

Liturgy Schedule

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

Monday, June 26 Weekday

8:00 James Hannibal

Tuesday June 27 Weekday

8:00 Veronica Aini

Wednesday, June 28 Saint Irenaeus, Bishop

8:00 Ray & Terri Hanzlik & Family

Thursday, June 29 Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

8:00 Karen Brayer & Family

Friday, June 30 Weekday

8:00 Jim & Joan Clark & Family

First Saturday, July 1 Weekday

3:15 Confessions

4:00 Robert Parasiliti

Sunday, July 2 Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 Frank & Anna Keto

10:00 People of the Parish

12:00 Nancy Murray (anniv)



the following members of our Parish community: the following members of our Parish community: **John Sigmund, Adam Travis, Ken Hustack, Mary Harter, Mary Harter, Larry Piechowiak, John Halasz, Trista McConaha, Tyler McConaha, JoAnn Reddinger, Nick Liotta, Marie, Robin Pretzlaff, Baby Ryan Martin, Sheila Sillasen, Richard Rosberil, Karen Styler, 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 **John Downs and Marie Lynch** who were buried this past week. May they and all our dearly departed, rest in peace.

Wedding Banns

I Matthew G. Dziak & Andrea D. Metz
I Gary Johnson & Leonette Cicirella



Congratulations to our newly baptized Christian: **Quinn Louise Triato** and her family.

Thank You

Special thanks to all the parishioners who planted flowers, provided outdoor flower baskets, watered the flowers, or helped with the installation of the mulch around St. Monica Church. You are doing a wonderful service to our parish.

Religion Question of the Week

What is the Decalogue?

Did you Know?

Did you know that the Windows in the main body of St. Monica Church depict the Ten Commandments?

One Liner

“Virus is a Latin word used by doctors to mean: ‘Your guess is as good as mine’”.

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

Lady of Fatima Memorial Bricks



St. Monica Holy Name Society will be selling **Memorial Bricks** to be placed in front of the Our Lady of Fatima Shrine. The sale of the bricks will help finance the restoration of the shrine area between the rectory and school. A new walkway, landscaping and an area in front of the shrine will be installed for parishioners to help memorialize family and friends in a special place on the grounds of St. Monica Church.

Extra order forms are available on the Parish Website and at the Parish Office. Thanks for your support!



We would like to recognize and applaud **Sr. Helene** on her 60th Anniversary of her religious life with the **Sisters of St Joseph of the Third Order of St Francis.** We pray for her continued service and are blessed to have her here at St. Monica. Our wish for her is that her dance will continue for many more years.

Please take the time to read the flyer in the bulletin of her own reflections on her 60 years of service to religious life.

Peter’s Pence

Peter’s Pence is a worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.



Special Thanks to members of **St. Monica Guild** for their generous donation of **\$11,000** to St. Monica Church at their Officer Installation Banquet on June 15th. This gift will be an enormous help to our parish. We thank all the Guild members for their work behind the scenes making this gift possible.

Fr. Thomas Haren

Pastoral Scene

Empty Your Cup

Like any lifestyle change, emptying the cup takes resolve, mindfulness, and practice. I think that resolve is the most difficult part. In the lives of most people, we don't make resolutions unless they are of some real importance or value. However, as the old adage goes, "The road to Hell is paved with good intentions." In order to turn resolve into reality, it's a good idea to use a small step approach. The question to ask at first would not be, "What value would emptying the cup have in my life?" That makes it too big and too general. It's better to start off with something like "What value would emptying the cup have in this or that particular situation?"

A great situation to consider would be that of personal prayer time. Many of us fill our prayer time with the Divine Office or the Rosary or other formal prayers. These for sure are terrific and should be done on a regular basis – but mindfully and not just rambled. Ask yourself, in all of these times of prayer how much time do I spend listening? If prayer is truly a dialogue with God, it would be nice to let him get a word in every now and then. The prayers and readings are there to open our minds and hearts to the possibilities of God's message in our daily lives. If all I do is ramble, what is the prayer's real value? A few moments after reciting (or chanting) a psalm, or praying a decade of the Rosary is a great time to empty the cup. How?

One can start by spending a few moments closing their eyes and taking a few deep breaths (in through the nose and out through the mouth). By this process, the cup is naturally emptied and allows itself to be filled with God's message and grace. Even if at times you don't get through the entire Office or Rosary, you've still increased the value of the time that you've spent in dialogue with your Creator. Now we're no longer just blabbing at God, rather we're truly conversing. Some days the conversation is more abbreviated and some days it's more intense...just like any relationship.

If outside thoughts come to mind (daily schedule, shopping list etc), simply acknowledge the thought, breathe again and continue with prayer time. Fighting outside thoughts "No, no...I can't think about that now...I'm praying!" only makes the thoughts return stronger. Consider an outside thought as if it were a pestering child. If you say to that child, "not now...go away," they will most likely keep at you (maybe even more aggressively). However, if you say, "O.K., I hear you...just give me a few minutes," they will most likely go about their business (at least for a short time) allowing you to continue with your task. So for example, if your daily schedule comes to mind during prayer time, respond by acknowledging that you have a busy day ahead, but it can wait for a few minutes – then close your eyes, breathe and go back to your prayer time. The outside thought (at least temporarily) will dissipate. With a little practice, it really works!

This process can then be applied to many other aspects in life. For example, when one becomes angry or stressed out about something, emptying the cup helps to settle, relax and gain perspective. In times of joy and celebration, emptying the cup helps to deepen awareness and a can add an incredible amount internal emotional depth. If you don't believe me, just give it a try!

