Upcoming Parish Events

Sunday, October 15: • Coffee/Donuts in the church hall following the Sunday morning Masses.
• PSR/Atrium, 9:30 a.m. and Confirmation Preparation, 11:15 a.m.

Tuesday, October 17: • RCIA, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. (church hall)
Topic: Hebrew Scriptures.

Wednesday, October 18: Confession, from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 21: Men’s Ministry – Rosary and Morning Prayer at 8:00 a.m. in Church. Meeting to follow.

Sunday, October 22: • Coffee/Donuts in the church hall following the Sunday morning Masses.
• PSR/Atrium 9:30 a.m and Confirmation Preparation, 11:15 a.m.

Dear Parish Family,

Thank you to all who made our 125th Anniversary celebration last weekend, so special. First, we thank those who sponsored our events with generous contributions. For all those who worked on the Gala, which was enjoyed by all; for those who helped with the receptions on our Feast Day and Sunday, which were wonderful as well and for all those who baked or prepared food for us to enjoy. A special thank you to Bishop Perez and Bishop Pilla for honoring us with their presence and kind words. To the Music Ministry and all those who made our liturgies special and prayerful. To all those who work behind the scenes to make sure everything ran smoothly. Finally, to all who participated in the celebrations in any way. Your presence is a testament to your love of God and the parish community. May our Blessed Mother continue to guide and protect us.

Fr. Joe Previte

WEDDING BANNS

III Samantha Mastantuono & Joshua Zippay
III Alexandra Ricca & Richard Yarborough
III Julie Murray & Rytas Petraitis
I Maria Tripodo & Kyle Deal

LITURGICAL MINISTERS for October 21-22

Lectors:
5:00 p.m. Therese Kastelic
8:30 a.m. Steve Eyerman
11:00 a.m. Eric Seddon
8:00 p.m. Ed Occhionero

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:
5:00 p.m. Tom Kastelic, Dan Gordon, Frank DiFranco
8:30 a.m. Chris Trolta, Susan Royer
11:00 a.m. Anna Battista, Terri Occhionero
8:00 p.m. Rose Spena, Heather & Dave Pindel

Altar Servers:
5:00 p.m. F. DiFranco, T. Kastelic
8:30 a.m. S. Eyerman, M. Trentanelli
11:00 a.m. C. Martin, O. Seddon
8:00 p.m. R. Spena, J. Moore

With Gratitude & Appreciation
Offertory, October 7-8: $4,879.50

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My Dear Parish Family:

Have you ever thought what life will be like in heaven? Week after week, day after day during the celebration of Mass, we pray for those who have died, for their eternal happiness and peace in the glory of God’s Kingdom. Books have been written and movies produced about this very subject – life after death. We don’t really know the validity of these accounts, but we do know what has been promised to us by God.

Today’s readings the central theme seems to focus on a heavenly banquet. Isaiah sees heaven as a place where death is destroyed: no longer will pain and evil exist; no longer will tears fall upon those who suffered because of abortion, sex trafficking, abuse, poverty, … the list continues. The veil that has blurred our vision or concealed our ignorance that allows these cruelties, will be obliterated.

In Matthew’s Gospel, Jesus’ speaks of a heavenly banquet focused on God’s Kingdom beginning here and now. The parable tells us that people were invited to the banquet but did not come, or those who did, were not dressed properly, meaning that they were not properly disposed so they were rejected. Others were gathered and filled the banquet hall. Who were they? We probably would be surprised to see among the guests a mother who aborted her child, or the young boy and girl prostituting themselves on the streets, or a neighbor suffering from addiction, or even a family who some would judge to be dysfunctional. They were and still are the most vulnerable and ignored among us. We sometimes judge what we perceive to be real, and not from what God knows to be true. God knows each child who is exploited and stripped of all self-worth in the evil of sex trafficking throughout the world, and yes, even in Cleveland Ohio. God shows mercy to the mother who aborted her baby and now is repentant as she suffers the pain of her action. God recognizes the family struggling to find healing from the entanglement and anguish of domestic abuse, and places His arms around the addict who now prays to remain sober each waking moment. These are the guests at the banquet table of our Lord, the men, women and children who have come to know our heavenly Father’s love, mercy and generosity and said “yes” to His invitation.

