



On January 6, I attended the Mass celebrating the 25th anniversary of Bishop Pilla's installation as the bishop of Cleveland. It was a beautiful Mass with 2 cardinals, many bishops, priests, deacons, religious women and men, and lay people. Cardinal McCarrick of Washington D.C. gave the homily and Bishop Pilla spoke after Communion at which time he thanked everyone for their support over the past twenty-five years.

Bishop Pilla has been the Bishop of Cleveland longer than any other bishop in the history of the diocese. He is the first bishop of Cleveland to be born and raised in Cleveland. Bishop Pilla has been a faithful leader of the Church of Cleveland. He has done much over the years for the people of the diocese especially the poor and those less fortunate. He has been a strong supporter of Catholic education. He has led the diocese in the ways of the Gospel faithfully for over 25 years. So, we are very grateful to him and to almighty God for the good that has been accomplished for the good of many people. Let us pray that God will continue to guide and bless Bishop Pilla and our diocese in the days and years to come.

I am sure that you have also heard that Bishop Pilla has submitted his resignation to our Holy Father. We pray that the Holy Spirit will guide our Holy Father as he decides to accept Bishop Pilla's resignation and appoint a new bishop to lead us.

Our Generations of Faith program continues this week on Wednesday evening, Saturday morning, and Saturday evening. If you are registered, please don't forget and if you are not registered and would like to participate please call the Religious Education Office (335-0029). Everyone is welcome to participate as we continue to explore the Word of God in the scriptures and how His Word helps us in our daily lives and relationships.

Next Sunday is January 22, the 33rd anniversary of the Supreme Court decision, Roe vs. Wade, which made abortion on demand legal in our country. All the Masses next weekend will be offered in reparation for the sin of abortion. We may not be personally responsible for this sin, but we can offer our prayers for those who have made the mistake of choosing abortion and for those who suffer because of abortion. We must remember that many suffer as a result of an abortion, the child, the mother, the father, family members, and our whole society. Whenever a life is ended, society suffers as a result. This is especially true in the case of the death of an unborn child because one never knows what that child may have become and how much good he or she may have brought into the world. The choice to take another person's life, born or unborn, is no one's right except God alone.

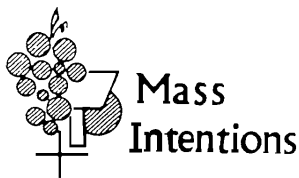
Please continue to pray for an end to the evil of abortion and for those who suffer as a result of this so-called "right." Pray especially that the Holy Spirit will guide our senators as they conduct the confirmation hearings for Samuel Alito, who has been nominated for the Supreme Court. We can and must pray that some day the Roe vs. Wade decision can be overturned thus ending abortion on demand in our country.

Please support the Signature Ad Campaign sponsored by the Right to Life Association. You can use the envelope from last Sunday's bulletin or just mark a plain envelope with, "Signature Ad Campaign." Thank you for supporting such a worthy cause.

We continue our spotlight on ministry next Sunday, at which time we will hear about our Liturgy Commission.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter.





Saturday, January 14, Vigil: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:00 p.m. Henry Carrino [Carrino Family]

Sunday, January 15, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 a.m. Rose Firis [Jerry & Carolyn Rooks & Family]
 9:30 a.m. For Our Parish
 11:30 a.m. Tony Sega, Anniversary [Joe & Mary Slanovec]

Monday, January 16
 8:00 a.m. Marvin Fulton [Tom & Annette Palecek]

Tuesday, January 17, St. Anthony
 8:00 a.m. Tony Police [Don Dalessandro]


Wednesday, January 18
 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 5:30 p.m. Margaret Farrell [Bernie & Carol Schur]

Thursday, January 19
 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 9:30 a.m. Bob Kelly [John & Claralou Serbin]

