



There is a wonderful organization in our parish that does an outstanding job of reaching out to others in time of need. Our LEGION OF MARY is a parish organization now in its 50th year. The Legion of Mary is an organization rooted in a devotion to Mary whereby the members act as an extension of the pastor and perform various works as directed by the pastor.

Our Legion of Mary has been doing a lot of work in the area of home visitations. They visit all the families new to the parish, the families of the newly baptized, and the families of those who have lost a loved one. They make visits to the nursing homes and the hospital. More recently, our Legion of Mary has been calling on various homes to inform people of our Sacred Heart Community and inform them that we are here to be of help to them or just invite them to come to Mass or make a visit to the Chapel of Divine Mercy. All of these are a means of evangelization. Evangelizing is just reaching out to others to help them become more aware of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the love that God has for all of us. We do not try to "sell" our Catholic Faith to anyone nor do we badger people to become Catholics. We just let them know who we are and that we are here for them and are praying for them. In turn, we ask that they pray for us and the needs of our parish community.

I am very grateful for the work that the Legion of Mary does for our parish. It is only a small group of people, but over the past 50 years they have had a great impact on the people of our community. We can always use more people who may want to join in the work of the Legion of Mary, and so I invite all of you to consider becoming active members of the Legion of Mary. The Legion of Mary meets every Thursday for one hour to pray the Rosary and other prayers for the Legion and to receive their assignments for the week. It really does not take much time and the work is very rewarding. We also have a Junior Legion of Mary for children. The Junior Legion of Mary does not make visits to the home, but they meet weekly to pray and work on projects that help in the work of the Legion of Mary.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Legion of Mary as an auxiliary member (the auxiliary members simply pray the Legion of Mary prayers daily) or as an active member, please call Patti Hunt at 330-335-5203 or call the Parish Office.

As the Legion of Mary of Sacred Heart Parish celebrates 50 years of ministry to our parish community, I would like to express my gratitude for all the members past and present who have done so much to further the work of the Legion and devotion to our Blessed Mother. I especially would like to acknowledge RUTH CONGROVE, who has been a member from the very beginning. Thank you, Ruth, for all your work and devotion to the Legion of Mary. May God bless you and all the members of the Legion of Mary, both living and deceased, for all that you have done to help others to know more of the love and mercy of God.

ATTENTION, MEN! On Saturday, March 20, Catholic Men's Fellowship of Northeast Ohio will sponsor the annual "ANSWER THE CALL" conference at Archbishop Hoban High School in Akron, OH. Fr. Larry Richards and Ralph Martin are the featured speakers. The Sacrament of Reconciliation, closing Mass, music, lunch, a table with 1,000 donuts and much more await you. Contact the office for brochures or go to www.cmfnco.com for more information. To register with the parish, e-mail Keith Johnson at keith@shofjesus.com or call him at the Parish Office.

SACRED HEART WEBSITE has many Lent opportunities for you to check out and use during Lent. Go to www.shofjesus.com and check Lent Opportunities.

OPERATION RICE BOWL During Lent, Sacred Heart will



again participate in Catholic Relief Services' "Operation Rice Bowl." Since 1975, Operation Rice Bowl has inspired U.S. Catholics to pray, fast, learn, and give, as we increase our understanding of Catholic Social Teachings and our global community. Cardboard "Rice Bowls,"

containing educational materials, will be available at the entrances of the church beginning this weekend. The children in both the day school and PSR have received Rice Bowls. At the end of Lent, please enclose in the Rice Bowl envelope a check payable to Sacred Heart and place it in the collection.



Saturday, February 20

5:00 p.m. Chris Kauffman [Niemocienski Family]

Sunday, February 21, First Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. For Our Parish

9:30 a.m. Chuppa Family [Alvera Patti]

11:30 a.m. Erica Olis [Family]

Monday, February 22, The Chair of Saint Peter, apostle

8:00 a.m. Ray Tricomi, Jr., Anniversary [Family]

Tuesday, February 23, St. Polycarp

8:00 a.m. Leona Byron [Tom & Josie Witschey]

Wednesday, February 24

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

5:30 p.m. Michael Kunor [Carole Spohn]

Thursday, February 25

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

9:30 a.m. Veronica Nied [Gary Nied]

Friday, February 26

8:00 a.m. Deceased of Chenevy & Witschey Families
 [Tom Witschey Family]

Saturday, February 27

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

5:00 p.m. Ruth Haggerty [Joel & Mara Hlavaty]

Sunday, February 28, Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. ... Deceased of Mazzola Family [Jim & Cass Isaac]

9:30 a.m. For Our Parish

11:30 a.m. .Mary Canestraro [Richard Canestraro, Sr. Family]

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the family and friends of *Joette Davis, Elizabeth Balla, mother of Marian Kauffman, and Ruth Smisko*, who died recently. May our Lord grant them eternal rest in His heavenly kingdom.



