

**September 17, 2017**  
**Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, September 16, 2017**

**4:30 pm – Vikram Chokshi** *Alberta Chokshi*

**Sunday, September 17, 2017**

**8:00 am – Joseph & Edith Eafanti** *John & Andrea Eafanti*

**10:00 am – Liam Bryant** *The Intihar Family*

**12:00 noon – Dec'd members of the Dawson, Jurek & Haugh Families** *The Dawson Family*

**5:30 pm – Raymond & Laverene Kolcum** *The Kolcum Family*

**Monday, September 18, 2017**

**7:30 am – Barb Turk** *Rich Borczuch*

**Tuesday, September 19, 2017**

**7:30 am – Dennis & Jane Lynch & Archbishop Hoban**  
*Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Lynch*

**Wednesday, September 20, 2017**

**7:30 am – Bill Waitinas** *Pam Waitinas*

**Thursday, September 21, 2017**

**7:30 am – The Intentions of all St. Mary Parishioners**

**Friday, September 22, 2017**

**7:30 am – James Auckley** *Charlene Raby*

**9:20 am – Rose Samuto** *The Samuto Family*

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday, September 23, 2017**

**4:30 pm – Gail Skebe** *Judy Lutzke*

**Sunday, September 24, 2017**

**8:00 am – Maggie, Jane & Sam Ritondaro** *John Ritondaro*

**10:00 am – Ralph DePetris** *The PertzFamily*

**12:00 noon – Ephraim Worthington**  
*Dr. & Mrs. Michael Rodriguez*

**5:30 pm – Jamie Dvorak** *Gina Rensi*



Lucille Amodeo

Karen Baptie

Jules Berry

Gia Biondo

Agnes Blackley

Kevin Bonko

Louise Borawski

Karen Brent

Jeff Brock

Carol Browne

David Browne, Sr.

Jacob Brunton

Richard Burns

Barbara Cahill

Christine Calabro

Doug Campbell

Rose Casillo

Linda Clapacs

Nathan Cole

Ann Marie Costa

Mindy DeMent

Ann Marie DiBlasi

Edward Divincenzo

John Ferrara

Jeff Foster

Mike Foster

Denise Friend

Eleanor Gale

Norman Galloway

Rudy Gerlica

Christopher Gilbey

Lisa Goodall

Nancy Grantham

Nancy Hart

Bill Henry

Phil Hlabse

Lillian Hruska

Lynne Johnson

Carl Kangas

Norma Kangas

Donna Kinney

Thomas Kirchner

Joanne Kniskern

Donald Kocies

Fred Koizumazi

Gary Kolesar

Jeanne Kubrin

Tom Lampman

Rita Lavrich

Nicholas LeBlanc

Betsy LeBlanc

Carol Machi

Barbara Malise

Mary Malloy

Pete Mancuso

Sr. Jozetta Marie

Mary Ellen Martin

James Martonchik

Nancy McCauley

Jack McMeecham

Thomas McNulty

Joe Meyers

Eugene Milliron

Annette Moore

Rose Napalo

Ruthann Olp

Frank Penavic

Antoinette Primozi

Thomas Quinn

Richard Rakovan

Rosalie Robichaud

Dahlia Sak

Cathy Schonauer

Tim Schuffler

Gary Schussler

Albert Serafini

Mary Seuffer

Lillian Shieff

Thomas Sill

Tom Smith

Mark Spluvak

Anthony Staraitis

Walter Staraitis

Nathaniel Stolle

Merrill Stukbauer

Raymond Sulak

Dennis Susman

Rick Swenders

Mark Taddie

Anita Triozzi

Kenneth Udovic

Chantel Vargo

Crystal Vecchio

Ned VonLindern

Lauren Watts

John Carter Wolf

Edilio Zamora

Barbara Zingale

**Additions or Deletions please contact the Parish Office at 285-7051.**

**Sunday Collection**

**RSC September 3, 2017** **\$17,729.91** ( 418 donors)

Weekly Budget \$19,000.00

Weekly Automatic Contributions \$1,142.00 (31 Donors)

Monthly Automatic Contributions \$5,809.00 (48 donors)

