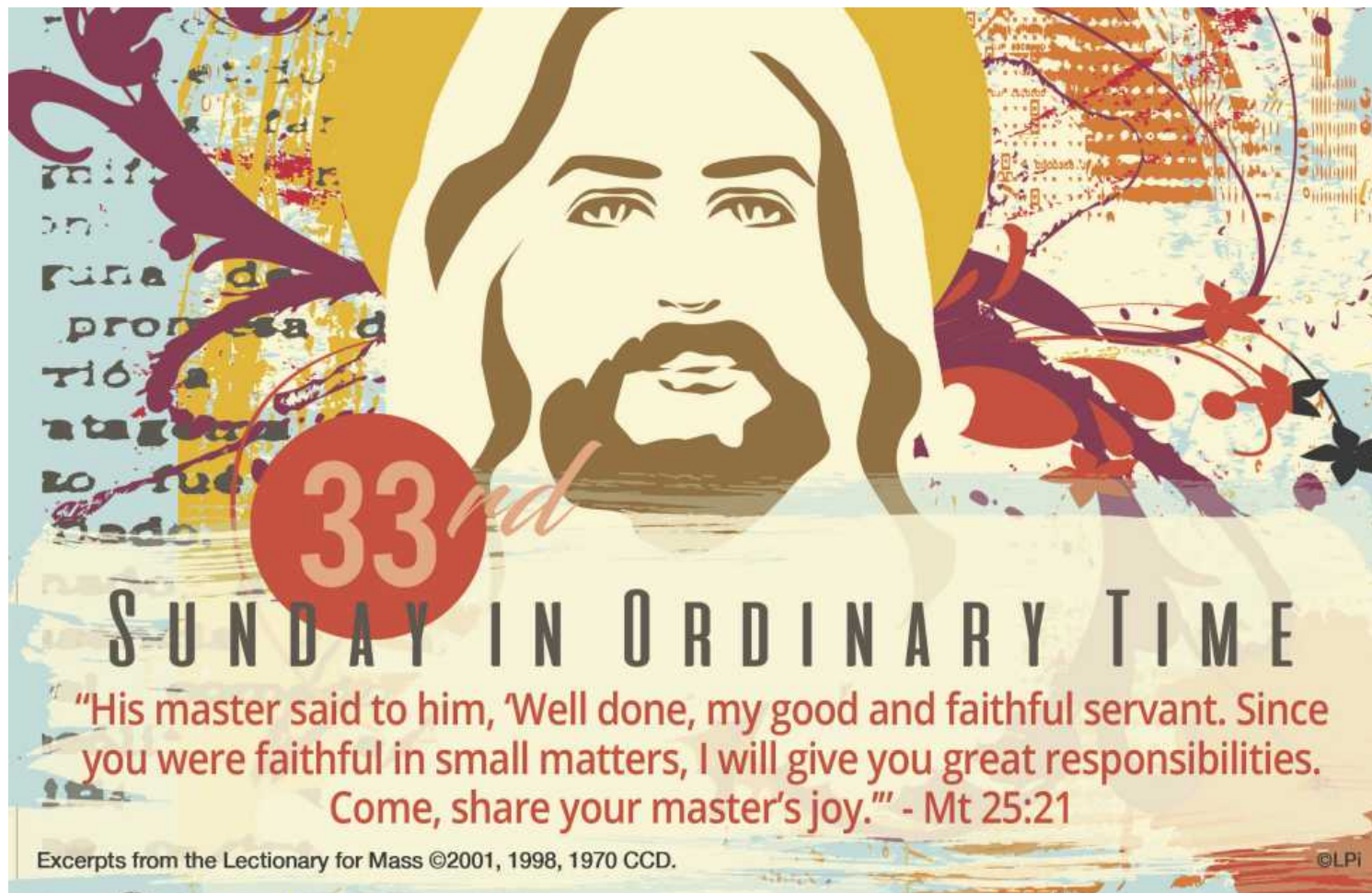


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MISSION STATEMENT

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** -

TEMPORARY MASS SCHEDULE

Weekends

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am and 11:00 am

Weekdays

Monday - Friday: 7:30 am

RECONCILIATION

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

(Please see Pg. 3 for important information.)

