Sunday, November 29: First Sunday of Advent
Please join us for coffee and doughnuts in the church hall after the 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses
• No PSR/Atrium and No Confirmation preparation today due to Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

Tuesday, December 1: RCIA at 7:00 p.m. in Adult Ed Room (school building). Topic: Our Eternal Destiny

Friday, December 4: First Friday, Eucharistic Adoration after the 12:15 p.m. Mass until 1:45 p.m.

Saturday, December 5: First Saturday – Rosary at 8:00 a.m., Mass at 8:30 a.m.; the Women’s Group will meet at Presti’s from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, December 6: Please join us for coffee and doughnuts in the church hall after the 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Masses.
• PSR/Atrium – 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.
• Confirmation Preparation – 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Adult Confirmation Preparation
We invite anyone who received the Sacraments of Baptism and First Holy Communion, but was not Confirmed, to contact the Parish Office at (216) 421-2995 to register for a Confirmation preparation class on Thursday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday, January 24, 2016, at the 11:00 a.m. Mass at Holy Rosary.

Annual Holy Rosary Christmas Caroling
Friday, December 18th
Please “Save the Date” for Friday, December 18th, at 7:00 p.m. - We invite you to gather in the Church Hall for the annual Family Ministry Christmas Caroling gathering. No special talent is necessary! We sing in the Little Italy neighborhood for the homebound members of our parish — so please dress for the weather!!!
It’s a lot of fun and is a reminder of the true meaning of Christmas. Take a night off from shopping...everyone is welcome! Please bring a friend and a dessert or appetizer to share. We provide the hot cocoa, beverages and songbooks. Questions? Call 216-496-9978.

With Gratitude & Appreciation
Note: Because of the Thanksgiving Holiday and an early deadline for the bulletin publisher, the collection total for November 21-22 will appear in next Sunday’s bulletin.

Faith Direct, November: $6,942.00
Thank you for your generosity.

For information about electronic giving through Faith Direct, visit faithdirect.net. The Parish Code for Holy Rosary is OH473.
My Dear Parish Family,

Anticipation is a lost art in this wireless, technocentric, worldwide culture in which we live. In order to anticipate, one must exercise some degree of patience. I must confess that even I grow impatient if my smartphone takes more than two seconds to refresh the screen after I request information. The rapid evolution of electronic technology has conditioned us to expect faster and faster responses and thus we become more and more impatient. I think this impatience spills over into our general outlook on life. In this way we lose the rich experience of anticipation.

Today we begin the blessed season of Advent. This often overlooked, very short season calls each of us to do just one thing – anticipate. We are called to quietly, humbly, and patiently enter into the mysterious anticipation of the coming of the Messiah we hear about in the prophets we hear proclaimed during these few weeks. We are called to put ourselves in the place of ancient Israel and empathize with their longing for the promised one, year after year, century after century. We are also called, as we hear in today’s Gospel, to anticipate with equal longing the second coming of our Lord Jesus Christ when humanity’s time on earth has come to an end. To anticipate well, we must make some deliberate changes in our activity to find time each day for quiet reflection. You cannot anticipate without taking time to focus on the object of your hope.

The anticipation of the type we are called to is filled not with fear, but with hope. Too often people get hung up on the destruction foretold in today’s Gospel. That is anticipating with fear, fear of punishment. Anticipating with hope means we hear the promise to believers, “But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand.”

During this short but holy season of Advent may we carve out time from our shopping, cooking and traveling to enter into the mystery of anticipating the celebration of Christ’s incarnation and His ultimate “coming in a cloud with power and great glory.” This may take a little special effort because, you see, there is no app for your smartphone that will do this for you.

Peace of Christ,
Deacon Bruce

Newman Campus Ministry
Honeybaked Ham Sale!

Two ways to order: Sign up to participate in our online Honeybaked Ham Sale or have your holiday Honeybaked Ham delivered to Holy Rosary for pick-up between 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 23!!!

This year, fundraising will be through gift cards you can purchase online. They will be mailed directly to your home and make great holiday gifts for friends, family, colleagues and customers. Newman will receive 20% of the purchase price. Here is the link: https://honeybakedfundraiser.sbgiftcards.com/retreat-and-service-scholarship-fund/.

Order forms for December 23 will be available via email after Thanksgiving or at Masses on December 5 and 6. Your order with cash or check is due Monday, December 7.

Advent Angel Tree Project And Opportunity to Assist Displaced Christians in the Middle East

This year there are two opportunities for you to participate in our Advent Angel Tree project:

1. We will again assist the St. Philip Neri Family Center collect donations of new toys or clothing for children ranging in age from six months to seventeen years. Please see the information table next to the Angel for gift ideas. There is no set price range. Please bring your gifts to the Church Hall no later than Sunday, December 13 at Noon. Please do not wrap your gifts. Monetary donations or checks may be made payable to “Catholic Charities St. Philip Neri Family Center, memo: Christmas Shop.”

