



FROM OUR PASTOR'S DESK

As you know, our school year began last week...our school is, for the first time, the largest of the three Euclid Catholic schools! I am happy to say that we are off to a WONDERFUL start as St. John of the Cross School! Our principal Martha Dodd and I have both commented that there seems to be an amazing enthusiasm and spirit among the students, faculty and staff. Our school is truly a blessing to our parish as a whole and would not be what it is without your support and the support of so many others. I believe that the future of our school is a bright one and look forward to the opportunities that lie ahead! The rumors that I have heard that we are closing our school within four years are far from true. Instead,

we continue to plan for providing a quality Catholic education in Euclid for many years to come.


There are SO MANY in our parish who give so much of themselves to make this the best parish that it can be. Beginning in October, each month we will be highlighting either an individual or a group that is serving in this parish in some way. We will be calling it SPOTLIGHT ON STEWARDSHIP. We hope that in doing this, we will not only be recognizing the good that many parishioners are doing, but also encourage each of us to use the gifts that God has given to us.

Brandon Vogt, Lisa Radey and I have been meeting to plan a course of action for the implementation of the Revised Roman Missal as well as for formation with respect to the liturgy in general. As I have said in the past, the revision to the words that we pray at Mass has given us a wonderful opportunity to learn more about liturgy and why we do what we do. So often, although we come to Mass faithfully, we have never been taught much about the Roman Catholic Mass and it is possible to just "go through the motions." It is our hope that all of us will gain an even deeper respect for and appreciation of the beauty of the Mass, its importance in our lives as Catholic Christians, and also be ready to worship our God in a new way on November 27, 2011. Please be sure to keep your eyes and ears open for the opportunities for us to learn and pray together about our Mass and the changes that will occur. These opportunities will begin in October and be part of a 13 month preparation period.


Often times it is not until someone has recovered or is out of the hospital before we know that they were ill or had surgery. If you or someone you know is home bound, anticipates a hospital stay or is currently in the hospital and would like a visit from either me, another member of our staff, or a Eucharistic Minister, please be sure to let us know by calling the parish office. We appreciate knowing so that we can serve those among us who are ill and in need.

My prayers are with all of you.

God's peace.....Fr. Sal



Dear Lord,
Please hold those families who lost someone in the horrific terrorist attacks of 9/11 carefully in the palm of your hand always, especially this time of year. Please welcome those lost into your kingdom. Hold them close to you, now and forever. Guide those who have and continue to serve and protect our county in order for us to experience the blessing of freedom. Give them the wisdom, courage and protection they need. We especially pray for all those who have given the ultimate sacrifice for the price of our freedom. Amen.



Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Lk 4:16-30
 Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Lk 4:31-37
 Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Lk 4:38-44
 Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Lk 5:1-11
 Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Lk 5:33-39
 Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15; Lk 6:1-5
 Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

LIVING OUR FAITH



CIRCLE OF HOPE: Hospice of the Western Reserve will be offering a six week educational support group for adults adjusting to life after the death of a loved one, here at St. John of the Cross. Six Tuesdays beginning Tuesday, September 14th through October 19th, we will meet in meeting room 3 from 6:30pm-8:00pm. Advanced registration is required. Please call Tensie Holland at 216-383-3741.

BAPTISM CLASS: Parents planning to have their children baptized are invited to a baptism class on Monday, September 20th at 7:00pm, in Meeting Room 3. We will talk about the significance of this sacrament and reflect on how we share the gift of faith with our children. First time parents must attend this class prior to your child/children being baptized. If you should have questions you can call Lisa Radey at the parish office 216.289.0770.

Interested in finding out how to become Catholic? Know someone who is?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a formation process for those interested in becoming a Catholic Christian. Starting in September we will meet on Sunday mornings to explore the beliefs of Catholicism and provide opportunities for you to experience the love and mercy of God and the joy of being a part of a Catholic Community of faith. If you or someone you know would like to experience what it means to be Catholic or if you have questions, you may contact **Lisa Radey, Pastoral Associate at 216-289-0770 or lradey@saintjohnofthecross.org**

ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE!

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen

**ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS
BEREAVEMENT CORNER
LABOR DAY**

Today is the time to take a break from the labors of daily life. Focus on replenishing yourself for the toil of your grieving. You have been working hard!!
*Get a massage or take a short trip to somewhere you have never been before.

PSR & CONFIRMATION UPDATES

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION: Classes will begin Monday, September 13th from 6:30pm-7:45pm. Registration packets are available at the parish office and in the kiosk in the gathering area.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION: Youth who are 14 years old and in the ninth grade are eligible to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Registration packets are available at the parish office and in the kiosk in the gathering area.

Please note; Classes will meet on Wednesday evenings, and not on Mondays that was mentioned in the packet. Classes will begin Wednesday, September 15th from 7:00pm-9:00pm. We have a team that plans, prepares and assists in all areas of the Confirmation program.



**ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS
PRAYER NETWORK HOTLINE
216-289-0770 ext. 33**

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY 9:30 a.m.	Weekday Dec. Members of Vodopivec Family	SEPT. 6
TUESDAY 8:15 a.m.	Weekday William Wokety	SEPT. 7
WEDNESDAY	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	SEPT. 8
THURSDAY 7:00 p.m.	Saint Peter Claver Donna Metalonis	SEPT. 9
FRIDAY 8:15 a.m.	Weekday James Kirchmeir Jr	SEPT. 10
SATURDAY 4:00 p.m.	Weekday Margaret Walsh	SEPT. 11
SUNDAY 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time Olga Lengel Santina Musarra Donna Metalonis	SEPT. 12

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY 

Thomas Becker, Nicole Carter, Theresa Farabaugh, Charlotte Farinacci, George Halgash, Andrew Jarm, Donald Justus, Cindy Kinley, Lucille Kucharski, Ruth Lamm, Dottie Maher, 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, and Jackie Zupan

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



Weather-permitting, 8:00am Sunday Mass today will be the last one for the summer season at our outdoor Shrine.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Richmond Hts. Hospital-Wed. Sept 8th.....Jack B.
Grande Pointe-Sun. Sept 12th.....Legion of Mary

BANNS OF MARRIAGE 

I. James Swope & Nicole Burkhart

COUNTERS

Counters for Monday Sept 13th,”C” Team

MINISTERS SCHEDULE —SEPT 11-12, 2010						
MASS	PRESIDER	HOSPITALITY	LECTOR 1	LECTOR 2	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	SERVERS
Sat. 4:00pm	Fr. Sal	C. Knox S. Lonchar	W. Knox	M. Melfi	J. Chounet, L. Colo, T. Melfi, L. Kucharski, J. Monger, J. Melvin, M. Monger, M. Monger	J. Melvin J. Melvin
Sun. 8:00am	Fr. Sal	J. Buda C. Fornal	T. Gorenssek	L. Miller	F. Buda, W. Burnett, R. Volk, S. Calderone, C. Hainrihar, S. Ruggeri, R. Tepley, M. Tracy	A. Champa C. Gricar
Sun. 10:00am	Fr. Mehok	M. Knue C. Nych	R. Apanasewicz	L. Cooke	E. Dulaney, P. Gallagher, G. Marn, D. Hocevar, S. Hovanscek, J. Oberle, E. Perme, C. Preto	C. Dreyer A. Hocevar
Sun. 12:00pm	Fr. Timothy	K. McMahon D. Thomas– Greaves	K. Musarra	T. Wetzel	J. Berquist, J. Bretz, J. Martin, M. Proctor, J. Radachy, J. Solpa, S. Thomas-Greaves, J. Vajda	J. Mello B. Caruso– Taylor

NEWS AT ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS

BOOSTER'S PANCAKE BREAKFAST:

Sunday, September 12th 9:00am – 1:30pm
Advance Tickets, Adult - \$5, 12 & Under - \$3, under 2yrs.– Free. Tickets are available for purchase in the School office through September 9th. Prices day of Breakfast will be Adult - \$7, 12 & Under - \$5, under 2yrs. – Free. Proceeds will go towards purchase of new Basketball uniforms. We could use some volunteers to help cook, serve, set-up, etc...if you would like to help, please call 216-403-1006. Thank you in advance for supporting our Student Athletes.

MANNA PROGRAM: When making plans for shopping, don't forget that St. John of the Cross has a Manna Program. You can purchase gift cards at the parish office during normal business hours for your everyday grocery (Giant Eagle, Heiness and Daves) and gasoline (Speedway and Shell) needs and Walmart, I-Tunes, and Starbucks too. Specialty cards (over 80 different stores and restaurants) are available by special order and make great gifts. Thank you for your support of our parish and school.

PASTA DINNER: Saturday, September 18th after the 4:00pm Mass, until 8:00pm in the School Gym. The menu includes Pasta with authentic homemade Italian sauce, meatballs, Italian sausage, salad, bread and dessert. Adults \$7.00...Children under 12 \$5.00. Tickets available at the Parish Office or after the weekend Masses of Sept. 4th and Sept. 11th. *Delizioso!!*

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS WEEKLY RAFFLE begins the first Friday in OCTOBER. Please pick up your tickets in the gathering area after Masses the weekend of Sept. 18th-19th. We greatly appreciate your support and **THANK YOU** for helping raise over \$5,000 last year for the students of St. John of the Cross School.

CREDIT UNION HOLIDAY HOURS: Due to the Labor Day holiday on Monday September 6th, the credit union will be **closed** on **Monday**. The credit union will be **open** on **Tuesday** September 7th from 6:30pm to 9:00pm. Information about the credit union is available at the office or by calling 216-481-2968. The credit union office moved from St. Paul to St. John of the Cross as of August 1st into the old preschool building.

