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Children's Liturgy of the Word
During the **Sunday 10:30 a.m.** Mass, children **ages 4-6** are invited to participate in Children's Liturgy of the Word.

Infant Baptism
To arrange for instructions for the Sacrament, please call the Parish Office. Baptisms are typically celebrated during weekend Masses.

Anointing of the Sick
In case of serious illness or before surgery, please call **Fr. Metzger,** at the Parish Office at **614-879-8562.**

Marriage
Couples intending to marry must meet with Fr. Metzger 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.;**
Sunday, **7:45 a.m.** and **10:00 a.m.** or by appointment

Parish Membership
Membership in the parish 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 is if a person is a **registered, active** and **contributing** member in our parish. You can register by either meeting with the Pastor after Mass or by appointment.

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.

Bulletin Deadline: Please have bulletin announcements at the Parish Office by **4:00 p.m. Tuesday.**

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass:
4:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses:
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses:
See inside Bulletin for Mass Schedule.

St. Jude Novena:
Following Wednesday Morning Mass

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 25
4:00 p.m. ✞ **Amanda Chivington & Bob Kohnen** by Mary Kohnen

Sunday, March 26
8:00 a.m. **Parish Family**
10:30 a.m. ✞ **John Bayer** by Jim & Jerinel Maynard

Monday, March 27
6:00 p.m. **The Forgotten Souls in Purgatory** by Vince Staley

Tuesday, March 28
8:00 a.m. ✞ **Leopold & Johanna Brigel** by Estate

Wednesday, March 29
8:00 a.m. ✞ **Anthony & Neil Brigel** by Estate

Thursday, March 30
8:00 a.m. ✞ **Joan Frericks** by Barbara Sheehy

Friday, March 31
8:00 a.m. ✞ **Catherine Brigel** by Estate

Saturday, April 1
4:00 p.m. **Hines, Crone & Boeckman Families** by John Cron

Sunday, April 2
8:00 a.m. ✞ **Joan Frericks** by Deacon Joe & Amy Knapke
6:00 p.m. **Parish Family** (To be said at Prison)
10:30 a.m. ✞ **Yucari Baltierra** by Jesus & Maria Figueroa

+ = Deceased

2017 LITURGICAL CALENDAR AND MASS READINGS

Sunday, March 26 ***Fr. John Heisler**
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41

Monday, March 27 ***Fr. Paul E. Rodgers, OP, Dec.**
Lenten Weekday
Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday, March 28 ***Fr. Vincent Nguyen**
Lenten Weekday
Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday, March 29 ***Fr. Eugene Owens, Dec.**
Lenten Weekday
Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday, March 30 ***Fr. Vincent Gocke, Dec.**
Lenten Weekday
Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47

Friday, March 31 ***Fr. Raymond Enzweiler**
Lenten Weekday
Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday, April 1 ***Deacon Daniel Olvera Priest, Ordained May 27**
Lenten Weekday
Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53

***Pray for our Priests and Seminarians.**

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

April 2	4:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
EMOHC*	C. Penquite	K. Smith	B. Ball
	A. Penquite	C. Barr	C. Brenneman
			L. Brenneman
			C. Glick
Lectors	B. Schneider	D. Eakins	J. Englert
	D. Headley	D. Palatas	C. Englert
Servers	J. Dunham	M. Berchtold	A. Yates
	C. Harey	N. Berchtold	Z. Yates
	T. Gallagher	M. Casey	Z. Haney
Ushers	B. Schneider	J. Berchtold	J. Hofinger
	J. Giehl	M. Berchtold	S. Hofinger
	B. Daulton	E. Casey	B. Robey
	S. Breedlove	R. Patton	T. Sommer

***Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion**

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

March 19, 2017

Regular Collection	
In Envelopes:	$**4,535**
Electronic **F**unds **T**ransfer:	**$2,810**
Loose Money:	**$ 285**
Total:	**$7,630**
Less Diocesan **6%** Assessment:	**$ 458**
Net Parish Collection:	**$7,172**

Contributions can be made online at *stsimonjude.org*.