PASTORAL STAFF

Reverend Karl Kiser, SJ

Pastor

Reverend Michael A. Vincent, SJ

Associate Pastor

Reverend Gregory Hyde, SJ

Priest in Residence

Reverend James K. O'Donnell

Deacon

Sr. Kathleen Flannery, OSU

Parish Life & Liturgy

Therese Blumenthal

Finance & Operations

Mary Kate Farrar

Development & Communications

Lucy Iemmolo

School Principal

Mary von Carlowitz &

Marcia Leous

Faith Formation

Amy Zucca

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Mark Ehrbar

Music Ministry

Jenny Lee

Youth Ministry

PARISH DIRECTORY

Parish Office

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(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 to make 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

God gives us the gift of His very self and asks us to invest it. Investing God's greatest gift of Himself wisely, allows God's kingdom to grow and flourish. God trusts us with this pearl of great price in hopes that it will produce abundant fruit. While God's gift of self is realized in the gifts of faith, hope, and love, they are not meant to be solely for personal benefit. They are intended to be shared and are at the heart of Jesus' blueprint for happiness, the Beatitudes.

When we properly invest God's greatest gift, His most treasured possession, we invest in the wellbeing of all of our brothers and sisters and the world in which we live. We take up most seriously our call to be stewards and properly manage, not only our own affairs, but the affairs of those around and before us. God has put tremendous confidence in us. Do we have that same confidence in God?

We often go the extra mile and put in the additional effort when it comes to those concerns closest to us: our families, friends, careers, home and securities. But when it comes to things that are not as close to us, we can become lax and less conscientious. Tending to God's treasure requires a great deal of focus and persistent hard work. It demands that I see the bigger picture, God's picture, in which self-sacrifice is a given as we labor for the establishment of God's kingdom, God's vision. Fear and a lack of trust can loom large, however. We are afraid of letting go of what is "mine" and apprehensive of jeopardizing what we have in order to venture into something bigger and more promising.

Fear and a lack of trust serve no purpose in God's kingdom. They benefit neither the person nor God. What is required is a courageous resolve that produces the fortitude necessary to stay the course and do what God is asking. Doing all in our power to cultivate the seeds of faith, hope, and love in our world, working diligently to put all of our relationships in proper order, becoming attentive to systems and ideologies that hurt and oppress people, being mindful of injustice, and laboring on behalf of the poor and the needy are at the core of what each of us is asked to do. It is how we invest God's most precious gift wisely. If persistent, alert and attentive, then life will gradually improve around us, there will be greater peace and we will experience joy.

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This Week at Gesu

MONDAY 11/16

Mass.....7:30 am - Church
Healing Rosary.....6:30-7:00 pm - Church
Leadership Mtg.....7:00-9:00 pm - McAuley Hall
Community Life Commission Mtg.....7:00-8:30 pm - Zoom
Worship Commission Mtg.....7:00-8:30 pm - Zoom

TUESDAY 11/17

Mass.....7:30 am - Church
RCIA.....7:00-9:00 pm - Zoom

WEDNESDAY 11/18

Mass.....7:30 am - Church
Legion of Mary Mtg.....8:00-9:00 am - Church Narthex
Rosary for Life.....8:15-8:45 am - Church
Ignatian Prayer & Faith Sharing.....7:00-8:30 pm - Zoom

THURSDAY 11/19

Mass.....7:30 am - Church
Gesu Book Club - *Mere Christianity*.....6:45-8:45 pm - Zoom
Mass for Sr. Maria Rosa of Honduras.....7:00 pm - Church