LITURGY & MUSIC CORNER 

What is life about, here on earth?
The First Reading says,
Deliberations of mortals are timid, and unsure are our plans.
The body weighs down the soul, the earth weighs down the mind. . . . What is within our grasp we find with difficulty? Sounds like the writer was having a bad day. But these words actually do apply to all life. We have choices, we have problems. What are we to do?
God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can; and wisdom to know the difference.
This is the Serenity Prayer, well-known, possibly trite to some people. But it shows us the essence of humility: be who you are, not more, not less. Trust in God for everything you cannot do. Let go, let God.
Peace.....Brandon



OKTOBERFEST: Where can you have polkas, dancing, an inflatable bounce house, delicious food, a polka Mass, a balloon making clown, meet new friends and visit with old ones, games, beer, pop, pretzels, and popcorn, and many surprises that we don't want to give away yet? Our St. John of the Cross Oktoberfest! Please join us on Saturday, October 3rd. Our wonderful evening begins with a 4:00pm polka Mass in our church, performed by the incomparable Wayne Tomsic Orchestra. Then move on over into the school hall for a delicious Sophie Mazi dinner, followed by all the activities from 5-9. Sophie will spend the day cooking roast pork, sauerkraut, bratwurst, german potato salad, salad, roll and butter. All this for only \$10! There's a kids menu for only \$5. Tickets will be available at the parish office. Tickets will be sold after all Masses the weekend of September 25-26th. Buy your tickets early before they're sold out! The fun is unbelievable! Bring your entire family! If you'd like to help sell tickets after Masses, (or if you can work for a little while at the Oktoberfest) we sure could use some help. There will be a planning meeting on Wednesday, September 8th at 7:00pm in meeting room 3. Please call Cynthia Capek at 216-486-6365. See you there!

PARISH OFFICE will be closed Monday, September 6th for Labor Day.

Saint John of the Cross Music Ministry



announces

Kids of the Cross

*Our new children's
music ministry*

*Open to all students
grades 1 thru 8*

*First Rehearsal: **September 15**
3:00—4:15 p.m. in the church*

*Questions: call Brandon Vogt,
Director of Liturgy & Music at 216.289.0770*



LOOKING AHEAD

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

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 6th

MONDAY-SEPTEMBER 6TH-Labor Day

No School
Parish Office Closed
9:30am Mass

TUESDAY-SEPTEMBER 7TH

6:45pm Boy Scout Meeting
7:00pm Back to School Night (S)
7:00pm Legion of Mary (MR2)

WEDNESDAY-SEPTEMBER 8TH

7:00pm Women's Group (MR2)
7:00pm Social Justice Meeting (MR1)
7:00pm Oktoberfest Meeting (MR3)
7:30pm Adult Choir Practice (C)

THURSDAY-SEPTEMBER 9TH

6:30pm Bereavement Meeting (MR2)
6:45pm Bingo Team #1 (G)
7:00pm Prayer Shawl Meeting (MR1)
7:30pm Liturgical Environment Mtg (MR1)

FRIDAY-SEPTEMBER 10TH

SATURDAY-SEPTEMBER 11TH

7-8:30am Men's Prayer Group
6:45pm Bingo Team A (G)

SUNDAY-SEPTEMBER 12TH

9:00am-12 noon Booster's Pancake
Breakfast (G)

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 13TH

MONDAY-SEPTEMBER 13TH

6:30-7:45pm PSR (S)
7:00pm School Development Meeting (S)

TUESDAY-SEPTEMBER 14TH

6:30pm Circle of Hope (MR3)
6:45pm Boy Scout Meeting (S)
7:00pm Legion of Mary (MR2)

WEDNESDAY-SEPTEMBER 15TH

7:00pm Boosters Meeting (S)
7:00pm Confirmation Class (MR3)
7:30pm Adult Choir Practice (C)

THURSDAY-SEPTEMBER 16TH

6:45pm Bingo Team #2 (G)
7:00pm Prayer Shawl Meeting (MR1)
7:30pm Parish Council Meeting (MR3)

FRIDAY-SEPTEMBER 17TH

8:15am All School Mass

SATURDAY-SEPTEMBER 18TH

8:30-9:30am Market Day (G)
9:30am-4:00pm Parish Leadership
Retreat (MR3)
5:00pm Pasta Dinner (G)

SUNDAY-SEPTEMBER 19TH

COLLECTIONS

Last Week's Collection.....	\$8,877.00
Last Week's Children's Collection.....	\$25.00
Faith & Values Collection.....	\$687.00

God bless you for your generosity.
Your support is needed and greatly appreciated.



**COME AND CELEBRATE
LABOR DAY MASS:
Sept. 6th Monday at 9:30am**

**LET US TOGETHER JOIN IN
CONSECRATING OUR LABOR**