



Parish Schedule & Mass Intentions



From the Pastor's Desk

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| March 1 5:00pm | Saturday Weekday in Ordinary Time Mass (<i>Gail F. Smolk</i>) |
| March 2 8:30am 9:45am 9:45am 11:00am | Sunday Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass <i>People of the Parish</i> Parish School of Religion (Woodridge) <i>Confirmed in Love</i> (Church Hall) Mass <i>Capt. George B. Bradbeer USN, (Retired)</i> |
| March 3 8:30am 7:30pm | Monday Wkdy.; St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin Mass (<i>Kay Herring</i>) <i>Scripture Study</i> (Church Hall) |
| March 4 8:30am 7:30pm | Tuesday Weekday; St. Casimir Mass (<i>Deacon Ordination Class, 3/3/1974</i>) <i>Christian and RC?</i> (Church Hall) |
| March 5 8:30am 7:15pm 8:00pm 8:00pm | Ash Wednesday Lent begins Mass (<i>All Souls</i>) Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>) Sacrament of Reconciliation AA Meeting (Church Hall) |
| March 6 8:30am 7:15pm | Thursday in Lent Mass (<i>Frank Miniello</i>) Eucharistic Holy Hour and Benediction |
| March 7 8:30am 7:15pm 8:00pm | Friday in Lent <i>Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, martyrs</i> Mass (<i>Aloysius Bischof</i>) Stations of the Cross Sacrament of Reconciliation |
| March 8 Noon 4:00pm 5:00pm | Saturday in Lent <i>St. John of God, Religious</i> Sacrament of Reconciliation Sacrament of Reconciliation Mass (<i>Eugene Maynard "Gene" Lilley</i>) |
| March 9 8:30am 9:45am 11:00am | First Sunday of Lent Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>) PSR Penance Service (Church) Mass (<i>Jane McGovern Kranshan</i>) |

Our observance of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 5, a day of fast and abstinence for Catholics. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of universal fast and abstinence. Fasting is obligatory for all who have completed their 18th year and have not yet reached their 60th year. Fasting allows a person to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may be taken, not to equal one full meal. Abstinence (from meat) is obligatory for all who have reached their 14th year. But Lent is much more. It is a time of conversion, grace, and new direction. What is the way? What are we to do? We are to pray. We are to fast. We are to share. We are to do more rather than to do less. Perhaps you could go to Mass during the week as well as on the weekend. Planning to go a fish fry on Fridays of Lent? Plan making the Way of the Cross on Fridays. Plan some time in the morning, midday, or in the evening to read the Scriptures. Pray the rosary with those you live with. Maybe pray a decade at the evening meal. The household (of one or many) could end the day by praying (after a few moments of reflection) an Act of Contrition, an Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be. Reflect on how you could be less me-centered and more other centered? How can you share that others might have enough?

"Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel."
(Words spoken during imposition of ashes on Ash Wednesday)

In Your Charity

Please remember **Jane McGovern Kranshan**, sister of The Reverend Thomas McGovern (retired) and **Eugene Maynard "Gene" Lilley**. May **Jane, Gene**, and all our beloved deceased live forever in the joy of the Resurrection. May their families and friends be granted consolation. Amen.

In Your Prayers, Please Remember

Emma Aguilar, Monica Baird, Richard Bennett, Celia Bican, Anna Bischof, Heidi Burmeister, Johannah Conner, Millie Fritz, Tom Gardner, Chris Gibbs, James Ging, Marilyn Griffith, Tayha Hostetler, Bob and Kathy James, Ellen Jansen, Kathleen Jones, Maureen Joyce, Marca Kaplar, Carol Leach, Marcene, Margaret, John McDermott, Megan, Mark Munnings, Ashley Munoz, George Novak, Anika Patrick, Bridget Perez, Michael Phillips, Rita Lucy, Dorothy Rogus, Bruno Ruppel, Rosanne Sanford, David Shriver, Theresa "Tess" Slenn, Bruce Styles, Marla Sliwinski, Phyllis Todd, Laura Tories, Marianne, Stephen, Sylvia Trecaso, Karen Vincent, Minnie Wagner and all those in need...



TIME CHANGE

Remember, change your clocks
On Sunday, March 8, by 2:00am.
Spring ahead ONE hour!

