

Liturgy Schedule

8:30 Morning Prayer, Rosary, Monday through Friday

Monday, September 25 Weekday

8:00 Chris & Patty Delacruz

Tuesday, September 26 Weekday

8:00 Norman & MaryLou Gorney

Wednesday, September 27 Saint Vincent DePaul, Priest

8:00 All Souls

Thursday, September 28 Weekday

8:00 Genevieve Valencic

Friday, September 29 Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

8:00 Jerry & Ann Perchinske

Saturday, September 30 Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

3:15 Confessions

4:00 Stephen Menter

Sunday, October 1 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 Walter & Ann Stepanik

10:00 Roger Augustine

12:00 People of the Parish



the following members of our Parish community: the following members of our Parish community: **Sr. Maryann Zakrajsek, Marie Sabol, Vivian Budd, Robert Govang, Jaclyn Guiditti, Sylvester Danko, Lynda Petit, Bernie Nenadovich, George Cooke, Thom Machar, Larry Piechowiak, John Rozmarynowski, Robert & Lynn Phipps, Holly Craider, Dolores Nose, Andrew Burdette, Melinda Corbaugh, John Halasz, JoAnn Reddinger, Marie DiCola, 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 **Delores Bartunek** who was buried this past week. May she and all our dearly departed, rest in peace.



Congratulations to our newly baptized Christian: **Thomas John Lemon** and their family.

Religion Question of the Week

Who was the Pharaoh who eventually released the Israelites from Egypt?

Did You Know?

Did you know that according to the latest figures the 2017 Homecoming Festival netted \$13,685.44.

One Liner

“Even if you are on the right track, you will get run over if you just sit there”.

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

Hurricane Irma Relief Fund

There will be a **special collection on Saturday, Sept. 30th and Sunday, Oct. 1** for those that have been impacted by the Hurricane. I am aware that this collection comes on the heel of Hurricane Harvey. Please be as generous as possible. Please mark Hurricane Irma in the memo part of your check.

Bishop Nelson Perez

Strudel is Back!

Catholic War Veterans Auxiliary will be holding a **Strudel Sale on Sat. Oct. 7th and Sun. Oct. 8th.** The Strudel will be available by the Server's Sacristy after all masses. The delicious Strudel will be supplied by **Lydia, formerly of Buckeye Rd.** The cost is \$8.00 and they will be offering **Apple, Cherry and Cream Cheese and Apricot Strudel.** The Auxiliary has **DOUBLED** their order !



DISTRICT WELCOME MASS FOR BISHOP PEREZ



Districts in the Diocese of Cleveland will have a Welcome Mass for Bishop Perez. **Our District's Mass is scheduled for Tuesday, November 7th at 7:00 pm at St. Rita Church in Solon.** Each parish is limited to the number that can attend. We only have 30 spots available so if you would like to attend, please call the Parish Office @ 216.662.8685 with your name as soon as possible. This will be on a first come, first serve basis.



There will be **NO Coffee & Donuts** this weekend due to the Community Breakfast. Please join us for Coffee & Donuts next weekend after the 8:00 & 10:00 am masses, **hosting will be members of the St. Vincent DePaul Society.**

Homecoming Festival Financial Results

Festival weekend income:	\$30,315.41
Presale Tickets :	\$20,453.00
Sponsorship/Donation:	\$ 5,435.00
Grand Total:	\$56,203.41
Total Expenses:	\$42,517.97
Total Festival Profit:	\$13,685.44



Pastoral Scene

We are so excited to start the new school year on a positive and energetic note! We have welcomed 405 students to our 2017-2018 school year! The theme for this school year is, "Change the World." Throughout the year, as a faculty and as a school, we will be examining how our positive actions can change the world around us.

A positive change we have added to our curriculum this year is the addition of our STREAM (Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Arts and Math) Program. In our STREAM classroom, students are being challenged through problem solving, critical thinking skills, discovery learning, innovative technology and many creative educational experiences. They are also learning the important lessons of respect for God and others, developing integrity and character, and the significance of service and outreach. Students will also be enrolled in various competitions through our STREAM program.