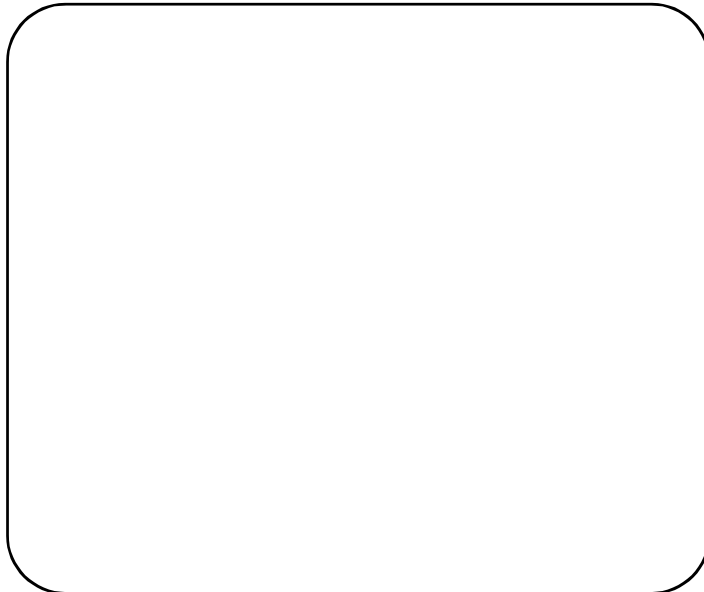
Friday, January 20, St. Febian, St. Sebastian
 8:00 a.m. Gerrienne Johnston [Leonard & Janet Crookston]

Saturday, January 21, St. Agnes
 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 5:00 p.m. Reparation for the Sin of Abortion

Sunday, January 22, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 a.m. Reparation for the Sin of Abortion
 9:30 a.m. Reparation for the Sin of Abortion
 11:30 a.m. Reparation for the Sin of Abortion



JESUS IS CALLING *YOU!* There is **no one** to cover the very special Holy Hour on **Thursday, 3:00 a.m.** Please call the parish office, 336-3049 to say you will!



WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT -- JANUARY 8
[5% of our collection was given to the St. Vincent de Paul Society].

Offertory.....	\$15,818.00
Support Our School	\$834.00
Capitol Reserve Fund	\$772.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	\$217.00
Immaculate Conception	\$35.00
Christmas.....	\$2,017.00
Religious Retirement	\$25.00
Faith and Values	\$207.00
Number of envelopes used:.....	428

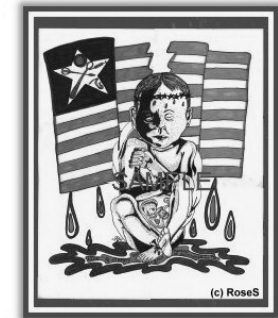
RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS FOR CHILDREN [RCIC] Do you have a child who is currently in the 3-8th grade and has not received the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist? Classes began on Wednesday, January 11, at 7:00 p.m. For additional information, call Diane Bruce, 335-0029.



Our Sympathy

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the family and friends of Robert Fowler and Jack Brumbaugh, who died recently. May our Lord grant Robert and Jack eternal rest.

“At every Mass, many issue forth from purgatory and fly to holy paradise.” St. Leonard of Port Maurice



MARCH FOR LIFE 2006 33rd Anniversary Roe vs. Wade....45 million lost. A bus will be leaving St. Francis Xavier Parish, Medina, for this 26 hour pilgrimage to our nations capitol. The cost is \$40 per person. Please call Kim Kordich for details or to reserve a space, 330-239-2957.

SCRIPTURE READING REFLECTIONS OF THE WEEK
[SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-Week of January 15, 2006]

Question for Adults: In what ways do you experience being called by Jesus?
Question for Children: What can you do this week to show that you are a follower of Jesus?

