

**Liturgy Schedule**

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

**Monday, November 6 Weekday**

8:00 Dorothy Kotowski

**Tuesday, November 7 Weekday**

8:00 Mike & Rose Kraynak & John & Elizabeth Suhoza

**Wednesday, November 8 Weekday**

8:00 Jean Savnick & Steve Savnik

**Thursday, November 9 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

8:00 Frances M. Weiskopf

**Friday, November 10 Saint Leo the Great,  
Pope and Doctor of the Church**

8:00 Anna Deliberato

**Saturday, November 11 Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop**

3:15 Confessions

4:00 Jean Savnik & Steve Savnik & Richard & Anna Mae Kovach

**Sunday, November 12 Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 Theodore Pilch

10:00 Frank Aiella

12:00 People of the Parish

1:00 Baptism

2:30 Divine Mercy



the following members of our Parish community: the following members of our Parish community: **Bill Exton, Dolores Nose, Stephanie Kremposki, Taryn, Ursula Strauss, Sr. Maryann Zakrajsek, Marie Sabol, Robert Govang, Bernie Nenadovich, George Cooke, Thom Machar, Larry Piechowiak, John Rozmarynowski, Robert Phipps, John Halasz, Marie DiCola, Joann Reddinger, Baby Ryan Martin, Sheila Sillasen, Richard Rosberil, Karen Styler, 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 **Rose Withrow and Irene Balazy** who were buried this past week. May they and all our dearly departed, rest in peace.



Please join us for Coffee & Donuts this weekend after the 8:00 & 10:00 am masses, hosting will be members of the **Athletics Association.** There will be NO social next weekend.

**The Thraves Road Gate**

This past week a gate was installed at the Thraves Rd entrance to our parking lot. This gate is located next to the Credit Union. The other entrance from Thraves Rd ( next to the Pavilion ) will continue to be open for our Parishioners, Credit Union members, and School families. We are aware that this may cause an inconvenience for many who want to enter our Church grounds. But it became necessary for safety reasons. Many cars were using this entrance as a short cut to or from Rockside Rd. Thank you for your patience.

**Religion Question of the Week**

What is a relic?

**Did You Know?**

Did you know that last year our parish spent \$14,809 for snow removal on our parish grounds?

**One Liner**

“I am the way and the Truth and the Life, no one comes to the Father except through Me.” (Jesus)

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

**Rosary**

The Holy Name Society will lead a Rosary in honor of our Blessed Mother during the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of her appearance at Fatima, **at the Shrine on Rockside Road at 7:30 pm, on Monday, November 6,** before our Regular meeting, weather permitting. **We will also be collecting canned food for the pantry.** All are welcome.



**Don't Spend Thanksgiving Alone**

St. Monica Parish will, once again, be sponsoring a community meal on Thanksgiving Day, in cooperation with Ohio Catholic Federal Credit Union (OCFCU). This Thanksgiving Day Meal will be served from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. in the St. Benedict School Cafeteria (13633 Rockside Road). All Are Welcome! If you are interested in volunteering to help with preparing and/or serving the meal, please contact Dean Robinson at OCFCU (216-478-0065).



**Divine Mercy**

Please join us for a special hour of adoration and thanksgiving to the Divine Mercy of Jesus **next Sunday, November 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.**



**November is “All Souls Month”**

The month of November is dedicated to the Souls in Purgatory. As a Church we have this opportunity to pray for all who are deceased. Many of us have lost family members or close friends. We invite you to come to Church, or pray at home for their souls during this month. While we hope that the persons we are praying for are already in heaven, if they are in the state of Purgatory being purified and made ready for heaven, our prayers can be of great assistance to them. Also, there may be many Poor Souls who have no one to pray for them that could use our prayers. One of the “spiritual works of mercy” is to pray for the dead. Please take time this month to remember in our prayers all who have passed away. Some day we may be the recipient of these prayers.

## Pastoral Scene

A few weeks ago Mary Hrich, Mike Dragas and I had the opportunity to lead Taize Prayer at a wonderful ecumenical retreat center called The Hildegarden (named for St. Hildegard of Bingen) in the little town of Fairport Harbor, Ohio. Those who came together in our small gathering (about 19 in all) were from varied denominations, parishes and backgrounds. Yet, the worship that we offered to the Almighty through word and song created a very unique spiritual energy that I've not experienced very many times over the years.

After taking some time to reflect, I've come to the conclusion that one of the reasons this occurred is because those present sang it like they believed it. It's no secret that over the course of the last few months, this has been my 'battle cry' in my music ministry rehearsals. I would be the first to admit that technical accuracy, diction, et al are important elements - and should definitely not be discounted. That being said, I'm not sure that we as individuals take enough time to emphasize the importance of projecting spiritual emotion into our music. Now, I'm not talking about the staged or calculated emotion of a performance (such as a musical production). Rather, I'm suggesting that we shouldn't be hesitant or afraid to sing (and pray) with feeling and conviction.

