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St John the Evangelist Parish / St. Mary Parish

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Mission Statement : Inspired by the Holy Spirit and our Lord Jesus Christ, we strive to grow in faith, love and service to God and our neighbors.

7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 23RD, 2025

St John Church (SJ) - 415 37th St, Bellaire, OH 43906

St. Mary Church (SM) - 240 E 40th St, Shadyside, OH 43947

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4:00 PM - SM Saturday 5:30 PM - SJ

Sunday 11:00 AM - SM Sunday 9:30 AM - SJ

WEEKDAY MASS

5:15 p.m. (Mon.) SJ 8:00 a.m. (Wed. & Fri.) – SJ 8:00 a.m. (Tues. & Thurs.) - SM 8:00 a.m.



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. - SM

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. - SJ

Monday: 4:30 p.m. - 5:00p.m. - SJ

Tuesday & Thursday: 7:30 -7:45a.m. - SM

Wednesday & Friday: 7:30 a.m. - 7:45a.m. - SJ

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7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Give, and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you." - Lk 6:38

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PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that, always pondering spiritual things, we may carry out in both word and deed that which is pleasing to you. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

The Collect of the 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time



MESSAGE SERIES

As a society we've been told a lot of different and conflicting things about relationships, dating, marriage and love. However, Jesus had much to say about love and relationships. In this series, we will bring clarity to the topic of relationships, and what it looks like both in and outside the marriage covenant. Our goal of this series is to present the topic of relationships as God created it to be, but also to inform people that its never too late to experience God's healing and forgiveness from past wounds and mistakes.

Week 4: God's Job / Our Job

Scripture: Luke 6:27

God has a job to do, and so do we. God is the judge of souls, and we are not (Thanks be to God!!). We know what's right and wrong because God has revealed that to us. But don't know the inner workings of the human heart and so we don't know why people do the things they do (even when those things are objectively wrong). It's just good to remember what OUR job is—to do good to everyone. That gives us great peace of mind and joy in our hearts—we can't control what people do to us, or whether or not they recognize the truth about God's plan for love and marriage—God is the judge of their hearts—all we have to control is loving them, which means “do good to them!”, even if we don't agree with their actions. Gospel!

Fr. Dan's Intentions for the Week

Saturday, February 22nd, 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00p.m. (SM) + Barb Warnock ("Adopted" Donahue Family)

5:30p.m. (SJ) + Patricia Matthews (Tom Zani & Family)
Sunday, February 23rd, 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30a.m. (SJ) + Stanek & Baudo Families & All the Poor Souls (Family)

11:00a.m.(SM) + For the People of St. Mary's & St. John's
Monday, February 24th

*5:15p.m. (SJ) + Melissa Donovan (Fr. Dan Heusel)

Tuesday, February 25th

8:00a.m.(SM) + Christine Cruciotti Hanneken (Daughter ~ Dina)

Wednesday, February 26th

8:00a.m. (SJ) + Liz Gasbarre (Bob & Lou Ann Bennett)

Thursday, February 27th, St. Gregory of Narek

8:00a.m. (SM) + Joyce Mellott (Bob & Theresa Baker)

Friday, February 28th

8:00a.m. (SJ) + Paul Rosen (Family)

Saturday, March 1st, 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00p.m. (SM) + Alex Kish (Family)

5:30p.m. (SJ) + The Rose Family ~ Rhea, Tony, Mike, Mark & Mark Jr. (Paul Rose)

Sunday, March 2nd, 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30a.m. (SJ) + Francis Leinweber (KofC # 1246)

11:00a.m.(SM) + For the People of St. John's & St. Mary's

Liturgical Ministers: Weekend of March 1/2

St. John's

March 1st EM: K. Ball Lector :S. Stewart

March 2nd EM: M. A. Kiss Lector : M.A. Young

St. Mary's

March 1st EM: T. Mowery Lector: P. Beveridge

March 2nd EM: L. Kernik Lector: A. Schamp

ST. MARY FISH FRY



St. Mary's is in need of volunteers to help with the fish fry. Sign up sheets are in both churches. **We are also in need of donations** for paper towels, sandwich bags, canned pop and bottled water. All proceeds will go to the Youth Group this year! The Fish Fry will start Friday, February 28th and end Friday April 11th. If you have any questions please call Bob Gardner at 740-310-2788.

TURN IN LAST YEAR'S PALMS

We are asking that our parishioners bring in their palms so we can have them ready to be burned for Ash Wednesday, March 5. You may leave them on the altar rails to be collected. Thank You!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

2 million Catholic men on a mission of faith in action! Fr. Dan is asking all the men of our parishes to join the K of C. Sign up at kofc.org (enter our council number (1246) as your preferred council) or call/text Fr. Dan at (740) 298-4158 by February 24th.

