



FROM OUR PASTOR'S DESK

"SCHOOL NEWS"

We have so much to be proud of at our school! Here are just a few more things!

Generous Giving

Our focus during this Lenten Season was on prayer, sacrifice, and almsgiving. The students have heard and answered the call! The Luck of the Irish Raffle drawing took in \$290, which will be donated to Catholic Charities. The "Hearts for Haiti" campaign has raised over \$1,000.00. There have been some inspiring moments during this campaign. The students have been encouraged to do extra chores at home or donate from their own "piggy banks". One very thoughtful boy in fourth grade decided with his family to donate his entire savings! A brother and sister in another family have been saving up for a new video game. These children decided with their family to donate the money they have already saved to the victims of Haiti. It is examples such as these that validate that our students are truly living the mission of our school. They, along with all the students who have participated in these efforts, are bearing witness to the love of Christ in their lives and spreading the Good News of our Savior!

Seventh Grade Shines!

There have been a lot of exciting things happening with our seventh grade students over the past couple of months;

- The 7th grade boys' basketball team started the excitement by winning the CYO Eastside City Championship! They faced Gesu in the final season game and came out on the winning side with a score of 35 to 29. Congratulations to the players; Simon Texidor, Vaughn Johnson, Chris Lund, John Roberts, Tommy Grosel, Brandon Green, Josh Roach, Chris Scruggs and to their coaches; Coach Grosel, Coach Lund, Coach Fistek, and Coach Milo.
- The 7th grade girls' basketball team was one of 56 teams out of more than 1,156 CYO grade school and high school basketball teams to receive the CYO Sportsmanship Award. They were nominated by other teams, their coaches, or site directors based on how well they played the game and lived up to the CYO philosophy of "striving to act at all times as a model of Christ-like values and behaviors". For many of the girls on the team, it is the second time they have received this exceptional award. They won it as 5th graders as well. The girls were honored at a CSU women's basketball game in March and were presented with a beautiful plaque that is now in display in the trophy case. The players on this team were Alexis Gricar, Rachel Melvin, Nicole Hughes, Brittany Davis, Danielle Paus, Shawntrell Fouche, Caitlyn Sitkberg, Brenna Kitko, and Alex Schmitt. These student-athletes were coached by Coach Melvin, Coach Delehanty, Coach Gricar, and Coach Fouche. We thank these fine young women for representing our school with such a positive example of sportsmanship.
- Four of our seventh grade "scientists" were part of the Northeastern Ohio Science Fair held at Cleveland State University. Their science projects were judged along with 670 students from area grade schools and high schools. All four were recognized for their efforts. Tommy Grosel received an honorable mention in the Engineering category. Rose Corbo won a third place in Biology and Jacob Bryda won a third place in Chemistry. Rachel Melvin was awarded a second place in Chemistry, which also included a \$25. cash prize. Rachel also received the William Sweet Award, which was a \$50. cash prize. Congratulations to all!
- Knights of Columbus sponsors a foul shooting contest each year for students ages 10-14 years old. Vaughn Johnson took 2nd place at the state competition on March 20th. Great job, Vaughn. You make us proud!

.....Fr. Sal



Readings for the Week

Monday:	Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday:	Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday:	Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Jn 12:44-50
Thursday:	Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20
Friday:	Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday:	Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14; or (for the memorial) Gn 1:26 — 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Mt 13:54-58
Sunday:	Acts 14:21-27; Ps 145; Rv 21:1-5a; Jn 13:31-33a; 34-35

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE SICK
OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

Thomas Becker, Daniel Carter, Theresa Farabaugh, Charlotte Farinacci, George Halgash, Andrew Jarm, Donald Justus, Cindy Kinley, Lucille Kucharski, Ruth Lamm, Dottie Maher, John Malovasic, Ronald Maxey, Joanne Nale, Fausta Nowosielski, Jim Nolan, Mark O'Bannon, Joan Raddell, Justin Raddell, Martin Risko, Gerald Scarniench, Norma Sedar, Tony Stepec, Edward Slavkovsky, Milton Taisey, John Tarmann, Alberta Ulrich, Richard Warman, Nicholas Zanella, and Jackie Zupan

Please notify the Parish Office when a name can be removed from this list.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FAITH DEVELOPMENT

RESPECT LIFE

Through the month of May we challenge all in this community to look at how we value the gift of God's Creation. If we ever doubt the presence of God all we need to do is to look around us. Pope Benedict in his *2010 World Day of Peace Message* states: *If you want to cultivate Peace, protect Creation.*

Creator God, As we feast our eyes on autumn reds and yellows, we sense your creative power. As we marvel at the uniqueness of each winter flake, we rejoice that you know us each by name. As we hear the songs of birds of spring, we yearn to sing your praises. As we breathe the delicious scents of summer flowers, our souls rest in your love.

