**Wednesday is Ash Wednesday.** The holy season of Lent is a time for spiritual growth. It is a time for prayer and fasting; it is a time of charity toward others, especially the poor and the needy. What does it mean to grow in our spiritual lives? It means that we grow in such a way that we truly become more like Jesus in our lives. We try to put the needs of others ahead of our own.

St. Paul teaches us that charity is the greatest of the three theological virtues; greater than faith and hope. When we love, our faith will be that much deeper and our hope will be that much surer. These virtues are called the theological virtues because they help us to become more like God. We are never more like God than when we love. Often people equate God with power; the power to do everything, the power to tell others what to do and then make them do it. That is not what God is like. As St. John tells us, “God is love.”

This Lent is an opportunity to love more; to love God and to love our neighbor. This is who God created us to be. He created us to love just as He loves us. We do not have to look very far to see how much God loves us; we do not have to look any further than the crucifix. The suffering of Jesus says it all; His willingness to lay down His life for us shows us what it really means to love.

**Don’t Give Up Chocolate for Lent:** Join Dynamic Catholic for **Best Lent Ever**, A Free email program designed to help you have a life-changing Lent. You will receive short inspirational videos, practical tips, study guides for individuals or groups. This program is based on Matthew Kelly’s book, *Resisting Happiness*. This year’s program will help you identify what stands between you and happiness… and what to do about it. To have the best Lent ever go to **BestLentEver.com** and sign up.

**Mark your calendars:** Our Parish Lenten Mission will be held on February 26, 27, & 28. This Lenten Mission promises to be a very thought provoking experience in which we can encounter Jesus in ourselves and in one another. Come with an open heart and an expectant faith to experience God’s Healing Love. Fr. Greg Bramlage of Missionaries of the New Evangelization from Colorado Springs, will lead the Parish Program and will open us up to a deeper understanding of God’s magnificent love and to His desire to heal us in every way.

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We all know that the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** is a very important part of our spiritual life and also helps us in our relationship with God and others, but we do not use this sacrament as often as we should. Sometimes it is just a good confession after many years of being away. In an attempt to make the sacrament more convenient, the diocese is once again offering an evening of Penance. On **Wednesday, February 28, from 5:00-8:00 p.m.**

**ALL** the churches in the eight counties of the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland will open their doors and offer the Sacrament of Penance...confession. Catholics across the Diocese are asked to invite someone who may have been away from the faith, for whatever reason, to participate at this special time, as an occasion to return.

Remember that during the season of Lent we pray the **Stations of the Cross each Wednesday afternoon** with the school children beginning **Wednesday, February 21.** The times will vary because of the school schedule so check the bulletin for the correct time. We also pray the **Stations with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. in the church.** The Stations of the Cross are a very sacred tradition in the Church and a very prayerful way to remember the sufferings and death of Jesus, which He endured for love of us.

**Rooted in Faith…Forward in Hope update:** we recently received another check around $7,000.00 from the campaign, which will be divided between the Endowment Fund and our Capital Improvement Fund. Again, many thanks to those who made and fulfilled their pledges to this fundraising effort. If you still need to fulfill your pledge, please don’t think it is too late. Whatever is paid on behalf of pledges, made in the name of Sacred Heart Parish, we receive 70%. Sacred Heart School also received a $5,000.00 grant from the Rooted in Faith Campaign for Enhancing School Security for Students Safety/Protection of Catholic Artifacts. We also received the proceeds from Giving Tuesday this past November. Generous givers donated around $1600.00 to our Sacred Heart School and around $1500.00 to our parish. Thanks to all for such generosity. May God bless you.
Sunday, February 11
8:00 a.m. Mary, Anthony, & deceased members of Dilucca Family

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Tuesday, February 13
8:00 a.m. ............................................................................. Joe Toth

Wednesday, February 14, ASH WEDNESDAY
7:00 a.m. ............................................................................. Denise Shively [Tom & Brad]
9:30 a.m. ................................................................. Helen Rushen [Kirk & Mary Gegick]

Thursday, February 15
8:00 a.m... Tony (80th birthday) & Carol Schmeing [Family]
9:30 a.m. ................................................................. Robert Haack [Elaine Noe]

Friday, February 16
8:00 a.m. ............................................................................. Gale Hetkey [Altar & Rosary]

Saturday, February 17
8:00 a.m. ............................................................................. Reynold Desman [Family]
5:00 p.m. ................................................................. Deceased of the Margaret Warner Family
[Barb McCaman]

Sunday, February 18
8:00 a.m. .......... Intentions of the Kraeff Family [Gwen Kraeff]
9:30 a.m. ................................................................. For our parish
12:00 Noon .................. Katherine Dishauzi [Muhl Family]

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS Joyce Weber, mother of Joe Weber, and Christine (Hamilton) Juntunen, niece of Mary Ciofani who died recently. May our Lord grant them eternal rest in His heavenly kingdom.

