

# LENT

*"Behold, now is a very acceptable time;  
behold, now is the day of salvation."*

2 COR 6:2

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**Infant Baptism** – To arrange for instructions for the Sacrament, please call the Parish Office.

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**Marriage** – Couples intending to marry must meet with **Fr. McNew** at least six months (preferably earlier) prior to the desired wedding date.

**Communion Calls** – Homebound parishioners unable to come to Mass should notify the Parish Office so that Holy Communion may be brought to their homes. Please notify the Parish Office when someone is in the hospital.

**Sacrament of Penance**  
Saturday 3:30 p.m. or by appointment

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**Parish Membership** consists of **two** parts:

**Registration:** Registering in a parish is a declaration of your desire to be part of a Catholic Community and a commitment to the life of the parish family. *We are often asked to provide affidavits for parishioners' standings. We can only do this if a person is a **registered, active and contributing** member in our parish.*

**Participation:** As a member of the Parish, you are accepting the responsibility of **weekly worship** as well as supporting God's work here **through giving of yourself, your time and talents**, and a **worthy Sunday offering** to show your love for God and your gratitude for His many favors and blessings.

### MISSION STATEMENT

Growing in the Spirit as Disciples  
Fed by the Eucharist

Building unity towards the Kingdom of God

### MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL 4:00 P.M.  
live-streamed Mass

SUNDAY MASS 9:00 A.M.  
6:00 P.M.

### WEEKDAY MASSES

See Inside Bulletin for Mass Schedule.

### ST. JUDE DEVOTIONS

Following Wednesday Morning Mass



**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**Saturday February 17 ❖ Vigil**  
 4:00 p.m. Bill & Connie Penquite's 55th Wedding Anniversary

**Sunday, February 18 ❖ First Sunday of Lent**  
 9:00 a.m. Jeff Alan Stiffler (Gary & Barb Heiman)  
 6:00 p.m. Parish Family  
 - Gn 9:8-15; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

**Monday, February 19 ❖ Lenten Weekday Presidents' Day**  
 NO Mass  
 - Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Mt 25:31-46

**Tuesday, February 20 ❖ Lenten Weekday**  
 6:00 p.m. † Charlene Casey (Pat & Victoria Capretta)  
 - Is 55:10-11; Mt 6:7-15

**Wednesday, February 21 ❖ Saint Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**  
 8:30 a.m. † Richard Basel (Peggy Basel)  
 - Jon 3:1-10; Lk 11:29-32

**Thursday, February 22 ❖ The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle**  
 8:30 a.m. † Matt Huffman (JoAnn Sissy Wiseman)  
 - 1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19

**Friday, February 23 ❖ Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr**  
 8:30 a.m. † Giovanni (Father Dwayne McNew)  
 - Ez 18:21-28; Mt 5:20-26

**Saturday, February 24 ❖ Vigil**  
 4:00 p.m. † Jim Barr, Sr. (Bill & Connie Penquite)

**Sunday, February 25 ❖ Second Sunday of Lent**  
 9:00 a.m. † Deceased Members of the Peter Kovacs Family (Max & Marge Berchtold)  
 6:00 p.m. Parish Family  
 - Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; Rom 8:31b-34; Mk 9:2-10

† = Deceased

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

February 25, 2024	4:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	6:00 p.m.
Altar Server	J. Dunham	I. Humbert	C. Harey
	C. McAnespie	L. Humbert	L. Long
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	B. Heiman	D. Palatas	A. Knapke
Ushers	VOLUNTEER	J. Hofinger	B. Taylor
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	VOLUNTEER	G. Palatas	
	VOLUNTEER	R. Patton	
EMOHC	M. Eberhar	K. Beattie	D. Adamczak
	J. Scofield	A. Moran	E. Talone
	R. Polletta	L. Collins	
	K. Maggied	V. Huffman	
Sacristan	R. Cwiekalo	A. Penquite	VOLUNTEER



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



This week to the following parishioners:

- |                            |                          |                         |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Max Berchtold</b>       | <b>Terry Sparks</b>      | <b>Mary Martin</b>      |
| <b>Jared Wurm</b>          | <b>Lori Keating</b>      | <b>Joseph Gruzs</b>     |
| <b>Jasmine Moore</b>       | <b>Mike Dean</b>         | <b>Marie Longerbone</b> |
| <b>John Ross Brenneman</b> | <b>Bailee Patton</b>     | <b>Rocco Baratie</b>    |
| <b>Elijah Jones</b>        | <b>Rowan Trombley</b>    | <b>Eric Conklin</b>     |
| <b>Cyril Peter</b>         | <b>Maureen Humphries</b> | <b>Pauline Swan</b>     |
| <b>Eileen Martin</b>       | <b>Bailey Wright</b>     | <b>Eric Turner</b>      |
| <b>Kevin Shipley</b>       | <b>Bryson Lee</b>        | <b>Alisa Janz</b>       |
| <b>Alexander Keating</b>   | <b>Adison Montgomery</b> |                         |