Bob Soeder

The Garfield Heights Ward 7 Block Watch MEETING and COOKOUT will take place Thursday, June 29th at 7:00 PM in the pavilion. Trial size toiletry items for our troops would be appreciated. All are welcome - come meet your city leaders. **Please call Tom Vaughn at 216-663-8837 if you are planning to attend.**



Homecoming Festival



Help Needed

Help is needed selling Festival tickets on the front lawn. Pre-sale of tickets from the front lawn account for **15%** of all ticket sales. This is an important part of making the Festival a success. **If you are able to help in this effort please contact Bill Skladany at 216 544 6785. ANY & All help is appreciated.**

Need Extra Festival Tickets?

Additional Festival tickets can be found in front and back of the church. Tickets are also available at the Parish Office., during normal business hours. If you have not received your tickets in the mail, please contact the parish office.

First Incentive Drawing Winner

Congratulations Lois Popovich, the 1st incentive drawing winner. Lois won \$150 in gift cards. The second incentive will be held Sunday, July 2nd. This winner will receive \$100 in Gift Certificates. The third incentive drawing will be held on Sunday, July 16th, winner will receive \$50 in Gift Certificates. Turn your raffle tickets in early to be eligible for the incentive drawing.



An Amazing Family Day

Are you looking for an opportunity for your family to grow in faith this summer – for FREE? Join us for a family retreat day on Sunday, August 6 at the 17th annual FEST, beginning at noon at the Center for Pastoral Leadership in Wickliffe. Outdoor Mass, Adoration, praise and worship (with for King & Country, Crowder, Matt Maher and Laura Story) and more will inspire you to experience the FULL LIFE that only Christ can give. Want to learn more? Head on over to www.TheFEST.us today.

There will be **No sale** of gift cards in Church in July because of the 4th of July holiday. Gift cards are available in the Parish Office during regular office hours.



Stewardship

OFFERTORY COLLECTION June 10th / June 11th

Regular Sunday Envelopes	\$ 8,206.00
St. Monica Fund	\$ 623.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 13.00

OFFERTORY COLLECTION June 17th / June 18th

Regular Sunday Envelopes	\$ 7,517.00
St. Monica Fund	\$ 262.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 13.00

Answer to This Week's Question

What is the Decalogue?

Answer: This is the original name of the "Ten Commandments".

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

Tolerance

"America, it is said, is suffering from intolerance- it is not. It is suffering from tolerance. Tolerance of right and wrong, truth and error, virtue and evil, Christ and chaos. Our country is not nearly so overrun with the bigoted as it is overrun with the broadminded."

Tolerance is an attitude of reasoned patience toward evil. . . a forbearance that restrains us from showing anger or inflicting punishment. Tolerance applies only to persons. . . never to truth. Tolerance applies to the erring, intolerance to the error. . . Architects are as intolerant about sand as foundations for skyscrapers as doctors are intolerant about germs in the laboratory.

Tolerance does not apply to truth or principles. About these things we must be intolerant, and for this kind of intolerance, so much needed to rouse us from sentimental gush, I make a plea. Intolerance of this kind is the foundation of all stability."

By Msgr. Fulton Sheen
written in 1931

Parish Activities

MONDAY, June 26

TUESDAY, June 27

6:00 Bible Group (p.o. kitchen)
6:45 Troop 389 Mtg (c)

WEDNESDAY, June 28

12:00 Tai Chi (J)
7:00 MHCC Trustee Mtg (cmr)

THURSDAY, June 29

7:00 Ward 7 Block Watch (p)

Friday, June 30

SATURDAY, July 1

10:00 Bereavement (cmr)

SUNDAY, July 2

YOUTH MINISTRY

Summer youth group events are being communicated via the group texting system called REMIND. If you are a registered member of YOUTH412, you may join REMIND by sending a text to **81010** with the message **@youth412**. You will be asked to confirm your name. This is confidential texting system relays ministry info to registered teens and their parents. Cell phone numbers are not disclosed to the ministry or other group members



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 Pre-School provides a smooth transition from home to school for children ages three, four, and five. The programs offer children an opportunity to interact with other children and adults in an atmosphere of Christian love and concern.

St. Benedict Pre-School promotes the spiritual, intellectual, social, and physical growth of the young child in a creative learning environment through age-appropriate developmental experiences and activities.

St. Benedict Pre-School is now accepting registration for the 2017-2018 school year. Half-day and full-day options available for ages three, four, and five. **Please call [216-475-3633](tel:216-475-3633) today to schedule an appointment for a personalized tour with pre-school teacher Mrs. Deb Dereska. The St. Benedict Pre-School is located on the campus of St. Martin of Tours at 14600 Turney Road in Maple Heights.**



Readings for the Week of June 25, 2017

Sunday	Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35; Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33
Monday	Gn 12:1-9; Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20 and 22; Mt 7:1-5
Tuesday	Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Gn 13:2, 5-18; Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5; Mt 7:6, 12-14
Wednesday	Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr Gn 15:1-12, 17-18; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 7:15-20 Vigil: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19
Thursday	Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles Day: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19
Friday	The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Mt 8:1-4

Saturday	Saint Junípero Serra, Priest Gn 18:1-15; Lk 1:46-47, 48-49, 50 and 53, 54-55; Mt 8:5-17
Sunday	Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a; Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19; Rom 6:3-4, 8-11; Mt 10:37-42

K of C Wednesday Night Dinner

DATE: Wednesday June 28, 2017 TIME: 4 - 7 PM

Location: CLUB 4130 10806 Granger Road, Garfield Heights, Ohio

Dinner consists of: **Dinner will consist of 2 pieces of City Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable, Tossed Salad & Rolls**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 JUNE 26 - NOON**

The Isabella Guild will also be selling fresh bakery