

MEETINGS AND EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF 02/11/2018

Parish Council meets on Tuesday, February 13 at 7:30 PM in the Club Room

Ash Wednesday is February 14. Mass times are 5 pm English (Novus Ordo) and 6:30 pm Tridentine Latin

Every Day: Say one prayer in thanksgiving, one prayer for someone other than yourself, and one prayer for the Church

PRO-LIFE CORNER: "GOD IS LOVE"

Pope Benedict XVI says the following words in his encyclical letter "God is Love": "In sacramental communion I become one with the Lord, like all the other communicants. As Saint Paul says, "Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread" (1 Cor 10:17). Union with Christ is also union with all those to whom he gives himself. I cannot possess Christ just for myself; I can belong to him only in union with all those who have become, or who will become, his own. ... Love of God and love of neighbour are now truly united: God incarnate draws us all to himself. ... Here the usual contraposition between worship and ethics simply falls apart. "Worship" itself, Eucharistic communion, includes the reality both of being loved and of loving others in turn. A Eucharist which does not pass over into the concrete practice of love is intrinsically fragmented" (n. 14). These words remind us of our calling to love all our neighbors, born and unborn. priestsforlife.org

REFLECTION – What we Christians need is the courage, faith and confidence of the leper in today's gospel. He believed strongly in the power and the mercy of God. "If you will, you can make me clean," this was his approach to Jesus. This should be our approach too, if we have the inclination to fall into serious sin. Jesus does will and does want our salvation. His incarnation, and death on the cross, proves that. The fact that he left the power to forgive sins to his Church (John 20:23) is another proof of both his will and desire to help us. "All power has been given to me in heaven and on earth," he stated (Mt. 28:18). Part of that power which he left to his Church is in the sacrament of penance where the leprosy of sin can be washed away and the sinner restored to new and perfect spiritual health. What folly for any Christian then, to commit sin and isolate himself, like the unclean leper, from God. But it is greater folly still, to remain in this unclean state when the cure for his disease is so easily available to all of us! -- Fr. Caroli Shao, AJ

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today's Gospel centers on the plight of a leper and Jesus' response of healing. In Hawaii, the bacterium that causes leprosy probably entered from China in the mid-1800s, and the native islanders were susceptible to the dreaded disease. In 1866, the government literally dumped the sufferers on a remote and virtually inaccessible island peninsula with towering cliffs. Thrown off ships into the sea, the sick people were told to swim for the beach and head for caves, and for seven years the only supplies were similarly cast into the sea to drift ashore. It was then, 1873, that a thirty-three-year-old Belgian priest, Damien de Veuster, went voluntarily to Kalaupapa. Before long, he cajoled the government into funding his mission and its hospital, built a village with proper homes and sanitation, and recruited Mother Marianne Cope to bring sisters from Syracuse, New York, to nurse the sick. Damien, who eventually died of leprosy, has been canonized, and Mother Marianne as well.

Although leprosy has been curable since the 1940s, today a few patients remain in their lifelong home, now a national historic site. The peninsula is still utterly isolated from the outside world, and the speed limit for the few cars there is 5 mph since there's nowhere to go! The hospital is still well-staffed and equipped, but access is regulated and visitors must take an official tour, often involving a descent down the cliffs by "Molakai mule." There are few places on earth that evoke the healing power of Jesus, or our call to follow the Healer, more than Damien's beloved island.

YOUR MERCY: TRANSFORMING LIVES AND COMMUNITIES

Your support of the 2018 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal helps us to carry out the mission that Jesus entrusted to us: "I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." Please consider a generous gift that will change the lives of the 400,000 who are served each year in Northeast Ohio. Please pray for the success of the appeal, which provides for essential programs and services in need throughout all eight counties of the Diocese of Cleveland. On behalf of the poor and needy of Northeast Ohio, thank you! We invite you to view the stories of inspiration and more information www.catholiccommunity.org/2018AppealThe

Joyfully Gifted Retreat will be held on Saturday, March 10th at St. Colman's. 216-651-0550 for info

CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

MASSTIME:	5:00 PM	8:00 AM	11:00 AM
Feb. 10 & 11	Rev. Franz	Rev. B. Koka	Rev. C. Shao
Feb. 17 & 18	Rev. Franz	Rev. C. Shao	Rev. B. Koka

All Sundays & Holy Days at 9:30 AM: Rev. Bede Kotlinski

February 3 & 4 Offertory Contributions

General Collection: \$4,446.12 Children: \$3.70 (9)
Issued: 218 Returned: 84
Utilities: \$256.12
Food Pantry: \$540.00
Thank you for each and every contribution!

