

Third Sunday of Lent Bulletin Announcements for February 28, 2016

Apostolic Prayers for March 2016

Universal: Families in Difficulty

That families in need may receive the necessary support and that children may grow up in healthy and peaceful environments.

Evangelization: Persecuted Christians

That those Christians who, on account of their faith, are discriminated against or are being persecuted, may remain strong and faithful to the Gospel, thanks to the incessant prayer of the Church.

K of C Fish Fry

The **Knights of Columbus of Holy Family Catholic Church** are holding their **Lenten Fish Fry** each Friday during Lent **thru March 18. Held in the Lower Church Hall of Holy Family Church (3179 Kent Rd., Stow).** Menu items include entrees of Baked Tilapia, Fried Beer Battered Cod, Jumbo Butterfly Shrimp, Mac & Cheese and Cheese Pizza. A choice of any two side dishes are included: French Fries, Hush Puppies, Seasoned Rice, Mac & Cheese, Pierogies, Salad, Cole Slaw, or Veggie Pie. Coffee & Punch are provided along with a Roll and Butter. Bottled water, soft drinks and assorted desserts available at a nominal charge. **Dinners served from 4:30-7pm. Come enjoy a delicious meal and fellowship!**

First Friday Club of Akron

The **First Friday Club of Akron** will meet **Friday, March 4 at Tangier, 532 W. Market St., Akron 44303**, and will feature **students from four area Catholic High Schools** speaking on the topic **“How God has Walked with Me Through High School.”** Archbishop Hoban will be represented by **senior Avery Bable**, daughter of Angelia Bable, members of House of the Lord. Ms. Bable attended National Inventors Hall of Fame Stem Middle School. Our Lady of the Elms will be represented by **senior Alexandra Eicher**, the daughter of Mary and Donald Eicher, and members of St. Basil the Great Catholic Church, Brecksville. Ms. Eicher was home schooled for elementary school. St. Vincent-St. Mary will be represented by **senior Elizabeth Paydo**, the daughter of Ron and Kathleen Paydo, and members of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Wadsworth. Ms. Paydo attended Sacred Heart School. Walsh Jesuit will be represented by **senior Molly Onders**, the daughter of Kathleen Onders, and members of St. Basil the Great Catholic Church. Ms. Onders attended St. Michael School, Brecksville. **Luncheon program is \$20. Doors open at 11am; the program begins at noon; ends promptly at 1pm.** Reservations can be made by **sending a check to the First Friday Club of Greater Akron, 795 Russell Ave., Akron, OH 44307, by calling the office at 330-535-7668, or by visiting www.firstfridayclubofgreaterakron.org, no later than the Monday prior to the program.**

It's Our Turn

“What does it profit, my brethren, if a man says he has faith but has not works? Can his faith save him? If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and in lack of daily food, and one of you says to them, “Go in peace, be warmed and filled,” without giving them the things need for the body, what does it profit? So faith by itself, if it has not works, is dead.” James 2: 14-17. We don't preach to the people who need help at the **Ozanam Center** but we do **help provide for their need of food and clothing.** You can help us do that **March 5**, since that is our next turn. Hope to see you there at **9:30am-2pm.** Call **Cathie or Jim at 330-467-5762** with any questions.

Famous Fish Fry

Come enjoy Visitation of Mary's famous Fish Fry every Friday this Lent (not including Good Friday) from 4:30-7pm. \$9 for adults, \$8.50 for seniors and \$4 for children 12 years & under. Held in the school building cafeteria at 88 Kent St. in East Akron. Excellent menu including baked or fried cod, scalloped potatoes or French fries, Spanish rice, macaroni & cheese, vegetable, cole slaw, coffee, tea & lemonade; Massoli's bread. Desserts and soft drinks also available. See you there!

NFP

Natural Family Planning classes will begin again on **Thursday, March 3.** Come learn the technique and theology behind the only means of family planning approved by the Catholic Church. Whether you are planning your wedding or are married with children, this effective method of family planning has proven to be a great blessing to those who practice it. **For more info on time and location or to register, contact Steve and Julie Mosholder at juliemosholder@gmail.com or 330-554-6770. Your marriage and family will thank you!**

Living with Benedict

The **Benedictine Monks of St. Andrew Abbey** in Cleveland invite **single, Catholic men** between ages 18-45 to their next **Special Lenten “Living with Benedict” monastic experience weekend retreat.** Held **March 4-6** at the abbey (**10510 Buckeye Rd. - near University Circle**). No charge, but reservations needed. **Contact Fr. Finbar at 216-721-5300 x273 or finbar@cbhs.edu.**

2015 Donation Summaries

Requests for donation summaries may be placed in the collection basket with your name, address, phone number, email, and envelope number.

You can vote for your favorite Fish Fry at www.Livingbreadradio.com! And don't forget to listen to AM 1060 to help you grow in your Catholic faith!