FRIDAY 11/20

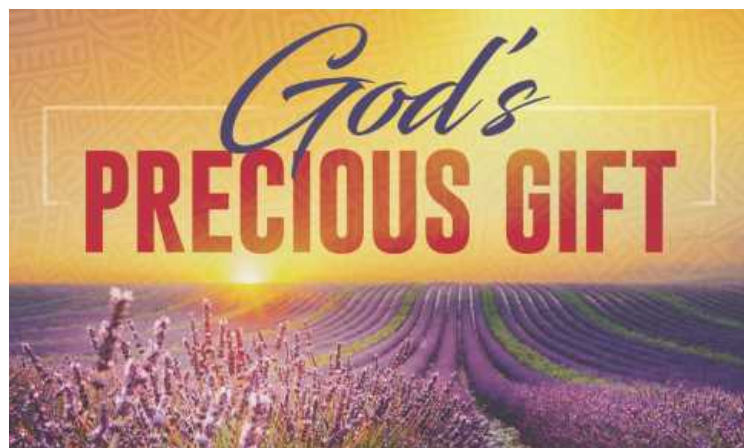
Mass.....7:30 am - Church

SATURDAY 11/21

Bible Study - 1st & 2nd Samuel.....12:00-2:00pm - Zoom
Confession.....3:00-4:00 pm - Usher's Room
Vigil Mass.....4:30 pm - Church

SUNDAY 11/22

Mass.....9:00 am & 11:00 am - Church
Confirmation Session 2.....6:00-7:30 pm - Virtual



RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation is held each Saturday from 3:00-4:00 pm. To allow for social distancing, it's taking place in the Usher's Room. Please enter via the door inside the church. The room is set for both anonymous and face-to-face confessions. Please wear a mask.

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

We are unable to hold our usually monthly Anointing Masses at this time. 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. Sick calls have been suspended for the time being. Anointing will only be administered when a person is in danger of death.

REST IN PEACE

Francis Pressimone

Father of Michael Pressimone
(Cathy)

Kathleen Roddy

Mother of Mary Stretar (Jason);
Grandmother of Katie, Annie
& David



NEWLY BAPTIZED

Grace Christine Ciuni

Daughter of Thomas &
Sarah Ciuni

Henry Thomas McFarlane

Son of Stephen &
Andrea McFarlane



PRAYERS & DEVOTIONS THIS WEEK

Healing Rosary

Monday, November 16
6:30 pm - Church

Rosary for Life

Wednesday, November 18
8:15 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.

Jacob Gordon
George Martin
Ignatius Comella
Wayne Schmidt
Stacey Kelly
Jennifer & Family
Fran Burrows
Mike Stinn

Mary Beth Miller
Liz
Andrew Kascsak
Cecilia T. Guccion
Edward P. Guccion
Howard Widmann
Jeff Stevenson
Grace Pressimone
Thomas Sexton
Toni Consolo
Bill & Denise Mirando
Eleanor Bertagni
Marge Diemer
Sheila Flannery
Jeanne Horwath
Richard Rarick
Lydia
Reily G.
Baby Reese
Tom
Therese Hummer

Eileen Read
Gerri Greenfield
Abby Grealis
Marsha
Carole Baker
Verna Bencie
Heather Gilbert
Cathy Kingsbury
Edison
George O'Hamill
Margaret Homoly
Beth
Heather
Jim T.
Anthony Galati
Victor Russell
Gina Hespen
Loretta Wiles
Catalina Santoscoy
Helen Vura
Barbara Rossy
Claire Gascoigne
Sarah Kuhar
Michael Markiewicz
Janet Markiewicz
Mary Nero
Nick Gundersen
Joan Nuth

Sylvia Flammini
John Bastulli, Jr.
Samone Dean
Bill Kiser
Carol Litovec
Dale A. Scully
Bradley "Gray"
Gorman, Jr.
Helen Joyce
Ryan M.
Michael Manuszak
Marilyn Karlik
Leah Baker
Bernice Reed
Bill Reale
John
Jackie Friend
Danielle Goodridge
Allen King
Elizabeth Kealy
Shawn Sexton
Frank
Sandy Russell
Mike Kiely, Jr.
Marian
Marco Kaiser
Evelyn Shimandle Siess
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.

Brendan Lucas
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

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

MEMORIAL MASS FOR SR. ROSA OF HONDURAS



Please join us as we celebrate the life of Sr. Rosa Leggol, OSF of Honduras. She recently went home to heaven. Her special liturgy will take place on Thursday, November 19, at 7:00 pm in the Church of the Gesu.

