

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

**Please note the date and time change.**

St. Francis of Assisi loved all of God's creatures. In honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, there will be an animal blessing on **Saturday, October 8th at 9:15 am** in the area near the Marian shrine. Please bring your pets and join us for this special blessing. Please remember that all pets must be on a leash or held AND please, please clean up after your pet. The blessing will take place rain or shine. "All praise to you, Oh Lord, for all these brother and sister creatures." (from the Canticle of the Creatures written by St. Francis of Assisi)

**RCIA**

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) will be starting in October- 10/4-to be exact. RCIA is a process designed for the initiation of adults that desire to join and live the Catholic Faith. The process involves instruction and prayer that leads up to the celebration of the Rites of Initiation at the Easter Vigil.

Who can be a part of RCIA? The process is designed for adults who have not yet been baptized, or those baptized in a non-catholic faith who wish to become Catholic. The process is also designed for those baptized Catholic who may need to complete their sacraments: Eucharist, Confirmation.

If you know of someone that fits either of these categories, please invite them to consider the RCIA process. A personal invitation always works best.

The RCIA sessions will be held at St. Leo's on Tuesday evenings from 7-9 pm. If you are interested in being involved with this ministry as a formation team member, please contact me.

If you or someone you know has any questions about the RCIA, please call Fr. Russ at 216-661-1006.



**Pray for our sick...** Regina Parle, Leonard Lyzen, Carol Sladowski, Lenore Tansler, Laura Bednarski, Mary Pasela, Tammie Nowacki, Ethel Simone, Ann Aron, Rose Mary Howard, Madison Kuhn, Paul Critzer, Walt Schoolcraft, Tomika Jones-McFarlane, Midge Markovich, Ester Dallas, Bob Lung, Gail Ryan, Bruce Furman, Hank Nowacki, Janet Lajewski, Millie Sklodowski, Renee Schlatterbeck, Theresa Truxall, Pat Konkol, Mary Jane Funta, Cathy Stimac, Jess Matey, Theresa, Martin Fontaine, Dorothy Steimle, Barbara Ann Prez, Mary Kay Simonik, James Minch, Margaret Zisk, Doris Cianciolo, Ina Minch, Richard Bernacki, Colleen Kleinhenz, Donna Mlady, Connor Sgobbo, Mary Szakal, Steve Simonik, Edward Bacso, Herb Uffman and Raymond Carrossellia

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

**Monday, September 26-St. Cosmas and St. Damian**

7:30 – Josephine Cipriani (Family)

**Tuesday, September 27-St. Vincent de Paul**

7:30 – John Kozlowski (Family)

**Wednesday, September 28-St. Wenceslaus, St. Lawrence Ruiz and his Companions**

7:30 – Judi Sharosky (Frank Veverka)

**Thursday, September 29-St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael**

7:30 – Ron Vance (Bernadine Vance)

**Friday, September 30-St. Jerome**

8:30 – Bates Family (Sara Stupic)

**Saturday Evening / Sunday Obligation, October 1-St. Therese of the Child Jesus**

11:00 – Wedding of - - -

Anthony Swegle and Marie Phillips

**2:45 – 3:30 pm - Confessions**

4:00 – Parishioners

**Sunday, October 2**

8:00 – Cornelius, Margaret, Frances

Kennedy (Ruth Frohlich)

10:00 – Joseph Wittreich (Helen Wittreich)

12:00 – Ernest Oblain (Family)

1:00 – Baptisms

**WEDDING BANNES**

III Anthony Swegle and Marie Phillips

II Robert Lee and Brandi Lege

I Jonathan Udovic and Jennifer Jones

Readings for the Week of September 25, 2011

Sunday: Ez 18:25-28 Ps 25:4-9 Phil 2:1-11 Mt 21:28-32

Monday: Zec 8:1-8 Ps 102:2, 16-23 Lk 9:45-50

Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23 Ps 87:1-7 Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8 Ps 137:1-6 Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 Ps 138:1-5 Jn 1:47-51

Friday: Bar 1:15-22 Ps 79:1-5, 8-9 Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29 Ps 69:33-37 Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday: Is 5:1-7 Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20 Phil 4:6-9 Mt 21:33-43

# "One hour for the Lord"

## PARISH SUPPORT

September 18, 2011

Due to vacations, the contributions for Sunday, September 18th will be in the October 2nd bulletin.