2. The Knights of Columbus are collecting donations to aid persecuted Christians in the Middle East. Melkite Catholic Archbishop Jean-Clement Jeanbart of Aleppo, Syria, and Chaldean Catholic Archbishop Bashar Matti Warda, C.Ss.R. of Erbil, Iraq, met in August in Philadelphia to express their thanks to the Knights for their support and prayers. Christians are being killed and kidnapped, houses destroyed, churches and convents invaded. Those wishing to assist with relief efforts can make a monetary donation in the envelopes provided next to the Angel Tree. Checks can be made payable to “Holy Rosary” and the memo line should read “Christian Refugee Relief.” 100% of all donations directly supports humanitarian assistance of persecuted Christians and religious minorities.

Monetary donations may be placed in the envelopes provided and dropped into the basket in church, the offertory basket or delivered to the Parish Office during business hours. Thank you for your generosity.
**Are you interested in the Catholic Faith?**
We invite you to learn what the Church teaches and be introduced to some of our parish members. These also are opportunities for you, and others that you may wish to invite, to ask those perplexing and difficult questions you may have about the Church. These gatherings are for inquirers and are open to those who are not baptized, as well as those who are baptized Christians from Protestant or Evangelical backgrounds, or baptized Catholic but have not received Eucharist and Confirmation.

The sessions are Tuesday evenings from 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. in the Adult Ed Room of the school located next to Holy Rosary Church. Please contact Father Joseph Previte or Anne DeMarco if you have questions or would like further information at 216-421-2995.

**Upcoming Topics:**
December 1 – Our Eternal Destiny
December 8 – Social Justice

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**Are You Registered at Holy Rosary?**
If you are attending Mass at Holy Rosary and have not registered, we invite you to call or stop by the Parish Office during business hours to register. We look forward to officially welcoming you! (216) 421-2995.

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**Amahl and the Night Visitors**

**Cleveland Opera Performance at Holy Rosary Church**
Saturday, December 19
at 7:00 p.m. Save the Date!

Celebrate the Christmas season with Gian Carlo Menotti’s classic holiday opera, *Amahl and the Night Visitors*, about a boy, Amahl, who can walk only with a crutch. He lives with his mother in Bethlehem in the first century. They receive visitors, three kings from a far-away land, on a journey to meet a newborn child. What happens next? Well, you’ll have to be there to find out! Admission to this production is free, and monetary donations will be accepted to benefit the City Mission.

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**The Holy Rosary Capital Campaign Continues...**

**Continuing the Tradition**

**PARISH GOAL:** $1,300,000.00
**Pledges Made to date:** $1,104,283.85
**Payments Made to date:** $866,902.78

We are grateful for the sacrificial pledges and payments made by parish families and friends who believe in *Continuing the Tradition* that is Holy Rosary Parish. If interested in making a pledge or one-time contribution, please call (216) 421-2995. Payments may also be made automatically through Faith Direct. Thank you for your generosity and prayers.

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**Stitch Ministry**
The Holy Rosary Stitch Ministry invites you to drop in at the Church Hall on the second Thursday of the month from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to work on projects. Choose one of our collected patterns or use your own favorite. Whether you drop in on Thursdays or work on your own at home, you can drop off your finished items and yarn donations in the specially marked box in the church hall or at the parish office. Thank you!

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**Holy Rosary Women’s Group**
MEETS MONTHLY ON FIRST SATURDAY

The women of Holy Rosary are invited to join together each First Saturday of the month to pray the Rosary at 8:00 a.m., for Mass at 8:30 a.m. and then we will meet at Prest’s for some coffee and a discussion on how to more consciously live our faith, grow spiritually, and form supportive friendships within our parish community. We have begun reading Sacred Fire: A Vision for a Deeper Human and Spiritual Maturity by Ronald Rolheiser and will discuss chapter 3 on Saturday, December 5th. Questions? Please call Tammy at 216-421-2995, ext. 18. All ages are welcome!

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**Pray for those in the military, law enforcement & firefighters**

- Third District Cleveland Police • Battalion 1 Cleveland Firefighters • City of Bedford Safety Forces
- Firefighter Nicholas Angie, Kirtland • First Lieut. Timothy Berger, Marines • Sgt. Dan Clementi, Shaker Hts. Police Dept.
- Ret. Frank DiPenti, Marines • SFC Daniel Geraci Elliott • Lt. Guy Estergall, Cleveland Fire Dept. • Patrol Officer Christopher Frato, Jr., Shaker Hts. • Firefighter Joseph Frato, Akron • Cpl. Aaron Gobidas, Marines • Ryan Gvora, Mayfield Hts Firefighter
- A1C Stevan Previte, Air Force • Joseph Della Rosa, U.S. Coast Guard • Captain Jonathan Royer, Marines • Firefighter Michael Scabbo, Bedford • Matthew Scalisi, Cleveland Clinic Police Dept.
- Deputy Rtx Smith, Minnehaha County, SD • Mark Stack, Marine Reserves & Lorain Firefighter • Patrol Officer Matthew Sustarsic

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**Retirement Fund For Religious Collection**
The Retirement Fund for Religious, begun in 1988 by the National Catholic Conference of United States Bishops, is an effort to assist religious communities to meet the needs of their elderly members. This year’s collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious will be on the weekend of December 5-6, 2015.