**Readings for the Week of February 11, 2018**

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**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

A leper approached him with a request, kneeling down as he addressed him: “If you will to do so, you can cure me.” Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand, touched him, and said: “I do will it.” The leprosy left him then and there, and he was cured. Jesus gave him a stern warning and sent him on his way. “Not a word to anyone, now,” he said. “Go off and present yourself to the priest and offer for your cure what Moses prescribed. That should be a proof for them.” The man went off and began to proclaim the whole matter freely, making the story public. As a result of this, it was no longer possible for Jesus to enter a town openly. He stayed in desert places; yet people kept coming to him from all sides.

Mark 1:40-45

**WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT – FEBRUARY 4**

- Envelope Offertory (228)..........................$16,662
- Online Giving Offertory (264Givers)..............18,500
- Budget Offertory ..........................................18,500
- Weekly Difference ......................................(1838)
- Actual YTD Offertory ...................................$578,895
- Budget YTD Offertory ...................................642,194
- YTD Difference ...........................................(63,299)

**SPECIALS**

- Capital Improvement ......................................$1,220
- St. Vincent de Paul ........................................563
- Support Our School ........................................563

Thank you for your generosity!

**SCRIPTURE READING REFLECTIONS OF THE WEEK**

**SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** [WEEK OF FEBRUARY 11, 2018]

**Question for Adults:** Would you have the courage to tell others to do as you do in order to be a Christian? Why or why not?

**Question for Children:** What can you do this week to be an example to others?

**2017 ANNUAL PARISH CONTRIBUTION REPORT**

For those parishioners that use Online Giving to support weekly offertory you can generate your giving report through your online giving login [see below]. If you contributed through the weekly envelopes, “special” mailed envelopes, like Christmas and Easter, or through the weekly collection baskets this will not be reflected and you will need to email church@shofjesus.com.

For those that ONLY give on line, log into your Online Giving donor account.

On the right side, click the “Print” button. Then click on “View My Giving History & Tax Information.” Set your date range from 1/1/2017 to 12/21/2017 and change the report type to “Full Detail Report Tax Purposes.” Leave the tax filter option checked and click “Print.” Your report will open in a new window. You will need to export the report to a PDF to print the full report.

To print, click on the PDF link at the top of the screen. This will open the report as a PDF and will let you print the report. Make sure you have your pop-up blocker disabled.

If you need assistance to help generate your report, please contact: Our Sunday Visitor at 800-348-2886 Ext 2 or onlinegiving@osv.com

If you do not participate in Online Giving, please email to receive your report to: church@shofjesus.com and include your name, address and envelope number. **Statements will only be mailed out to the parishioners who do not have email. If you do not have email, please return this form in the collection basket. Statements will be mailed/ emailed as soon as possible.**

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### Liturgical Roles

#### MASS SERVERS SCHEDULE

**Week of February 12**
- 8:00 a.m. - Monday - Tuesday
  - Cooper Kresowaty, Amelia Lutz
- 8:00 a.m. - Thursday - Saturday
  - Tate & Claire McNeill

**Friday, February 16 - Stations of the Cross**
- Alexis Friedl, Barrett Croskey
- Lucy Gale, Alexandra Kisilewicz

**Saturday, February 17**
- 5:00 p.m. - Maggie & Jimmy Kamensar
- Ben Fearn, Kyle Figuray

**Sunday, February 18**
- 8:00 a.m. - Jack & Maia Edwards
- Jacob Fahey, Cole McNeill
- 9:30 a.m. - Charlotte Turk, Abe Watson
- Mary & Michael Watson
- 12:00 Noon - Sam Hanna, Jacob Bianchi
- Nicholas Hauenstein, Matthew Cannon

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION SCHEDULE

**Saturday, February 17**
- 5:00 p.m. - Carol Heim, Greg Kornaker, Liz Valeri
- Brenda Sablotny, John Toth

**Sunday, February 18**
- 8:00 a.m. - Chris Easton, Mike Krietemeyer, Gary Nied
- Irene Lionetti, Pat McNeill
- 9:30 a.m. - Irene Bowers, Sue Lichty, Lisa Tomko
- Zen Porchowsky, Loretta Turk

*Cup Ministers* - Dave & Pam Armstrong, Rick Tomko
- Samantha Hardin, David & Karen Kennedy