I think back to the definition of "music" that John Cage put forth. While I'm sure that this is not the exact quote, it is very much his sentiment: "Music is an experience of sound and silence, whose primary function or concern is to (1) communicate the intention of the composer and (2) solicit an emotional response from the listener." In my younger days, I competed on a number of occasions in local and regional Organ Competitions. I admit that in some ways it was kind of a rush. However, while technically very accurate and precise, I felt that the music played by myself as well as the other competitors was cold and austere - lacking much (if not all) of the emotion and feeling that the composers were attempting to convey in their works. Finding this to be less than tolerable, I began to take liberties with the music I played in competition, much to the chagrin of both the judging panels and my teacher - to a point where I stopped competing rather than give way to what I wanted my music to project - and what I interpreted as the composer's intentions.

So many times, when speaking about evangelization we say that one of the best ways of spreading the Good News is simply to live it in our daily lives - conversion by example. Maybe it's time that many of us need to apply this to the evangelization of those who gather in our pews week-in and week-out. How often, whether we are in leadership roles or participating in the Ministry of the Assembly (that's right...coming to Mass and participating is a ministerial role) do we just sing the words, mumble the prayers and then go our merry way? Many even leave before Mass is over, which calls into question as to whether their attendance was legitimate (there are some legit circumstances for leaving Mass early, but not many). Or do we live and breathe the music and prayers that we raise in praise, thanksgiving, and worship to God each week? Just sayin'.

Bob Soeder

### Another Great "Cover-up"

Thank you for another successful Blanket Sunday. Through your generosity we were able to collect \$1,006.50 in cash donations. This will help many needy families.

### ST. MONICA SENIOR GROUP

THE SENIOR'S WILL MEET IN THE ST. AUGUSTINE ROOM IN THE SCHOOL ON NOVEMBER 14TH BEGINNING AT 2PM. JOIN OUR SENIORS FOR THIS MONTH'S FUN FILLED AFTERNOON WITH REFRESHMENTS AND GAMES. WE ALWAYS WELCOME NEW MEMBERS SO BRING ALONG A FRIEND OR TWO OR THREE. JUST A REMINDER, WE WILL START COLLECTING FOR OUR DECEMBER CHRISTMAS PARTY.. THE COST WILL BE \$15.00 AND CAN BE PAID AT THE MEETING. CALL GERRY AT 216-581-1777 TO RESERVE A PLACE AT A TABLE. A GREAT MEAL AND ENTERTAINMENT IS AWAITING YOU.

### New Volunteer Orientation Cornerstone of Hope

When: Tuesday, November 7, 2017

Times: two sessions available (choose one):  
10 a.m.-11a.m. or 5:30 p.m.- 6:30 p.m.

Visit our website [cornerstoneofhope.org](http://cornerstoneofhope.org) and click on the Volunteer Application link, complete it electronically and submit. If you prefer to print, complete and bring with you that's fine, too! RSVP today to [debbie@cornerstoneofhope.org](mailto:debbie@cornerstoneofhope.org)

Retail and Restaurant Gift Cards will be on sale after all Masses this weekend, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>, in the Altar Server's Sacristy. Stop by and pick-up gift cards for your holiday shopping needs. Yes, it's that time of year again! Gift cards can also be purchased at the Parish Office during business hours. Thank you for your support.



### Night with the Cleveland Monsters!

Join us for an evening with the Cleveland Monsters on Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. Game time begins at 7:00 pm.

15 people from our group will have the opportunity to sit on the Monsters bench during their warm up time. See the flyer for more details about the evening and how to order. Ticket order forms are available at the Parish Office, in the bulletin, and on our website.

What great Christmas gifts these tickets could be!



### Married Couples

Watching your figure over the holidays so that you don't get out of shape? Keep your marriage fit and trim by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Weekend held at the Wingate Inn, Streetsboro. Some space is still available for the Nov. 10-12 Weekend. More info: 330-305-9963 OR Website [www.GreatMarriagesOhio.org](http://www.GreatMarriagesOhio.org)





## Stewardship

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION Oct. 28 / Oct. 29

Regular Sunday Envelopes	\$ 7,185.00
St. Monica Fund	\$ 407.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 19.75
Womankind	\$ 854.27
Special Gift	\$ 7,000.07

### Answer to This Week's Question

What is a relic?

Answer: A relic is an object connected with a Saint.

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



# St. Benedict Catholic School

### News from Second Grade

In Language Arts, we are starting to concentrate more on writing by describing our pumpkins, using our imaginations and lots of adjectives! In Math, we continue to improve our accuracy with addition facts and are finding new way to do so. In Science class, we are discussing the water cycle and had fun conducting an experiment with cotton balls to predict how much would they could hold before "rain" occurred -- just like the clouds do! In Religion, we've been talking about Baptism and acted out the ceremony in our classroom. We had fun when Fr. Lou visited us and talked about the many ways Jesus blesses us daily. We are all looking forward to our first field trip to Hale Farm in November. At Hale Farm we will explore the grounds and learn about the roles children played in family and community life long ago.