What about you and me? If we were to encounter Jesus, in person, right here and now, would we be like Saint Paul filled with thanksgiving to God for His mercy and love, or would we have some excuse and ignore this life-giving, life-saving invitation? We really cannot wait for the tomorrows to eradicate that which prevents us from putting on the proper attire bearing humility, gratitude and love for all we have received and, in turn share these gifts with those He chooses to place in our path.

What is heaven like? I only know that when I am processing to receive the Blessed Sacrament and am among my family, fellow parishioners and friends, and especially the many adults who entered the Church through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults process, we are all in communion and sharing a bit of heaven. That’s what heaven must be like, regardless of our personal histories, we changed our lives, gave ourselves to our Creator and together share in the fullness of His Kingdom.

In Christ,
Anne De Marco, Pastoral Minister

125th Anniversary of Holy Rosary Parish
Mille Grazie! The Gala Committee thanks all those who contributed in so many ways to celebrate our parish community last weekend! Thank you.

Parish School of Religion and Confirmation Preparation Sessions begin October 15th.
If you have not yet registered your child for Religious Formation, please do so as soon as possible, 216-421-2995.

Sunday, October 15: Religious Formation begins in Atrium from 9:30-11:00 a.m. (Third floor of the Parish Center). Confirmation Preparation for 7th and 8th graders and their parents from 11:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. (Third Floor of the Parish Center).

Holy Rosary Lectors:
Now is the time to place your order for the 2017-2018 Lector’s Workbook. Know that the entire congregation appreciates your prayerful efforts in preparing to deliver the Word of God to them at the Sunday Liturgy. The readings always take on more meaning when the Lector knows and understands the mind and heart of the inspired writer. Call the office at 216-421-2995.
Cost: $15.00. Orders will be placed on October 23.

2018 Mass Intentions
We invite parishioners to request Mass intentions for 2018 beginning on Monday, October 16th. Each family may initially request three Mass intentions: one Sunday and two weekday Masses. The suggested donation is $10.00 per Mass. Please call or stop in the office at any time during business hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., or Thursday, Friday, Saturday, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Please note that on weekdays, the office is closed for lunch from 12:15 to 1:15 p.m.) Questions? Please call (216) 421-2995.
Women’s Ministry – Little Rock Scripture Study
The Women’s Ministry meets on the First Saturday of each month at 8:10 a.m. for the Rosary, 8:30 a.m. Mass, followed by coffee and discussion. We invite women of all ages to join us as we next meet on November 4th and will begin reading and discussing Paul’s Letters using the Little Rock Scripture Study. The workbook is $16.00. If you are interested in participating in the Scripture study, please call 216-421-2995 or send email to tmoore@holy-rosary.org. In addition to meeting on First Saturday, we plan to add a second monthly discussion on a weekday. Details to follow!

Holy Rosary Culture of Life Ministry
• Each Wednesday, members of the Culture of Life Committee will meet to pray in front of Preterm, as part of 40 Days for Life. Meet in the parking lot of Perfect Peace Baptist Church, 12001 Shaker Blvd. (westbound side) at 5:55 p.m. to walk over to Preterm to pray from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Other local Pro-Life events:
• Oktoberfest to Support WomanKind: Friday, October 20, 6:30-11:00 p.m., Slovenian Society Home. Casual Attire, beer and wine included, traditional German food and dancing. Info: call Nancy Ilg at 216-662-5700.
• Choose Life Banquet and Fund Raiser to benefit LifeWorks Ohio; Friday, November 3, 2017, 6:15 p.m., Windows on the River; Speaker: Dr. William Lile “God’s Miracle of Life” and special recognition for Most Reverend Roger W. Gries, O.S.B. Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Cleveland. Info: www.lifeworks ohio.org. RSVP by October 30.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
If you have not been baptized, were baptized in another Christian tradition, or a baptized Catholic in need of First Communion and Confirmation, please come and join us on Tuesdays from 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Holy Rosary Church Hall. For more information, please contact Father Joseph Previte or Anne De Marco at the Holy Rosary Parish Office at (216) 421-2995. This week’s topic: Hebrew Scriptures