Readings for the week of February 21, 2010

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sunday Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Phil 3:17-4:1
 or 3:20-4:1; Lk 9:28b-36

First Sunday of Lent

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, then returned from the Jordan and was conducted by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, where he was tempted by the devil. Jesus said, "Scripture has it, 'You shall do homage to the Lord your God; him alone shall you adore' It also says, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Luke 4:1-2, 8, 12

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT -- FEBRUARY 14
 [5% of our collection was given to the St. Vincent de Paul Society].

Offertory.....	\$13,358.00
Support Our School.....	\$350.00
Capital Reserve Fund.....	\$160.00
Latin America.....	\$50.00
Home Missions.....	\$206.00
Ancient Faith.....	\$261.00
St. Vincent de Paul.....	\$314.00
Number of envelopes used:.....	377

MANY THANKS for your generous offerings.

Your Sacrificial Offering

SCRIPTURE READING REFLECTIONS OF THE WEEK

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

[WEEK OF FEBRUARY 21, 2010]

Question for Adults: How willing are you to profess your faith in Jesus Christ openly to others?

Question for Children: Would you still be able to say that you believe in Jesus if others made fun of you for it?

READY FOR ANOTHER CHLD? NOT SURE? Do you feel something missing in your marriage? Consider that it might be the birth control affecting it. Get off those unhealthy methods and learn the natural way to plan your family AND follow Catholic teaching. Learn a natural method that is just as effective as the Pill, with **no harmful side effects**. The next series starts Sunday, 2/21 at Queen of Heaven in Green, or 3/7 at Mercy Medical in Canton. Contact Ben & Kay Metzler at 330.896.3350, nfpteacher@hotmail.com, or register online at <https://register.ccli.org/classes/103/register>.

TERESA TOMELO FROM "CATHOLIC CONNECTION" Community Pregnancy Center will present Teresa Tomeo on Thursday, April 15, 2010. Teresa Tomeo will present commentary on the culture of life. The event is a fund raiser for the Center's outreach program to support Mothers and their unborn children. Mark your calendars to be a part of this one-time event in Northeast Ohio. Teresa Tomeo can be heard locally at 9:00 a.m. on 1060AM. For more information, contact Diane, 330-825-1900.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM-In order to understand and better appreciate this special sacrament, parents need to attend a Pre-Baptism class. Sacred Heart offers this instruction on the first Sunday in September, December, **March**, and June, at 12:30 p.m., in the Conry Room. Preregistration for the class is not necessary. Baptisms are celebrated on the 2nd, 3rd & 4th Sundays of the month, immediately following the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Please call the Parish Office if you have any questions, 336-3049. **Our next class is March 7!**



LITURGICAL + ROLES

MASS SERVERS SCHEDULE

Week of February 22

- 8:00 a.m. - **Monday - Wednesday**
- Karen McFarland, Andrew Sandor
- 5:30 p.m. - **Wednesday ONLY**
- Ted Stieber, Elie Stieber
- 8:00 a.m. - **Thursday - Saturday**
- Anna Masica, Peri Turk

Stations and Benediction, February 26

- 7:00 p.m. - Samantha Gearhart, Kristi Karaffa
- Jon Ott, Hannah Smith

Saturday, February 27

- 5:00 p.m. - Danny Bott, David Bott
- Jimmy Bott, Kody Welton

Sunday, February 28

- 8:00 a.m. - Caleb Busson, Anna Davies
- Sarah Davies, Paul Davies
- 9:30 a.m. - Anna Anderson, John Johenning
- Ashley Johenning, Lauren Johenning
- 11:30 a.m. - Jordan Frevola, Joe Gale
- Maxwell Hirsch, Tracey Petersen

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 27

- 5:00 p.m. - Sharon Hoffman, Madeline Kelly
- Greg Kornaker, David & Lucy Meager

