# DISCIPLES CALLED TO WITNESS

## St John the Evangelist Parish / St. Mary Parish Bellaire - Neffs - Shadyside - Powhatan Point

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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.

#### 8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**MARCH 2ND, 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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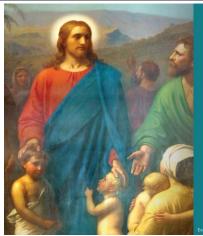
Mrs. Theresa Young, Principal

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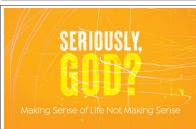
"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." - Lk 6:43, 45

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#### PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Grant us, O Lord, we pray, that the course of our world may be directed by your peaceful rule and that your Church may rejoice, untroubled in her devotion. 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 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time



#### **MESSAGE SERIES**

A friend's child dies; a parent gets a cancer diagnosis; your spouse loses their job. Sometimes life and God's plan don't make sense and we end up feeling hurt and angry. In

Seriously, God? we will explore the denial, doubt, and betrayal we experience when we face hardship and life not making sense. While those experiences can drive us further away from God, they can also be opportunities to lean in and learn more about him. The series is all about overcoming some of the typical objections to trust in God so we can deepen our relationship with him.

Week One: Introduction—The Seeing Leading the Blind

Scripture: Luke 6:39-45

Jesus tells a parable or uses an illustration that the blind cannot lead the blind. We simply cannot know God all alone and on our own. We are blind without help. Christianity is a revelation of who is and what he is doing. In this first week, we will look at three principles that will form the basis of the series so that we can see life more as God sees it.

(Get a copy of the book at all the church entrances)

### Fr. Dan's Intentions for the Week Saturday, March 1st, 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Time

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 (K of C #1246)

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

Monday, March 3rd, St. Katherine Drexel

\*5:15p.m. (SJ) + Barbara Warnock (Breakfast Group SJC Class of 1969)

Tuesday, March 4th, St. Casimir

8:00a.m.(SM) + Ed Pytlak (Scott & Linda Kish & Family)

Wednesday, March 5th Ash Wednesday

\*8:00a.m. (SJ) + For the People of St. John's & St. Mary's

\*12:05p.m. (SJ) + "Buzz" Donahue (Julie Curran)

\*5:15p.m. (SM) + Greg Forbes (Rob & Mary Lynn Marx & Family)

Thursday, March 6th, Thursday after Ash Wednesday 8:00a,m. (SM) + Alexandria Klika (John & Shari Rowan)

Friday, March 7th Friday after Ash Wednesday

8:00a.m. (SJ) + Marge Curran (Joe & Alexis Skoff)

6:30p.m. (SJ) Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 8th, 1st Sunday of Lent

4:00p.m. (SM) + Richard Okulanis (Paula Phillips & Grandsons)

5:30p.m. (SJ) + Kevin & Keith Sechrest & John Kiss For God's Healing Graces of Soul, Mind & Body (Mom & Sister)

Sunday, March 9th, 1st Sunday of Lent

9:30a.m. (SJ) + Joyce Mellott (Baci Carpico)

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

# Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule

8:00a.m. at St. John's 12:05p.m. at St. John's 5:15p.m. at St. Mary's



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 P vt 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

#### **Offertory Collection**

#### For the Weekend of February 22/23

**St. John's:** Adults (80env) \$3,714, Loose \$217, St. Vincent de Paul (1env) \$20, Building Fund (11env) \$250, Priest Retirement (5env) \$1,550, Candles \$103.42

**St. Mary's:** Adults (57env) \$2,250, Easter (1env) \$25, Easter Flowers (1env) \$50, Holy Thursday (1env) \$25, Ash Wednesday(2env) \$30, Rice Bowl (1env) \$10, Good Friday (1env) \$25, Catholic Home Mission (1env) \$5, St. Vincent de Paul (1env) \$10, Grade School (2env) \$20, Building Fund (12env) \$295, Food Pantry (4env) \$55, Priest Retirement (2env) \$170, Palm Sunday (1env) \$25, Candles \$127

Please Note: This prayer list is an important Prayer part of our love for our brothers and sisters List 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: Vicky Oboy, Lindy & Don Freed, Jax McCort, Dominic Alexander, Lou Ann Kinder, Fr. Sam Saprano, Mgsr. 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, Joyce Mellott, Gwen Brown, Bobby Roth, Peg Stipetich, Sarah Stipetich, Rhonda Tipton, Rebecca Brown, Mary DeGenova, Anthony De Genova Magan Nichole Sechrest, Megan Kristin Sechrest, Magan Nichole 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,



Liturgical Ministers: Weekend of March 8/9

St. John's

March 8th EM:C. Flowers Lector: M. Kosky March 9th EM: M.A. Young Lector: L.A. Bennett

St. Mary's

March 8th EM: Volunteer Lector: S. Ferrelli March 9th EM: M. Brown Lector: M. Brown



#### ST. MARY FISH FRY

Every Friday through April 11th.