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 11, 2018

Please pray for the following:

Patricia Burfield Francis Hasenstaub Burley Blankenship
Dolores Bompiedi Michalyn Blasius Deacon Moises Cruz
Streeter Speakman Sidonia & Hans Speier Victoria Bailey
Mike Schmidt Sharon Sneed Judith Kenny
Theresa Stebbins Lawrence Blasius Maria Micko
The people served by our St. Vincent de Paul Society and our
Community Kindness Food Pantry.
If you would like someone added to this prayer list, please call
the Parish Secretary at 216-631-5633. Thank you.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES <u>February 10 & 11</u>			
	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 8 AM	Sunday 11 AM
Lector	Doris Durica	Barb Rieth	Glenn Sneed
Euch.Min	Dr. Jim Lisi	John Rieth	Diane and Paul Beargie
Acolytes:	Terry Shannon	Kevin Kroesen	Lucas & Colin Joyce

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES <u>February 17 & 18</u>			
	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 8 AM	Sunday 11 AM
Lector	Russell Nieling	Barb Rieth	Martin Joyce
Euch.Min	Russell Nieling	John Rieth	Diane and Paul Beargie
Acolytes	Terry Shannon	Kevin Kroesen	Lucas & Colin Joyce

SAINTS/OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF 02/11 (o) = Optional

Sunday: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
World Marriage Day; World Day of the Sick
Monday: Lincoln's Birthday
Tuesday: Mardi Gras; Shrove Tuesday
Wednesday: Ash Wednesday; Valentine's Day;
Fast and Abstinence
Friday: Abstinence; Chinese New Year 4716
Saturday: The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
READ THE BIBLE WITH THE CHURCH (Daily Mass Readings)
Monday: Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76;
Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19;
Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17;
2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25
Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32
Sunday: Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22;
Mk 1:12-15

EXPERIENCE GOD'S MERCY Join us on Wednesday evening, February 28, for the annual diocesan-wide "Evening of Confession." All churches in the diocese will have confessors available from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Experience God's loving mercy. In the words of Pope Francis, "God never tires of forgiving us." "This is an excellent Lenten practice as we prepare for Easter."

40 DAYS FOR LIFE – From February 14 until March 25, you're invited to join other Christians for *40 Days for Life* Contact John Noall at 216-245-9744 www.40daysforlife.com/cleveland
CLEVELANDPRAYSFORLIFE@GMAIL.COM

"ANSWER THE CALL" MEN'S CONFERENCE

Men! On Saturday, February 24, 2018, the Catholic Men's Fellowship of Northeast Ohio is holding its 18th annual *Answer the Call* conference at the centrally located Holiday Inn in Independence, beginning at 8 AM and concluding with 4:00 PM Mass. Please go to www.cmfneo.com for registration or more info.

THIS WEEK'S CHURCH SERVICES

Saturday, February 10 Church

4:15 - 4:45 PM Reconciliation (Confessions Heard)
Pray the Holy Rosary

5:00 PM Vigil of Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
† Ann Miller Kufner

Sunday, February 11 Church

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM † Betty Wood

9:00 AM Reconciliation (Confessions Heard)
Pray the Holy Rosary

9:30 AM Tridentine Latin Mass

Quinquagesima Sunday

† Joseph E. Flynn

11:00 AM Alumni Sunday Mass

† Linda Barnard

Monday, February 12 Chapel

6:30 PM † Fred Mierau

† James Baldesare

Tuesday, February 13 Church

7:00 AM Latin Mass (Feria)

† Walter Baran

6:30 PM (Chapel)

† † Madeline T. & Roland M. Sittley

Wednesday, February 14 Church

Ash Wednesday

5:00 PM † Tony Chresos

6:30 PM Latin Mass

Intentions of Jonathon and Matthew Lucas

7:00 - 8:00 PM Holy Hour

Thursday, February 15 Church

6:30 PM Latin Mass (Thursday after Ash Wednesday)

† Zach Culley

Friday, February 16 Church

5:00 PM † † Mr. & Mrs. Bennett Holt

5:30 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday, February 17 Church

4:15 - 4:45 PM Reconciliation (Confessions Heard)
Pray the Holy Rosary

5:00 PM Vigil of the First Sunday of Lent
† Helen Ujavri

Sunday, February 18 Church

First Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM † Jason Yusko

9:00 AM Reconciliation (Confessions Heard)
Pray the Holy Rosary

9:30 AM Tridentine Latin Mass

† Raymond P. Adams

11:00 AM Sunday Mass

† Chrisann Blankenship, † Dawn Tucker,

† Theresa Dailey

Living & Deceased Members of the Bewley Family