

Liturgy Schedule

8:30 *Morning Prayer, Rosary, Monday through Friday*

Monday, February 6 Saint Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

8:00 Dennis Woloszynek

Tuesday, February 7 Weekday

8:00 Dorothy Kaderbek (anniv)

Wednesday, February 8 Weekday

8:00 Richard Budzinski

Thursday, February 9 Weekday

8:00 David Walker

Friday, February 10 Saint Scholastica, Virgin

8:00 Serafina Tortorici

Saturday, February 11 Weekday

3:15 Confessions

4:00 Albert & Angela Lascola

Sunday, February 12 Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 People of the Parish

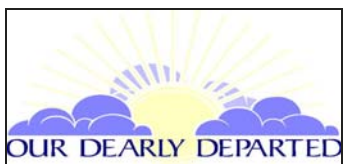
10:00 Chester & Alice Zendarski

12:00 Rosario Restifo

1:00 Baptism



the following members of our Parish community: **Fr. Dan Begin, Elsie Harvan, David Bender, Andrew Burdette, Roger Zalewski, Stephanie Rostorfer, Jean Harter, Lynda Petit, Thomas Obojski, Betty Jacob, Fr. David Woost, Richard Rosberil, Theresa Grimshaw, Frank Hrovat, Joann Reddinger, Karen Styler, Dolores Elias, Mary Ann Dorazewski, Rosemary Kern, Stephen Rapsik, Sarah Burket and Mark Pennington.** The names will remain in the bulletin for two weeks. Please call the Parish office for more information. If you have a special intention you would like remembered in prayer, please call Lillian Neptune @ 216.662.5464.



Our sincere sympathy and prayers are extended to the family and friends of **Joseph Wasko, Mary Cole and George Kral** who were buried this past week. May they and all our dearly departed, rest in peace.



Congratulations Thomas & Antoinette Oden. They are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary in Church this weekend.



There will be **NO** social this week due to the Holy Name Breakfast. Join us for Coffee & Donuts next weekend after the 8:00am and 10:00am masses. **Hosting will be members of the Catholic Club.**

Religion Question of the Week

Which two women in the Bible were born without Original Sin?

Did You Know?

Did you know that the parish grounds for St. Monica's consists of about twenty acres of land?

One Liner

"Our heritage and ideals, our codes and standards – the things we live by and teach our children – are preserved or diminished by how freely we exchange ideas and feelings". (Walt Disney)

Answer to the Religion question of the week located on page 4 of this bulletin, under the collections.

{ YOU DID IT FOR ME. }

The 2017 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal begins in each parish this weekend! This year's appeal theme is You Did it for Me. In Matthew's gospel,

Jesus states, "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for the least among us, you did it for me" With your help, we are able to feed the hungry, take care of the sick, and welcome the stranger, just as Jesus has asked us to do. How will we respond as a community of faith?

As in the past, an in-pew commitment process will take place next weekend, February 11-12. All who have not received the mailing from Bishop Thomas, or have not had a chance to respond to it, will be asked to consider making a generous pledge to support the ministries and services provided by Catholic Charities. If you have received the mailing, please respond to it. There is a box on the in -pew envelope to indicate that you have responded by mail. We invite you to view the stories of inspiration and more information at www.catholiccommunity.org/2017Appeal.

Holy Name Breakfast

The St. Monica Holy Name society will be hosting a breakfast this **Sunday, February 5th after the 8, 10 and noon masses.** We will be serving **French toast, scrambled eggs, sausage links, coffee and orange juice.** Cost of the breakfast is **\$6.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children and anyone 3 and under free.** **All the proceeds will be donated to St. Monica parish. Please join us.**



Divine Mercy

Please join us for a special hour of adoration and thanksgiving to the Divine Mercy of Jesus **next Sunday, February 12th, at 2:30 in St. Monica Church.** There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and prayers for families, our youth, and our country. **All are welcome to join us.**



COMING SOON... SATURDAY, APRIL 1! HEALTH, WELLNESS & FITNESS HEALTH FAIR

More information will be coming regarding this all new event. **Needed now are empty cardboard egg cartons as well as unopened bags of potting soil. Please bring these to parish office by Monday, February 27th.** Your help with this is appreciated.

Pastoral Scene

Not Feeling "Ready"

Were you ever in a situation where you **really** wanted to do a task but looked away (or checked out the lint on your clothing J) rather than take the chance to volunteer? Your refusal was not that you thought you couldn't do the task but was more a feeling that you "were just not ready" to take on that responsibility. That 'not being ready' feeling often comes up when the Gospels talk about discipleship and being perfect in the eyes of God. Often, just managing the human side of life is overwhelming enough without adding the spiritual dimension!

