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Since 1848, this historic Cathedral Church in the middle of Cleveland's civic center has served Catholics and the wider community of Cleveland as a prayerful oasis and spiritual home. As the Bishop's Church, the Cathedral is the "Mother Church" for over 710,000 Catholics in the Diocese of Cleveland. All are welcome! Your generous support is very much appreciated.

Schedule

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Feb. 22-26 Masses:

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21 FEBRUARY 2021 - LENT I

SATURDAY, 20 FEBRUARY 2021

Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32

7:15 John Gallagher

4:30 People of the Cathedral Parish

4:30 pm Combined Celebration of
the Rite of Election & Call to
Continuing Conversion



SUNDAY, 21 FEBRUARY 2021

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Gn 9:8-15; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

PIC Collection

MONDAY, 22 FEBRUARY 2021

CHAIR OF ST. PETER THE APOSTLE

1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19

7:15 Joseph Bonadio

12:00 Intention of Henry Jochum

Richie Marini

6:30 pm Centering Prayer

TUESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2021

ST. POLYCARP

Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15

7:15 Intention of Carol Chappell

12:00 Patrick DeSouza

5:10 Int. of Deacon Richard Woods

6:00 pm RCIA

WEDNESDAY, 24 FEBRUARY 2021

Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32

7:15 Intention of Living & Deceased of
the Edwin & Helen Eink Family

12:00 Dorothy Vapenik
Deceased of the Naphtali Family

THURSDAY, 25 FEBRUARY 2021

Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7:7-15

7:15 Christine Serra

12:00 Christ Child Society: Dorothy
Kazel, Samuel P. Gerace Sr,
Susan Balog, Ann Bell, Gordon
M. Pratt, Ruth Kerosky

Poor Souls

FRIDAY, 26 FEBRUARY 2021 ☞

Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26

7:15 John Kralik

12:00 Andreas Argyropoulos

Ricardo Saloman Marini

5:10 pm Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, 27 FEBRUARY 2021

Dt 26:16-19; Mt 5:43-48

Blaine Hylton

4:30 People of the Cathedral Parish

SUNDAY, 28 FEBRUARY 2021

*Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Rom 8:31b-34;
Mk 9:2-10*

TURN FROM SIN
AND BE FAITHFUL TO THE GOSPEL

Most Reverend Edward C. Malesic
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Most Reverend Anthony M. Pilla, *Bishop Emeritus*
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OUR CATHEDRAL MISSION is to provide all people with access to the saving love of God through Word, Sacraments, and a community of justice and love, that empowered by the Holy Spirit, we might all become beloved disciples of Jesus Christ, living and inviting others to a holy and abundant life.

CATHEDRAL PARISH MEMBERSHIP

February: 1,144 households, 1,848 individuals

PARISH FINANCES

OFFERTORY COLLECTION	\$3,308
(Sunday, February 14, 2021)	
WEEKDAY (Feb. 8-15)	\$246
MAIL	\$689
CREDIT CARD	\$2,856
WEEKLY TOTAL	\$7,129
OFFERTORY RECOVERY TO DATE	\$58,213

THANK YOU!

FISCAL YEAR BUDGET	\$376,035
(\$11,395 x 33 weeks)	
FISCAL YEAR COLLECTION	\$274,480
TOTAL OVER (UNDER)	(\$101,555)

**Your financial support
 of the ministries of the Cathedral
 by mail and on-line are also very much
 appreciated at this time.**

Dear Parishioners and Friends of the Cathedral,

This week, I am going to take a slight deviation from my usual column, to talk about an initiative in which the Diocese of Cleveland has asked all the parishes to participate. It is being conducted by the Catholic Leadership Institute and we need your help to complete it.



We are asking as many people as possible to participate by completing a 10-15 minute survey online. The survey can be accessed through an online link below or by using the paper copies available by the doors of the Church.

< <https://saintjohncathedral.com/survey> >



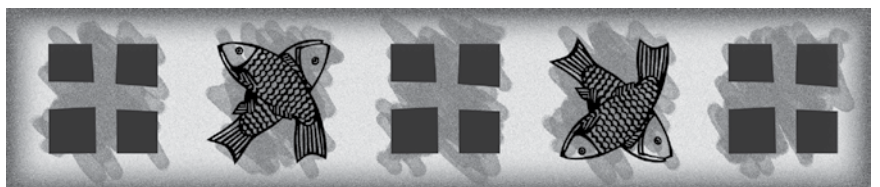
The survey will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on our parish's efforts to help you grow. All responses will be confidential, and the parish will only receive information about the community as whole.

We are trying to get the highest response rate possible. This information will be helpful to our various ministries as we plan for the future and strive to be the best disciples we can be. We will receive the results this spring/summer at which time we will share what we have learned with the entire parish.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the parish office.