- 12:00 Noon - Mary Ciofani, Ted Iannarelli
- Ann Kellish, Lowell Knight

**Altercare**
- Jean Hricko, Kathleen Gill

**Liberty Residence II**
- Robert & Andrea Lindner

**Magnolia**
- Jim & Linda Venner

**Wadsworth Pointe**
- Jeff Flaherty

**Coal Ridge Inn**
- Chris & Tricia Easton

#### LECTOR SCHEDULE

**Saturday, February 17**
- 5:00 p.m. - Bob Cotey, Michael Niese

**Sunday, February 18**
- 8:00 a.m. - Patty Haskins, Carly Smith
- Jaclyn Turk, Joe Turk
- 12:00 Noon - Pat & Bill Reynolds

**FASTING AND ABSTINENCE IN LENT**

*Ash Wednesday*, February 14, and *Good Friday*, March 30 are days of abstinence from meat and days of fast, that is, limited to a single full meal. The law of *abstinence* binds all Catholics 14 years and older. The law of *fasting* binds all Catholics from their 18th birthday until their 59th birthday. The other Fridays during Lent are days of abstinance from meat.

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The Rosary is prayed at:

- **Coal Ridge Inn**, first Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.
- **White Oaks**, all Thursdays at 1:00 p.m.
- **Magnolia**, on the 3rd Wednesday at 10:00 a.m.
- **Altercare**, on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.
- **Liberty Residence I & II**, all Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.

***The Rosary is prayed daily at 7:30 a.m. in the chapel and Sundays at 7:30 a.m. in the church.***

***Family Rosary Prayer is the first Sunday of the month at 6:15 pm in the Church.***

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**Ash Wednesday**

#### MASS SERVERS SCHEDULE

- 7:00 a.m. - Caroline & Joey Valeri
- Fred & Catherine Chermak

- 7:00 p.m. - Joseph & Patrick Chamier
- Noah Porter, Maddie Sorrent

#### EUCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

- 7:00 a.m. - Tony & Diane Agnesi
- Dave Armstrong, Dennis Busson

- 7:00 p.m. - Jim Calhoun Caesar Merced
- Joe Weber, Elianna Witschey

#### LECTOR SCHEDULE

- 7:00 a.m. - Pam Armstrong, Pat McNeill
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#### Eucharistic Minister Schedule

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**TO SIGN UP, VISIT BestLentEver.com**
Get in the ZONE to stay informed with what our parish’s youth ministry office is doing each month.

Middle School Youth Group (5th – 8th grade)
The Middle School Youth Group will be heading to Laser Quest in Fairlawn tonight, Sunday, February 11 from 5:30pm—8:00pm. Cost is $10 per youth group member and includes two games and food. Each person is responsible for their own transportation to and from Laser Quest. (80 Brookmont Road, Akron, OH 44333). Limit 35 so make sure to reserve your spot by emailing Annette@shofjesus.com.

High School Youth Group (9th – 12th grade) is currently in session and meets every Sunday night from 6:30 - 8pm in the parish center. Come check out these HSYG upcoming events:

- **Sunday, February 11:** No Youth Group due to the Confirmation Retreat
- **Wednesday, February 14:** No group due to Ash Wednesday

Keep in touch with Youth Group. Want to receive reminders of all that’s going on? For the Middle School Youth Group, text @dhc63 to 81010 and for the High School Youth Group, text @mrgosia to 81010 to join our text list!

**YOUTH VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**
Interested in helping others? Need volunteer hours? Want to make a difference fighting hunger in our community? Then the St. Vincent de Paul Society needs you! Our food pantry serves about 5,000 meals a month and you can be a part of this by volunteering either on a Monday or Thursday evening from 5:45-8:15 at the food pantry located on the lower level of the Parish Center. You must be 14 years of age and be willing to help stock shelves and carry out groceries to clients’ vehicles in pairs.

For more information contact Natasha Willmott at nwillmott0111@gmail.com or to sign-up, follow the link: [http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d4aaf8f2da1f94-food](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d4aaf8f2da1f94-food).

**AWAKE LATE?** You could be awake with Jesus who is awake too in the chapel of Divine Mercy. Vacant hours: Monday 3-4am, Monday 9-10pm, Wednesday 3-4am, Thursday midnight-Friday 1am. Call the parish office to reserve.