The Holy Rosary Capital Campaign
PARISH GOAL: $1,300,000.00
Pledges Made to date: $1,377,638.18
Payments Made to date: $1,366,293.18
We are grateful for the sacrificial payments made by parish families and friends who believe in Continuing the Tradition that is Holy Rosary parish. If interested in making a contribution, please call the Office at 216-421-2995. Payments may also be made through Faith Direct at www.faithdirect.com.
Thank you for your prayers & generosity!

2nd Cleveland Divine Mercy Medicine, Bioethics and Spirituality Conference
October 26-27 at St. Albert the Great Church, 6667 Wallings Road, North Royalton, OH 44133. The Most Reverend Roger Gries, Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus will celebrate the opening Mass. To register: TheDivineMercy.org/cleveland or 1-800-462-7426. 15.25 CEUs for Social workers and Pastoral Care; 15.25 CMEs for Physicians and Nurses.

From September 27 to November 5, you’re invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting, for an end to abortion and to stand and peacefully pray anytime between 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. during the 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Preterm at 12000 Shaker Boulevard, Cleveland 44120, or Planned Parenthood in Bedford Heights or Family Planning in Painesville. Please help spread the word about this important community outreach. Contact John Noall at clevelandpraysforlife@gmail.com or 216-245-9744.

Men’s Ministry
Men of all ages are welcome to gather for Morning Prayer and the Rosary at 8:00 a.m. on the third Saturday of each month. Please join us on October 21st in the church, followed by coffee and conversation in the church hall. For info, call Fred at 216-321-4596.

The 125th Anniversary of Holy Rosary parish by purchasing and wearing one of the specially designed anniversary polo shirts. They make great gifts and commemorate a milestone anniversary! Available in a variety of sizes and colors (navy blue, royal blue, black or hunter green). Please stop by to make a purchase in the church hall following the Sunday morning Masses (from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.) Price: $20.0- for S-M-L or $25.00 for XL and XXL.

Pray for All Those in the Military, Law Enforcement & Firefighters
• Third District Cleveland Police • Battalion I Cleveland Firefighters
• Firefighter Nicholas Angie, Euclid • First Lieut. Timothy Berger, Marines • Sgt. Dan Clementi, Shaker Hts. Police Dept.
• Basic Patrol Officer Danny Clementi, Cleveland Heights Police Dept. • First Lieut. Evan Campbell, Marines • Rct. Frank DiPenti, Marines • SFC Daniel Geraci Elliott • Patrol Officer Christopher Frato, Jr., Euclid • Firefighter Joseph Frato, Euclid • Ryan Gvora, Mayfield Hts. Firefighter • R.J. Harmon, Willoughby Hills Police Dept. • William Madan, Mayfield Hts. Firefighter • Nicholas Mandato, Air Force • Sgt. Miles McGreehan, U.S. Army Reserve • Sgt. James Mixon • Sgt. Sean Moriarty, U.S. Army • Lt. Kevin Owens, Beachwood Police Dept. • SrA 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 Rex Smith, Minnehaha County, SD • Mark Stack, Marine Reserves & Lorain Firefighter • Patrol Officer Matthew Sustarsic • Sgt. Ralph Valentino, Cleveland Police Dept.

125th Anniversary Polo Shirts for Sale
PRAYER INTENTIONS: Please keep the following individuals and their caregivers in your prayers. Names will remain on the list for one year. If you wish to add a name to the list, please call the Parish Office at (216) 421-2995.