Offertory Collection

For the Weekend of February 15/16

St. John's: Adults (80env) \$2,473, Loose \$194, St. Vincent de Paul (2env) \$30, Grade School (1env) \$50, CWC Dues (1env) \$5, Building Fund (1env) \$100 Steubenville Priest Retirement (6env) \$255, Candles \$114.01

St. Mary's: Adults (44env) \$1,277, Loose \$339, Building Fund (5env) \$215, Steubenville Priest Retirement (4env) \$370, Food Pantry (2env) \$60, Candles \$68



Please Note: *This prayer list is an important part of our love for our brothers and sisters in need. Names will be included on this list for four weeks at a time. After four weeks a*

person's name will be removed but can be added again the next week simply by calling the office. Please pray for the following: Jeremy Chirpas, Tyce Hughes, Vicky Oboy, Lindy & Don Freed, Jax McCort, Dominic Alexander, Lou Ann Kinder, Fr. Sam Saprano, Mgrs. Gene Mullett, Fr. Tom Petronek, Dorothy Kresak, Jeff & Mandy Fahey, Quentin Scott Coyne, Baby Everett Sommers, Ed and Rose Grammar, Susan Gray, Jackie (Donahue) Woods, Joe Boston Jr., Peggy Kotson, Tom Galinski, Susan Vasey, Bob, Bill & Tom, "Chic" & Debbie Henderson, Kay Bambeck, Mary Kay Hanasky, Ann Hodges, Tom & Margie Merryman, Craig Blacker, Patrick Strain and granddaughter, Halen, Jim Garczyk, Natalie McFeley, John Hanasky, Beverly Kolenich Beau Boston, Sharon Leonard, Rosalind Fitch, Roger Peters, Jerry & Phyllis, Adam Ruskowski, Jeff Doneson, Joe Budrevich, Rudy Bresiger, Cathy Ciulles, Warren Wright, Rich Price, Marlyn Marling, Jay Morgan, Kathy Kavmirski, Sandy (Donahue) Bass, Kyrie Vincent, Andrew Zaborek, Kim Scott, Gwen Brown, Bobby Roth, Peg Stipetich, Sarah Stipetich, Rhonda Tipton, Rebecca Brown, Mary DeGenova, Anthony De Genova Magan Nichole Sechrest, Megan Kristin Sechrest, Lori Runyan, Monroe DeLuca, Albert DeBlasis, Mary Jo Garner, Camden Thomas, Julie Sharpe, Jill Brinker, Baby Kennedy Rae, Shelli Macurak, Pete Padyjasek, Ainsley Oliniski, Mary Taris, Beth Baker Phillips, Linda Ullom, Shelly Garczyk, Tom Kucera, Brian B., Joanne Dantrassy, Mike "Bo" Olack, Rita Kovalov



Lord, bless and protect those serving our country, especially:

Lt. Col. Brian Zeno, Airmen 1st Class Curtis McElfresh, Sgt. Christopher Wetzel, Lance Corporal Zachary Knowlton, Staff Sgt. Wm. Kayne Melko, HTF Kory Melko, Sgt. Joshua Hall, Staff Sgt. Aaron Loeffler, Tech Sgt. Craig DeBeni, Major Trey Vasey, Capt. Tom Dyer, Staff Sgt. Josh Pempek, Mitchell Rataiczak, Master Sgt. Chris Dipold, Sgt. Ryan James, Sgt. Dylan Frizzi, Sgt. Jake Foster and Pvt William Clegg, Petty Officer Alex Rader, Pvt. Colton T. Selmon, 1st Lt. DJ Olexa, Staff Sgt. Kelsey (Ryncarz) Turner, Senior Airman Cameron Opic, PFC D'eondre Burney, Petty Officer Jared Keiser, Petty Officer Brody P. Halenar, Major Alex Beveridge, Lance Cpl. Keenan Cook



Thank you!

A big “thanks” to all who supported our Sweetheart Lunch last Sunday. It was a great success and a lot of fun (and the lunch was *delish!*). We’ll have the financial report in the bulletin next week—all proceeds

support our youth group attending the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis this November 2025!

2025 Diocesan/Parish Share Campaign

We are officially kicking off this year’s D/PSC and are excited to do so! I’ll give you a bulletin insert next week that shows each parish’s goal for this year’s campaign. Why should we be *excited* about another D/PSC? Because TOGETHER (all the parishes=our diocese) we can do things that our individual parishes could never do ALONE. Remember, we don’t exist alone—we are part of a greater body, our diocese—under our bishop.