Thank you for helping with this important project!

Father Sean Ralph



TRENDING

**FAITH ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**First Sunday of Lent
The Rite of Election of Catechumens
and the Call to Continuing Conversion of Candidates**

This weekend, our community and their sponsors are celebrating this combined Rite for our catechumens and candidate. This is the next step on their journey to being received into full communion of the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. "Let us pray to the Lord for them and for ourselves, that we may be renewed by one another's efforts and together come to share the joys of Easter." (RCIA, 350.)

Lent is here! Traditionally, as Catholics, prayer, fasting, and almsgiving quickly come to mind! Each of these can enrich our faith and strengthen our discipleship. It's good to have a plan for doing as well as a plan for being. Be prepared for those plans to change as you become more attentive to God's voice. As promised last week, below are some online opportunities to enrich your Lenten journey.

Faith Formation Opportunities for the Lenten Season

- From Formed, go to
< <https://saintjohncathedral.com/lenten-faith-enrichment> >
- From the Cathedral of St John, go to
< <https://saintjohncathedral.com/lent> >
- Digital Devotions for the Cathedral of St John, go to
< <https://saintjohncathedral.com/digital-devotions> >

Take Time to Pause and Reflect:

- O Lord Jesus Christ, open the eyes of my heart that I may hear your Word, and understand and do your will, for I am a sojourner upon the Earth. Hide not your commandments from me, but open my eyes, that I may perceive the wonders of your Law. Speak unto me the hidden and secret things of your wisdom. On you do I set my hope, O my God, that you shall enlighten my mind and understanding with the light of your knowledge; not only to cherish those things which are written, but to do them; For you are the enlightenment of those who lie in darkness, and from you comes every good deed and every gift. Amen.
~ St. John Chrysostom
- To let the moment teach us, we must allow ourselves to be at least slightly stunned by it until it draws inward and upward, toward a subtle experience of wonder. We normally need a single moment of gratuitous awe to get us started — and such moments are the only solid foundation for the entire religious instinct and journey.
~Richard Rohr, *Daily Meditations*
- God will always lovingly wait.
~ Chris Padgett, *I'm not Ok. You're not OK. But it's OK!*
- The universe is God's creative project, filled with beauty, opportunity, challenge, and meaning. It runs on the meaning or pattern we see embodied in the life of Jesus. Newness multiplies. Freedom grows. Meaning expands. Wisdom flows. Healing happens. Goodness runs wild.
~Brian McLaren

Are you aware that the Cathedral has a Facebook page? You'll find announcements from the parish as well as opportunities for spiritual inspiration. We invite you to join the group! < <https://saintjohncathedral.com/facebook> >.

Online resources from Formed.org: Not registered yet? It's easy. Go to our website, look on the right-hand side close to the bottom and you will see "Click here to sign up for free or login to view content."

Be safe, be healthy, and be holy!
Questions, comments, suggestions?
Email < capperson@dioceseofcleveland.org >

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† Please join in the celebration of
Weekday & Sunday Mass online at:

<http://SaintJohnCathedral.com/streaming>
at the times marked above with a cross.

*Please be aware that if you are in attendance in the
Cathedral at that time, you may appear in the broadcast.*

■ ■ ■ **LENT 2021** ■ ■ ■

WEEKDAY MORNING MASS - During the season of Lent, the Cathedral has resumed 6:30-7:00 am Confessions and 7:15 am Mass, on weekdays, Monday-Friday.

THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be prayed each Friday of Lent at 5:10 pm.

DAILY MEDITATIONS FOR LENT - Copies of daily meditations for Lent from "*The Word Among Us*" are available at the doors of the Cathedral. Please feel free to take a copy for your personal prayer.

OPERATION RICE BOWL funds poverty and hunger alleviation programs, both locally and internationally. Pick up a "Rice Bowl" in the church. Details on page 4.

ABSTINENCE - The Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years and older.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR - The Cleveland



Chapter #733 of the Knights of Columbus is conducting a food drive during the month of February. All donations will be provided to the St. Augustine Hunger Center.

Drop off your donation of canned goods, cash, or gift card at the Knights Center Parking Lot, 2132 East 9th Street (adjacent to Progressive Field) from 10 am to 1 pm, on **Saturday, Feb. 27th.**

HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (HEAP) information is

available in the literature rack for low income seniors, and adults with disabilities, to apply for the 2020-2021 HEAP season. This federally funded program is designed to assist eligible low income Ohioans with their winter heating bills.