Sunday, February 28

- 8:00 a.m. - John Baker, Tom & Annette Palecek
- Bob & Helen Smith
- 9:30 a.m. - Lois Foster, Keith Johnson, Loretta Turk
- Zen Porchowsky, Donna Sponsler
- 11:30 a.m. - Tony & Diane Agnesi, Elaine Daigle
- Oscar & Judy Mifsud

Cup Ministers - *Tim & Donna Bishop, Madonna DiPietro*
- *Matt & Jan Finneran, Darryl McQuate*

Wadsworth Hospital - Ciofani

Altercare - Sorrent/Wenneman

Liberty Residence II - Beerys

Magnolia - Dunn/Clarks

Wadsworth Pointe - D. Smith

The Rosary is prayed at:

- **Wadsworth Pointe on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, at 2:00 p.m.**
- **Magnolia on the 3rd Wednesday, at 10:00 a.m.**
- **Altercare on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, at 10:00 a.m.**


LECTOR SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 27

- 5:00 p.m. - Madeline Schwab, Bob Cotey

Sunday, February 28

- 8:00 a.m. - Dick Ravetta, Ginny Gegick
- 9:30 a.m. - Teri Johenning, Ellen Turk
- 11:30 a.m. - Kathy Principe, Jay Edurese

 **K OF C FISH FRY** will be every **Friday** during Lent, including Good Friday, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., at the K of C Hall!



The Middle School Youth Group will meet this Sunday, February 21, from 7-8:15 p.m., in McMahon Hall.

The High School Youth Group will meet next Sunday, February 28, at 7:00 p.m., in McMahon Hall.

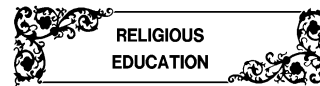
Attention, High School Youth: Franciscan University of Steubenville's Festival of Praise is Saturday, March 6. If anyone is interested in going, contact Keith Johnson at the Parish Office.

CHWC There are three spots remaining for this summer's mission trip to Rockford, Illinois. We will attend from July 4-10. If you are interested in more information, contact Joanne Gahan at mgahan@neo.rr.com. Our first planning meeting will be held on Sunday, February 28, at 10:30 a.m., in the Andes Room. We will discuss fund-raising activities so bring your best ideas! Contact Joanne if you will be unable to attend.

To All High School Students: The Freshman/Sophomore Retreat will be held on May 1 & 2, 2010. Please mark your calendars!

Attention, High School Juniors & Seniors! We need your help to plan this year's F/S Retreat. Please come to our first planning meeting **THIS** Sunday, February 21, at 10:30 a.m., in the Conry Room.

THANK YOU! Altar and Rosary would like to thank all those who supported our Italian Dinner in any way. We thank those who attended as well as those who volunteered their time and talent. Our profits will be used to help defray the cost of altar candles for our parish. Again, thanks and hope you enjoyed your meal.



SECOND GRADE LETTER OF INTENT FOR EUCHARIST Children preparing for the Sacrament of Eucharist are asked to submit their Letter of Intent at any Mass on **March 6 or 7, 2010. Please follow the directions as noted at the bottom of the Letter of Intent.**

PRAESIDIUM If you didn't receive a letter regarding the Protection of Children, please contact Diane Bruce. We will be having parent information meetings on Sunday, February 21, at 11:00 a.m., in McMahon Hall, and Tuesday, February 23, at 7:00 p.m., in McMahon Hall. If you are unable to make either of those two information meetings, please contact Diane Bruce for an additional opportunity to preview the materials at 330-335-0029.

During our most recent Confirmation session in January, the young people of the parish who are preparing for Confirmation reflected on the gift of the Holy Spirit who is invoked by the bishop at the Confirmation celebration. The sevenfold Gifts of the Holy Spirit are a way of expressing how rich and multifaceted the presence of the Holy Spirit is in the life of the Church. How do we as a parish use the Gifts of the Holy Spirit to continue the mission of Christ?

Social Justice in Action

Iron Chef Banquet Was this Social justice in action or what? People coming together to support the homeless and those most in need on the streets of Akron and Barberton. There were over four hundred in attendance and fifteen chefs this year. This was the limit of what we could fit in the gymnasium. Thank you to all those who attended and all those who helped make it happen. A special thank you to Tony, our parish maintenance whiz, for the many hours he put in, both before and after. Also a Huge thank you to all of our chefs who donated all three: time, talent, and resources.