Scriptures for Week of March 2, 2014

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| Sunday | Is 49:14-15 1 Cor 4:1-5 Mt 6:24-34 |
| Monday | 1 Pt 1:3-9 Mk 10:17-27 |
| Tuesday | 1 Pt 1:10-16 Mk 10:28-31 |
| Wednesday | Jl 2:12-18 2 Cor 5:20-6:2 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 |
| Thursday | Dt 30:15-20 Lk 9:22-25 |
| Friday | Is 58:1-9a Mt 9:14-15 |
| Saturday | Is 58:9b-14 Lk 5:27-32 |
| Sunday | Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7 Rom 5:12-19 Mt 4:1-11 |



Read and pray
Scriptures daily!



Mother Mary, pray for us!



March 2, 2014
Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Is not life more than food and the
body more than clothing?*

Matthew 6:25

Family Perspectives

So what's it going to be? God or stuff? Do you ever wake up in the middle of the night consumed with sleep-disturbing worries about job, money, clothing, shelter and more? Jesus knows we do and insists we can defeat worry (which is useless) by turning all of our concerns over to God. This makes God master over our problems and allows his grace to empower us. We have a choice: constant, useless worry or grateful trust in God. What will you choose?

General Intercessions

Let us pray for the grace to put God in first place above our worries and before our wants; to seek first His ways.

Apostolic Prayers for March 2014

General Intention: Respect for Women. That all cultures may respect the rights and dignity of women.

Missionary Intention: Vocations.

That many young people may accept the Lord's invitation to consecrate their lives to proclaiming the Gospel.

Meeting Jesus

Wednesday, March 12, all of the Churches in the Diocese will again offer "**An Evening of Confession**" from **5:00pm until 8:00pm**. **Priests at all 186 parishes will be present for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**. As Pope Francis says, "God never tires of forgiving us; but we sometimes tire of asking Him to forgive us." Bring your family and invite friends who may have been away from the Church. Be as Jesus and bring them to Jesus who never turns away from us. Sometimes we forget this or worry too much about ourselves. The heart of Jesus longs for peace in our hearts. **For more info, visit www.welcomecatholics.com.**

Works of Mercy

Jesus said, "Feed my lambs." The Ozanam Center in Akron does that and more but we need your help. Can you commit to helping for just a few hours on a Saturday? We think you would find the special joy there is in serving Jesus in those in need and come back again. Please pray about this and if you could help, call Cathie or Jim Perusek at 330-467-5762. Mother of Sorrows Parish volunteers are scheduled for Saturday, March 8.

Bringing America Back to Life

The "**Bringing America Back to Life**" Symposium and Exhibition will be held **March 7-8** at the Embassy Suites (5800 Rockside Woods Blvd., Independence, OH 44131). For more info...440-668-4049 or www.BringingAmericaBackToLife.org.



2014 ANNUAL APPEAL

This is the final weekend of the in-pew portion of the 2014 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal. This is not a special collection; rather, the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal represents the chance for all Catholics to make a significant pledge, payable in installments, to Catholic Charities in order to support its mission of a society that stands united in its support of the "least among us." Many parishioners have received a letter from Bishop Lennon requesting their support. If you have not received this letter, please respond to the in-pew commitment process today! 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. Something wonderful happens when we unite ourselves through Christ with others. Over 276,000 people from every suburb and city in Northeast Ohio benefit from their programs and services each year. Please consider a generous gift to the Catholic Charities 2014 Annual Appeal, and please pray for the success of this important Appeal. For stories of inspiration and more information, visit www.catholiccommunity.org/2014Appeal.

CRS Rice Bowl 2014

Will you participate in CRS Rice Bowl, Catholic Relief Services' Lenten program, as a way to encounter Jesus through others, especially through the most vulnerable in our world? Rice Bowls are available in the Church vestibule. Please be sure to take one home and use this form of Lenten penance to deepen your personal or family's Lent to make a difference in the lives of the poor.

Black and Indian Missions Collection

Next weekend, the collection will be taken to support missionaries here in the United States who are evangelizing in the **Black and Indigenous Community**. It is only through the constant generosity of Church members that evangelization efforts among Black and Native American, Eskimo and Aleut communities have been possible for more than one hundred years. Churches and schools in African American and Native American Indian communities depend on the annual evangelization grants to continue their programs and pastoral activities. **Thank you in advance for your prayers and generous support.**

Summaries 2013

Requests for donation summaries may be placed in the collection basket with your name, address, phone number, email, and envelope number or email your request to mospenh@windstream.net or you may call the rectory office at 330-657-2631 with the information.

Weekend of February 23, 2014

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| Sunday Offering | 2,061.45 |
| Church Maintenance | 50.00 |
| Initial Offering (additional) | 2.00 |

Thank you for your generosity!