A memorial donation may be made in her name by visiting HCRF's website: www.honduranchildrensrescuefund.org. Sr. Rosa touched many lives of the children in Honduras. She also left lasting impressions on our Gesu Mission Teams. May her soul and the souls of all the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

CHRISTMAS LITURGY PLANNING SURVEY

As we look towards the end of the year and the celebration of our Lord's birth, the parish staff would like to get a better understanding of how our families would like to celebrate Christmas. We are working to determine how we will schedule our Christmas Mass times. Please take a moment to complete this very short survey, located at <https://bit.ly/37pP9cS>, to help us plan.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK



In recent months we have been unable to schedule the monthly Anointing Mass on a Wednesday afternoon at noon. If anyone would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, we ask that you call the parish office. We also invite you to celebrate the Sacrament after any weekday or weekend Mass.

Just call the office and let us know ahead of time that you will be there so that we will know you are coming that day.

REMEMBERING THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

During the month of November, we remember those who have died. Gesu, in a special way, remembers those parishioners who have died in the past year in a number of ways.

We invite you to bring to church a picture of your deceased loved one, and place it in the area near the baptismal font. Please make sure you have a name and phone number on the back! You may bring the picture anytime this month.

*** Please note that there are small cards available on which you can write names of those of your family and friends who have died. A basket near the baptismal font is for this purpose. You can also submit your prayer intentions online at <https://bit.ly/3jO62Bv>. You might also choose to write their names in the Memorial Book of the Dead. This book will figure prominently during the entire month of November in our liturgies.

Mass Intentions & SCRIPTURE READINGS

MONDAY 11/16

Sts. Margaret of Scotland; Gertrude

Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1;

Lk 18:35-43

7:30 am Dennis Darrah

TUESDAY 11/17

St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15;

Lk 19:1-10

7:30 am Bill Nieser

WEDNESDAY 11/18

The Dedication of the Basilicas of

Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles;

St. Rose Philippine Duchesne

Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150;

Lk 19:11-28

7:30 am Matilda Iacobucci

THURSDAY 11/19

Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149;

Lk 19:41-44

7:30 am Joseph Marcellino

FRIDAY 11/20

Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119;

Lk 19:45-48

7:30 am Patrick Durant

SATURDAY 11/21

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144;

Lk 20:27-40

SATURDAY VIGIL & SUNDAY 11/22

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23;

1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

4:30 pm Charlotte M. Trenkamp

9:00 am Vincent &

Mary Castrigano

11:00 am Olivia Schneider

FROM OUR HOUSE TO YOUR HOUSE

Week of 11/15/20



GATHER: Begin simply by saying "Bless Us, O Lord!" and make the Sign of the Cross.

LISTEN: Use a portion of the reading this week to read aloud.

Our Gospel for today is Matthew 25:1-13 25:14-15, 19-20. This is the story of the man leaving for a long journey and entrusting his possessions to his servants. Each one of the three received a number of "talents." In those days, a talent was the value of a coin or amount of money. The servants took the coins, and it was up to them to use to the best of their ability. But things happened differently with each servant. It was the one who used his talents to the best of his ability and made more who was rewarded by the man. So, too, God gives us each "talents" – be they monetary, gifts and talents, or even time and energy.

Pause a little,

SHARE: Use this thought or question for family sharing:

How do we use our talents for others? How do we use them in a way Jesus would ask us to? Can you think of some examples in your family members or in people you know? Good deeds are often contagious as we see them and share them!

PRAY FOR: After sharing, consider all those you want to remember in prayer today.

Thank God for the gifts in those gathered at the dinner table today, especially those we often forget to notice or appreciate. And ask God's help to keep us generous in sharing them.

In these continuing pandemic times, pray for everyone to be strong and safe.

GIVE THANKS: Conclude with: *"Bless Us, O Lord, and these your gifts which we are about to receive from your bounty through Christ our Lord. Amen."*

Enjoy your meal!

IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY FOR TODAY



Ignatian Solidarity Network intern, Shelby Smyth, believes that "recognizing Christ's face in each person is how we can shape a more compassionate world for the common good." That's easy to do when you like or agree with a person, but quite challenging if the opposite is true. Based on the Gospel of Matthew 22:34-40,

Ms. Smyth's reflection challenges us to love both God and neighbor fearlessly in the manner of Jesus. Read this brief but timely essay from ISN's weekly *Rise Up* series to hear more: [ignatiansolidarity.net/blog/2020/10/26/love-fearlessly/](https://www.ignatiansolidarity.net/blog/2020/10/26/love-fearlessly/).