Jim Anderson  
Michael Antonacci, Jr.  
Jim Bindas  
Adrian Blondet Villacorta  
Joy Buckholtz  
Michael K. Buckholtz  
Joanne Burns  
Stacey Burnette  
Ebe Chamberlin  
Patricia Cornacchione  
Gabe Council  
Keith Davis  
Celeste DiCillo  
Mary DiGeronimo  
Victor DiGeronimo  
Sadie Falorio  
John Favorite  
John Feighan  
Marie Fiori  
Mary Fiorilli  
Venita Fratantonio  
Anthony Gatto  
Jackie Gallagher  
Gino Gentile  
Joe Giancola  
Florencio Gomez  
Nick Grasso  
Chris Gruttadaria  
Nate Hanna  
Anton Hannaford  
Terri Hannaford  
Cathy Heimburger  
Laurie Hemsoth  
Michalina Hocevar  
Bernadette Iacobucci  
Albert Jann  
Jaynannne Kaposstasy  
Rose LaMattina  
Salvatore C. Lamont  
Robert Lay  
Antoinette Malatesta  
James Malatesta  
Morgan Maloney  
Bobby Mandato  
Ron Mandato  
Denise Martinez  
Harry McNally  
Melinda & Steve  
Patrick McKinnney  
George Mertel  
Joseph Monaco  
Gus Nahra  
Anthony Nunziata  
Nancy Olah  
Mark Peck  
Danielle Pelesec  
Michael Peluso  
Emily Pinzone  
Shane Prichard  
Patrick Pronio  
Susan Restifo  
Gretchen Richmond  
Susan Rober  
John Sabetta  
Antonino Scarpeti  
Charles Skripko  
Jim Slavors  
Cheryl Sweitzer  
Karyn Thomas  
Margaret Trenkamp  
Eris O’Brien Tuttle  
Johnny Vorobel  
Donald Worthington

This Week’s Schedule:

Monday, October 16 || Labre Project: This is a fantastic and transformative ministry to the homeless in which all Case, CIM, and CIA students are welcome to get involved. Spots are starting to fill up ahead of time, so if you would like to get involved with this great project, don’t hesitate to sign up! If you want to get involved next week or another time further down the road, send an email to Sam Poplar (slp84@case.edu) and she’ll get you the information you need!

Tuesday, October 17, 6:15 p.m. at the IFC || Lectio Divina Bible Study: We are expecting many of the grad students and young adults from the Theology on Tap community to be joining us this week. There’s never been a better time to give this group a shot! Contact Peter Liao (plia21@case.edu) if you want to join this week!

Thursday, October 19, 6:00 p.m. at Holy Rosary || Game Night: Knowing that this is midterms week, and a crazy busy week for a lot of our students, we decided to make Newman Night this week, an opportunity for you all to decompress toward the end of such a taxing week! With that said, this week, instead of Newman Night, we’ll be having a game night! We’ll provide plenty of pizza and games, but bring some of your favorite snacks and games as well! Don’t hesitate to invite friends to join too!

Coming Up:

November 12th-16th: “Authentic Self” Busy Student Retreat: This is a retreat specifically designed for our students who are unable to take days at a time to go on retreat. Our Busy Student Retreat will focus on the theme of your “Authentic Self,” and in it, our students will meet with one of our phenomenal spiritual directors for about one hour Monday-Thursday. If you’ve never tried spiritual direction, this is a great way to see how fruitful it can be! Sign up forms will be available this week in the IFC or can be emailed to you upon request. Deadline to sign up will be Friday, November 3rd!

East Cleveland Community Meals – Parish Help Needed!

On behalf of the Newman Campus Ministry, help is needed from parishioners and students in preparing and serving meals monthly for the East Cleveland Community Center. Please contact Anne DeMarco at the Parish Office at 216-421-2995 or email Julia O’Brien at jao47@case.edu. Thank you.

Are You a Registered Parishioner?

If you have been attending Mass at Holy Rosary but haven’t yet registered, please call the Parish Office at (216) 421-2995. We look forward to officially welcoming you to Holy Rosary!