Peter Maurin Center Our group of ladies continues to prepare great food for those who come into the center for a hot meal. Some of them have been doing this for over a year now. **What great dedication!** Since the first of the year a couple of these great meals almost did not make it to the center for the lunchtime meal. Deliveries are normally picked up from the church kitchen at 12:00 and then transported to the Center in downtown Akron. Once the meal is delivered to the Center, the delivery person is more than welcome to stay and help serve, but it is not mandatory. The Peter Maurin Center serves lunch from 1:00-3:00. If you are retired, currently unemployed, or work nighttime hours and are interested in delivering meals to the Peter Maurin Center, please contact Mike Frank on his cell phone at 330-819-8291 or via email at mfrank@neo.rr.com. Thank you and God bless you.

Mathew 8:20 I am humbled and awed by the continual response to this outreach by the Sacred Heart community. As winter continues to hold on, the need for thermal underwear and warm gloves is still a concern at this time. Of course, any help is greatly appreciated; hoodies, socks, underwear, etc.

Manhattan Declaration Please consider being part of the Manhattan Declaration. The declaration, in summary, is to reaffirm fundamental truths about justice and the common good, and to defend them. These truths are 1) the sanctity of life, 2) the dignity of marriage as the conjugal union of husband and wife, 3) the rights of conscience and religious liberty. Because these truths are increasingly under assault from powerful forces in our culture, we need to speak out forcefully in their defense, and commit to honoring them fully. We make this commitment as followers of Jesus Christ, not as partisans of any political party. For more information, and to sign the commitment, go to ManhattanDeclaration.org.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL would love the opportunity to educate your children. As Catholic parents, one of the most important decisions you will make is choosing an education for your children that will help them grow into mature, Catholic adults. Our parish school provides a place for students to learn and grow spiritually, morally, academically, socially, and physically. In an attempt to truly meet each child's needs, we offer full-day and half-day kindergarten programs, as well as many enrichment and intervention opportunities. Pre-K and kindergarten registration has begun! Please call 330-334-6272 for additional information or check out our web site at www.shswadsworth.org.



This Week...

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21

- 10:30 a.m. - HS YG Retreat mtg., Conry Room
- 10:45 a.m. - PSR, school
- 11:00 a.m. - Praesidium, McMahan Hall
- 1:00 p.m. - Social Justice mtg., McMahan Hall
- 5:00 p.m. - Adoration for Vocations, chapel
- 7:00 p.m. - MSYG, McMahan Hall
- 7:00 p.m. - Sr. Girl Scouts, Conry Room

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22

- 3:15 p.m. - Jr. Praesidium, Andes Room
- 7:00 p.m. - Liturgy mtg., Andes Room

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

- 8:30 a.m. - B of C, McMahan Hall
- 7:00 p.m. - Praesidium, McMahan Hall
- 7:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts, Conry Room

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

- 2:00 p.m. - Stations & Benediction, church
- **GOF, church lower level, 6:00-9:00 p.m.**
- 7:00 p.m. - RCIA, school



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

- 7:00 p.m. - Legion of Mary, Andes Room
- 7:30 p.m. - Adult Choir, church
- 11:00 p.m. - Gethsemane Hour, chapel

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

- 7:00 p.m. - Stations & Benediction, church



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

- **GOF, church lower level, 9:00 a.m.-Noon**
- 11:00 a.m. - Confessions until Noon, church
- 3:30 p.m. - Confessions until 4:30 p.m., church

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28

- 10:30 a.m. - PCC, Conry Room
- 10:30 a.m. - CHWC mtg., Andes Room
- 10:45 a.m. - **NO!** PSR, school
- 4:00 p.m. - NFP, Andes Room
- 5:00 p.m. - Adoration for Vocations, chapel
- 7:00 p.m. - HS YG, McMahan Hall

DO YOU HAVE BEAUTIFUL SMALL NATIVITY FIGURINES THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO FIND A SPECIAL HOME FOR? We are in the process of creating a very special area for small children ages 3 - 6 for prayer and meditation. We are looking specifically for figures of Mary, Elizabeth, baby Jesus, Joseph, Christ, and the apostles. If you think you have something for our prayer space, please call Diane Bruce, 335-0029.

TAP (Tuition Assistance Program) Applications are available at either the Parish or School Office. Applications will be due at the Parish Office by **Friday, February 26**. Call at the Parish or School Office for more information.