



## Parish Schedule and Mass Intentions

**September 23 Saturday** Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest  
**11:30am** Funeral Mass Vincent Michael Terzano-Borovic  
**4:00pm** Sacrament of Reconciliation  
**5:00pm** Mass (Charles "Chic" Tesmer, b. 9/21/1929)

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**September 24 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**8:30am** Mass (People of the Parish)  
**11:00am** Mass (Terese Chillick)

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**September 25 Monday of 24<sup>th</sup> Wkdy in Ordinary Time**  
**8:30am** Mass (Aiden T. Maguire)  
**7:00pm** Bible Study (Church Hall)

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**September 26 Tuesday** Sts. Cosmos and Damian, Martyrs  
**8:30am** Mass (Deacon Frederick F. Giel)

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**September 27 Wednesday** St. Vincent de Paul, Priest  
**6:45 pm** Avilas Prayer Group for Vocations (Church)  
**8:00 pm** AA Meeting (Church Hall)

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**September 28 Thurs.** St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs  
**8:30am** Mass (Kenneth Mako, SJH 1966)

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**September 29 Fri.** Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels  
**8:30am** Mass (Michael A. Monsoor, d. 9/29/2006)

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**September 30 Saturday** St. Jerome, Priest, Dr. of the Church  
**4:00pm** Sacrament of Reconciliation  
**5:00pm** Mass (Giovanni Manes, d. 9/29/1933)

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**October 1 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**8:30am** Mass (People of the Parish)  
**11:00am** Mass (All Souls)

### October Month of the Rosary



*Plan on coming twenty minutes before mass to join in praying the rosary together.*

### In Your Charity

*Please pray for Deacon Frederick F. Giel, Retired, Ordained 1987, husband of Mrs. Mary Ann Giel; Robin Senf, sister of parishioner Ramona (Richard) Lucas. May Frederick, Robin and all who have gone before us in Faith live forever in the joy of the Resurrection. May their family and friends be consoled. Amen.*

### Scriptures for Week of September 24, 2017

<b>Sunday</b>	Is 55:6-9/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a
<b>Monday</b>	Ezr 1:1-6/Lk 8:16-18
<b>Tuesday</b>	Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Lk 8:19-21
<b>Wednesday</b>	Ezr 9:5-9/Lk 9:1-6
<b>Thursday</b>	Hg 1:1-8/Lk 9:7-9
<b>Friday</b>	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Jn 1:47-51
<b>Saturday</b>	Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Lk 9:43b-45
<b>Sunday</b>	Ez18:25-28/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32



*Read and pray scriptures daily.*



## From the Pastor's Desk

On this *Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time* we are told: *The Lord is near to all who call upon him* (Psalm 145:18a). We are also reminded: *Seek the Lord while he may be found, call to him while he is near* (Isaiah 55:6). We may ask the question why to both passages from this Sunday's scripture readings. The answer is found in being open to appreciating that God's ways are not our ways. His ways are of generous and merciful Love. Ways that are to be learned and lived as the way to salvation, as we journey throughout our life. We pray...

*O God, who founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbor, grant that, by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life.*

*Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.*

*Amen.*

*Collect, 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Roman Missal, 3rd Edition*

### Nine Day Novena

*St. Theresa of the Infant Jesus and of the Holy Face at Our Lady of the Cedars of Mt. Lebanon Maronite Catholic Church, 507 S. Cleveland-Massillon Road, Fairlawn, Ohio 44333, telephone 330-666-3598. Novena began Saturday, September 23 and ends on the Feast Day, Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. Devotions begin at 7pm includes blessing with the Relic. Bring or send prayer intentions. Welcome everyone.*