SERVING THE POOR IN OUR MIDST

Each day, numerous people come to the rectory office seeking assistance. Through your generosity, and with the assistance of the workers at the Bp. Cosgrove Center, we are able to fill some of their needs. Listed below is a report on the assistance the Cathedral has offered this past month, and on your generosity in support of these efforts.

FEBRUARY CHARITABLE DONATIONS

Charitable Assistance Fund	\$931.01
Cosgrove Center	\$740.01
February PIC Collection	\$25.00

JANUARY ASSISTANCE EXPENSES

RTA.....	\$805.00
Emergency.....	\$97.36
Rent / Utility Assistance	\$2,202.10
ID Assistance.....	<u>\$153.00</u>
Total	\$3,257.46

A COMMUNITY OF JUSTICE & LOVE



WE ARE CALLED - CRS Rice Bowl - This Lenten season, join our faith community – and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States – in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family’s CRS Rice Bowl at the doors of the church. Through CRS Rice Bowl, we encounter those living in conditions of poverty around the world, and have the opportunity to practice the corporal and spiritual works of mercy through our prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on how hunger and malnutrition affect our human family, and on the need to take action to end this global injustice. Visit < <http://crsricebowl.org> > for more.

SUNDAY GRIEF SUPPORT - The Catholic Cemeteries Association continues with our free monthly in-office grief support groups on **February 21st** with limited seating for social distancing. We offer a comfortable, private, and safe environment where you are free to explore your grief. Meetings are open discussion format, surrounding a monthly topic or whatever is in your heart. They do not build off each other so you can stop in any month and fit right in. If you are not yet able to talk about your grief, come and listen, and be in the presence of those who understand. The February topic is *“Experiencing God’s Loving Embrace.”* We meet the 3rd Sunday of every month from 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm at six locations:

- Saint Joseph Cemetery Avon (NEW office);
- Holy Cross Cemetery Akron (office);
- Holy Cross Cemetery Brook Park (office);
- Calvary Cemetery Cleveland (office);
- All Saints Cemetery Northfield (office);
- All Souls Cemetery Chardon (office).

Meeting sites are sanitized and seating is arranged so everyone is at a safe distance. Participants are asked to RSVP so we can plan appropriate social distancing at each location. We require all in attendance to wear protective facial coverings. To RSVP or for questions, please contact Rhonda at < rabrams@clecem.org > or 216-930-4866.

Help for DOMINION ENERGY OHIO CUSTOMERS - If you are facing a financial hardship, Dominion Energy Ohio has several payment and assistance options for your unique situation. Dominion recently increased its contribution to the EnergyShare program, making additional dollars available this year to residential Customers struggling to pay their bills. You can learn more online at < DominionEnergy.com > and search for the keywords “energy assistance.” During these unprecedented times, the company encourages you to pay your bills as you normally would to avoid a large balance later. If you’ve fallen behind on your bill, please contact Dominion Energy Ohio at 800-362-7557 for help with payment arrangements.



THE ORDER OF MASS

GREETING

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

(And, striking their breast, all say:)

through my fault, through my fault,

through my most grievous fault; *(Then they continue:)*

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

GLORY TO GOD

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, *(All bow)* and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

INVITATION TO PRAYER

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters...

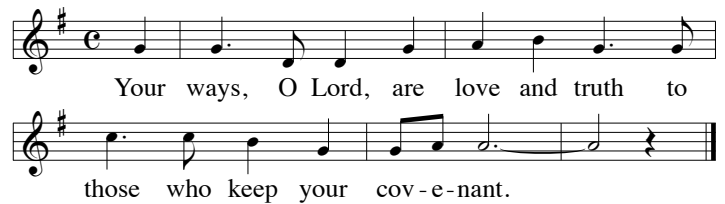
People: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

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THE ORDER OF MASS - LENT I

Readings: < <https://bible.usccb.org> > Click today's date

Psalm 25



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Lord, make me know your ways; teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truths, for you are God my savior. Lead me, Lord.

Remember your mercy, Lord, and your love from of old. In your love remember me because of your goodness. Lead me, Lord.

The Lord is good and just, showing the way. God guides the meek in ways of truth and justice; God leads the poor.

Choral Prelude & Offertory

Call to remembrance

Richard Farrant, 1530-80

Psalm 25:5-6; Responsorial Psalm, Lent 1/B

Call to remembrance O Lord, thy tender mercies and thy loving kindness, which hath been ever of old. O remember not the sins and offenses of my youth; but according to thy mercy think thou on me.

Choral Communion

Wash me Thoroughly

Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1810-76

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness, and forgive me all my sin. For I acknowledge my faults, and my sin is ever before me. Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness, and forgive me all my sin. *[Psalm 51:2-3]*

COVID-19 Safety Guidelines

If you feel sick or have a fever, stay home.