### Giving Tuesday

On November 28, 2017 from 12:00 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. St. Benedict Catholic School will be participating in #weGiveCatholic, Northeast Ohio's Online Day of Catholic Giving. Please support us with your donation on that day by going to [www.wegivecatholic.org](http://www.wegivecatholic.org), search for St. Benedict Catholic School, then click "Donate Now". Your donation will go a long way in helping us purchase materials for our STREAM program. Mark you calendar, then Give Catholic on Giving Tuesday.

### Veteran's Day Concert

St. Benedict Catholic School's 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> graders will present a Veterans Day concert on Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup>. Parishioners and especially veterans and active service personnel are invited to join us for either the 1:15 PM or the 7 PM performance in the gym.



## Parish Activities

### MONDAY, November 6

- 4:00 Athletic Practice (g)
- 6:30 Reconciliation Workshop (J)
- 8:00 HN Mtg (c)

### TUESDAY, November 7

- 2:00 Senior Board Mtg (F)
- 3:00 Cooking Club (c)
- 4:00 Athletic Practice (g)
- 6:00 Bible Study (p.o. kitchen)
- 6:30 PTU Mtg (c)
- 6:45 Boy Scouts (F)
- 7:00 MH K of C Board Mtg (AR)

### WEDNESDAY, November 8

- 12:00 Tai Chi (J)
- 2:40 Play Practice (g)
- 3:00 Board Game Club (AR)
- 3:30 Lego Club (AR)
- 4:00 Athletic Practice (g)
- 6:30 Cub Scout Sign Up (AR)
- 6:30 Growing Our Faith (c)

### THURSDAY, November 9

- 2:40 Play Practice (g)
- 4:00 Athletic Practice (g)
- 6:30 Athletic Board Mtg. (J)

### FRIDAY, November 10

- 4:00 Athletic Practice (g)

### SATURDAY, November 11

- 7:30 Men of the Vine (ocu 1&2)
- 9:00 Set Up Syriac Service (aR)

### SUNDAY, November 12

- 9:00 Syriac Orthodox Church (AR)
- 2:30 Divine Mercy (+)
- 5:00 SMT Pasta Dinner (c)



### Save The Date!

The next Youth Ministry Mass for Saint Monica and Saint Martin will be held at St Martin of Tours Church, on Sunday November 26 at 6:30 pm. Following Mass will be the two F's: Food and Fellowship. More information to follow.

### St. Monica \$1000 Raffle Winners

**\$500 Winner: Gary Miller**- Ticket #1907  
Seller -Bob Prybor , Captain- Ben Welich

**\$500 Winner: Virginia Szubra**-Ticket #594  
Seller & Captain- Ben Welich

Thank you all for your continued support.

### ALL SAINTS CEMETERY

#### Pre- Planning Seminar – Special Pricing

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour Pre-Planning Seminar on **Saturday, Nov. 11, at 1 pm. All Saints Cemetery 480 W. Highland Road, Northfield Ctr. RSVP 216/641-7575 ext: 5.**

**Readings for the Week of November 5, 2017**

**Sunday** **Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10; Ps 13:1, 2, 3;  
 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13; Mt 23:1-12

**Monday**  
 Rom 11:29-36; Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36;  
 Lk 14:12-14

**Tuesday**  
 Rom 12:5-16b; Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3; Lk 14:15-24

**Wednesday**  
 Rom 13:8-10; Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9; Lk 14:25-33

**Thursday** **The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**  
 Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9;  
 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

**Friday** **Saint Leo the Great, Pope and  
 Doctor of the Church**  
 Rom 15:14-21; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Lk 16:1-8

**Saturday** **Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop**  
 Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11;  
 Lk 16:9-15

**Sunday** **Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Wis 6:12-16; Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8;  
 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14; Mt 25:1-13

**Borromeo Seminary's "Novemberfest"**

**Annual Italian Dinner**

50/50 Raffle-Gift Basket Raffle

Saturday, November 11, 2017

5:00pm until 8:00pm

Cost

Adults:\$10.00 Children, ages 6-12: \$5.00

Children under 6: Free

Center for Pastoral Leadership 18700 Euclid Ave Wickliffe,  
 44091

Call (440) 943-7486 For more information

Proceeds will benefit the activity  
 fund for the college seminarians

**St Basil Fair Trade Sale**

**8700 Brecksville Rd in Brecksville, November  
 12, 2017, 8 am -2 pm**

**Saint Basil** will again have their fair trade sale this year. In addition to a variety of vendors, there will be a raffle basket to benefit Christians in the Holy Land. This will be a great opportunity to do some fair trade Christmas shopping.