THIS WEEKEND, OUR FEATURED ADVERTISER IS  
 ROGER SEELY'S LANDSCAPE NURSERY

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Sunday, February 18**  
 First Sunday of Lent  
 Mass/CLOW 9:00 a.m.  
 K of C Recruitment  
 Women's Guild selling Oakland Nursery  
 Gift Cards at all Masses  
 PSR, 10:15-11:15 a.m.  
 Jesus and the Eucharist Study, Social Hall,  
 10:15-11:15 a.m.  
 Mass, 6:00 p.m.  
 Youth Group, 7:00 p.m.  
 Confirmation, 7:00 p.m.

**Monday, February 19**  
 NO Mass  
 Presidents' Day

**Tuesday, February 20**  
 Holy Hour, 5:00 p.m.  
 Mass, 6:00 p.m.  
 Jesus and the Eucharist Study,  
 Social Hall, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

**Wednesday, February 21**  
 Mass, 8:30 a.m.  
 Mass, 6:00 p.m.  
 RCIA, 6:30 p.m.

**Thursday, February 22**  
 Rosary, 6:00 p.m.  
 Walking with Purpose, 7:00 p.m.  
 (Babysitting provided)

**Friday, February 23**  
 Parish Office Closed  
 Stations of the Cross, 6:00 p.m.

**Saturday, February 24**  
 Vigil Mass, 4:00 p.m.  
 Seminarian Collection at all Masses  
 This Weekend  
 Women's Guild selling Oakland Nursery  
 Gift Cards before/after all Masses

**Sunday, February 25**  
 Second Sunday of Lent  
 Mass, 9:00 a.m.  
 Adult Choir Rehearsal, 10:00 a.m.  
 PSR, 10:15-11:15 a.m.  
 Jesus and the Eucharist Study,  
 Social Hall, 10:15-11:15 a.m.  
 Mass, 6:00 p.m.  
 Confirmation Class, 7:00 p.m.  
 Youth Group, 7:00 p.m.

The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time MASS ATTENDANCE: 498  
 Ash Wednesday MASS ATTENDANCE: 301

**EVERY TUESDAY:** Eucharistic Holy Hour starting at 5:00 p.m. with Confessions. Mass to follow at 6:00 p.m.

**Lent Message from the Pastor  
 Fr. Dwayne McNew**



Dear parish family,

I like to watch action movies like *Die Hard* with Bruce Willis and cringe every time he gets hurt, which is throughout the entire movie. Even though he is beaten up, the hero, in many movies, goes on as if the wounds aren't even there. Any of us who has bruised a rib, broken a finger, cut ourselves, or stubbed a toe knows that this movie magic is not true. The wound hurts! We limp, breath delicately, cradle our hurt finger for protection. And when the doctor draws blood from me, I pass out. Unlike Hollywood, the real world does not allow us to live easily with physical or emotional wounds.

When Jesus asks us to take up our cross, we are challenged to take hold of our life and all it contains, including the many old wounds that still hurt us. As we journey to the cross of Good Friday, remember to let go of the wounds and bask in the Glory of the Resurrection.

We pray: *Lord, I place my hope in you. Help me this Lent to embrace life and carry my cross. Amen.*

**A SEASON FOR REFLECTION:** During this holy time, we are called to pause and pay closer attention to our relationship with God and our neighbors. Reflect on how the Lenten pillars of prayer, fasting and almsgiving can guide your journey and how the Eucharist helps us to live in solidarity with our sisters and brothers around the world. Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to learn more and read this week's Story of Hope.

**SUPPORTING OUR SEMINARIANS:** On behalf of the entire parish, our PSR students in grades 4-7 recently created encouragement cards to send to the 37 Diocese of Columbus Seminarians studying at the Josephinum and other places in Ohio. The Women's Guild included a coffee gift card in each. Last year, we only had 24 seminarians. The Women's Guild has also contributed an additional \$500.00 cash to help with expenses for the seminarians. Keep praying for an increase in Vocations. It's obviously working!



**THE SEMINARIAN FUNDING EFFORT:**

At Bishop Fernandes' Ordination and Installation Mass, he spoke of two priorities, Evangelization and Vocations. Many hours of work and prayer have gone into raising awareness about the virtue and beauty of the priesthood and the need for vocations. The result has been an influx of 16 additional young men interested in the priesthood! Seminarian formation costs \$55k per year, per seminarian. Though an endowment for evangelization and seminarian tuition is being established for the long term, this push will be for the Diocese's immediate budgetary needs due to the increased interest.