LITURGICAL ROLES

MASS SERVERS SCHEDULE

Week of January 16

- 8:00 a.m. - **Monday - Wednesday**
- Joseph Askew, Travis Askew
- Nathan Greczanik
- 5:30 p.m. - **Wednesday ONLY**
- Hayley McQuate, Evan Dammarell
- Miranda Boland, Sebastian Boland
- 8:00 a.m. - **Thursday - Saturday**
- Eddie Duckworth, Alex Pero
- Sarah Banfield, Michael Carps

Saturday, January 21

- 5:00 p.m. - Ryan Renacci, Elizabeth Sablotny
- Steven Sablotny, Michael Bielawski

Sunday, January 22

- 8:00 a.m. - Megan Stafford, Dianna Stafford
- Nick Reed, Michael Harbaugh
- 9:30 a.m. - Vince Pelini, Emily Cooper
- Keith Cooper, Nick Peters
- 11:30 a.m. - Patrick Lamielle, Cody Lamielle
- Emilee Krunich, Kevin Zita

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 21

- 5:00 p.m. - Gerry & Ann Wright, David King
- David & Lucy Meager

Sunday, January 22

- 8:00 a.m. - Bob & Helen Smith, Mark Smith
- Helen Jeglic, Irene Lionetti
- 9:30 a.m. - Helen Klaas, Zen Porchowsky
- Glenn & Marilyn Weishaar, Luke Carlisle

Cup Ministers

- Joe & Candi Weber, Donna Sponsler
- Tom & Pam Eaton, Lisa Thompson
- 11:30 a.m. - Jan & Bill Elliott, Mary Ciofani
- Tim & Donna Bishop

Altercare - Kauffmans

Liberty Residence II - Berry

Magnolia - Michneys/Kasner

Sterling Oaks - Lionetti/Seifert

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 21

- 5:00 p.m. - Kathy Budinscak, Bob Cotey

Sunday, January 22

- 8:00 a.m. - Dick Ravetta
- 9:30 a.m. - Mike Krietemeyer, Sarah Price
- 11:30 a.m. - Alice Henry, Gwen Kraeff



"Prayer is the root and source and mother of ten thousand blessings."

St. John Chrysostom



ANCIENT ACOLYTES NEEDED! We are in great need of men and women to become ancient acolytes to serve at our funeral liturgies. If you are interested, please call Gerry Wright, 336-2510.

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY would like to thank all who contributed so generously to the Giving Tree program this year. It was a great success!

Here is a summary of the results: We provided 208 wrapped gifts to 16 families in our community. In addition, we provided 60 wrapped gifts to children through the Medina County Jail Ministry and 32 gifts to the Wadsworth Headstart Program. The Barberton Community Pregnancy Center received 50 items that included clothes, diapers, car seats, and board games. We also collected many items for the St. Bernard's program for the homeless, including 115 pairs of socks, 40 knit caps, and 30 pairs of gloves. May God bless you for your sharing with those in need.



LOYOLA OF THE LAKES RETREAT HOUSE [located in the city of Green] has numerous retreat opportunities available. Please check their web for details: loyolaofthelakes.com or call 1-800-827-1416.

VIRTUS TRAINING for all volunteers working with children is scheduled for Thursday, March 16, at 6:00 p.m. Please call Diane Bruce 335-0029, if you need another date to attend a class within the diocese.

ATTENTION 2ND GRADE PARENTS of children enrolled in the PSR program; classes for Eucharist preparation will begin on Wednesday, February 8, and Saturday, February 11. Please note: If you do not have a second grade calendar of class dates, please call Diane Bruce, in the Religious Education Office, 335-0029.

WANTED SPIRITUAL MEN! For children to continue worshipping in the church as adults, it is important that they have strong father involvement during childhood. Note the significant influence a father has on a child's spiritual life.

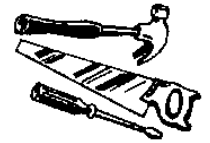
- When Mom and Dad both attend Mass regularly, 72% of their children remain faithful later in life.
- When only Dad attends, 55% remain faithful.
- When only Mom attends 15% remain faithful.
- When neither parent attends, 6% remain faithful.

RESERVE THIS DATE! The annual Dinner Auction to benefit Sacred Heart School will be held Saturday, March 11, 2006. This elegant event will feature items large and small: hot tickets to pro sporting events, electronics, hardware, vacation packages, children's items, home & garden décor, and front-row reserved seating for Mass on Christmas! All parishioners and their guests are invited to attend, and item donations are also being accepted right now. Contact Mary Alice Bell, 335-3400, for further information.