11:00am—6:00pm. Dinners \$11 (Sandwich, FRIDAY Fries, Coleslaw), Sandwich\$9, Fries \$2, FISH FRY Coleslaw \$1, Dessert \$1, Drinks \$1. We serve Canadian White fish. Call (740) 340-5061 on

Friday to place your order! Volunteers needed.



Sunday: 8th **Ordinary Time** 

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

Monday: 7:00p.m. KofC

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

11:15a.m. BCF (CC&T) 1:00pm Mass (SCC)

7:00p.m. CommUNITY Prayer Service

(St. John's, Bellaire) Wednesday: Ash Wednesday

8:00a.m. Mass (SJ) 12:05p.m. Mass (SJ) 5:15p.m. Mass (SJ)

**Thursday:** 5:30p.m. Holy Hour of Reparation (SJ)

7:00pm OCIA (SJH)

**Friday:** 11:00a.m. –6:00p.m. Fish Fry

5:15p.m. Stations of the Cross (SM)

Next Sunday: 1st Sunday of Lent

9:30-10:45a.m. Family Faith Formation 2:00pm. Rite of Election (St. Agnes, Mingo Junction)



#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday of Lent (except Good Friday) at 5:15pm. We alternate between churches. This Friday, Stations will be at St. Mary Church.

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLY BAPTIZED! **Cole Alan Tyson**

Baptized on February 22 at St. John's



#### 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 the things that older pastors and younger priests occasionally quarrel about is the proper balance between work and prayer. I know one pastor who complains that his younger associate ignores the people and the parish because he wants to spend more time in prayer. And

the young priest complains that the pastor gives him too much work to do and no time to pray. The Lord's words this Sunday speak into this tension with an image that can help us find a proper balance between life and prayer.

Jesus says, "For every tree is known by its fruit. For people do not pick figs from thorn bushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles" (Luke 6:44). When we are deeply rooted and cultivating our relationship with Jesus, we are going to bear the fruit of that love in our lives. No fruit, no good prayer. How do we know that we are praying well? We are experiencing concrete fruits of love for others in our lives.

Someone who prays well will, sooner or later, burst forth the "figs" and "grapes" of acts of love. But without concrete commitment to deeds of selfless service to others, our prayer time is as useless as thorn bushes and brambles. Let's recommit ourselves to be men and women of prayer and service. And hopefully the pastors will help their associates to pray and serve fruitfully...with minimal quarreling. — Father John Muir ©LPi



#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Join 2 million Catholic men on a mission of faith in action. Fr. Dan is inviting all the men of our parishes to join the K of C. Our degree ceremony will be Sunday, March 16th at 2:00pm at St. John's. You

can join by going to kofc.org and entering our council number (1246) as your preferred council. Or call/text Fr. Dan at (740) 298-4158 to register with him.



#### **REST IN PEACE**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Michael "Bo" Olack, Antoinette Fry Michael Robinson and Marling. We offer our prayers also for their loved ones. If you have a family member that dies but was not buried from

our parishes please call the parish office, we would like to include them here in this space.

#### FR. BILL CROSS—40TH PRIESTLY ANNIVERSARY

A Mass of Thanksgiving for the 40th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood for Father William Cross Sunday, March 9th at 10:00am at St. Joseph Church, 204 Mound Street in Tiltonsville, Ohio. hors d'oeuvre reception in the parish hall following the Mass until 3:00pm. All are welcome, no RSVP needed.

# March Is National Nutrition Month



"Keys to a healthy you. Drink 48 or more ounces of water daily. Eat dark green vegetables, whole grains, beans and lentils, fish, winter squash, berries, and soy. Cut back on red meats, sweets, and salty snacks. For you and the ones you love." *Evelyn Krapa Parsons*, RDN



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By Bruce & Mary Ann

God's Blessings for the
The Boston & Donahue Families
By Cheryl Boston

In Loving Memory of
Bill Kahl by Wife Karen
George, Bud, Murph & Jerry Snider
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#### BINGO NIGHTS ST JOHN CENTRAL ACADEMY

The 1st **Sunday & Thursday** of the month. On Sundays doors open at 1:00p.m. & Bingo starts at 2:00p.m. Thursday doors open at 4:00 & Bingo starts at 5:00.

Concessions / Raffles/Other Prizes/Pull Tabs Location: 3625 Guernsey St. Bellaire, OH in the gymnasium.

No Food brought in please! Any Questions please call (740) 298-0265

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