

Prayer to the Holy Family

O most loving Jesus, Who by Thy sublime and beautiful virtues of humility, obedience, poverty, modesty, charity, patience and gentleness, and by the example of Thy domestic life, didst bless with peace and happiness the family Thou didst choose on earth, in Thy clemency look down upon this household, humbly prostrate before Thee and imploring Thy mercy. Remember that this family belongs to Thee; for to Thee we have in a special way dedicated and devoted ourselves. Look upon us in Thy loving kindness; preserve us from danger; give us help in time of need, and grant us the grace to persevere to the end in the imitation of Thy Holy Family; that having revered Thee and loved Thee faithfully on earth, we may bless and praise Thee eternally in heaven. O Mary, most sweet Mother, to thy intercession we have recourse. knowing that thy Divine Son will hear thy prayers. And do thou, O glorious Patriarch, St. Joseph, assist us by thy powerful mediation, and offer, by the hands of Mary, our prayers to Jesus.

Amen.

Prayer for a Blessing on the New Year

O sacred and adorable Trinity, hear our prayers on behalf of our holy Father the Pope, our Bishops, our clergy, and for all that are in authority over us. Bless, we beseech Thee, during the coming year, the whole Catholic Church: convert heretics and unbelievers; soften the hearts of sinners so that they may return to Thy friendship; give prosperity to our country and peace among the nations of the world; pour down Thy blessings upon our friends, relatives, and acquaintances, and upon our enemies, if we have any; assist the poor and the sick; have pity on the souls of those whom this year has taken from us; and do Thou be merciful to those who during the coming year will be summoned before Thy judgment seat. May all our actions be preceded by Thy inspirations and carried on by Thy assistance, so that all our prayers and works, having been begun in Thee, may likewise be ended through Thee.

Amen. www.catholic.org/prayers/prayer.php?p=78

Touch a life... Become a Hospice Volunteer.

Hospice is a philosophy of care, not a place. We care for our patients wherever they call home. As a vital part of our team volunteers come from all walks of life, and have a variety of skills, talents and abilities. Opportunities to serve are diverse: visit patients and families to provide companionship, socialization, and comfort, help with legacy work, transportation, light housework, meal preparation, run errands, make phone calls, help with clerical work, attend health fairs, make a presentation. Volunteers with specialized professional qualifications and training are also needed: attorneys, licensed hair dressers, Massotherapists, pet therapy dogs and their handlers. Volunteer education is held frequently throughout northern Ohio. Teen and most volunteers not having contact with patients take 4 hours of training while patient care volunteers have 16 hours. For more information, call 800-707-8922 x6881 visit www.hospice.org/volunteer/volunteer-opportunites.

WAREHOUSE SALE

Donations are needed for our next sale, Friday, February 20, 8am-4pm and Saturday, February 21, 9am-3pm at Hospice of the Western Reserve Headquarters, 17876 St. Clair Ave., Cleveland, OH 44110. Proceeds support patients and families of Hospice of the Western Reserve. We are accepting gently used indoor and outdoor furniture, other household items, collectibles, framed artwork, and holiday items. To donate, contact the Warehouse Sale Team at 800-707-8922 x6881.

In Your Charity

Remember in your prayers, Joseph Alfred Focazio, father of parishioner Kenneth (Mary Ann) Focazio and Frank Martin, Father-In-Law of Deacon Edgar Gonzalez (wife, Christine). May Joseph, Frank and all our beloved deceased live for ever in the joy of the Resurrection and may their families and friends be granted consolation. Amen.

Our Lady of the Elms

Join us for the Our Lady of the Elms (1375 W. Exchange St., Akron, OH 44313) All Campus (PK-12) Sunday, January 11 from noon until 2pm. Visit our beautiful 33 acre campus, meet our teachers, and learn how an Elms education will empower your daughter with confidence and a voice. For more info, call 330-836-9384 or visit www.theelms.org.

200 Club!

You are invited to join the Visitation of Mary Parish (formerly Annunciation) 200 Club for 2015 for only \$52 per person for the year! Every month for 8 months (February through September), two lucky people will win \$100 each. Plus in March and again in September, there will be an additional drawing for \$500! Drawings are on the 3rd Friday of every month at the Visitation of Mary rectory. The first drawing will be February 20, 2015. Location for the special \$500 drawings will be announced. Hurry! Numbers are starting to sell! For more information or to sign up, call Jerry at 330-376-9227 or 330-535-4141 x12. Maybe you will be a lucky winner!

Education Program

For over 25 years, the CAEP has provided educational and social skill building for adults with developmental disabilities. Participants enhance their skills in math, reading and history. They also work on the computer, make arts and crafts and have fun making friends, watching movies and having holiday parties! Participants also learn about their local community by going on field trips. Classes meet at OLA/St. Joseph Center (2346 West 14th Street, Cleveland, Ohio). Students provide their own transportation. Tuition is \$88/month with an additional one time material fee of \$60; Medicaid Waivers are accepted and financial assistance may be available. Please contact Marilyn Scott at mjscott@clevelandcatholiccharities.org or at 216-334-2963 to set up an appointment to see if it is the right fit for you!

Please check the vestibule for more information on upcoming events, registration forms, prayer cards, and notices.