The Ignatian Solidarity Network aims to "network, educate, and form advocates for social justice animated by the spirituality of St. Ignatius of Loyola and the witness of the Jesuit martyrs of El Salvador and their companions."

IGNATIAN THREADS

Today in Matthew's Gospel, servants were called to an accounting of how they used their talents. Do we realize that God has bestowed many "talents" on us: abilities which we are called to develop and use, along with many capabilities which allow us to love, to empathize, to act and to serve. Ignatius surely understood this. Not only did he "hear" a call to seek and serve, he was compelled to share his talents (charisms) and to inspire his followers to do likewise. Courage, conviction, trust, sacrifice – all are elements of the risk-taking and uncertainty that accompany mindful actions. Let us aspire to live up to the call embedded in the Suscipe Prayer: "Give me only your love and your grace... that's enough for me!" Our gifts and talents are infused with God's love for us. We have been given so much. Let us figure out what it means for each of us to bear fruit? Imagine God saying to you: "Well done, my good and faithful servant... Come, share your Master's joy!"



IGNATIAN PRAYER & FAITH SHARING



The next virtual Zoom gathering of Ignatian Prayer & Faith Sharing will be Wednesday, November 18, from 7:00 - 8:30 pm. Those who wish to participate 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 before November 18. We would love to see you there!

NOVEMBER MORNING PRAYER FOR WOMEN

The Jesuit Retreat Center hosts Morning Prayer for Women on Monday, November 16, from 9:30 am - 11:00 am. Women from all walks of life are invited to pray together and learn more about the beauty of prayer. Led by Sr. Mary Ann Flannery, S.C., this prayer group will refresh your spirit and help you find strength in regular prayer habits. Just bring your Bible and come as you are! Price includes coffee and pastry. Registrations are encouraged, but walk-ins welcome! Cost is \$10. For more information or to register, visit www.jesuitretreatcenter.org. The Jesuit Retreat Center is located at 5629 State Road in Parma.

GESU YOUTH GROUP MEETINGS



Our Gesu Youth Groups are meeting regularly via Zoom, and we'd love for you to join us for our saint spotlights, bible studies and topic conversations! High School Youth Group meets on Sundays from 11:30 am - 12:30 pm and Middle School Youth Group meets on Tuesdays from 4:30-5:30 pm. If you are interested in joining our meetings, send an email to our Youth Minister, Jenny Lee, at jlee@churchofthegesu.org for the Zoom code.

WE ARE ALL WITNESSES

Confirmation 2020-2021



Confirmation Session 2, for all those in 9th, 10th, or 11th grade, who are preparing to receive the Sacrament on April 11, 2021, will be held via the ZOOM platform on Sunday, November 22, from 6:00-7:30 pm. A ZOOM link has been sent to your email. This session will begin the formation for the Confirmation program and is a required part of sacramental preparation.

If you have not had the chance to pick up your material packets yet, they are available in the parish office and can be picked up Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact Mary von Carlowitz at (216) 932-0617 or mvoncarlowitz@churchofthegesu.org.

CARD, MAGAZINE & BOOK RACKS

The racks for cards and other materials in the hallway near the McAuley entrance have been restocked. There is hand sanitizer on the ledge for your use to avoid any spread of the virus. Thanks for your patience and care for one another.





Help to Light the Way for Christ! Christmas Luminary Sale

Gesu's Catechesis for Adaptive Needs (CAN), with the generous help from members of Gesu's National Junior Honors Society, is selling luminary kits this Christmas. 2020 can certainly use more light, and luminaries are a perfect way to celebrate the birth of the Light of the World! Order your luminary kits now to get prepared to light your pathway for Christ. These will be in demand, so please submit orders early to secure your kit(s).

Each kit contains 10 luminaries to line your drive or walkway for Christmas. All proceeds benefit the wonderful endeavors of these groups.

Submit order forms with payment to: Church of the Gesu Adaptive Needs by November 29. Forms can be turned into Parish or School Office.