### Please Pray for...



*Ann, Terry Balinski Richard Bennett, Celia Bican, Dennis Babb, Terry Balinski, Logan Boone, Susan Bormet, Johanna Conner, Allan Cook, Frank, Millie Fritz, Tom Gardner, Chris and Laura Gibbs, James Ging, Marilyn Griffith, Angie Grimes, Jennifer Grimes, Crystal Hatzimanolis, Tayha Hostetler, Carol Irving, Jill, Kathleen Jones, Maureen Joyce, Marca Kaplar, Helen Kracker, Carol Leach, Ramona Lucas, Paul Marcene, John McDermott, Megan, Annalisa Menke, Audrey Menke, Menke Family, Bill Misencik, Ashley Munoz, Natalie, Nate, Carroll O'Donnell, Richard Edward and Richard William Parker, Bridget Perez, Michael Phillips, Jacqueline Polcen, Edna Raber, Rita, Bruno Ruppel, Steve Sheets, Miriam Sommers, Stefanie, Stephen Sommer, Shirley Southard, Amy Stephen, Paul Stephen, Bruce Styles, Marla Sliwinski, Patty Tesmer, Laura Tories, Marianne, Stephen, Dylan Trecaso, Mallory Trecaso, Paul Trecaso, Sylvia Trecaso, Patricia Wiatrowski, and all those who are in need of our prayerful support...Amen. (To add or delete a name, call 330-657-2631 or email [mospen@windstream.net](mailto:mospen@windstream.net))*

September 24, 2017  
25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



**“Take what is yours and go. ...  
Are you envious because I am  
generous?”**

—Matthew 20:14-15

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### ***General Intercession***

**For families that will promote generosity and  
gratitude over fairness and envy,  
we pray to the Lord.**

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### ***Family Perspective***

**Today’s gospel contrasts equality with generosity. Often, we think our worth is measured in what we are paid. But this is false—our true worth is not measured by money or possessions. God is generous to us all. Fairness is an important family value. However, families function better by first promoting generosity and gratitude rather than feeding envy by promoting equality and a preoccupation with keeping score.**

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### **Blanket Sunday Coming Soon**

The weekend of October 7-8 marks the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Blanket Sunday Collection to aid the needy. This collection is sponsored by the Diocesan St. Vincent de Paul Society. Due to lack of storage space, we will gratefully accept your donation and do the shopping for you, making your money go even further with bulk purchases of blankets and other items needed by the homeless and disadvantaged. So “blanket” someone for the winter – and give yourself a warm feeling! You may also visit <http://www.svdpcle.org> to donate online.

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### **Akron’s Opioid Epidemic**

Akron Area Interfaith Council’s 2017 Fall Forum “Join the Voices for Recovery: Strengthen Families and Communities” will be held Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-8:30 pm at the Akron Summit County Public Library Main Branch. The program includes “Breaking Barriers—Hope is Alive” by Shelly and Travis Barnstein, the Summit County Opiate Task Force, and Jaime White from IBH Addiction Recovery Center. Free parking is available in the High Street parking deck. The program is co-sponsored by Catholic Charities Diocese of Cleveland.

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## ***There is Hope***

**October is “AWARENESS MONTH” in the Catholic Charities’ Heroin/Opioid Awareness Campaign.** When addiction dominates a family, knowing where to seek help can seem elusive. This Fall awareness campaign’s monthly focus features bulletin blurbs and social media posts on how to break the silence, raise awareness of where to turn for help, and how communities can decrease opioid availability. Look for Catholic Charities supported panel forums near your parish in October. For information on raising awareness of how we can all have an impact, visit the Catholic Charities “Hope and Healing Beyond Heroin” page at [www.ccdcle.org](http://www.ccdcle.org) or the Greater Than Heroin initiative at [www.greaterthanheroin.com](http://www.greaterthanheroin.com).

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### **Hurricane Irma Support**

The Catholic Diocese of Cleveland and dioceses across the country have been asked by the leadership of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to have an emergency collection for those impacted by Hurricane Irma. These funds will be used in the affected areas to support humanitarian aid, assistance with long-term efforts to restore communities after widespread destruction, and for the pastoral and reconstruction needs of the Church in US and Caribbean. There will be a special collection the weekend of September 30 – October 1. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

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### ***Catholic Communication Campaign***

**This weekend, we take up the collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). This collection funds communication of the gospel through Catholic social media activities and enriches our faith through podcasts, television, radio, and print media. Thanking you for your generosity to this collection and support for this important work. Please note, half of your donation stays in our diocese to support local communication needs. The CCC is how we share our experience of faith, worship, and witness.**

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#### ***Weekend of September 17, 2017***

<b>Sunday Offering</b>	<b>2155.10</b>
<b>Monthly Offering</b>	<b>283.00</b>
<b>School of Religion (additional)</b>	<b>300.00</b>
<b>Hurricane Harvey (additional)</b>	<b>145.00</b>

***Thank you for your generous support!***