$? HOW IS STS. SIMON & JUDE DOING ? $

Budgeted Offertory for Fiscal Year (7/1/16-6/30/17)

	Budgeted	Actual	Surplus (Deficit)	%
This Week:	**$ 6,765**	**$ 7,630**	**$ 865**	**12.8%**
FYTD:	**$351,780**	**$256,798**	**($94,982)**	**(27.0%)**

RECAP OF FISCAL YEAR (7/1/15-6/30/16)

$345,800 $344,781 ($ 1,019) (0.3%)

ATTENDANCE

	4:00 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	TOTAL
March 19	**133**	**76**	**198**	**407**

(Church Seating Capacity: **541)**

"Emmanuel – Be His Hope To Others – God With Us"

We have reached this year's goal of pledges with **44%** participation (see the figures below under the heading: ***Current Status of BAA…).*** We have reached this year's goal **without pledges or responses from 213 Households/Families, i.e., 56% of the parish!** If you are **one** of the **213 Households/Families** who have not pledged or responded, we need your pledge/response ***NOW!*** Please prayerfully consider making a gift to the **2016 BAA** starting at the level of **$100.00** that could be broken into payments *(see the pledge envelope for other gift levels and payment options).* Hopefully, you will make a gift. It's not too late! **March 31, 2017** is the deadline for the **2016 BAA.**

Current Status of BAA Pledges as of March 19, 2017

Pledges	Amount	Goal	% of Goal
165 households of 378	**$56,848.00**	**$35,688.70**	**159%**

(44% Participation)

2016 Potential Refund **$17,517.30**

2016 Refund Received **$8,180.62**

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 26	**Catholic Relief Services Collection** **Communal Penance Service** at St. Mary Magdalene, **3:00 p.m.** Youth Group, **6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.,** Confirmation, **6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.**
Monday, March 27	Mass, **6:00 p.m.,** followed by Simple Supper, Lenten Reflections, **7:00-8:00 p.m.**
Tuesday, March 28	RCIA, **7:00 p.m.,** Choir, **7:00 p.m.**
Wednesday, March 29	PSR, Grades **4-7, 6:45-8:00 p.m.,** ***REBOOT! LIFE!* with Chris Stefanick,** **Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Grove City,** **7:00-9:30 p.m.**
Friday, March 31	**Parish Office Closed,** Lenten Pasta Dinner, K of C, **4:30-7:00 p.m.** Stations of the Cross, **7:00 p.m.**
Sunday, April 2	**Fifth Sunday of Lent** Women's Guild, **9:00 a.m.**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

this week to the following parishioners:

James Dailey
Jesus Figueroa
Craig Figlestahler
Jeffrey Hirsch
Brooke Roberts
Emilia Cotter
Meredith Stenger
Craig Brenneman
Anita Hamilton
Cecilia Klinker
Ida Gorgoglione
John Vallo
Robert Eckenrode
Courtney Schroeder
John Eramo
Beth Taylor
Christy Conklin
Andrea Mattison
Donna Senchesak
Allison Dean
Sebastian Clark
Joan Frericks
Giavanna Talone
Avery Roberts
Alexandra Young
John Foley
Rebecca Wenger

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REQUIESCAT IN PACE! In the charity of your prayers, please remember **Phyllis Marie Humbert,** who died in **Celina, OH,** on **March 5. Phyllis** was the mother of parishioners **Brian (Trisha) Humbert,** and grandmother of **Roland, Lorelei, Quintin** and **Isaac Hubert.**

SUPPORT THE CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION: This week, we are taking up **The Catholic Relief Services Collection** to respond to **Jesus in Disguise.** This collection helps six Catholic agencies to provide relief and support to struggling communities and to work toward peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters here and around the world. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. Learn more at ***www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.***

ENCOUNTER COMMUNITY: We encounter **Maria** in **Mexico,** where a community of hardworking women share joys, sorrows and fellowship while growing economic opportunity at a greenhouse. How have your communities helped you encounter **Christ** anew this Lent? Visit ***crsricebowl.org*** for more.

RICE BOWL CHALLENGE: *"Instead of being an instrument at our service for doing good and showing solidarity towards others, money can chain us and the entire world to a selfish logic that leaves no room for love and hinders peace,"* (Pope Francis, 2017) Lent provides us with an opportunity to reflect on the chains in our lives that keep us from loving our neighbors, whether that's money, unhealthy habits, or something else. The **2017 CRS Rice Bowl** Family Challenge give us opportunities to discuss how we spend our families' capital and how we might free ourselves from our chains and instead provide better futures for the most vulnerable members of our human family. For more information and the family challenge form, go to *http://socialconcerns.colsdioc.org.*