Also, Arcade Academy is a club that will be introduced this year. Students will be challenged to build their own arcade game and compete against other students in the Diocese in the Extreme Games. In addition to the Extreme Games, students will also have the opportunity to compete in the Alpha Games. Prior to the competition, students will be asked to create and market their own product and enter their project in the "Shark Tank" competition, which will be held at the end of the year at St. Ignatius High School. Our students are ready to take on the higher-level thinking and creative learning experiences that are offered by our teachers and staff!

To make a change in this world, it's important to make each moment count. I pray that your kindness leaves lasting impressions on others. This will be our school's prayer for you all year.

God bless,
Lisa Oriti
Principal

100th Anniversary of Fatima Rosary

On **October 13, 2017** the world will celebrate the 100th anniversary of Our Lady's final visit to Fatima, and the occurrence of the Miracle of the Sun.

There will be a Rosary at the parish outdoor shrine dedicated to Our Lady of Fatima, Friday, at 6:00 pm. All are invited to attend.



Sandwich Saturday

A great big "Thank You" to everyone who helped to "Pack the Steps" for Front Steps Housing. They were so thankful and appreciative of everything we sent. Come and join us on **Saturday, October 7th** at 9:00 am for the next Sandwich Saturday as we will prepare 300 sandwiches for St Ignatius/Walsh Jesuit to be distributed to the homeless in Cleveland and Akron.



Catholic Communication Campaign

Today, we are taking up the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Your support helps the CCC connect people to Christ, here and around the world, through the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the funds we collect remains in our diocese to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the gospel message and support the collection today! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/cc.

Are you looking for an opportunity to be the smiling face and helping hands of St. Monica Church?

Saint Monica Church provides volunteers for the **Holy Spirit (formally St. Tim's) Hot Meal Program every month that has five Wednesdays (approximately 5 Wednesdays a year)**. Holy Spirit Church is located on 131st and Cranwood Ave. in Garfield Hts. Volunteers arrive at 4 pm and in the cafeteria, help to prepare and set up for the meal distribution, serve and distribute meals and assist in cleaning up. **The time frame is 4-6:15pm**. This is a flexible commitment and your participation would be greatly appreciated! **If you are interested in volunteering please call and leave a message with Diane Ventura 216.702.5007.**

ST. MONICA SENIORS CARD PARTY

LOOKING FORWARD TO OUR ANNUAL CARD PARTY GATHERING AGAIN. JOIN US ON OCTOBER 10TH IN THE ST. AUGUSTINE ROOM AT 2PM. THE COST IS \$3.00. WE ARE TAKING RESERVATIONS SO WE CAN HAVE A HEAD COUNT. OUR MENU WILL BE ARBY'S SANDWICHES AND THE BEVERAGES WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE SENIORS. JOIN US AGAIN FOR A FUN FILLED AFTERNOON AND MEET WITH OLD FRIENDS AND NEW FRIENDS. CALL GERRY GOLEM AT 216-581-1777 FOR RESERVATIONS TO LET HER KNOW YOU ARE COMING. A HEAD COUNT IS NEEDED FOR SANDWICHES. PAYMENT IN ADVANCE IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.



Memorial Brick Update:

We have been getting a number of inquiries as to when finished bricks will be installed at the shrine. The quality of the finished bricks we received back from our supplier at the beginning of the project was unacceptable. Therefore we needed to switch companies and get the bricks re-engraved. **Unfortunately, this issue put the completion of the bricks approximately 2 months behind.** The bricks are being engraved in batches of 30 at a time. This takes three weeks to complete. As soon as we get the bricks back we are installing them in front of the shrine. **There are currently 110 bricks complete and there are orders for over 200 bricks. Your patience and understanding are appreciated.**
St. Monica Holy Name Society

Mass Count

During the month of October each Church in the Diocese of Cleveland is asked to count the number of persons attending Mass in their parishes. The results of this survey can affect the staffing of Priests and Deacons, and the number of Masses that are celebrated in a particular parish. Please do all you can to attend Mass at St. Monica's during the month of October



Stewardship

OFFERTORY COLLECTION Sept. 16 / Sept. 17

Regular Sunday Envelopes	\$ 6,619.00
St. Monica Fund	\$ 285.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 4.00

August 2017 We Share Collection

Regular Sunday	\$ 3,577.50
St. Monica Fund	\$ 602.75

Answer To This Week's Religion Question

Who was the Pharaoh who eventually released the Israelites from Egypt?

