



Mass Intentions

- Monday** October 5th
5:00 p.m. Joyce Doehne – 2nd Anniversary
- Tuesday** October 6th Bruno, priest
8:30 a.m. Jennifer Kaminski
- Wednesday** October 7th Our Lady of the Rosary
5:00 p.m. Jim Dumski
- Thursday** October 8th
8:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of the John L. Kovacs Family
- Friday** October 9th Denis, bishop & martyr
8:30 a.m. Bertha Pollack
- Saturday** October 10th
9:00 a.m. Mary Fowl
2:00 p.m. *Wedding ~ Matthew St. Marie & Stephanie Buss*
4:30 p.m. Loretta Daly
- Sunday** October 11th 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 a.m. John and Irene Polacsek
9:30 a.m. People of St. Mary Parish
11:00 a.m. Marian Ternes

Readings for the Week of October 5, 2009

- Mon: Jon 1:1-2:1, 11; (Ps) Jon 2:2-5, 8; Lk 10:25-37
Tues: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1-4, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42
Wed: Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4
Thurs: Mal 3:13-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13
Fri: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 8-9, 16; Lk 11:15-26
Sat: Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28
Sun: Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90:12-17; Heb 4:12-13;
Mk 10:17-30

Wedding Banns

III *Matthew St. Marie & Stephanie Buss*



Congratulations **Dominic & Lillian Patania** on celebrating your **60th Wedding Anniversary** on October 1st. *God bless you!*



Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Ernie Bedocs** and **Constance Rodjom** who died this past week and for the consolation of their loved ones.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

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| Sunday Collection (09/27/09) | \$8,848.00 |
| Catholic Communications Campaign | \$607.00 |
| Envelopes | 351 |
| Building Fund | \$207.00 |

Our gratitude to all of you who are so generous.

Thank you!

[2nd Collection Oct. 11th – Hospitalization & Pension]



My Friends,

October is *Respect Life* month. We live in a society and culture that values little, even life itself. When you turn on the evening news all you hear about is children killing children. People are outraged and want to jail an elderly woman who killed a young fawn chewing on her garden, but where is the outcry for the thousands upon thousands of babies aborted, especially in the third trimester. How is that not murder! We think the solution to our problem is more guns and the death penalty. History illustrates that in harsh economic times there is a consequent spike in violence and crime.

Where do we begin to look for a solution? I think the U. S. Bishops are on the right track in turning our attention to marriage and family. These are the basic buildings blocks of a society. If we can get them back in order the rest of the pieces will fall in place. A successful marriage is much more than one day saying 'I do.' It is a lifetime commitment that needs to be nurtured. It is based on a selfless love that looks to the good of the other. When both are ready to do this, then you will be bonded into 'one flesh.' This mature love is coming at a premium these days. The reason for so many annulments is the inability to create this sacramental bond. Marriage preparation is often not taken seriously much less the continuing enrichment that is necessary to keep a marriage vibrant.

When the marriage breaks down, then the children suffer. In many cases, the love is so selfish that couples do not want children that will cramp their life style. Others are busy buying their children 'things' instead of giving them their time and love. If we are to believe the statistics, only 23% of children live with both parents at home! Need I go any further?

True respect for life will not only work to repair these foundation blocks but also work to eradicate poverty, provide education, employment and healthcare for all. If we want to make any progress in turning the direction of society around, then we better work hard in finding solutions to these concerns. Let me challenge you to do at least one thing to promote life in this Respect Life month. There are plenty of options from which to choose!

Fr Charlie

Book of the month club:

Our selection for October is **My Sister's Keeper** written by Jodi Picoult. We will meet to discuss it on Oct. 22nd.

The Helping Hands Ministry is celebrating its 1-year anniversary! During this past year, we were able to help 561 people with rent, utilities or food and gas cards. 42 new mothers received a new baby crib. A great big **THANK YOU** to the Parishioners of St. Mary for your generous donations and continued support! God Bless ~ *Helping Hands Ministry*



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: **Charles, Gloria, Jack, Karlie, Lynn, Mary, Patty, Paul, Todd** and all who have asked for our prayers.