MONDAYS OF MARCH, MASS, SIMPLE SUPPER AND LENTEN REFLECTIONS: Monday, March 27, at **6:00 p.m.,** followed by **Simple Soup** and **Salad Supper,** hosted by **Father Metzger** and **Parish Staff** with **Lenten** reflections on topic of ***Getting More Out Of Confession,*** presented by **Father Metzger.** Donations of a least **$5.00** will be accepted and the money will benefit the **Rice Bowl.** Last **Monday's Simple Supper,** hosted by the **Women's Guild,** netted **$126.00** for the **Rice Bowl.** *"Thank you to the **Women's Guild** and all who attended!"*

LENTEN CHALLENGE: "Listen to **Catholic Radio AM 820** this **Lent.**" Consider listening to **Catholic Radio AM 820 as part of your Lenten discipline.** It might lead you to a deeper knowledge and love of **God."** Look for the program listing in the **Gathering Space.**

MEATLESS PASTA DINNER: Don't forget that this **Friday, March 31,** from **4:30-7:00 p.m.,** is the second **K of C Meatless Pasta Dinner!** This week's dinner is **PSR** Appreciation Night. Students currently enrolled in **PSR** eat ***Free*** (or received **$4.00** off the Family Rate)! Additionally, **PSR Teachers** and **Aides** also eat ***Free*** (or receive **$8.00** off the Family Rate)! *Come out and feast on endless spaghetti, lasagna, mac 'n cheese, and ravioli!*

"TINY SAINTS" SALE: The Youth Group will once again be selling **"Tiny Saints"** this weekend and next weekend. These are the final **two** weekends of the sale! They would be great items for ***Easter baskets.*** Please consider supporting our **Youth Group** and our trip to the **National Catholic Youth Conference** by purchasing **"Tiny Saints,"** or making a donation. All products (charms, bracelets, and rosaries) are only **$5.00!** *Thank you in advance for supporting our high schoolers!*

EASTER FLOWERS: There is a Special Collection for **Easter** Flowers next **Sunday, April 2.** There is an envelope in your monthly mailing or envelopes are available in the **Gathering Space.** ***Please give in memory or in honor of the special people in your life.***

ARE YOU WILLING TO ADOPT A SEMINARIAN??? For the past several years our parish has provided baked goods to send to the seminarians after **Easter.** This year, we would like to make our outreach a little more personal by choosing an individual name and developing a short-term or long-term communication relationship with **one** of our **29 Columbus Seminarians.** We are looking for **29** conscientious **"Mothers and Fathers"** to **"Adopt a Seminarian."** Requirements include:

- Praying for your **"Adopted Seminarian"** each day – a lot or a little, just pray!
- Write a personal card/letter with words of encouragement, appreciation and support. They work long and hard to answer **God's** call to become our future priests. Let's help them on their journey.
- Include a **"Sweet Treat"** or other small gift to accompany your card/ letter on delivery day.

To join us in this effort and for more detailed information, please contact **Barb Heiman** at **614-879-9069** or **614-309-8009.** Delivery will be on or about **April 24.** ***Thank you for your efforts. Continue to pray daily for our Seminarians.***

THE GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD PANTRY collection items for **March** and **April** will be personal hygiene items like *shampoos* and *conditioners, deodorants, toothpaste* and *toothbrushes,* or *bath soap.* What is the one thing you could not do without each day? That is what you should donate to the needy!

THE WOMEN'S GUILD will meet next **Sunday, April 2,** at **9:00 a.m.,** in the Parish Library. Join us as we continue to discuss our up coming projects . *All women of the Parish are invited to attend!*

American Red Cross

SAVE THE DATE: The **American Red Cross** will conduct a Blood Drive **Tuesday, April 4, 2017,** from **1:00-7:00 p.m.,** in the **Social Hall.** Please give the gift of life! The need is great! Walk-ins are welcome, but those with appointments are taken first. To schedule an appointment, go to ***http://www.redcrossblood.org.*** Sponsor Code: **StSimon,** or contact **Kay Beattie** at **614-619-2108.**

SAVE THE DATE: An **Easter** Egg Hunt, sponsored by the **Knights of Columbus,** will be held on **Saturday, April 15,** at **10:00 a.m.** Details to follow!

OUR LADY OF FATIMA STATUE is again available to visit your home just by signing up on the list in the **Gathering Space. May 13, 2017** marks the **100th** Anniversary of the First Apparition of **Our Lady of Fatima.** It is a blessing to have the statue in your home. *If you have questions, call **Charlotte Manger** at **614-879-7230.***

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR APRIL
(Entrusted to The Apostleship of Prayer):

Universal: That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to **God** in the priesthood or consecrated life.