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“Sounds of a Bright Future”

Holy Cross Academy Catholic Schools is proud to invite you to the 2nd Annual Benefit Concert featuring the international recording artist, **Ronan Tynan**. Also performing are **The Salvatones** a vocal ensemble from NYC, Directed by Daniel Brondel, St. Patrick’s Cathedral, popular Irish vocalist, **Dana Scallon** will act as Mistress of Ceremonies. It is a packed musical event you won’t want to miss! **Held Monday, March 7, at 7pm (doors open at 6pm) at the Zimmermann Symphony Center/Umstatt Hall (2331 17th St. NW, Canton, OH 44708)**. Ticket prices range from \$35-\$75. Funds raised will benefit the Be A Student’s Friend Scholarship Program & Cultural Arts Programs in the schools. **For group discounts, call Suzanne at 330-526-8366. You can purchase tickets at the Canton Symphony Box Office, by calling 330-452-2094, or at www.cantonsymphony.org.**

2016 First Step Programs

During this Holy Year, the Jubilee of Mercy, we are called to renew our relationship with God and the Church. The First Step Program helps individuals navigate the path of healing and closure and helps anyone learn more about Catholic teaching regarding marriage, divorce, and remarriage. 2016 general meetings schedule: Tuesday, March 8 at St. Peter Parish, Lorain, at 7pm; Thursday, May 19 at St. Noel Parish, Willoughby Hills, at 7pm; Tuesday, September 13 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, Cuyahoga Falls, at 7pm; Tuesday, October 18 at St. Ambrose Parish, Brunswick, at 7pm. Representatives from the Ministry to the Divorced Office of the Department for Marriage and Family Ministry will be present to explain the resources they offer to the divorced. Note that the Diocese of Cleveland no longer requires any fees for this process. Visit www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal or call the Tribunal at 216-696-6525/800-869-6525 x4000 with any questions.

Christ Child Society of Cleveland

Ladies, are you familiar with the Christ Child Society? Would you like to know about us and share our mission? This year we are celebrating our 100th Anniversary in the Diocese of Cleveland. **We are a non-profit organization dedicated to serving at-risk children, in the love and spirit of the Christ Child.** Our purpose is to “foster a personal love of Christ expressing itself in service for needy children regardless of race, color or creed”. If your answer is “perhaps” or “yes”, please come to learn more about The Christ Child Society. You are cordially invited to attend the **Christ Child Society’s Informational Coffee, March 9 at 10:30am, at Parmadale, Cottage #14, 6753 State Rd., Parma, OH 44134.** For reservations or for more info, call, **Annette Gorris at 440-526-6138 or Carol Janas at 440-526-5972.**

Visitation of Mary Parish Lenten Mission

Visitation of Mary Parish Lenten Mission 2016 will be with **Benedictine Abbot Isaac Camacho, OSB** from St. Leo Abbey, St. Leo, Florida. Abbot Isaac will share Lenten reflections on our lives as Catholics in a changing world. Held at Visitation of Mary Parish, **87 Broad St., Akron, OH 44301 on Sunday, March 13 at 5pm, Monday, March 14 at 7pm, Tuesday, March 15 at 7pm.**

Men: Hold the Date!

On Saturday, April 9, the Catholic Men’s Fellowship of Northeast Ohio is holding it’s 16th annual “Answer the Call” conference at the **Holiday Inn Rockside in Independence**, a new more centralized location. The theme of the conference will be “**Being Alive and Well as a Catholic Man**”. Key speakers will be **Father Larry Richards** and **Ralph Martin**. Please visit www.cmfneo.com for more details!

Bringing America Back to Life

The Bringing America Back to Life Convention will be held **March 11 and 12, 2016** at Embassy Suites in Independence, Ohio. For the program schedule, list of speakers, presentations, to register and for more information, visit www.bringingamericabacktolife.org or contact **Kathy** at **440-281-1502** or kathy1@bringingamericabacktolife.org.

Disability Services Summer Camp Employment

Camp Happiness is currently interviewing college students and young professionals to work this summer at our three camp sites located in Wickliffe, Lakewood and Parma. This is a great opportunity to experience a job that is truly one of service and is personally fulfilling. And not to say that they don’t have fun! **Camp Happiness is from June 13-July 29, from 9:30am-3pm (includes one week of training and six weeks of camp).** Visit www.ccdocle.org/disability, or contact **Marilyn Scott**, Program Director of Catholic Charities Disability Services at **216-334-2963** or mjscott@ccdacle.org for more info.

Summer Programs

Did you know that our Diocese offers summer programs for children and adults with disabilities? The summer programs offer respite and provide life-enhancing activities for children and adults in a **Catholic setting**. They are a great way to meet new friends, learn new things and just have fun! If you have a family member with a developmental disability or know someone who does, contact **Dennis McNulty**, Director of Catholic Charities Disability Services, for more information at **216-334-2962** or dmcnulty@ccdacle.org.

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