**Sacred Heart of Jesus School** Seeking a Catholic education for your child? Registration for pre-kindergarten, kindergarten and new students for the 2018-2019 school year is currently taking place. If you are looking for a Christ-centered, safe and nurturing environment, please consider our parish school. Sacred Heart of Jesus School has much to offer its students including excellence in academics, a spiritually contagious atmosphere, and small class sizes to help keep our focus on the individual needs of every student. In an attempt to meet each child’s needs, we offer full-day and half-day kindergarten programs, as well as many enrichment and intervention opportunities. We are a Jon Peterson and Ed Choice Expansion Scholarship school. Please call 330-334-6272 or visit our websites at [www.shswadsworth.org](http://www.shswadsworth.org) or [www.sacredheartexcellence.com](http://www.sacredheartexcellence.com) for more information.

**THE ANNIVERSARY MASS FOR FEBRUARY**
will be Wednesday, February 21, at the 5:30 p.m. Mass. We pray for all couples, but especially those married in February. Please join us!

**New subscribers to the Northeast Ohio Catholic eNewsletter have a chance to win an iPad!**
Register as a new subscriber to the Northeast Ohio Catholic eNewsletter now through February 28th and be entered into a drawing for a chance to win an iPad. The Northeast Ohio Catholic eNewsletter is a free, weekly newsletter delivered directly to your email inbox. The Northeast Ohio Catholic eNewsletter offers timely, important and interesting news and information from the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland. Northeast Ohio Catholic eNewsletter is the easiest way to stay up-to-date on activities in our Catholic community.

New subscribers who register at [http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/enewsletter/](http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/enewsletter/) to receive the weekly eNewsletter now through February 28 will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win an iPad 128GB Wi-Fi.

For contest rules, visit: [http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/enewscontestrules/](http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/enewscontestrules/).
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Sacred Heart of Jesus
260 Broad Street, Wadsworth, OH 44281
330-336-3049

HEALING AND FORGIVENESS
THE WINNER OF THE A & R RAFFLE WEEK OF February 4, 2018 is John Gorey

Muchas Gracias to all who supported the recent medical mission to Honduras. Fr. Mike’s diary and photos are at http://www.holyfamilystow.org/Mission-to-Honduras

Fiesta de Gracias is a thank-you dinner for all who have participated in or supported the Holy Family Medical Mission to Honduras over the years. Please join Fr. Mike and the medical mission team as they share their stories and photos from the January trip on Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at 6:30 pm in the Church Hall at Holy Family Church, 3179 Kent Road in Stow. Please RSVP to Christy Horner by March 16th at christyhorner@yahoo.com or 330-554-9870.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

CONFIRMATION RETREAT
10:40 am - PSR, School
5:00 pm - Adoration for Vocations, Church
6:30 pm - Middle School Youth Group, Laser Quest

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5

3:30 pm - Jr. Legion
7:00 pm - Family Holy Hour of Adoration, Chapel
7:00 pm - Boy Scouts, McMahon Hall

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

8:45 am - Legion of Mary, Andes Room
7:00 pm - Iron Chef meeting, IHM
7:00 pm - Peace & Justice meeting, Conry Room

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

11:30 am - Wadsworth AA meeting, Andes Room
7:00 pm - RCIA, McMahon Hall
7:00 pm - Legion of Mary, Library
7:00 pm - Youth/Young Adult Choir

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8

10:30 am - SHS practice Stations of the Cross, McMahon Hall
6:00 pm - Cub Scouts, McMahon Hall
7:00 pm - Adult Choir, Church

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

5:45 pm - Simple Supper, McMahon Hall
7:00 pm - Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

7:00 am - Men’s Prayer Group, Andes Room
8:30 am - St. Vincent de Paul meeting, Conry Room
11:00 am - Confessions until Noon, Church
3:30 pm - Confessions until 4:30, Church
6:00 pm - Iron Chef, School Gymnasium

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

*DONUT SUNDAY*
9:30 am - Rite of Sending
10:00 am - RCIA Breakfast, Andes Room
5:00 pm - Adoration for Vocations, Church
6:30 pm - HS Youth Group, Youth Room

Catholic Men’s Fellowship of Northwest Ohio
For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them (Mt 18:20)

MEN! Plan to attend the 18th annual Catholic Men’s Fellowship Conference “Answer the Call” on Saturday, February 24th, with keynote speakers Peter Herbeck, Eric Mahl, and GregWasinski. Remember to bring a friend, son, or grandson (high school or college age) and be among the hundreds of Catholic men that will experience a dynamic day. Special prices are available for students and parish groups. All priests, deacons, and seminarians are admitted free. The conference begins with a light breakfast at 8:00 am and concludes with 4:00 pm Mass. Registration includes breakfast, lunch, and all conference programs. Log on to www.cmfneo.com for registration and more information.