



**Mass Intentions**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>May 4<sup>th</sup></b>
5:00 p.m.	Grant Keys and Pat Keys
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>May 5<sup>th</sup></b>
8:30 a.m.	William Borgmann
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>May 6<sup>th</sup></b>
5:00 p.m.	Stang and Tracey Families
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>May 7<sup>th</sup></b>
8:30 a.m.	William and Mary Janas
<b>Friday</b>	<b>May 8<sup>th</sup></b>
8:30 a.m.	Mary Ann Kelley
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May 9<sup>th</sup></b>
9:00 a.m.	Albert J. and M. Kathryn Solet
12:00 Noon	Wedding ~ Arthur Moran & Robin Kotlan
4:30 p.m.	Genevieve Roling
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 10<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>
8:00 a.m.	Ben and Mary Mahl
9:30 a.m.	Sergundina D. Agomaa
11:00 a.m.	People of St. Mary Parish

**Readings for the Week of May 4, 2009**

Mon:	Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42 2-3; 43:3-4; Jn 10:1-10
Tues:	Acts 11:19-26; Ps 871-7; Jn 10:22-30
Wed:	Acts 12:24-13:5; Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8; Jn 12:44-50
Thurs:	Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3,21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20
Fri:	Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11; Jn 14:1-6
Sat:	Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14
Sun:	Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

*In your prayers...*

This week, please remember all in our parish community, the intentions in our intention book, our family and friends in need, especially: **Brennen, Bruce, Chuck, Crystal, Don, Eric, Linda, Paul, Sally** and all who have asked for our prayers.



Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Irene Burns, Scott Gensert** and **Patricia Vonachen** who died this past week and for the consolation of their loved ones.

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

Sunday Collection (04/26/09)	\$10,377.00
Catholic Home Missions Appeal	\$203
Envelopes	351
Building Fund	\$61.00

*Our gratitude to all of you who are so generous.*

**Thank you!**

[2<sup>nd</sup> Collection May 10<sup>th</sup> – Office of Catechetical Services]



My Friends,

As we approach the end of another school year, the pace of activity begins to pick up. Our calendars are overbooked with First Communion, weddings and graduations parties. Along with the appearance of the flowers and green grass (not to mention our excitement over the Cleveland Cavaliers), these signs of spring renew our life and restore our hope in the Easter mystery. We are blessed in so many ways and this is a good time to celebrate those blessings.

First of all, we congratulate our children who made their First Communion. This is such an important day in their lives. As they come to know the love Jesus has for them in sharing His life with them, they bless us as they join with us at the Eucharistic table. Their enthusiasm for the Lord renews our own appreciation of a special gift that we often take for granted. May our First Communicants never lose their desire of receiving Jesus in the Eucharist.

Another sign of spring was the appearance of the Schill Landscaping trucks on the parish property last Saturday. I want to thank Jerry and the large group of volunteers who turned out for our parish clean-up day. It was a lot of hard work but the parish grounds look great! Thanks also to Ray Cunningham for supplying sustenance for our well-deserved workers. It was great to see both the young and the old working together so that we can take pride in our parish grounds.

As long as I am doing acknowledgements, I do not want to forget to congratulate Jared Linden on his achievement of becoming an Eagle Scout. Our parish is blessed with a number of Eagle Scouts. To me, it is a sign of the good things that are going on around the parish. We are proud of our newest Eagle Scout and know that he will succeed in whatever goals he sets for himself.

Let me conclude with just a couple additional footnotes. This weekend we kick off another Corvette raffle. This year, it is a silver one which is a much better match for my hair. Again, I encourage your participation in the raffle. It is not a difficult ticket to sell. Last year, we made over \$30,000 on the raffle.

Since we did not have any better success by moving the parish festival in June, we decided to return it to the time of our feast. We will have our parish celebration in August with more details to follow.

Finally, we are preparing to create another parish pictorial directory. As members from Holy Cross and Sacred Heart join our parish, we thought this was an ideal time to create a 'family album.' The majority of pictures will be taken the last week of June with a make-up session in September. This is a wonderful tool for building community. It doesn't cost you anything to have your picture taken and you can get a free picture! We will be taking sign ups in the near future.

*Fr Charlie*

\*\* Mass Intention requests for 2010 are now being accepted. Stop in or call the Parish Office at 323-5539.

**Wedding Banns**

- I Henry Hozma and Rebecca Schill
- III Arthur Moran and Robin Kotlan

The Mothers from Birthright will again be selling flowers after all Masses on Mother's Day weekend, May 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>. It is through your generosity that we have been able to keep our doors open to assist women in crisis. We thank you in advance for your assistance.

*~ The Mothers of Birthright*

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



### This Week in our Parish

#### Monday

5:30 p.m.  
6:30 p.m.  
8:00 p.m.

#### May 4

Helping Hands Ministry – Conference Room  
PSR – Marian & St. Joseph Buildings  
Parish Council – Conference Room

#### Tuesday

10:30 a.m.  
12:00 Noon  
7:00 p.m.

#### May 5

Hot Meals Planning – Conference Room  
Senior Luncheon – Weigand Room  
SMS Band Concert – Music Room

#### Wednesday

2:20 p.m.  
7:00 p.m.