## MEGA RAFFLE

We had the Parish Appreciation Picnic and Mega Raffle Drawing last Sunday, September 18. The winners are:



Suzanne Hartman-\$5,000

Kim Vah-\$2,000

James Roush \$1,000

Ralph Cosiamo-\$500

Darryl & Joan Lobas-\$500

Grace Pauloski-\$1,000 side raffle

John & Lisa Strasser-\$1,000 side raffle

**Congratulations!!**

Next years Mega Raffle begins in October. Look in your weekly envelopes for the Mega Raffle envelope or pick one up in the rectory office.

## IRELAND 2012

Last fall it was announced that Fr. Carlin and myself were putting together another trip to Ireland highlighted by the opportunity to see the Notre Dame vs. Navy football game in Dublin. With just about a year before the trip, we need to begin making reservations for flights, hotels and sight seeing for the trip. A number of people had mentioned that they were interested when this was first announced. If you are still interested/serious about going, please call me in the next week or so. Feel free to ask friends and relatives, but we need to know soon. I have copies of a rough itinerary for the trip available in the rectory office if you want to pick one up. Any questions, please feel free to call Fr. Russ.

## 2012 MASS INTENTIONS

The 2012 Mass Intention Book is now open. Each parishioner household may have 5 Mass intentions (one weekend and four weekdays). The Mass stipend is \$10. We will not take masses over the phone at this time, please stop in the rectory.

## BAPTISMS

Our baptisms are the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month, the next baptism class is Monday, October 10th, please call to schedule your child's baptism 216-661-1006.

## ST. LEO SENIORS

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, September 28 at 11 am and it will be a social meeting.

**Motor City Casino**-On Thursday, October 20 we will leave St. Leo's at 8 am and arrive at Motor City Casino at 11 am. We will return home at about 8 pm. The price is \$28, call Joanne Todd for more information and to book at 440-526-3505.

**"A Hawaiian Christmas Show"**-On Tuesday, December 6, we see "A Hawaiian Christmas" at Croatian Lodge Ballroom in Eastlake. We will leave St. Leo's at 11 am for the show that starts at 12 noon. We will also drive through the flags and drive downtown to see the lights and return about 6:15 pm. The cost is \$66 and the **deadline is October 1st**. Call Joanne at 440-526-3505.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Two little words..."THANK YOU!" Those two words seem so inadequate. They do, however, express the appreciation of those you have helped to feed. For them, your SVDP says, "Thank you very much!" Your help indeed does make a difference.

## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Christians throughout Cleveland will be taking part in the international 40 Days for Life prayer vigil focused on ending abortion, from September 28-November 6. Members of the community will be praying daily from 7 am-7 pm outside of the Cleveland Surgi Center, on Pearl Road. For more information visit [www.40daysforlife.com/cleveland](http://www.40daysforlife.com/cleveland). All are welcome. The 40 Days for Life Cleveland kick-off rally will be held Monday, September 26 at 7 pm in front of Preterm, 12000 Shaker Blvd. Our own Bishop Gries along with founder of Silent No More, Georgette Forney, will be speaking on the importance of the 40 Days mission.

## TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

Transitional Housing is having their 2nd annual Walk or Run to End Homelessness on Saturday, October 1. Registration is at 7:30 am at The Cleveland Metro Parks Zoo. To learn more and register go to [www.transitionalhousinginc.org](http://www.transitionalhousinginc.org) or call 216-781-2250, ext. 27.

**KEEP UP TO DATE AND VISIT US AT [WWW.SAINTEOSCHURCH.ORG](http://WWW.SAINTEOSCHURCH.ORG)**

# SCHOOL HAPPENINGS



## THANK YOU

The 8th graders would like to express their gratitude to all who were able to come to Bob Evans last week in support of their fund raiser. May God bless you for your help!

## PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT

St. Leo Preschool is a program that includes readiness activities for religion, language arts, reading and math; activities to develop motor skills and social skills. Full-day and half-day classes are available for three and four year old children. Children must be of age by September 30. County vouchers are accepted. For more information, please call Lisa Mersek-Broschk at 216-661-5330.

## PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

St. Leo Preschool is having an Open House and Social on Sunday, October 23, from 10 am-12:30 pm in the Parish Center. All are welcome to tour the preschool and enjoy the social. Full-day and half-day classes are available for three and four year old children. Children must be of age by September 30. County vouchers are accepted. For more information, please call Lisa Mersek-Broschk at 216-661-5330.

## HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSES & PLACEMENT EXAMS

**St. Edward**-Open Houses are Sunday, October 16 and 30 from 12-2:30 pm. Placement and Scholarship tests are Saturday, October 29 and November 5 at 9 am and Wednesday, November 2 at 5:30 pm. This test is for 8th grade boys only. The cost is \$20. There will be parent information sessions at the start of each test and the test lasts about 2.5 hours. For more information [www.sehs.net](http://www.sehs.net).

**St. Peter Chanel**-Open Houses are Wednesday, October 26 from 6:30-8:30 pm and Sunday, November 13 from 12-3 pm. Placement and Scholarship tests are Saturdays October 22, November 12, December 10 and January 7 from 9 am-12 pm. The cost is \$20. Please call Scott Gongos at 440-232-5900, ext. 144 to reserve a seat.

## MAGNIFICAT HIGH SCHOOL

We welcome nationally recognized author Loung Ung to the Magnificat Center for the Performing Arts on Monday, October 3 at 6 pm. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, please call 440-331-1572 or visit our website [www.magnificaths.org](http://www.magnificaths.org).

## PADUA FRANCISCAN HIGH SCHOOL

Padua is sponsoring Youth Night's at the October 14 football game. All grade school students will be admitted free. CYO teams are encouraged to wear their team jerseys and come watch the game as a team. Check out [www.paduafranciscan.com/athletics](http://www.paduafranciscan.com/athletics) for specific game details or contact 440-845-0442

## ST. IGNATIUS HIGH SCHOOL

The Grade School Latin Program is a brief introduction to the Latin language and Roman culture for young men in the 6-8 grades. The course is held on Saturdays from 1-2 pm. The next session begins on Saturday, October 8 and ends November 5. The course is Free. If you are interested please call Mr. Joseph Zebrak at 216-651-0222, ext. 253 or [jzebrak@ignatius.edu](mailto:jzebrak@ignatius.edu) before the course begins.

The Grade School French Program is a brief introduction to the French language and Francophone culture for young men in the 6-8 grades. The course is held on Saturdays from 2:15-3:15 pm. The next session begins on Saturday, October 8 and ends October 29. The course is Free. If you are interested please call Ms. Christine Piatak at 216-651-0222, ext. 253 or [cpiatak@ignatius.edu](mailto:cpiatak@ignatius.edu) before the course begins.

## ST. JOSEPH ACADEMY

St. Joseph Academy is extending an invitation to all 5-7 grade girls to visit us on Friday, October 14 from 9 am-12 pm. Spending the day with us gives a young woman the opportunity to observe and participate in classes, tour the campus and meet our faculty, administration and students. Space is limited and registration is required. Please visit our website at [www.sja1890.org](http://www.sja1890.org) to register or 216-251-4868.

## ST. PETER CHANEL HIGH SCHOOL

On Friday, October 14 at 7 pm for the football game. This is for 6-8 graders, free admission if you wear your school spirit clothes.

Are you looking for a fun, faith-filled and free Retreat Experience? St. Peter Chanel's Peer Ministry Team is offering a one-day retreat designed just for grades 6-8 students. The Retreat is Saturday, October 22 from 1-3 pm, lunch, educational materials and supplies are included.

Call Scott Gongos at 440-232-5900, ext. 114 or [sgongos@stpeterchanel.com](mailto:sgongos@stpeterchanel.com) to reserve or ask questions for either of these events.