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



This Week in our Parish

Monday

5:30 p.m. Helping Hands Ministry – Conference Room
6:30 p.m. PSR – Marian & St. Joseph Buildings
6:30 p.m. 6th Grade Bible Service – Church
followed by reception in Weigand Room
8:00 p.m. Parish Council Meeting – Conference Room

Tuesday

10:30 a.m. **October 6**
Hot Meals Planning Meeting – Conference Room
12:00 Noon Senior Luncheon – Weigand Room
7:00 p.m. *Sing His Praise* – Lower Church

Wednesday

October 7
6:30 p.m. Tiger Cub Den Meeting – Cafeteria
6:30 p.m. Wolf Den Meeting – Green Room
7:00 p.m. Couples Club – Conference Room

Thursday

October 8
9:00am-5:00pm Eucharistic Adoration – Lower Church
7:00 p.m. Webelos Den Meeting - Cafeteria
7:00 p.m. Bible Study – Lower Chapel

Saturday

October 10
5:30 p.m. Clam Bake & Casino Night - Hall

Sunday

October 11
11:00 a.m. Pre-School P.S.R. – St. Joseph Building
6:00 p.m. Youth 'Questions of Faith' – Weigand Room

200 CLUB WINNER: 10/04/09 Al Plas #28



The next Senior Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, October 6th, at 12:00 noon in the Weigand Room. Our speaker will be Phil Stammitti, Lorain County Sheriff. Mr.

Stammitti will be speaking on safety and identity theft. The cost of the luncheon is \$4.00. **Please call your reservation to Sister Mary Dorothy at 322-1423 by Friday, Oct. 2nd.** 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.

Pre-Baptism class will be held on **Wednesday, October 21st** from **6:30-8:30pm** in the Parish Center Conference Room. Dinner will be provided. Babies & Godparents are welcome. To register for this class, please call the Parish Office at 323-5539. Our next class will be in January.

Altar & Rosary Society

October is membership renewal time for Altar & Rosary. You will find, in your Oct-Nov envelope packet, an envelope for Altar & Rosary. Annual dues are \$5.00. Take time to join or rejoin the St. Mary Altar & Rosary Society and join us on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 11:00am for the Rosary, Benediction, lunch and a short business meeting.



Teens



Youth Group: Our next gathering will be this Sunday, Oct. 4th at 6pm in the Weigand Room. It will be a time to explore your *Questions of Faith*. Come hungry, as there will be plenty of pizza & pop. Our October fun event will be a visit to a corn maze, which includes a hayride.

SING HIS PRAISES! Come to the Lower Church on Tuesday – October 6th beginning at 7pm. All are invited to come and sing praises to our God on the 1st Tuesday of each Month. We are presenting the *Sing His Praise* prayer meetings as an opportunity for all the area churches to join together in song & prayer. We believe there will be something uplifting for all. Join us in making a joyful noise unto the Lord.



Corvette Raffle: It's the last month of our major fundraiser. We have paid off the car with our ticket sales. This month will decide how much profit we will make. Please make a last ditch effort to sell as many tickets as you can.

CLAM BAKE & CASINO NIGHT – Sponsored by the St. Mary Sports Committee will be held on Saturday, October 10th from 5pm – Midnight. Tickets are \$22.50 each or 2 for \$40 and can be purchased after Masses or by calling 365-6305.

SECOND ANNUAL AT THE HOP PARTY tickets are now available! Join us on Saturday, October 17th in St. Mary Hall for dinner catered by Smitty's, music by The Geezocats and the drawing for the 2009 Corvette Convertible. This dance was nearly a sell-out last year and we expect at least the same this year. Tickets are available after the Masses or by calling 322-9704 or 458-4689.

Furniture... In an effort to create a library/reading room in the Guardian Angel Arts Center we are looking for furniture to make it a cozy haven for learning. If you have any furniture that you are not using anymore please call the Parish Office at 323-5539 ext. 224. We are looking for couches, comfy chairs, end tables, coffee tables and a lamp or two. Thank you for your help.

CENLC: Catholic Employment Network of Lorain County – Whether you are a person with contacts and know of job openings or one in search of a job, we invite you to be a part of the CENLC. There are monthly meetings on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at St. Jude that begin at 7:00pm in the family center. It is a very good resource if you are in search of a job!

Prayer Vigil: We will be holding a **Prayer Vigil Against the Death Penalty** on Wednesday, October 7th after the Rosary and 5pm Mass in the Lower Chapel. All are invited to come and pray with us.

Do you want to do more to help families in need? Well you can! Attend the **FIESTA DINNER BENEFIT** to help raise funds for the **Lorain County Furniture Bank**. Do you enjoy authentic Mexican dishes? Do you love your chips and salsa! Then join us on **October 15, 2009 at St. Jude Parish Carrabine Hall, 590 Poplar St.** Event begins at 4:30 – 7pm. Cost: \$10 Adults, Children under 12: \$7. The Bank has been able to help over **960** individuals and children access needed furniture by recycling your donated furniture and working with local agencies. Funding has been tight this year, but they have continued to help those in need. For information, or to order tickets call **440 522 9857**. Tickets will also be sold at the door.

CRAFTERS WANTED: St. Teresa of Avila, Sheffield Village is currently accepting applications for crafters for its annual craft show being held on Friday, Nov. 6th, 5–8pm and Saturday Nov. 7th, 9–3pm at its Parish Life Center. Call 934-2176 for more information.