SVDP \$188.00

Children's Envelopes -0-

Adopt-A-Student \$156.00

**August 2017**

RSC YTD \$163,945.43

RSC YTD budget \$171,000.00

# donors avg. weekly for August 743

RSC YTD—average for August \$18,216.16

RSC YTS—Budgeted weekly \$19,000.00

Adopt-A-Student \$668.00

**RSC September 10, 2017** **\$15,637.10** (429 donors)

Weekly Budget \$19,000.00

Weekly Automatic Contributions \$1,142.00 (31 donors)

SVDP \$205.00

Children's Envelopes \$2.00

Adopt-A- Student \$148.00

Hurricane Relief \$10,754.95



**Prayer Shawl** meetings are directly after the noon Mass in the **Community Room September 17, 2017.**

**50+ Club will be visiting St. Ann Shrine, 5384 Wilson Mills Rd. on Monday, September 18, 2017.**

Meet at St. Mary's parking lot (by the Barn) by 10:00 a.m. for car pooling.

Mass at shrine at 11:30 a.m. After Mass and our visit, you're on your own for Lunch.

Any questions call Dolores Hissom at 286-9836.



**Pray for those who have died.**

Anthony Barille, husband of Virginia Barille

**Wedding Banns**

**I Linda Lyle & Robert Mullett**

**II Mary Jane Svoboda & John Sanker**

## *A Letter from the Pastor*

*Dear Parish Family,*

The last few weeks have been a trying time for many in our nation, to say the least. We have seen the gulf coasts of Texas and Louisiana devastated by a major hurricane named Harvey. The fourth largest city of the United States was literally under water. Areas in the greater Houston area received more than 50 inches of rain as this powerful storm stalled over southeast Texas. Over 70 lives were lost, but many were saved through the efforts of professionally trained first responders and volunteers alike.

Less than a fortnight later, another major hurricane laid waste to entire islands in the Caribbean. As it moved westward, Puerto Rico, Hispaniola, the Turks and Caicos Islands and the Bahamas felt the sting of its power. Cuba's north coast and interior were pounded with incredible winds and rain. Finally, Florida and several southeastern states became the final recipients of the fury of Hurricane Irma. The number of fatalities is as yet undetermined. Still, many were saved through responsible evacuation operations and the dedication of first responders and volunteers.

As our nation recovers from these two disasters, there are so many images that come to mind. While scenes of devastation may be prominent in certain media outlets, there are other images as well. They are images of volunteers in boats rescuing citizens stranded in their homes. They are images of aid workers welcoming evacuees into shelters. They are images of people helping people in their time of need. From governmental, emergency agencies to the man or woman next door, we have seen some of the best of humanity in a time of catastrophe. As I reflect on this, the readings for the Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time give us pause to reflect on how we are living our lives. The reading from the Book of Sirach (27:30 - 28:9) calls us to embrace a spirit of forgiveness. The psalmist (Ps. 103) reminds us that "The Lord is kind and merciful..." St. Paul, in his letter to the Romans (14: 7-9), underscores the reality that "whether we live or die, we are the Lord's." Our Blessed Lord (Matthew 18:21-35) tells St. Peter that we are to forgive "not seven times but seventy-seven times." In other words, we are to forgive always.

The events of the past few weeks remind us of how fragile life truly is. In the end, our lives in Christ are about love of God and love of neighbor as ourselves. This past week, we remembered the events of September 11, 2001. Those who choose the way of terror and hatred never win in the end. It is love that creates and it is love that redeems. As St. Paul tells us, "None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself." We live for the Lord. We live for the One who is Love: God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord from Sirach gives us a sobering command: "Remember your last days, set enmity aside; remember death and decay, and cease from sin." May we always choose the way of love who is the Way, the Truth and the Life – Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

God bless you.

*Fr. Dan Redmond*

### **Men on a Journey! – A Day of Retreat**



But ... who do **YOU** say that I am? **MEN** – adults and teens - join ***Men on a Journey!*** for a **one-day men's retreat**

- Saturday September 23, 2017
- St. Mary, Chardon (401 North Street, Chardon, Ohio)
- 8:30 am – 3:00 pm
- Cost: \$10 – light lunch provided

**To register:** contact Gary Burling [440.357.6899](tel:440.357.6899) or via email [gt2784@roadrunner.com](mailto:gt2784@roadrunner.com)

**Spend the day with other men focused on our faith, answering the question, and growing closer to God !**

# St. Mary's School

## Principal's Corner



Thank you to all of our parents, partners, and friends who joined us last Friday for our Opening Mass and STEM celebration of pastries and coffee! It was a beautiful way to thank our God for his many blessings upon our school. Thank you also to all of our partners that sent congratulatory notes. And a special 'thank you' to our partner- the ISTEM School for the lovely bouquet of flowers and note asking to continue our partnership into the future! We are very thankful to all!