Answer: Many Biblical scholars believe that the Pharaoh was Rameses II.

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



Wines Around The World

There is still time to reserve your spot for the 5th Annual Wines Around the World event. The event will take place at St. Benedict Catholic School on Saturday, October 14th. Come and spend the evening building community relationships while sampling a variety of different wines and heavy appetizers. There will also be an opportunity to participate in wonderful raffle baskets and silent auction. **Please RSVP to this event by Wednesday, October 4th to the parish offices of St. Monica or St. Martin of Tours. Any questions please call the school office at [216-662-9380](tel:216-662-9380).**



Special Masses

If you would like to have special Masses offered at our parish, but are not concerned about knowing the date and time, please contact the parish office. There are occasions when a Priest celebrates or concelebrates Masses that are not scheduled. The Priests are willing to offer Masses for your intentions, but will not be able to give you the time or date on which this will occur. If you would like to have Masses offered under these conditions, please don't hesitate to contact us.



Parish Activities

MONDAY, September 25

- 3:15 CWVA Mtg (c)
- 4:00 Athletic Practice (g)
- 8:00 HN Board Mtg (c)

TUESDAY, September 26

- 4:00 Athletic Practice (g)
- 6:45 Boy Scouts (c)

WEDNESDAY, September 27

- 12:00 Tai Chi - Meditation in Motion (J)
- 2:40 Play Practice (g)
- 3:00 Board Game Club (AR)
- 4:00 Athletic Practice (g)

THURSDAY, September 28

- 2:40 Play Practice (g)
- 4:00 Athletic Practice (g)
- 6:00 Ward 7 Block Watch (AR)
- 6:30 DHNS Mtg (J)
- 7:00 Line Dancing (g)

FRIDAY, September 29

- 4:00 Athletic Practice (g)

SATURDAY, September 30

- 9:00 Syriac Orthodox Church (AR)

SUNDAY, October 1

- 8:00/10:00 Coffee & Donuts (c)

Blanket Sunday Coming Soon

The weekend of October 7-8th marks the 31st Annual Blanket Sunday Collection to aid the needy. The collection is sponsored by the Diocesan St. Vincent DePaul Society. This year due to lack of storage space, we will sponsor a CASH ONLY COLLECTION. We'll gratefully except your cash donation and do the shopping for you, making your money go even further with bulk purchases of blankets and other items needed by low income families. So give someone a blanket for the winter-and give yourself a warm feeling.

**2nd Annual
Walk for Recovery
SUNDAY October 1, 2017
Noon to 2:00 p.m.**

**GARFIELD HEIGHTS CIVIC CENTER,
5407 Turney Road
Garfield Heights, Ohio 44125**

The program will begin with a short walk to the Garfield Heights Police Station and back to the Civic Center. Feel free to make posters to carry on the walk. Speakers, Refreshments & a Balloon Release will take place following the walk at the Civic Center. **For more information, contact Ruth Pollack at 216-475-1103 or e-mail rpollack@garfieldhts.org.**

HOPE. STRENGTH. COURAGE. SUPPORT. CHANGE. LIFE



Readings for the Week of September 24, 2017

Sunday	Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18, 18a; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a
Monday	Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday	Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday	Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest Ezr 9:5-9; Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday	Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr; Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Lk 9:7-9
Friday	Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5; Jn 1:47-51
Saturday	Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday	Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5; Mt 21:28-32

K of C Wednesday Night Dinner

10806 Granger Rd Club 4130

Garfield Hts.,

Dinner consists of: **Dinner will consist of Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable, Salad, Rolls & Butter**

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 SEPTEMBER 25 - NOON

The Isabella Guild will also be selling fresh bakery

The Garfield Heights Ward 7 Block Watch will meet Thursday, September 28th at 7:00 PM at St. Monica's outdoor pavilion.

Our guest speaker will be **Capt. Joe Rody from the Garfield Hts. Fire Dept** sharing tips on pet safety. Trial size toiletry items for our Troops would be appreciated. **ALL ARE WELCOME!** For more information, call **Nikki Majka - 216-310-6514.**