Luke's Gospel tells us that Jesus spent the night in prayer before he went out to call his special twelve. Because of that action and the content of their lives, I always believed Jesus chose the apostles because of their abilities at the beginning of their journey. Rather, as I came to learn, Jesus called twelve very ordinary men who were flawed – lacking openness, commitment, awareness, vision, honesty, loyalty, or courage. Jesus called twelve flawed men who were *willing* – and because of their willingness, Jesus was able to make them *ready*.

Each of us is called to be a disciple of Jesus Christ and by that call, to become a saint. But how does someone do that when he or she find themselves raising children, working at home and outside of it, paying the bills, cooking the meals, getting children and adults to appointments, and often shouldering a whole series of responsibilities to see that his or her little corner of the world keeps on running smoothly? How do you become 'a Mary' when life demands you be 'a Martha'? The very thought is overwhelming!

In the Gospels Jesus gave us four important strategies that he embodied in his life and taught his disciples to practice in theirs to help them become 'ready'. These strategies are as follows:

Private prayer and personal integrity – In the Gospels, fidelity to keeping the Commandments is one of the major criteria to measure if our private prayer is real. Our prayer is honest only when our lives back it up.

Working for Charity and Justice – We give directly to the poor to help alleviate poverty and also work for justice to correct the circumstances that helped to create that poverty.

Being a disciple of Jesus always demands connection with a Church community – staying home and praying is not enough!

Last but not least, doing the right things for the right reason – with a mellow and grateful heart and no ulterior motives.

A good way to know where we are in our discipleship journey is to answer the following question honestly:

If, like the early Christians you and I were brought into a court and accused of being a Christian, would there be enough evidence in our lives to convict us?

Pondering that answer in my life as well --- Sister Helene

Faith Shots Begins!

Our first session of Faith Shots will take place **after all Masses the weekend of February 12th**. The 10 to 15 minute session will be located in the **West Nave (music side) of the Church**. If you're short on time but curious about your Catholic Faith, a Faith Shot may be just what the doctor ordered! **Our topic will be "The Mass – Why We Do What We Do."**



St. Benedict School New Student Admission Policy Registration applications will be available in the school office beginning January 30, 2017.

- Registration applications can be downloaded from the school website
- Registration fee for current families will be due by March 1, 2017
- Registration fee for new families to the school will be due at the time of registration.

PRESCHOOL

St. Benedict Early Learning Center offers a Pre-K program to children three through five years of age, but not ready for kindergarten. The child must be at least four years old before September 30th to enter into the program.

KINDERGARTEN

St. Benedict Catholic School offers full-day Kindergarten. Kindergarten students must be at least five years old on or before September 30, 2017.

PERSONAL TOURS

Prospective families can arrange a personal tour of the school. If you would like to arrange a tour call the school office at **216-662-9380**. **Tours are scheduled by appointment only.**

Congratulations \$1000 Raffle Winners
\$500 Winner & Seller: Mella Tomcik #456
Capt. Frank Okurowski
\$500 Winner: Fr. Jonathan Zingales #864
Seller: Frank Restifo, Capt. Bill Simon



ST. MONICA SENIOR GROUP

Join the Senior's in February for a **Valentine's Day Card Party & Luncheon**: Arby's, beverage & dessert will be served for **ONLY \$3.00**. Join us in the Augustine Room of the School on **FEB. 14TH** beginning at **2PM**. Join your friends for a FUN-filled afternoon! New members are ALWAYS welcome SO bring a friend! Hope to see you. Please call Gerry at **216.581.1777** for reservations - let her know you are coming so we have enough sandwiches. Payment is due at the door, please.



The Cleveland Clinic Marymount Hospital is offering residents from all communities a **FREE 5-Week Health and Wellness initiative** - "You Change You: Take Charge of Your Health!" - This includes your mind, your body & your spirit! The program's goal is to provide you with the tools, information & courage to achieve what is important to you. The program will be held **Every Thursday | Feb. 16th - March 16th | 10:00am-Noon** and will be held at **St. Monica Church, 13623 Rockside Rd, Garfield Heights**. Registration is required by contacting **Jeff Jameyson** at jameysj@ccf.org or (216) 312-5640.