Orders will be ready for pick up on December 19 & 20 after Mass, or can be delivered locally for a fee of 1 canned good item that we will donate to OLP.

Questions? Contact Angela Young at maryangelayoung@yahoo.com

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____

Phone: _____

Please circle: Local Delivery or Pick up

___ kit(s) of 10 luminaries (\$10 per kit)

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

CHILDREN'S CORNER

SHARING THE GOSPEL

You can choose to waste your time, your money and your special talents. You can be selfish with them, too. Or, you can use those gifts from God to spread good news about Jesus. When you choose to use your gifts for God, and he will fill your heart with joy.

PRAYER

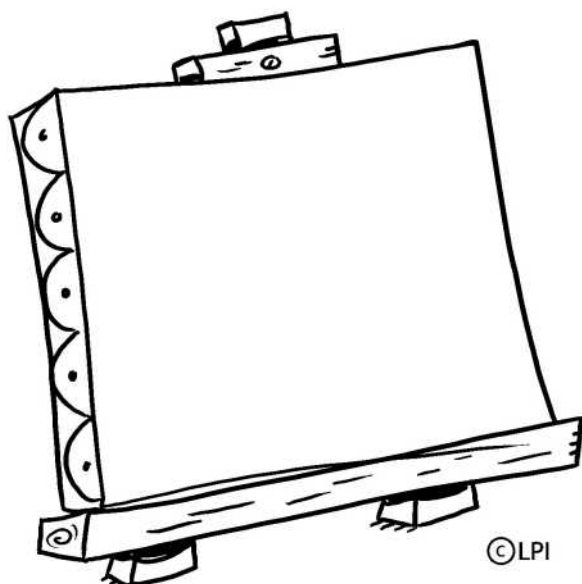
God, help me to use my time, my money and my special talents for you.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Every day I will sing a song to thank God for my talents.

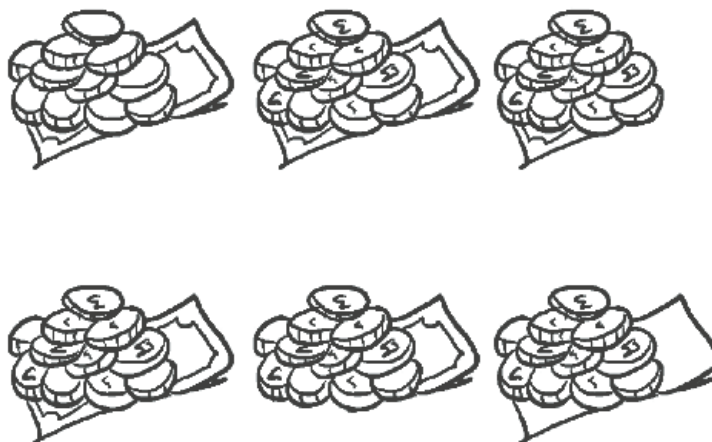
SOMETHING TO DRAW

Draw a picture of yourself helping a younger child learn how to tie their shoes.



PUZZLE

Find the two that are the same.



GESU BOY SCOUT TROOP 620 HOLIDAY PORCH POT FUNDRAISER



Please help support our Gesu Boy Scout Troop by purchasing a holiday porch pot from Bremec Garden Center, in Cleveland Heights. There are three sizes available and they are perfect for the holiday season. The Gesu Boy Scouts will deliver the pots to your

home on one of three dates you select. (See below for order deadlines.) A percentage of all purchases go to the Troop to help fund their annual camping trips, gear purchases and high adventure trips. Visit the following link to order your pot: <https://bremec.com/troop-620/>. If you have any questions, you can contact troop620.gesu@gmail.com. Thank you for your support of Gesu Boy Scout Troop 620!

<u>Delivery Date</u>	<u>Order Deadline</u>
11/28/2020	11/25/2020
12/5/2020	12/2/2020
12/12/2020	12/9/2020

GESU'S ANNUAL THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE



It is that time of year again for Gesu's annual Thanksgiving Food Drive and our Student Council could use your help! This year, our Food Drive will be concluded by Monday, November 23rd, and we are hoping that our generous Parishioners

can contribute to our cause. Any extra canned goods, paper bags, pantry staples, etc. that you can donate would be much appreciated. All donations can be brought to the front of the school. Thanks again for your support and for all that you do for Gesu!