Forgiving God, We have not lived out our responsibility to be faithful stewards of creation. For this we seek your pardon. Our over-consumption has impacted the poorest members of our human family most of all. For this, we ask your mercy. Our actions have endangered both the lives of our children today as well as those yet to be born. For this we seek your forgiveness.

Living God, As we meet you in nature, inspire us to see anew our place in the web of life. In our daily lives, help us to make daily choices that reflect global solidarity. As we reflect on the teaching of our faith, equip us to advocate for laws and policies that reflect your call to faithful stewardship.

SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY

The first principle of Catholic social teaching tells us about the life and dignity of the human person. "We believe that every person is precious, that people are more important than things, and that the measure of every institution is whether it threatens or enhances the life and dignity of the human person." Genesis 1:26 points out when read "Then God said' and now we will make human beings: they will be like us and resemble us.'" How can we promote respect for others in our every day lives? The social justice ministry meets the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the school library. Please join us.

FR. MEHOK'S SCRIPTURE STUDY: will continue on Monday evenings at 7:30pm in the School Library. The subject is "The Gospel of St. Luke".

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY 7:00 p.m.	Easter Weekday Ronnie & Bill Brown	Apr. 26
TUESDAY 8:15 a.m.	Easter Weekday Kristen Metalonis	Apr. 27
WEDNESDAY	Easter Weekday	Apr. 28
THURSDAY 7:00 p.m.	Easter Weekday Bill Guhde Sr.	Apr. 29
FRIDAY 8:15 a.m.	Easter Weekday Helen Campolieti	Apr. 30
SATURDAY 4:00 p.m.	Easter Weekday Charles & Victoria Shell	May 1
SUNDAY 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Fifth Sunday of Easter Jimmy Trusso Stefi Arko Santina Musarra	May 2



St. John of the Cross—Pray for Us



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Richmond Hts. Hospital-Wed. Apr. 28.....Sandy L.
Grande Pointe-Sun. May 2.....Marla & Darlene

COUNTERS

Counters for Sunday May 2nd”B” Team

MINISTERS SCHEDULE —MAY 1-2, 2010						
MASS	PRESIDER	HOSPITALITY	LECTOR 1	LECTOR 2	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	SERVERS
Sat. 4:00pm	Fr. Sal	R. Lamm S. Lonchar	D. Abreo	M. Freas	J. Borkey, J. Borkey, T. Isabella, T. Melfi, J. Monger, M. Monger, W. Nalepka, B. Pophal	C. Chiappero J. Mello
Sun. 8:00am	Fr. Timothy	J. Buda R. Tepley	D. Drasler	R. Smith	F. Buda, C. Gricar, M. Gricar, C. Hainrihar, P. Reilly, J. Volk, A. Rodriguez, R. Volk	A. Champa L. Rosace
Sun. 10:00am	Fr. Mehok	M. Knue V. Whitmore	L. Bochenek	G. Haritonovich	T. Bernardo, M. Haritonovich, S. Hovanscek, P. McVoy, J. Oberle, D. Szafranski, A. Znidarsic, M. Znidarsic	B. Caruso- Taylor C. Dreyer
Sun. 12:00pm	Fr. Sal	D. Mallettand K. McMahan	K. Musarra	T. Wetzel	C. Cinkole, R. Jezeski, W. Knox, S. Johnson, D. Rymer, K.Wetzel S. Thomas-Greaves, D. Thomas-Greaves	J. Bozak P. Bozak

NEWS AT ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS

Do you love to crochet, sew, knit, quilt? Then this ministry is for you! Introducing the Saint John of the Cross Shawl Ministry combining the love of crafting with reaching out to those in need. We will identify those in need of comfort and solace (eg. One who is undergoing medical procedures or tests, one who is mourning, one who is going through a difficult time) and the maker of the shawl will begin to create the shawl with prayers for the recipient, and continue to pray for that person as they craft this expression of love. The shawl will then be blessed and given away so that the recipient might be reminded of the loving embrace of God, especially during a difficult time. In the words of Janet Bristow, who began this ministry, "(Shawls) wrap, enfold, comfort, cover, give solace...shelter. Those who have received these shawls have been uplifted and affirmed, as if given wings to fly above their troubles." If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please contact Lisa Radey at 216-289-0770. There will be an informational meeting sometime in the near future once we have enough people to begin this ministry.

BOCCE SIGN-UP: With Spring here-summer and Bocce will soon follow. Last chance for Bocce Sign-up for the Men's (Monday nights), Women's (Wednesday nights) and Couples' (Friday nights) Leagues. Sign-up forms are in the gathering area. Hope to see YOU on the courts!