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**Christmas with the Daughters of St. Paul Choir at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist**

Friday, December 4 at 7:00 p.m.

The Daughters of St. Paul Choir under the direction of Sr. Bridget Ellis FSP, known for their fresh arrangements of time-honored classics, presents well-loved carols and holiday favorites combining a heartwarming collection of both lively and moving songs that celebrate the glory, wonder and joy of the Christmas season. Free Concert (no tickets, no reservations) Free secure parking in the Cathedral garage on Rockwell Avenue at E. 9th Street.
PRAYER INTENTIONS:
Please keep the following individuals and their caregivers in your prayers.

Karen Algro
Jim Anderson
Danny Antonacci
Michael Antonacci
Michael Antonacci, Jr.
Judy Barnhart
Karina Bellassai
Susan Bartelett
Betty Bierut
Gabriella Bogardy
Susan Borgmann
Lisa Boyd
Eleanor Ann Bramante
Joanne Burns
Stacey Burnette
William Carson Family
Ebe Chamberlin
Jose Christofano
Marie Cilenti
Patricia Cornacchione
Ethan Cox
Jackie Crabi
Michael P. Curran
Dawn Darcangelo
Mary D’Angelo
Frank DiLillo
Sadie Falorio
Alison Feighan
John Feighan
Peggy Fischer
Deacon Stan Fulton
Maureen Gannon
Anthony Gatto
Jackie Gallagher
George
Nick Grasso
Marilyn Hanlon
Ron Hanlon
Anton Hannaford
Terri Hannaford
Cathy Heimburger
Laurie Hemsot
Michalina Hovecar
Frank Horvath
Aileen Hyden
Albert Jann
Josie Falorio Kulus
Rose LaMattina
Salvatore C. Lamont
Wendy Lindley
Lida
James Malatesa
Morgan Maloney
Bobby Mandato
Ron Mandato
Robert Manion
Anne Manno
Brian Martin
Denise Martinez
Harry McNally
George Mertel
Joseph Monaco
Gus Nahra
Anthony Nunziata
Nancy Olah
Mark Peck
Danielle Pelesci
Michael Peluso
Emily Pinzone
Shane Prichard
Ray
Alexis Renick
Holly Renick
Gretnchen Richmond
Susan Royer
Bob S.
John Sabetta
Donnie Sack
Joann Sack
Donnie Sack
Anthony Sanzo
Ron Sanzo
Tom Satyshur
Antonino Scarpeti
Charles Skripko
Michael J. Spena
Joe E. Strumbly
Carole Tagg
Karyn Thomas
Jeff Vandermeulen
Cordelia Willets
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***This Week’s Schedule***

Monday, November 30, 5:45 p.m. - Labre Homeless Outreach brings food, friendship to those living outdoors. Please contact Labreinfo@case.edu.

Tuesday, December 1 and Wednesday, December 2 – Fair Trade Sale from 10:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. in Nord Hall - A chance to help farmers and artisans from Central America earn a living wage while raising money for Catholic Relief Services and Newman! Whether you have 30 minutes or 2 hours, you are welcome to be a part of this effort. Contact Sharon to volunteer!!

Tuesday, December 1, 6:15 p.m. Lectio Divina Bible Prayer group meets in the IFC. Please contact Peter Liao at pl21@case.edu for more info.

Wednesday, December 2, 7:00 p.m. at Ursuline College “Bearing Witness: the Living Legacy of the Churchwomen of El Salvador.” Our own Newman Co-President, Abby Walker, will be playing the role of CWRU alumna & martyr Jean Donovan. Sharon will be leaving the IFC at 6:15 p.m. and would be happy to provide a ride. Just let her know at sxb671@case.edu.

Thursday, December 3, 5:00 p.m. - Advent Lessons & Carols in Amasa Stone Chapel. Join Newman & UPCaM for this ecumenical celebration of Scripture and song. Christmas cookies, hot cocoa, cider, and tea to follow! Contact sxb671@case.edu to volunteer to help!

***Upcoming Events***

Don’t miss our Newman Christmas Party!! Join us in the Parish Hall immediately after the 8:00 p.m. Holy Day Mass on Tuesday, December 8. We will have stromboli & cookies from Presti’s to fortify you for exams.

Bulletin Submissions may be sent to tmoore@holy-rosary.org before Monday at 5:00 p.m., or 216-421-2995, ext. 18. See the parish website: www.holy-rosary.org