On Monday, September 11th, our school community gathered around our flagpole for a prayer service to remember the events of 9-11-01. Father Redmond led the service of prayer and song. For our present students, this is a historical event. For teachers and staff, it is still very fresh on our minds.

On Monday we also began testing using the new MAP Test mandated by the Cleveland Catholic Diocese. Students take the test online in the areas of reading and math. The test is administered three times per academic year. The results are individualized and include benchmarks as well as progress made. Teachers use the results to differentiate instructions. This is a new venture for us all!

This past Friday we inducted our Student Council Officers for the 2017/2018 school year. Congratulations to:

Co-Presidents: Evan Galeozzo and Kyle Yates

Secretary: Liam Ptasznik

Treasurer: Quentin Fedak

Commissioners of Safety & Ecology: Christian Pawar and Jacob Schneider

Commissioners of School spirit & Religious Activities: Jamie Graham and Sophia Morano

We look forward to working with you and hearing your ideas to make our school the best it can be!

On September 18th we will be kicking off our Magazine Drive. This year we are adding chocolate bars to the mix. Each family will be selling one box. Please support our school by purchasing a magazine or chocolate bars from our students. The funds raised help to pay for our lunch and recess monitors who keep our children safe.

Peace and Joy,

Mary Petelin

Principal

## Parish Ministries



**St. Mary's 4th Annual Designer Handbag Bash**  
**Friday, October 13, 2017 @ 7pm**

Tickets are \$40 for open seating OR \$50 for reserved seating (Not only will you get a guaranteed seat with your friends, you will also receive 5 FREE Chinese Raffle tickets!!).

Food and Beverage Included. Side Raffles & 50/50. Winners need not be present to win. Must be 21 and over to attend.

Please use an order form to purchase tickets for this years event.

Order forms can be found in the community room, school office or on the school website at [www.stmaryschoolchardon.org](http://www.stmaryschoolchardon.org). Contact Casey at [casey@ptasznik.net](mailto:casey@ptasznik.net) or 440-286-8195 for more information.



**Pro Life:** Our babies are 35 weeks old! They continue to grow and mature. By this stage of development, the eyes are wide open, and if a light were shone into them, the pupils would contract. The head is covered in hair.



**St. Mary's Knights of Columbus will host a Rosary, Tuesday, September 19 in the chapel at 7:00 p.m. Please join our Knights in prayer to our Holy Mother.**

## Parish Ministries



Any High School Teens interested in coming to Life Teen, please come to our next Life Night on Sunday September 17th following the 5:30 pm Mass. We will be starting the semester with Life Nights on the Holy Spirit, so please plan on coming to learn more about the Holy Spirit and how you can allow the Holy Spirit to work within your life. Also, if anyone has any questions about Life Teen, donating food gift cards, which we could always use or about lecturing the 5:30 pm Life Teen Mass, please contact us at [lifeteen@stmarychardon.org](mailto:lifeteen@stmarychardon.org). We hope to see you at Life Teen and God Bless! Sherry and Chris Loxterman and the entire Core Team

Meetings this Week			
<b>Mon. 9/18</b>	PSR gr. 1-5	6:15 p.m.	Clrms,SL,Caf.,ABC
	RCIA	6:30 p.m.	HR
	Parish Council	6:30 p.m.	FR
<b>Tues. 9/19</b>	PSR Home Schooling Mtg.	5:30 p.m.	ABC
	Weight Watchers	5:00 p.m.	ABC
	12 step mtg.	6:00 p.m.	CR
	Linedancing	6:00 p.m.	Caf.
	Soulcore	7:00 p.m.	HR
	Knights of Columbus	7:00 p.m.	Ch/ABC
<b>Wed. 9/20</b>	Bible Study	9:00 a.m.	CR
	PTU mtg.	6:00 p.m.	SL
	Painting Party	6:30 p.m.	Caf.
	Alzheimer Group	6:30 p.m.	CR
	PSR Home Schooling Mtg.	7:00 p.m.	ABC
	Mission Partnership	7:00 p.m.	HR
<b>Thurs. 9/21</b>	Geauga Family First Council	7:30 a.m.	BR
	Movin with Music	8:30 a.m.	ABC
	Divorced & Separated	7:00 p.m.	CR
	Boy Scouts	7:30 p.m.	Caf.
<b>Fri. 9/22</b>	Soulcore	6:30 p.m.	HR
	Video Group	7:00 p.m.	CR
	Men's Retreat Set-up	7:00 p.m.	ABC,BR,Caf.
<b>Sat. 9/23</b>	Men's Retreat	8:30 a.m.	ABC,BR,Caf.
<b>Sun. 9/24</b>	Youth Life Nights	4:00 p.m.	ABC,Caf.
	PSR Gr. 6-8	6:30 p.m.	Clrms,SL,Caf.