JESUIT RETREAT CENTER: UPCOMING PROGRAMS

You are invited to the following webinar and retreat at the Jesuit Retreat Center in Parma. For more information on either of these programs, visit www.jesuitretreatcenter.org.

Finding Calm Amidst the Storm: Coronavirus & Crisis

This webinar is a virtual livestream, presented by Brenna Davis and will take place via Zoom on Tuesday, November 17, from 7:00-9:00 pm.

How are you weathering the storms of 2020? Take time to prayerfully reflect on your experience of this year through imaginative prayer and reflection. We will individually and collectively ponder what we have learned from this time, especially centering around the question, "What is essential?" now and into the future. There will be time for private reflection as part of this webinar. Make sense of and gather the graces of the year in this time of Thanksgiving in order to ground yourself in moving forward. Cost is \$10.

Building a Vision for Your Retirement: Embracing the Next Chapters of Life

This retreat takes place Friday, November 20, 6:00 pm - Sunday November 22, 11:00 am. What will your retirement years be like, realizing your creative potential to name and create these next chapters of life? You can build a vision for a time that will be truly life-giving and hope-filled for you and those you care about. This weekend will provide presentations by guest speakers with rich experience on relevant topics, interactive conversation, and time for deeper personal reflection for individuals looking ahead to, or already in, retirement or the next journeys. It will explore the foundational aspects in our lives and build the direction for a vital spirituality and a meaningful and purposeful way of living after 65, 75, 85...or whenever! Includes Sunday Mass. Cost is \$200.

Catholic Social Teaching & the Pandemic:

WEIGHING THE RESPONSE

Bishop John Stowe of Lexington, Kentucky, believes that the time to form consciences for faithful citizenship is after the election rather than in the midst of it. His opinion piece addresses the National Catholic Reporter's question, "Where do we - as a country and a church - go from here?" especially in light of the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, economic devastation and political polarization in our nation.

Read this first reflection in a series:
www.ncronline.org/news/opinion/after-election-time-form-conscienc-faithful-citizenship.

**FEATURED
ARTICLE**

GESU ANGEL TREE PROJECT



Due to the pandemic, we have decided to hold our annual Angel Tree Project virtually this year, in order to decrease the risk for all involved. We will soon be listing gift requests on the Gesu

website, which will be donated to the charitable organizations we have supported over the many years this project has been held. We certainly recognize that this has been a difficult year for everyone, but especially those who were already in need before the pandemic began. Please consider looking over the gift suggestion lists once they are posted and choosing to help where you can. The website will post gift suggestions and instructions for drop off in McAuley Hall during the weekend of December 12/13. With sincere appreciation, the Gesu Angel Tree Committee.

FROM THE COMMUNITY LIFE COMMISSION

Our primary goal is to assist groups that run social events for our parishioners. Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, for the sake of everyone's personal safety, we have decided that we will not be able to hold the 2020 Turk-A-Tron, usually scheduled for the weekend before Thanksgiving. This would have been Year Three of this revived event. Many thanks to Susan Delaney and her hard-working committee for two successful years of this great Gesu Family social event. We look forward to being able to hold Turk-A-Tron in 2021. In the meanwhile, our best wishes for your family Thanksgiving Day. Please be prudent and careful as you make your own plans. Happy Thanksgiving.

JCU LECTURE

The Institute of Catholic Studies at John Carroll University invites you to the lecture: *Troubling Times for Catholic Universities: Lessons from Fr. Theodore Hesburgh.* The lecture will be given by Edward P. Hahnenberg, Ph.D., Breen Chair in Catholic Theology and Department Chair, Theology & Religious Studies at John Carroll University. This lecture will be held virtually via Zoom on Thursday, December 3, at 7:30 pm. The link for this lecture is: <https://johncarrolluniversity.zoom.us/j/93999342426>.