*Calling on the laity, we want to amplify this good and growing need. A SECOND COLLECTION will take place the weekend of February 24 and 25.*

**PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS:**

- Fr. William Metzger
- Fr. William Thomas Kessler
- Fr. Wojciech Stachura, SAC, Worthington, St. Michael
- Zach Goodchild, Seminarian
- Absalom Hall, Seminarian
- Fr. Adam Streitenberger, Executive Director, St. Thomas More Newman Center
- Fr. Alberto Basabe, MSP, Columbus, St. Stephen the Martyr

**THE GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD PANTRY:** The item for February is any kind of soup. We ask each family to donate at least one can or boxed soup during the month. Questions? Contact Linda Collins at 614-879-9186.



**THE CATHOLIC TIMES SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL:**

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*Welcome* New parishioners to our parish who have recently joined Ss. Simon & Jude. Rick and Lida Jackson, Andrea Stockel Wills and Brian Palmer.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:** to parishioners Bill and Connie Penquite on their 55th Wedding Anniversary, February 17, 2024.



**YOUTH GROUP:** Your Lenten Calendar reflections began with Ash Wednesday. We'll work through the first few lessons when we meet on **Sunday, February 18!** We'll also begin to work on writing our own Stations of the Cross as we will be leading the Stations on **Friday, March 8.** If you didn't get the handout because you missed **Youth Group**, look for an email to see the reflection resource!

**REQUESTING PRAYERS FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE:** Later this month, some of our young parishioners are receiving the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** for the first time. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare for this healing Sacrament and let it be an invitation to you to consider finding a time this Lent to receive this beautiful Sacrament, even if it has been a while. The grace and healing power of this Sacrament are gifts to all of us!



**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION:** Every day throughout the 40 days of Lent, different parishes around the Diocese of Columbus will host Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. **Sts. Simon and Jude** will host Adoration on **Friday, March 1 from 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.** Sign up through Flocknote or on the clipboard in the gathering space. Contact **Bonnie Creeger** at [bcreeger@stsimonjude.org](mailto:bcreeger@stsimonjude.org) with any questions.

**Schedule of the day:**

- **8:30 a.m.:** Mass (with music)
- **9:00 a.m.:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament to open Adoration, First Friday Devotion prayers to the Sacred Heart of Jesus followed by time for quiet prayer.
- **5:00-6:00 p.m.:** This Holy Hour will include reflective music as well as short meditations on Scripture and the Eucharist.
- **6:00 p.m.:** Stations of the Cross while Adoration continues
- **6:30 p.m.:** Close Adoration with Benediction (a blessing)

**JESUS AND THE EUCHARIST LENTEN STUDY:** This study includes prayer, video content and small group discussion to help us grow together in faith with our fellow parishioners. Sessions continue on **Sundays** through **March 17 from 10:00-11:15 a.m.** in the Parish Hall or **Tuesdays** through **March 19 from 6:30-7:45 p.m.** in the **St. Charles Borromeo Room.** Each session will be presented first on **Sundays** and the content will repeat the following **Tuesday**, so you are welcome to attend the session that works for you! Contact **Bonnie Creeger** at [bcreeger@stsimonjude.org](mailto:bcreeger@stsimonjude.org) with any questions!

**OAKLAND NURSERY GIFT CARDS:** The Women's Guild will be taking orders for **Oakland Nursery** gift cards in the amounts of \$25.00 and \$50.00 before and after each Mass starting this weekend of **February 17-18, and February 24-25 and March 2-3.** These make great gifts for any occasion, especially **Easter and Mother's Day.** The Women's Guild will receive **20%** of the total amount sold. **Oakland Nursery** sells more than flowers. Check it out. Thank you for your continued support of the **Women's Guild.**

**Free Kairos Prison Ministry Info Sharing Seminar**

*Discover the many ways you can share the love of God with the incarcerated.*

When & Where	Learn
Sunday, March 3, 2024 2:00pm to 4:00pm Discover Church 2900 Martin Road, Dublin, OH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Why Kairos is important to all of us</li> <li>- Why your cookies are so important</li> <li>- 3 ways to help without ever setting foot in a prison</li> </ul>

Featuring various testimonials, musical entertainment, light hors d'oeuvres and a raffle.

Reservations (requested) and questions can be directed to **Mike Myers** at 614-582-8204 or [mm138630@gmail.com](mailto:mm138630@gmail.com).

**KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY:** On **Sunday, March 3** we will be hosting a free **Kairos** information sharing seminar from **2:00-4:00 p.m.** This will be at **Discover Church** at **2900 Martin Road** in **Dublin.** **Deacon Joe Knapke** is one of our key speakers. Food, music and great speakers will fill these **two** hours. Please stop if you can to learn more about this important ministry. For questions, please contact **Mike Myers** at **614-582-8204.**



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