BLOOD DRIVE: The Red Cross will be here at St. John of the Cross, on Sunday, May 2nd from 8:30am to 1:30pm.

THE FRIENDSHIP 50+ CLUB CASINO TRIP will be Monday, May 24th, to Wheeling Island Casino in Wheeling, West Virginia. The cost is \$25.00 with Casino Incentive of \$15.00 play money and FREE buffet (subject to change/cancellation). Call Betty Slavkovsky at 216-486-7712 for reservations/additional information.

EUCLID HUNGER CENTER: St. John of the Cross weekly collection for the Euclid Hunger Center. Please consider donating: peanut butter and jelly, pasta and pasta sauce, tuna, cereal, canned fruit and vegetables, soups, stews, fruit juice, rice, macaroni and cheese, and toilet paper. Thank you!


NITE AT THE RACES: WOW!! It was a great evening! Thanks to everyone. Next year's date looks like Saturday, March 5th, 2011.

INTERFAITH NETWORK HOSPITALITY: Those of us who live in Cuyahoga County are asked to consider voting for Issue 15 which is a health and human service renewal levy. This levy will support the Metro Health level one trauma and burn center, support the Metro Health neonatal intensive care unit, and continue programs that protect children from abuse and neglect. It also continues health care and services for senior citizens. For more information go to www.votefor15.com.

FIRST COMMUNION: A reminder that Prelude Photography will be offering individual one-pose sessions immediately after the group photo. Parents, if you desire a more comprehensive multiple-pose package for your son or daughter, please schedule an appointment with Prelude Photography which is located in the Great Lakes Mall. For more information and scheduling, call (440) 266-1677. Thank you.

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS QUOTE

"Live in the world as if only God and your soul were in it; then your heart will never be made captive by any earthly thing."



**ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS
PRAYER NETWORK HOTLINE
216-289-6456**

Call and leave a short message regarding your request. Let us know when your request has been answered, we can offer prayers of thanksgiving.

RAFFLE WINNER 

Congratulations to Nancy O'Toole of Willoughby Hills, our winner of the **Week #29 PTU Weekly Raffle**. Nancy O'Toole was also the seller winner.

COLLECTIONS

Last Week's Collection.....	\$11,918.00
Last Week's Children's Collection.....	\$8.30

**Thank you for your generosity.
Your support is needed and greatly appreciated.**

NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

FUNDRAISER FOR TROST FAMILY: Tom Trost is the band director here at St. Felicitas School. There will be a pasta dinner/music festival fundraiser to help the family of Tom & Sheryl Trost with medical expenses for their two sons. Jared is six years old and Jaime is one year old. Jaime has CDH and many medical expenses and both boys have Hemophilia A. The event is at St. Francis of Assisi School today, April 25th from 1:00-4:30pm. Tickets for the event are \$10. In addition, dinners can be purchased "to go" or sponsored for those in need. Raffle items and 50/50 drawings will be available throughout the day. For order forms and to learn more about the event on the web go to http://www.edline.net/pages/St_Francis_of_Assisi

PASTA DINNER: Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine is hosting a Pasta Dinner on Thursday, April 29th from 4:30pm-7:00pm. Dinner includes pasta, meatballs, salad/apple sauce, bread and butter and coffee and tea. Tickets are \$8.50. The Shrine is located at 21281 Chardon Rd. in Euclid.



SUMMER ARTS FESTIVAL!:

Ursuline ArtSpace Programs

Children—Teens—Adults

Painting, drawing, clay works, sculpture, fashion camp, birthday parties, water media Ursuline Educational Center, 2600 Lander Rd., Pepper Pike. Call 440-449-1200, ext. 285 or view

website; www.ursulineartspace.com

ALL ABOUT REGINA HIGH--A HOMECOMING:

All are invited to a special Open House at Regina High School today, Sunday April 25th from 1-4pm. Tour the school. Visit with classmates, friends and teachers. Celebrate Regina's history and the people who have been empowered to *Learn, Serve and Lead*. View 56 years of Regina: photos and slides, scrapbooks, video clips and current student work. A special Spring Concert follows at 4:00pm.



WEEKEND HEALING RETREAT: Women who are suffering after an abortion are invited to a private healing retreat at Loyola of the Lakes in Akron. May 14-16th. Come experience the mercies of the Lord through the sacraments, prayer and scripture. For more information, contact The Community of Jesus, the Living Mercy at 440-471-4356 or email at BethesdaHouse@aol.com.