**Blessing of the Animals:** There will be a blessing of the animals on **Sunday, October 1st at 3:00 p.m. here at St. Mary Parish.** The blessing will take place in

the athletic field just adjacent to the west parking lot (i.e. very near the paper recycle bins). Owners are asked to be prepared for any maintenance needs required by their animals. All are welcome.

## Community News

### *Pasta with a Purpose*

Friday—September 29, 2017

5-10 p.m. - St. Mary Chardon Banquet Room

Benefit dinner hosted by

Friends of the Red Tulip Project

In memory of

*Jamie Dvorak & Jennifer Knight*

The purpose of the Red Tulip Project is to raise funds to construct, maintain, and operate a sober house in Geauga County, to assist Residents with transportation to counseling and job training, and to provide resources to promote healing.

**Chinese auction, Silent Auction, 50/50 raffle**

\$10.00 per person (12 years +) \$5.00 for kids

3 years and under eat for free!

For tickets call or text:

Becky Camposo 216-314-2194

Tammy Hoch 440-319-2594

Luanne Dvorak 440-796-6191

Pat Knight 440-563-6590

Julie Porter 440-897-1213

Tara Windland 330-352-6541

**Fr. Greg Bramlage and the Missionaries of the New Evangelization**, from Colorado Springs, will be at **Saint Helen Parish, 12060 Kinsman Rd**, for a three night program on **September 25-27**. Each night Fr. Greg will open us up to a deeper understanding of God's magnificent love and His desire to heal us in every way. Come with an open heart and an expectant faith. The Rosary will be prayed at 6:30 pm and the Service will begin at 7:00 pm. The nightly themes are: Monday: How Deep the Father's Love for Us, Tuesday: Deliver Us from Evil, Wednesday: Led by the Spirit. For more information call the Church office at 440-564-5805.

### *The Christ Child Society of Geauga County*

*Fall Fashion Show and Luncheon*

*Featuring*

The newest fall and winter fashions from

*Chico's of Chagrin Falls*

Join us for lunch, fun raffles and prizes  
for you and your friends

**Sunday October 15, 2017 1pm to 4pm St. Mary Church  
Banquet Center**

401 North Street Chardon, Ohio. Tickets \$30.00

Questions and reservations contact

Mary Worley at 440-525-3972 or [pmekw@windstream.net](mailto:pmekw@windstream.net)

**Divine Word Parish** will be hosting the program **"Welcome Home To Inactive Catholics"**. The program will begin on **Tuesday, October 3rd at 7:00 p.m.** in the parish rectory and will continue for the next five weeks. The program is non-challenging, non-confrontational and very welcoming.

Divine Word Parish is located at 8100 Eagle Rd., Kirtland. For more info, call Deacon Carl Varga or parish secretary, Mrs. Marti Smith at 440-256-1412.

## Community News



### LAST CALL 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima 10 Day Pilgrimage to Portugal offered Nov 7-16, 2017 from Cleveland Hopkins Airport.

We will be departing both St. Mary's Chardon and St. Anselm parking lots where you can leave your car. Cost of

\$3449.00 in twin accommodations with single accommodations also available. We will be visiting Lisbon, Fatima, Santarem, Portugal, Burgos, Spain, Carcassone, Lourdes, France and Barcelona Spain. We have just 8 seats left.

For further information please call Mr. James Adair at 440-564-8001 toll free or simply email [jimadair@thecatholicstour.com](mailto:jimadair@thecatholicstour.com)

**Pilgrimage to Fatima & Lourdes— Please NOTE that the travel date from Nov. 5-14 on the brochure is incorrect. The correct date is Nov. 7-16.**

**Jim Adair will hold another meeting for all those travelling after the 11:30 Mass at St. Anselm's in Chesterland on Sunday, October 8, 2017.** The meeting will begin at **12:45 p.m. in the Church Rectory.** Contact Jim Adair at 888-878-8187 for any questions.