Wear a mask or face covering while in the Cathedral.

Wash or sanitize your hands.

Maintain a 6' social distance from others in the church.

Congregational singing is discouraged to mitigate spread of virus.

If you pick up a bulletin, take it with you.

Offertory contributions may be placed in the wooden boxes near the entrances of the church.

The exchange of the Sign of Peace is omitted.

For Communion: approach the altar via the center aisle, maintaining 6' social distance; return via side aisles.

Receive Communion in the hand. If you choose to receive on the tongue, come to the priest at the end of the Communion procession.

PSALMS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Tue: From all their distress God rescues the just.

Wed: A heart contrite and humbled, O God, you will not spurn.

Thur: Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

Fri: If you, O Lord, mark iniquities, who can stand?

INTENTIONS OF THE Holy FATHER

February - Violence against women. We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by sanctions and have their sufferings considered and heeded.



WANT TO BECOME A PARISHIONER?

You can register to be a member of the Cathedral Parish by simply filling out the form available on our website.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

Richard Nalepka & Mariella Mestel,
 Angel Quinones, Michael & Karen Miller,
 Sara Yagodich & Matthew Pucci,
 Chelsea & Adam Milicevic,
 Kevin Gilbride & Taylor Mohnickey



SUNDAY EVENING MASS AT ST. PETER:

St. Peter's Church (E. 17th St. & Superior Ave.), offers a weekly 7:00 pm Sunday evening Mass.. While geared to the CSU Newman Ministry and downtown community, everyone is welcome. If you have any questions, please leave a message for Fr. Phil Bernier, OFM Cap, at St. Peter's: 216-344-2999.



THE BRINGING AMERICA BACK TO LIFE

Convention is the premier Diocesan-wide pro-life event: 2 jam-packed days filled with the nation's top speakers, workshops, and exhibitors. To discover more about this must-see event, to view the impressive line-up of speakers, and to register, visit < bringingamericabacktolife.org > or call (440) 281-1502



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PRAYER

FASTING

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Love your NEIGHBOR  **Catholic Charities**
DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND
 2021 ANNUAL APPEAL

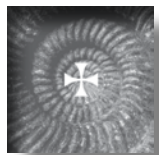


CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL APPEAL - This year's appeal theme is **Love Your Neighbor**. Your generous support will transform the lives of others, to offer dignity, possibilities, and companionship to those who are most vulnerable. The 2021 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal will take place next weekend in our parish. As in the past, an in-pew commitment process will take place. All who have not received the mailing from Bishop Malesic, or have not had a chance to respond to it, will be asked to consider making a generous pledge to support the ministries and services provided by Catholic Charities. If you have received the mailing, please respond generously to it and we ask you to also complete the in-pew envelope and indicate by checking the box that you have responded by mail.



Double your impact! A generous donor will match your gift, up to \$1 million. Do twice as much good when you give online at < CatholicCommunity.org/Match >. Stories of inspiration and more information are at: < CatholicCommunity.org/2021Appeal >.

CENTERING PRAYER is a spiritual practice of our Catholic contemplative tradition that opens us more deeply to a relationship with God in faith and intimacy. Our group meets on Monday evenings from 6:30-8:00 pm in the Lower Sacristy.



PRAY FOR EACH OTHER - In your prayers, please remember those in need of healing and support, especially: Sherry Brodock * Natalie Rose Hayek, Dan F. * Mary Theresa Dias & Family * Pat Hesland * Jim Nagle * Kristen LaManna, Peggy LaManna * Michael Rullo * Marquis Williams, Alfred LaManna * Robert Grasso * Joan Uniatowski * Deacon Charles Doerpers, Shelly, Vicki Kaltner * Matthew Silipini * Claudia Anderson, Robert Black * Therese Kramer, Deacon Richard Woods * Gabriel Minton, John Berry, Linda McKenney, Dn. Tom Senn, Paula Dragunas, Joanne Laessig, Edward Loomis * Wilma Christian, Staff & Residents of Southpoint Commons * Jeff Reid, Al Nugent, Drusilla Allen, Donna Gustin * Steven McNamara, David Forte * *If you, or one of your family, would like to be included in this prayer list, please contact the Cathedral Office.*



Please keep the health and safety of the members of our Armed Forces in your thoughts and prayers. God grant that they may return home safely and soon. **Please also let us know when your service people have returned.** *Luke Turbin, Devion Long, Craig Long, Travis Harman, Chris Paulett, Ben Maragliano, Bryan Ullom.* After 90 days, please let the office know whether to retain the name on the prayer list. (Please feel free to submit the names of service members for inclusion in this space.)