Stewardship

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Jan. 28 / Jan. 29

Regular Sunday Envelopes	\$ 7,308.00
St. Monica Fund	\$ 316.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 23.50

This weekend is the Collection for the Church in Latin America. Please prayerfully consider supporting this collection, which strengthens the faith of our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean. Your support is bringing the faith to those in remote villages who would otherwise not have access to church programs and outreach. Share your faith! Support the second collection, please visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

Answer to this Week's Religion Question

In the Bible which two women were born without Original Sin?
 Answer: Eve and the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To help build an endowment fund, please consider remembering St. Monica Church in your Will.



The students of St. Benedict Catholic School Student Council continues to focus on service projects and fundraising for local charities. On January 25th, the Student Council sponsored a dress down day to raise money to buy blankets for the homeless. As a school community we



raised over \$500 to purchase blankets. The blankets will get distributed through the St. Ignatius High School Labre ministry. Some of the students participated in making peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for the homeless. We will continue to help make sandwiches monthly for the rest of the school year.



Parish Activities

MONDAY, February 6

- 4:00 Athletic Practice (g)
- 8:00 HN Mtg (c)

TUESDAY, February 7

- 2:00 Senior Board Mtg. (F)
- 2:45 CRCIA Instruction (+)
- 4:00 Athletic Practice (g)
- 6:00 Bible Group (p.o. kitchen)
- 6:30 PTU Meeting (c)
- 6:45 Troop 389 Mtg (F)
- 7:00 Deanery Mtg (M)
- 7:00 Guild Board Mtg (J)
- 7:00 MH K of C Mtg (AR)

WEDNESDAY, February 8

- 2:30 Drama Ministry (+)
- 4:00 Athletic Practice (g)
- 7:00 Athletic Mtg (F)

THURSDAY, February 9

- 2:30 Drama Ministry (+)
- 4:00 Athletic Practice (g)
- 8:00 Tri M Meeting (ocu 1&2)

Friday, February 10

- 4:00 Athletic Practice (g)

SATURDAY, February 11

- 7:30 Men of the Vine (ocu 1&2)
- 6:30 Wine Tasting Event (c/g)

SUNDAY, February 12

- 8:00 /10:00 Coffee & Donuts (c)
- 2:30 Divine Mercy (+)

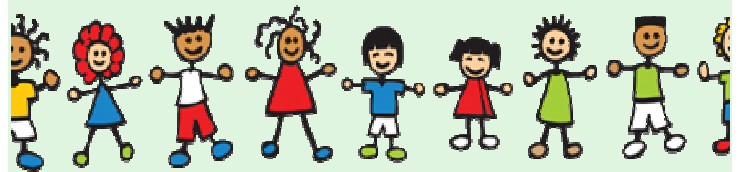
YOUTH MINISTRY



Middle School Students meet **Feb. 15th in the youth room.** Doors open at 6:15. Meeting begins at 6:30. Ends at 8:30pm. Pizza! Bring a friend!



Nancy Heineke, Youth Minister YOUTH412 is a cluster program of St Martin of Tours, St Monica, Saints Peter and Paul and St Therese 13623 Rockside Road, Garfield Hts OH 44125 (216) 662-8685 ext 123



St. Benedict Catholic School will host an Open House at our Early Learning Center on Sunday, February 5. Please join us for Mass at St. Martin of Tours Church followed by a **Preschool Open House from 12:00-2:00 PM.** The Preschool Open House will be held at 14600 Turney Road at the St. Benedict Early Learning Center.

Readings for the Week of February 5, 2017

Sunday	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 58:7-10; Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16
Monday	Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday	Gn 1:20—2:4a; Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday	Saint Jerome Emiliani, Priest; Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday	Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Mk 7:24-30
Friday	Saint Scholastica, Virgin Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday	Our Lady of Lourdes Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

ALL YOU CAN EAT PASTA

DATE: Wednesday February 22, 2017

TIME: 4 - 7 PM

Location: CLUB 4130 10806 Granger Road, Garfield Heights, Ohio
44125Dinner consists of: **Dinner will consist of Pasta, 4 Meat-
balls, SALAD BAR, Garlic Bread**

Costs: Adults - \$10 Children Under 12 - \$8

ALL DINNERS INCLUDE COFFEE TEA, WATER, AND NON-
CARBONATED BEVERAGES**DINNERS BY: LORI'S CUSTOM CATERING****RESERVATIONS REQUIRED: 216-662-2277 mailbox #2****DUE BY MONDAY FEBRUARY 20 - 8PM**

The Isabella Guild will also be selling fresh bakery