Surviving or Thriving: HOPE IN A TIME OF PANDEMIC

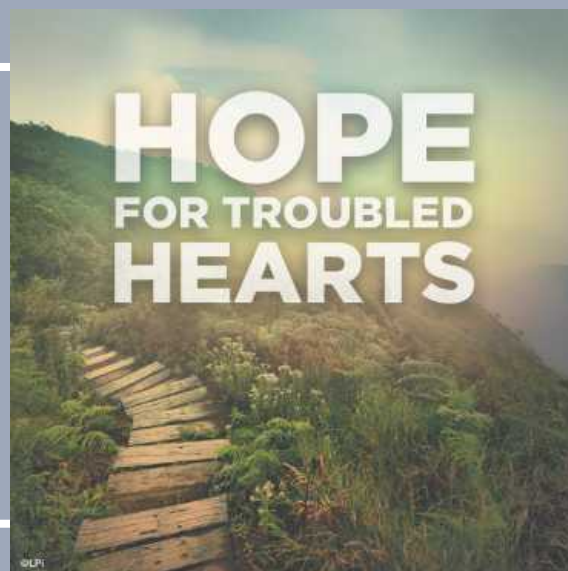
After having "sheltered in place" for an inordinate amount of time, we find ourselves gradually reentering society. With a unique opportunity to be protagonists for our future, together in solidarity and social cohesion, we will overcome the challenges that this pandemic has wrought and, by our faith in the Resurrection, be reborn stronger than ever.

The Church of the Gesu continues to accompany you as you navigate this complex journey and the occasional feelings of anxiety, despair, or even hopelessness that accompany it. We continue to share articles and reflections as a tool to help you learn how to encounter God more meaningfully. You are not alone.

Although Masses have resumed, we know that not all of you are able to return just yet. We hope you find the following selection reassuring. Welcome, beautiful soul.

"Time to Combat Fatigue with Faith"

www.osvnews.com/2020/10/20/time-to-combat-fatigue-with-faith/



#weGIVE CATHOLIC

December 1, 2020

Northeast Ohio's Online Day of Catholic Giving

YEAR-END GIVING

In this season of giving, consider making a year-end gift to our parish in gratitude for all the blessings you have received in life. As you plan to make the most of your charitable donations in 2020, know that we gratefully accept gifts of cash and appreciated assets such as stocks or bonds. Even if you don't itemize your taxes, because of the new stimulus package passed by Congress, qualified charitable donations up to \$300 for individuals may be tax-deductible. The CARES Act legislation also temporarily suspended the limitation on qualified charitable contributions of cash, allowing for a current year deduction up to 100% of AGI. This provision is in effect only for the 2020 tax year. And, if you are 70 ½ or older, you may be able to make a gift of a Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA that will help us in our ministry and reduce your taxable income. Talk to your advisors and IRA administrator for more information and to be sure that your IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution gift is made directly from an IRA to a qualified charity such as our parish.

Questions? Contact Mary Kate Farrar in our parish office at (216) 932-0617 or via email at mkfarrar@churchofthegesu.org. You are also welcome to contact Mary Lou Ozimek of the Catholic Community Foundation at (216) 696-6525 x4070. Thank you for your consideration.

GESU BULLETIN

Bulletin Submissions

All information and materials for the bulletin should be emailed to bulletin@churchofthegesu.org. Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, **Submissions for the November 28/29 bulletin are due by Tuesday, November 17.**

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October Collections

	Monthly Offering 10/1/20 - 10/31/20	Year-to-Date Offering 7/1/20 - 10/31/20
Sunday Offering	\$97,235	\$271,573
Faith Direct	\$39,711	\$163,536
Easter/Christmas	-	\$1,425
Holy Days	\$90	\$963
Total Contributions	\$137,036	\$437,497
Budget	\$95,000	\$404,750
Variance from Budget	\$42,036	\$32,747
Other Monthly Collections		
Honduras Mission	\$95	\$380
Food Fund	\$6,613	\$6,738
Corporal Works of Mercy	\$413	\$513
Fund for Gesu	\$3,428	\$15,037
Monthly Special Collections		
Catholic Communications	\$25	\$142
World Mission	\$362	\$362
Blanket Sunday	\$101	\$101

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You may return your card by:

- Mailing it to the church using the pre-addressed envelope included with the letter.
- Bringing it to Mass next weekend.
- Visiting our website at www.churchofthegesu.org and completing an electronic card.

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