

MEETINGS AND EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF 9/03/2017

Installation of Bishop Perez live streamed at 1:30 PM on Tuesday, September 5 – see bulletin insert

St. Vincent de Paul meets on Tuesday, September 5 at 7 PM in the Club Room

Holy Name Society meets on Thursday, September 7 at 7 PM in the Rectory

Michelle Baldini and Fred Guerra will be married on Saturday, September 10 @ 2:30 PM Congratulations!

PRO-LIFE CORNER: CHURCH CANNOT

ABANDON HUMAN LIFE "Reason alone is sufficient to recognize the inviolable value of each single human life, but if we also look at the issue from the standpoint of faith, "every violation of the personal dignity of the human being cries out in vengeance to God and is an offence against the creator of the individual" (John Paul II, *Christifideles Laici*, 37). Precisely because this involves the internal consistency of our message about the value of the human person, the Church cannot be expected to change her position on this question. I want to be completely honest in this regard. This is not something subject to alleged reforms or 'modernizations'" -- Pope Francis, Apostolic Exhortation "The Joy of the Gospel," November 24, 2013.

REFLECTION: In Churches there are people who embraced Christian faith with false expectations. They get convinced that by getting involved with religious matters, God would be on their side to protect them from all problems and be successful in their businesses. The Prophets and the Apostles had similar feelings that their mission of proclaiming the Word of God was to be peaceful and full of success. In contrary, they were badly challenged, many of the devoted prophets were hated, rejected, exiled and killed by the people. Peter failed to understand Jesus when he revealed his imminent suffering and death on the cross. Jesus corrected the wrong expectation of Peter and made suffering for the will of God a strong condition for being his followers. There are Christians, like Peter, who consider cross, or self-sacrifice, and other problems in life as worthless. Jesus encouraged his followers to change their attitude and take their cross because of the glory which lies hidden in it. In our time there are many Christians who face direct challenges and persecutions for their faith. Let us all join others with our individual crosses and willfully follow in the footsteps of Jesus that leads to the Great Joy of RESURRECTION.

– Rev. Benjamin Koka, AJ

THE OFFICE in our rectory is in need of a used working laptop. If you have an old one you can donate it would be greatly appreciated and put to good use! Thank you!

40 DAYS FOR LIFE runs on September 27 to Nov. 5 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. For more info go to www.40daysforlife.com/cleveland

CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

MASS TIME:	5:00 PM	8:00 AM	11:00 AM
Sept. 2 & 3	Rev. B. Koka	Rev. B. Koka	Rev. A. Zupka
Sept. 9 & 10	Rev. C. Shao	Rev. C. Shao	Rev. B. Koka
All Sundays & Holy Days at 9:30 AM: Rev. Bede Kotlinski			

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Eucharistic Prayer II is a popular choice for Mass since it is both simple in structure and short. It is written with a preface, which is the section after the dialogue "The Lord be with you . . . Lift up your hearts . . . Let us give thanks," which introduces all the Eucharistic Prayers. The preface states the reason for the Eucharistic assembly on that occasion, and there are dozens of them covering almost every imaginable gathering for prayer, some specific to feasts, others for Masses for the dead or for other needs. The preface attached to the second Eucharistic Prayer may be dropped in favor of a more appropriate choice, especially one of the prefaces for weekdays. The *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* says that Eucharistic Prayer II is best suited for weekdays or "special circumstances." In practice, however, it has become the common Sunday prayer because of its brevity and its comfortable familiarity. It also includes an optional phrase for adding the name of a deceased person remembered in the Mass, and therefore is often prayed at funerals. Article 50 of the *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy* specified that the rites are to be simplified and restored "to the vigor they had in the tradition of the Fathers." The rebirth of this ancient Roman prayer is a worthy response to this call.

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ATTENTION - ALL VOLUNTEERS OF ST. STEPHEN

If you have offered your service, in any way, for the Parish, you are cordially invited to attend a Volunteer Appreciation Mass and Reception on Sunday, September 24, 11:00 Mass. Please contact the Parish Secretary at 216-631-5633, if you plan to attend the reception in the gym at Metro Catholic right after the 11 AM Mass on Sunday, September 24.

SISTERS OF NOTRE DAME 55TH Annual BBQ & Boutique - September 17 & 24 Noon to 5 pm

Barbecue Chicken or Ribs, Coleslaw or Applesauce, Chips, Roll and Butter, Beverage and Apple Pie

Chicken \$13 | Ribs \$16 Take out available!

Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin Gymnasium on the Notre Dame Education Center Campus 13000 Auburn Road, Chardon, OH (South of Mayfield Road) Handicapped Accessible. Visit www.sndchardon.org

The Parish Office will be closed on Labor Day.

August 26 & 27 Offertory Contributions

General Collection: \$2,577.00 Children: \$336 (5)

Issued: 213 Returned: 82

Food Pantry: \$105.00

Utilities: \$373.00

Thank you for each and every contribution!

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 3, 2017

Please pray for the following:

Father Franz	Laurel Miller	Burley Blankenship
Chris Rose	Sidonia & Hans Speier	Roger Gregory
Colin Hogan	Ann Miller Kufner	Agnes Hogan
Sharon Sneed	Theresa Dailey	Victoria Bailey
Michalyn Blasius	Lawrence Blasius	Judith Kenny

The families affected by hurricane Harvey in Texas.

Our brave safety forces who work to protect us.

If you would like someone added to this prayer list, please call the Parish Secretary at 216-631-5633. Thank you.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES		September 2 & 3	
	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 8 AM	Sunday 11 AM
Lector	Russell Nieling	Barb Rieth	Friederike Wintersteller
Euch.Min	Russell Nieling	John Rieth	Diane & Beargie
Acolytes:	Terry Shannon	Kevin Kroesen	

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES		September 9 & 10	
	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 8 AM	Sunday 11 AM
Lector	Steve McElroy	Barb Rieth	Glenn Sneed
Euch.Min	Steve McElroy	John Rieth	Paul & Diane Beargie
Acolytes	Terry Shannon	Kevin Kroesen	

SAINTS/OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF 9/03 (o) = Optional

Sunday: Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Labor Day

Friday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday: St. Peter Claver

READ THE BIBLE WITH THE CHURCH (Daily Mass Readings)

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13;
Lk 4:16-30, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Blessing of Human Labor," nos. 907-911

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;
Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]

Saturday: Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5

Sunday: Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10;
Mt 18:15-20

ANNUAL BENEFIT FOR ST. ANDREW ABBEY

Sunday, September 24, 2017, for more information

www.standrewabbey.org

ANNUAL CLAM BAKE – Great news, it is that time of year again for our Third Annual Clam Bake! Please mark your calendar for October 21. This event is catered by Smith's Catering of Avon. For all you clam lovers we will have extra bags of clams available. For those not liking clams we will be offering chicken dinners only. We also have a chicken tenders meal for the children. In addition, we will have door prizes, a 50/50 raffle and St. Stephen apparel available. Registration forms are in this week's bulletin and on the tables at the back of the Church. Tickets must be pre-paid. Our own parishioner, Tim Barrett, noted author and church historian, will be providing his annual informative Church tour. Questions? Please call the Parish Secretary at 216-631-5633

THIS WEEK'S CHURCH SERVICES

Saturday, September 2 Church

9:30 AM Latin Mass (St. Stephen of Hungary)
Intentions of Rene Eldridge

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

5:00 PM Vigil of the 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
† Helen Ujvari

Sunday, September 3 Church

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM The Members of this St. Stephen Parish

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

9:30 AM Tridentine Latin Mass

13th Sunday after Pentecost

Intentions of the Thomas O'Donnell Family

11:00 AM German Sunday Mass

† Chrisann Blankenship † Dawn Tucker

The Deceased Members of the Smith Family

The Living & Deceased Members of the Smith Family
† Adam Schiebli

Monday, September 4 Church

7:00 AM Tridentine Latin Mass (Feria)
†† Myron & Patrick McDevitt

10:00 AM The Members of this Parish

Tuesday, September 5

7:00 AM Latin (Church) (St. Lawrence Justinian)
† Raymond Jacko

6:30 PM (Chapel) Members of the Parish

Wednesday, September 6 Church

6:30 PM Latin Mass (Feria)

†† Madeline T. and Roland M. Sittley

7:00 - 8:00 PM Holy Hour

Thursday, September 7 Church

6:30 PM Latin Mass (Feria) † Vincent DeLuca, Sr

Friday, September 8 Chapel

6:30 PM The Children Attending Catholic Schools

Saturday, September 9 Church

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

5:00 PM Vigil of the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
† Helen Ujvari

Sunday, September 10 Church

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM The Members of this St. Stephen Parish

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

9:30 AM Tridentine Latin Mass

14th Sunday after Pentecost

† Coletta Spuhler

11:00 AM Alumni Sunday Mass

†† Russell and Dawn Sutherland

The Living & Deceased Members of our Alumni