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**Monday, September 26**

5:30 pm	Volleyball	Gym
6:45 pm	PSR	School

**Tuesday, September 27**

5:30 pm	Volleyball	Gym
6:30 pm	SVDP Meeting	PC/Francis

**Wednesday, September 28**

11:00 am	Seniors	PC/Great
7:00 pm	Volleyball	Gym
7:00 pm	Music Ministry	Church

**Thursday, September 29**

5:30 pm	Volleyball	Gym
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**Friday, September 30**

5:30 pm	Volleyball	Gym
6:45 pm	Troop 220	PC/Eylar
6:45 pm	Troop 427	PC/Francis
6:45 pm	Troop 1821	PC/Great

**Saturday, October 1**

9:00 am	Troop 381	PC/Great
3:00 pm	Grapevine A.A.	PC/Great

**Sunday, October 2**

11:00 am	Music Ministry	Church
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**ST. MARY BYZANTINE**

The Fall Annual Salad Bingo is Wednesday, October 5 at 5:30 pm. Admission is \$10 per player and includes 20 games of merchandise bingo, two bingo cards, one trip to the salad buffet and door prize raffles. All proceeds help support the children of St. Mary Byzantine. Tickets are available in advance by calling the school office at 216-749-7980.

**ST. STANISLAUS**

Their Polish Festival is October 7-9. The hours are Friday from 5-10:30 pm, Saturday from 5-11 pm and Sunday from 11 am-6 pm. There will be Polish food, Polka bands, raffles and games for adults and children. Come enjoy the Polish welcome of the St. Stanislaus Polish Festival. For more information call the parish office at 216-341-9091 or go to our website [www.ststanislaus.org](http://www.ststanislaus.org).

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

Our Fourth Annual International Food and Cultural Festival is Saturday, October 15 from 5-8 pm. Enjoy ethnic food, folk music and dance, and raffles. For more information call 216-641-2829. All are welcome.

**ST. FRANCIS DE SALES**

Moms Group-This group is for school moms. Take time from your busy schedule for an hour of calm. You deserve some time to think, reflect and converse. This can be a time to meet other moms and share thoughts in a faith based group. The meeting is Thursday, October 6 at 1pm and 7 pm.

Empty Nesters-This is for all those Empty Nesters and beyond. We are all on this faith journey together. What wisdom can be shared by you. This, too, can be a time of prayer, reflection and sharing. The meeting is Thursday, October 13 at 1 pm and 7 pm. Please call the parish office if you are interested in either meeting at 216-884-2319.

**ST. BASIL THE GREAT**

St. Basil Adult Singles next meeting in Friday, October 7th at 7:30 pm in the parish center. For more information please visit our website at [www.basilthegreat.org/singles](http://www.basilthegreat.org/singles) or call 216-856-0946.

**ST. BRIDGET**

St. Bridget Senior Group is traveling to Seneca Niagra on October 6-7 with a stop at Presque Isle. The cost is \$125. Call Jean at 216-524-4907 for more information.

**Mary Queen of Peace**- MQP Parish will observe Respect Life Sunday on October 2 with a Eucharistic Procession to the Cleveland Surgi Center on Pearl Road following the 11 am mass. We will recite the Rosary, the Chaplet of Devine Mercy, and the Prayer to St. Michael defending the sanctity and dignity of life from conception to natural death. Save the date and join us at MQP. For more information, please contact Kathryn De-Capite at 440-223-8570.

**St. Charles Borromeo**-Pre-Cana Weekend on October 29-30 in St. Charles Activity Center. Engaged couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage are welcome to participate in a Pre-Cana weekend at St. Charles. The preparation is a two-day program, starting at 8:30 am both days. The cost is \$50 per couple. The weekend concludes with mass, lunch and a presentation of Certificates on Sunday. Please register at the St. Charles Parish Office by October 10.

**St. Thomas More**-Casino trip to the Rivers on Thursday, October 20th. The cost is \$25 per person and includes \$15 in free play and \$5 in food. Please contact Mrs. Baker at 216-749-0414 with any questions.

Parish Prayer for Peace-All are welcome to gather in the Marian Chapel to pray the rosary for peace on Tuesdays at 7 pm.

Bingo is held every Wednesday in the gym. Doors open at 5 pm and early bird begins at 6:30 pm.