50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION AT SAINT JOHN CATHEDRAL: Couples who were married in 1960 are invited to celebrate their wedding jubilee with Bishop Richard Lennon on Sunday, July 25th at 2:30pm at the Cathedral in Cleveland. Registration forms are available in the Parish Office.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES SHRINE GIFT SHOP: has a wide variety of beautiful First Communion and Confirmation items at very affordable prices as well as gift items for all occasions. The shop is open seven days a week, from 10:00am-4:30pm all year round, at 21281 Chardon Rd., 216-481-0900.

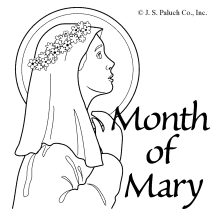
THEA BOWMAN COMMUNITY CENTER FUNDRAISER: The Thea Bowman Center is having a baseball fundraiser. Although both Epiphany and Saint Cecilia churches have closed, The Thea Bowman Center remains open. Many volunteers are ministering to the people in the Mount Pleasant area of Cleveland. Friday, June 11, 2010 at 7:05 the Cleveland Indians are playing the Washington Nationals at Progressive Field. The tickets are \$20.00 apiece. To order your tickets mail to Thea Bowman Center, c/o Carol Twigger, 1923 Glenwood Drive, Twinsburg, Ohio 44087. For questions please call 330-425-2424.

DID YOU KNOW?

18 Days	A baby's heart begins to beat
43 Days	Brain coordinates movements
8 Weeks	All organs are functioning
9 Weeks	Has permanent, individual fingerprints
10 Weeks	Sense of touch (comfort/pain)
12 Weeks	A baby can smile, suck his/her thumb, and make a fist

- Adoption: Over 2 million couples wait to adopt — and that includes children of all races and those with special needs.

LIFE BEGINS AT CONCEPTION.



St. John of the Cross

May, 2010

C-Church P-Parish Office
 S-School G-Gym
 MR1-Meeting Room #1
 MR2-Meeting Room #2
 MR3-Meeting Room #3

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 11:00am First Communion Mass
2 8:30-1:30pm Bloodmobile 10:00am Children's Liturgy of the Word(C)	3 6:30pm PSR (S) 7:00pm PTU Meeting (S) 7:30pm (S) Fr. Mehok's Scripture Study	4 7:00pm Boy Scout Meeting 7:00pm Legion of Mary(MR2)	5 3:00-4:00pm Children's Choir Practice (C) 6:00 Girl Scout Meeting (MR1) 7:30pm Adult Music Group Practice (C)	6 6:45pm Bingo Team # 3(G) 7:30pm Liturgy Meeting (MR1)	7	8 7:00-8:30am Men's Prayer Group(S) 6:45pm Bingo Team A(G)
9 <i>Mother's Day</i> 10:00am Children's Liturgy of the Word(C)	10 7:30pm School Dev. Meeting(S) 7:30pm (S) Fr. Mehok's Scripture Study	11 7:00pm Boy Scout Meeting 7:00pm Legion of Mary(MR2)	12 3:00-4:00pm Children's Choir Practice (C) 7:00pm (MR1) Women's Group 7:00pm Social Justice Mtg (S) 7:30pm Adult Music Group Practice (C)	13 6:45pm Bingo Team #4 (G)	14 1:00pm May Crowning-SFS	15
16 10:00am Children's Liturgy of the Word(C)	17 7:30pm (S) Fr. Mehok's Scripture Study 7:30pm Finance Meeting	18 7:00pm Boy Scout Meeting 7:00pm Legion of Mary(MR2)	19 3:00-4:00pm Children's Choir Practice (C) 6:00pm Girl Scout 7:00pm Boosters 7:30pm Adult Music Group Practice (C)	20 6:30pm (MR2) Bereavement Meeting 6:45pm Bingo Team #1 (G) 7:30pm Parish Council Meeting (MR1)	21 7:00pm New Parishioner Dinner (MR3)	22 7:00-8:30am Men's Prayer Group(S) 8:30-9:30am Market Day Pick Up(G) 6:45pm Bingo Team B(G)
23 10:00am Children's Liturgy of the Word(C)	24 7:00pm Spring Band Concert-SFS (G) 7:30pm (S) Fr. Mehok's Scripture Study	25 7:00pm Boy Scout Meeting 7:00pm Legion of Mary(MR2)	26 3:00-4:00pm Children's Choir Practice (C) 6:30pm Preschool Graduation (G) 7:00pm (MR1) Women's Group 7:30pm Adult Music Group Practice (C)	27 6:45pm Bingo Team #2 (G)	28 1:30pm Dismissal-SFS	29
30 10:00am Children's Liturgy of the Word(C)	31 <i>Memorial Day</i> SFS-No School					