### SND Bethany Retreat Center Programs 2017-2018 The SND Bethany Retreat Center in Chardon

announces its programs for 2017 – 2018. If you would like your own copy of the programs at Bethany or wish to receive their retreat information throughout the year, please e-mail Sister Jennifer Kramer, SND, Director of Bethany Retreat Center at [jkramer@ndec.org](mailto:jkramer@ndec.org)



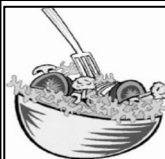
### The Sisters of Notre Dame invite you to attend their 55th Annual BBQ & Boutique, "Gather Together" to be held on Sunday September 17 and Sunday, September 24 from Noon to 5:00 p.m.

Enjoy barbecued chicken or ribs, chips, apple pie, coleslaw or applesauce and beverages. Shop for select sisters' handmade items in the Boutique. Tickets available at the door: \$13/chicken, \$16/ribs. Held in the Notre Dame-Cathedral Latin Gymnasium on the Notre Dame Education Center Campus, 13000 Auburn Rd., Chardon, south of Mayfield Rd. (Rt. 322). Rain or shine. Handicapped accessible. Take out dinners available. Any questions call Dena Adler at 440-279-1176 or [dadler@ndec.org](mailto:dadler@ndec.org) or the Communications Associate, Angela Sedivy, at 440-279-1182 or [asedivy@ndec.org](mailto:asedivy@ndec.org)

### Divorce Recovery for Catholics, an 8 week Support Group designed to meet the needs of those who are divorced or separated will begin **Thursday, September 21 and conclude on**

**November 19, 2017, at St. Mary Church, 401 North St., Chardon.** The group meets from **7– 9 p.m.** Sessions are designed to offer direction, support, and the tools for coping with this life-changing experience. For more information or to register, call Catholic Charities at 352-6191 or 1-800-242-9755 or email [kjubeck@st-gabriel.org](mailto:kjubeck@st-gabriel.org). There is no charge for this program, all materials are provided, and it is open to people of all faiths.

**Public Rosary Rally:** Please join in the **2017 Public Rosary Rally on Saturday, October 14, at 12:00 noon at St. John Vianney Parish,** in the Fr. Kline Social Center. Text or call Char at 440-668-7180 or Jodi at 440-856-6106 for more information or visit the America Needs Fatima website: [www.americaneedsfatima.org](http://www.americaneedsfatima.org).



**St. Mary Magdalene Salad Luncheon,** featuring guest speaker Sharon Hargrove, wife of former Cleveland Indians Manager and MLB player Mike Hargrove. An afternoon of fellowship, lunch, and inspiring talk for women of all ages.

**Saturday, September 23rd at 12:30 p.m. in the School Gym. Tickets \$15.00.** Tickets can be purchased in the St. Mary Magdalene parish office, 32114 Vine Street, Willowick, or after Mass in the Gathering Area. For more information call 440-943-2133.



**Lake Catholic Open House—**Sunday, October, 8, 2017 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. and Tuesday, November 7 from 6:00—8:00 p.m.

**The annual St. Jerome Clam/Steak Bake will be held on Sunday, September 24th from 1-4pm.** Your \$30 ticket includes your choice of one dozen tender clams with a half chicken or a delicious strip steak. Both entrees come with Clam Chowder, potato, corn on the cob, and a roll. Extra clams may be ordered for \$10 a dozen. Tickets can be purchased on line at [www.stjeromecleveland.org](http://www.stjeromecleveland.org), or by calling the church office at 216-481-8200. Come for the food, stay for the fellowship and for a chance at the fabulous Chinese Auction prizes. See you at the Clam/Steak Bake!



**Catholic Family Day At Progressive Field ~  
PreGame Mass at 1:15 p.m. - Father Bob Stec Presider  
Sunday, October 1st, 2017 at 3:10 p.m.  
Cleveland Indians vs. Chicago White Sox**

**Upper Box—\$14—Family Deck—\$15—Club Seating—\$54**



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To order tickets please visit: <http://m.mlb.com/indians/tickets/group/catholicfamilyday>  
Any questions? Please contact Jack Plys at 216-420-4162 or [JPLYS@INDIANS.COM](mailto:JPLYS@INDIANS.COM)