Catholic Men’s Day/ Lenten Women’s Day

Also excited about our annual Lenten days of spiritual renewal for men and women coming up—great themes and great opportunities to be together, as a diocesan family, with our brothers and sisters. Don’t miss these!

Lenten Series

We are gearing up for Lent which means a new message series begins next Sunday (the Sunday before Ash Wednesday) and a new invitation to join a small group for Lent. Small groups are *the #1 way* we build community!



Sunday: 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

D/PSC Appeal Sunday

9:30-10:45a.m. Family Faith Formation

Tuesday: 9:00a.m.—5:00p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (SM)

6:00pm St John Finance Council (SJH)

Wednesday: 5:30p.m. Caring Crafters

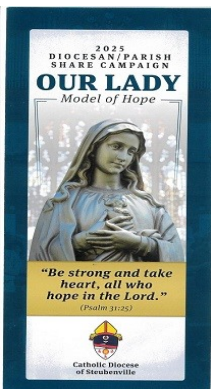
Thursday: 6:00p.m. St. Vincent de Paul (SJH)

7:00pm OCIA (SJH)

Next Sunday: 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

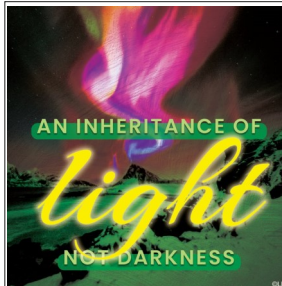
9:30-10:45a.m. Family Faith Formation

DIOCESAN/PARISH SHARE CAMPAIGN 2025



You may have received a letter from Bishop Lohse asking you to consider your contribution to this year’s Diocesan/Parish Share Campaign (DPSC). You gifts to the DPSC bring to life all our diocesan ministries and services that go beyond what any parish can provide on its own, including seminarian formation, are for retired priests, administrative support for Catholic schools and much more. As we continue to discern the

future direction of our diocese we must continue to fund the essential ministries that the DPSC makes possible! Thank you for your continued support!



GOSPEL MEDITATION

One of my favorite new singers/songwriters is Noah Kahan. I’m a little biased because, like me, he is originally from Vermont. In a fine song entitled “Stick Season,” he sings of his hope to “cancel out the darkness I inherited from dad.”

This lyric articulates his painful recognition of a dark spiritual

“inheritance” from his father, and his hope to be free of it. We all inherit some degree of evil from our earthly forebears. It’s easy to feel doomed to repeat their darkneses.

But we’re not so doomed, thank God. This week’s Gospel proclaims this. Whatever good or bad we received from our parents, we have a more definitive and perfect inheritance in God. Jesus commands us, **“Be merciful just as your Father is merciful”** (Luke 6:36). We have a perfect Father in heaven and are destined to inherit and reflect *that* perfect and merciful love. We have an inheritance of light, not darkness, and thus a whole new possibility of magnanimous love. Like any inheritance, this is a free gift to us.

What are we destined to repeat? Not the darkness of our earthly parents. We are destined to be a reflection of *God’s* life. Jesus liberates us from the inevitability of repeating whatever evils and imperfections are in our familial or cultural upbringings. It’s time to claim that perfect inheritance. — *Father John Muir* ©LPi



Memorial Donation Made to St. John’s Church

In Memory of Joseph P. Stemkowski by Peter & John Padyjasek, Russ & Betty Banfield

Readings for the week of February 23, 2025

Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38

Monday: Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Sir 4:11-19/Ps 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175/Mk 9:38-40

Thursday: Sir 5:1-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mk 9:41-50

Friday: Sir 6:5-17/Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35/Mk 10:1-12

Saturday: Sir 17:1-15/Ps 103:13-14, 15-16, 17-18/Mk 10:13-16

Next Sunday: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 (see 2a)/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45



PARISH T-SHIRT AND BOOK SALES

We’ve got two great parish t-shirts available (for a donation of \$15 each). Look great and represent our parishes (Two Parishes, One Family!). We also have our Lenten book, “Seriously, God?”, which our Lenten Message Series and Small Groups are based on, for a donation of \$5. All proceeds go to our Youth Group!



February Is National Heart Month

Heart disease is the leading cause of death in the USA causing 1 in 4 deaths each year! Get active, eat a healthy diet, maintain a healthy weight, don't smoke, only drink alcohol in moderation, manage stress, and get enough sleep. For you and the ones you love!



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The Boston & Donahue Families
By Cheryl Boston*

*In Loving Memory of
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the month. On Sundays doors open at
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Thursdays doors open at 4:00
& Bingo starts at 5:00.
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