The Youth Group will hold their first meeting of the new year this Sunday night, January 15, at 7:00 p.m., in the Conry Room.

This Week...



Planning for this summer's Steubenville Conference has begun! Any youth interested in attending should contact Christy and turn in a deposit of \$30 to reserve your space. The dates for the conference are determined by a lottery, and will be announced after the lottery is held at the end of January. This conference is open to high school students, INCLUDING incoming freshmen and graduating seniors. Contact Christy for additional information.

Patty Schneier, author of "Prove It God-and He Did!" will have a chastity talk here on Friday, Jan. 20th, at 7:30 p.m., in the Conry Room. Be sure to set this date aside!

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15

7:00 p.m. - Youth Group, Conry Room

MONDAY, JANUARY 16

3:15 p.m. - No! Jr. Legion of Mary, Andes Room

7:00 p.m. - Parish Council, Andes Room

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17

1:30 p.m. - SHS Spelling Bee, McMahon Hall

7:00 p.m. - Boy Scouts, McMahon Hall

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18

3:15 p.m. - SHY choir, church

- **GOF, church lower level, 6:00 p.m.**

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

7:00 p.m. - Finance Council, Andes Room

7:30 p.m. - Adult Choir, church

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20

7:30 p.m. - Chastity Talk with Patty Schnier, Conry Room

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

- **GOF, church lower level, 9:00 a.m.**

11:00 a.m. - Confessions until Noon, church

3:30 p.m. - Confessions until 4:30 p.m., church

- **GOF, church lower level, 6:00 p.m.**

JOIN LOYOLA OF THE LAKES 300 CLUB RAFFLE!

Take a chance to win big. Purchase a raffle ticket for \$52! A drawing for \$100 will be held every Friday during 2006. Bonus raffles for \$200 will be held on March 17 and June 30, and on December 31, there will be two more drawings for \$300 each. Winner's tickets are returned to the barrel for future drawings. Call Teri at 330-896-2315 for your ticket. Help support the mission of Loyola!

2005 ANNUAL PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS-Statements

will only be sent out to the parishioners filling out the form below and returning it in the collection basket. Place them in a **SEPARATE** envelope marked *Contribution Statement*. **ENVELOPE NUMBER MUST BE INCLUDED, PLEASE!**



NAME.....

ENVELOPE NUMBER.....



THE ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CONTEST

will be held on January 22, at Steiner's Youth Center, at 1:00 p.m. All boys and girls, age 10-14, years are eligible to participate in their age group. Sign up forms are in the school office or at Steiner's Youth Center. Call Joe Lamielle for more information, 330-336-4487.

LISTEN TO YOUR FAVORITE RECORDED BOOK! The Wadsworth Public Library loans CD/cassette players to people with vision difficulties. No medical certification is required, but you must be a resident of Wadsworth city or township to participate. For more information on the TALKING BOOKS PROGRAM, please contact the Outreach Department, 335-1296. This is a **FREE** service.



DIVORCED, SEPARATED, & WIDOWED CATHOLICS

- Will hold a "Caring & Sharing" discussion at 7:30 p.m., on Thursday, January 19, at St. Martha's Church, Akron. Visitors and prospective members are welcome and encouraged to come. For information on the group or discussion, call Marie, 330-784-9650, or Fred, 330-923-1695.
- Are encouraged to attend a weekend designed for those who wish to let go of the painful past and create a more peace-filled future. Presented by people who have "been there" and offer their support. The next BEGINNING EXPERIENCE Weekend will be held on February 10-12, at St. Joseph Christian Life Center in Cleveland. Call Carol, 330-416-8911, for information on this weekend of hope and healing, or also: www.beginningexperience.org

ATTENTION WOMEN BASKETBALL PLAYERS

We will be starting our league on Sunday, January 22nd. The time will be either 6:30 or 7:00 p.m.. Please contact Joann Holbert at 330-927-4530 to let her know you are interested. We **NEED** 10 women to have the league. Ask your friends/cousins/neighbors.