#### May 6

Girl Scout T278 – Art Room  
Couples Club – Conference Room

#### Thursday

9:00am-5:00pm  
5:00 p.m.  
7:30 p.m.

#### May 7

Eucharistic Adoration – Lower Church  
Market Day pick-up - Commons  
CityMusic Cleveland - Church

**200 CLUB WINNER:** 05/03/09 Frank Pawlikowski #175

RECIPES WANTED! Do you have a family favorite recipe that you're willing to share with your St. Mary Family? We are in the process of compiling a booklet of our parishioners' favorite recipes to be available for purchase later this year. Recipes should be submitted to the Parish Office by May 15. Please include your name so that you can be acknowledged.



The next Senior will be held on Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, at 12:00 noon in the Weigand Room. Our speaker will be Mary Jo Thomas, Executive Director of the Lorain County

Furniture Bank. The cost of the luncheon is \$4.00. **Please call your reservation to Sister Mary Dorothy at 322-1423.** Time will be available for those who wish to stay and play bingo. We look forward to a great meal, sharing new ideas and hope that you will bring a friend with you.

Elyria Catholic High School Alumni Associate ~ 2009 Hall of Fame will honor 3 deserving alumni (*Mrs. Barb Diedrick*), 1 outstanding educator and 1 exceptional service honoree (*Mr. Lou Rotunda*) at an award dinner on May 14<sup>th</sup> at LCCC Spitzer Conference Center in the Grand Room. Registration will begin at 5:30pm with dinner at 6pm and awards at 7pm. The cost to attend this prestigious event is \$26; the event is open to the public. Reservations can be made by calling 365-1821x22 or 34, and will be accepted until May 7<sup>th</sup>. (2 of our parishioners will be honored.)

### We are the Stewards of God's Green Earth.

Sponsored by Catholic Action Commission of Lorain County

*"In the beginning, God created heaven and earth..."*

Unnatural household products contain chemicals & toxins that do not break down in nature and can never be cycled back, recovered or destroyed. Here's a simple tip to unclog a drain. Pour 1 cup of baking soda down the drain followed by 3 cups of boiling water. Now you have a clear drain and you've done your part for the environment. Doesn't that feel great?

*We can all "Make A Difference", one step at a time.*

St. Vincent dePaul Church Night at the Races – Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>. Doors open: 6pm, Post time: 7:30pm. Tickets \$15. For tickets and information, contact Lori Fortney at 227-7637 or Laura Skolnicki at 322-6867 or 787-4706.



St. Mary School 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration will culminate on **Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup>**, with Mass and an Open House. For the celebration, we are looking for items for a display of our history. If you have any old items including uniforms, school supplies, pictures of St. Mary's past, etc., we would like to borrow them. Please contact Laura Chaves at 440-309-7029 or the school at 322-2808 if you can help. Thank you.

From time to time we receive requests for individuals who would be able to do some light assistance for the elderly in their home. If you are interested in sharing your time, please call the parish office so that we can put together a list of individuals that we can pass along to caretakers and family members. You may also email [anniecunningham@windstream.net](mailto:anniecunningham@windstream.net) with your information. We appreciate your consideration.

*"Our Life is Rich"* is a time to get together and reflect on the gifts we have received from God and how we use them to carry on the work of the Gospel. It is intended not only to develop relationships within the community but also be an opportunity to welcome and involve new members into our parish family. Our next session will be **May 27<sup>th</sup> from 7-9pm** in the Weigand room. Please register with the Parish Office.

*Thank You to all who gave of their Saturday to clean up the St. Mary Campus. You all worked so diligently to make the grounds look beautiful. We had a perfect day for weeding, trimming, raking, mulching, and sweeping. Thanks to you, our parish and extended community can enjoy the peaceful and blooming atmosphere. Best wishes for a wonderful spring and summer!*

### EC Boys Basketball Camps Develop Basketball Skills & Christian Character

There will be 2 Elyria Catholic Panther Boys Basketball Camps for 2009. Both are for boys entering grades 4-8 next year. Campers will learn fundamental basketball skills taught in daily stations, participate in competitive games and learn faith based values from daily Bible topics. The 1<sup>st</sup> Camp will be held in the EC Coliseum June 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> from 9am-Noon daily. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Camp will be held at Lorain St. Anthony June 22<sup>nd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> from 9am-Noon daily. Cost is \$75. Call or e-mail coach Alan Januzzi at 985-2550 or [coachjanuzzi@centurytel.net](mailto:coachjanuzzi@centurytel.net) for registration forms and information.

### Job Opportunity: Coordinator of Youth Ministry

This full time position serves the youth and families in three parishes in Elyria, Ohio, Diocese of Cleveland. We have a clear vision that focuses on having one comprehensive youth ministry that works in partnership with parents and youth to support the role of parents as the primary formators of faith in their families. The applicant must be a practicing Catholic with five or more years of experience in ministry (preferably in a multiple parish ministry). We offer a compelling vision, competitive salary, and benefits that will be commensurate with experience. Please email your résumé by April 17, 2009 to [SaintAgnes@oh.rr.com](mailto:SaintAgnes@oh.rr.com) or mail to: Elyria Youth Ministry Search Committee, c/o Rev. Al Krupp, Pastor, St. Agnes Catholic Church, 611 Lake Ave., Elyria, OH 44035.