**
- ⚡ **FIRETRUCK**

**DRESS
DOWN DAY**
⚡
MON 10/25

Participating students and donors can dress down on Mon., Oct. 25th. Wearing the Bolt shirt is encouraged but not required.

Can't make it to the Bolt?
You can earn the dress down day (and a Bolt shirt!) by making a \$20 donation per student online at gesubulldogs.com/bolt.



REGISTER

GESUBULLDOGS.COM/BOLT

50+ CLUB CLAMBAKE



The 50+ Club will host their annual clambake on Sunday, October 24, at 5:00 pm in McAuley Hall. Please click here for complete details. Reservations must be received by October 20. Seating is limited.

Reservation slips are also available at the entrances to the church.

COFFEE & CONVERSATION RESUMES



Please join us on Wednesday, October 6, following the 8:30 am Mass from 9:00 - 11:00 am for social time in McAuley Hall. This is a time for simple refreshments and some wonderful conversations and community.

BLANKET SUNDAY COMING SOON



The weekend of October 9-10 marks the 35th Annual Blanket Sunday Collection to aid the poor. This collection is sponsored by the Diocesan St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Due to sanitary concerns and lack of storage space, we will gratefully accept your financial donation and do the shopping for you, making your money go even further with bulk purchases of blankets and other items needed by the homeless and disadvantaged. So please "blanket" someone for the winter - and give yourself a warm feeling! You may also donate online at www.svdpcle.org.

MEN'S CLOTHING AND SHOE DONATIONS NEEDED!



Did you know the majority of clothing donations received are for women? Men's clothing and shoe donations are a top need for the SVDP Fr. Michael Wittman Ozanam Center at St. Philomena

Church in East Cleveland. As you switch over to your fall/winter wardrobe, please consider paring down and bringing any men's clothing and shoes that are in good condition to the Parish Offices for donation. Contact Amy Zucca at azucca@churchofthegesu.org or (216) 932-0617 with any questions.

VOLUNTEERS GREATLY NEEDED AT MEDWISH

MedWish recovers usable medical surplus from approximately 120 healthcare institutions in Northeast Ohio. In 2018, MedWish kept over 461,000 pounds of surplus supplies out of local landfills. Volunteers sort, quality check, and pack donated surplus for distribution to 45+ countries. There are many opportunities to volunteer at MedWish and they really need your help! Their current shift schedule is Tuesday – Friday 9:30-11:30 am or 1:00-3:00 pm or two Saturdays a month from 9:30 am-11:30 am. If you have questions, please contact volunteer@medwish.org.

THE GOOD NEWS FROM THEA BOWMAN CENTER

A virtual benefit, Oct 7, 8 and 9.

This past year, assistance from Gesu parishioners has allowed Thea Bowman Center to celebrate light in a world filled with darkness. The pandemic, a perfect storm of grief, loneliness, fear and hunger, hit Mt. Pleasant residents hard. Thanks to our many "candles" of support, we continued to light the way and even strengthened our connections with the southeast Cleveland community we have been privileged to serve for so many years. **Please help us to keep it going by adding your candle to our light with a donation to our benefit.** October 7, 8 and 9, on our website, through emails and via Facebook, you will hear what's been happening from program participants, appreciate the broad impact of our services, and learn what is in store moving forward.

As a bonus, the following restaurant partners will donate a percentage of proceeds from take-out dinners on October 9: B&M Bar B Que (North Randall location), J. Pistone One World Market & Cafe, Pearl Asian Kitchen and Picnic Hill Market Cafe. They ask that orders be placed on October 7. Contact info will be posted on our website.

- Find out more and donate at: theabowmancenter.org/donate
- Register your email address at theabowmancenter.org/register to receive each day's message
- Forward emails to friends
- Order take-out dinners, telling the restaurants "I'm with TBC!"

For additional information contact Executive Director, Ella Thomas, at (216) 491-0699.

HOW YOU CAN HELP WITH THE AFGHAN REFUGEE CRISIS



Because of the overwhelming amount of interest in helping in a variety of capacities, Catholic Charities Migration and Refugee Services has developed an online "Volunteer Interest Form."

<https://a101416.socialsolutionsportal.com/apricot-intake/731e08e3-4e1f-4b34-b9c2-0acecfd775f>

Please commit to helping and submit the form. Areas of need are financial, in kind donations (furniture, clothing, household goods), providing housing, transportation, shopping, English conversation partners, community orientation, furniture pick up/delivery, and donation organization/kit packing. As this crisis unfolds over the next months let us "welcome the stranger" by helping these Afghani refugees adapt and thrive to life in America.

OCTOBER HEALING RETREAT

A private, confidential healing retreat for women suffering after abortion will be held on October 24 at the Jesuit Retreat Center (5629 State Road, Parma). "Still Waters" will be facilitated by Bethesda, House of Mercy. For more information or to register, call (800) 482-4100 or e-mail reachout@bethesdahouseofmercy.org.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

From September 22 – October 31, you are invited to join with other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You are also invited to stand and peacefully pray anytime between 7:00 am and 7:00 pm during the 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Preterm (12000 Shaker Blvd., Cleveland, 44120) or Planned Parenthood (25350 Rockside Rd, Bedford Hts, 44146). Join us at the Kickoff Rally at St. John Vianney on Monday, September 20, at 7:00 pm. For more information contact John Noall at (216) 245-9744 or visit:



40daysforlife.com/cleveland or 40daysforlife.com/bedfordheights.

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 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 Zelie'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 Zelie's home before dropping off items at (440) 886-2620 or 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

L'ARCHE CLEVELAND



L'Arche Cleveland is a faith-based organization and is in serious need of assistants to care for and engage with adults with developmental disabilities in our group homes. We can use your help on a full-time or part-time basis. This is a rewarding job; it is providing to those most in need. "The goal of education and formation of the ministry is continually to recognize the Lord's voice, his face, and his touch in every person we meet" (Henri Nouwen). If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Leo Shriver at (216) 721-2614 or leo@larchecleveland.org.

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

Virtus Training at Gesu will be Tuesday, September 28, from 6:00-9:00 pm in McAuley Hall. Please register online at www.virtus.org for this session. 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. Select the Parents tab at the top of the page then click on Volunteer Requirements.



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	Monthly Offering	Year-to-Date Offering
	8/1/21 - 8/31/21	7/1/21 - 8/31/22
Sunday Offering	\$54,892	\$113,129
Faith Direct	\$43,831	\$82,751
Christmas/Easter	-	-
Holy Days	\$1,103	\$1,123
Total Contributions	\$99,826	\$197,002

Budget	\$116,250	\$211,250
Variance from Budget	(\$16,424)	(\$14,248)

Other Monthly Collections

Honduras Mission	-	\$95
Food Fund	\$1,023	\$1,123
Corporal Works of Mercy	\$197	\$11,592
Fund for Gesu	\$5,506	\$9,046

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