

**A Personal Invitation For You**

**The Christ Child Society of Geauga County invites you to attend their 27th Red Wagon Spring Luncheon on Saturday April 22nd at St. Noel Party Center from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm.** Jenn Harcher, meteorologist at Channel 8 News will join the event as our guest emcee. The Chinese Auction and Luncheon raffles support the many programs and activities of the Society in its mission to help and serve children at risk in Geauga County for over 30 years. The Luncheon will again feature our signature gift baskets, along with plants and flowers that officially welcome spring. Gather your friends and join us for another fantastic Red Wagon Spring luncheon.



Tickets for the event are \$45 per person. Contact Jeannette Bussoletti (jbussoletti@yahoo.com—216-401-8190) for further information and reservations.

**Our Lady of Fatima: Mini Retreat Celebrating the 100th Year Anniversary**

**Men, women and children of all ages are welcome on May 13 from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon at St. Edward Rose Hall, 16150 Center St., Parkman, Ohio.** Come to hear the story, the message and the promise. Continental breakfast will be provided. Please call to reserve a spot or to get more information: Myra Musick at 440-834-9373 or Maria Cocco at 440-286-7505.



**St. Patrick Church**

**Afternoon of Prayer and Reflection:**

***Saint Catherine of Sienna—A Saint for All Times***  
***With presenter Fr. Dan Redmond***

**Saturday, April 29, from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm,**  
***including a light lunch***

Come join others for prayer,  
learning how St. Catherine of Sienna's life  
can help us grow closer to God.



Sign up today and invite a friend to join us.  
All are invited to participate!!

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To SIGN UP to Participate: COMPLETE THIS FORM AND PLACE IN BASKET IN CHURCH, sign -up on the sheet in the entryway of the church or call the Parish Office at 440-298-1327.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

Any dietary restrictions? \_\_\_\_\_

**NEEDED A FEW GOOD MEN to help with "Moms and Muffins Sunday " on May 14th**

Community Life Ministry would like to honor the women (mothers, grandmothers, aunt) in our parish on Mothers Day, Sunday May 14, after 9:30 Mass.



We are asking the men of the parish to step forward and volunteer your time to help in any of the following ways: set-up, serve, and/or clean-up this event for the women of the parish. Children are welcome to help to honor our "Moms"! Sign up sheets will be in the back of the church this month. Please consider helping. Thank you!!

**"A Night in Candy Land": St. Mary Dad & Daughter Night Out on Friday April 28, 2017**

All dads, daughters, grandfathers and uncles invited to a special night out together! St. Mary PTU is hosting a memorable event with music, dancing, games & prizes and of course—sweet treats. \$25 for dad/daughter combo and \$5 for each additional guest. It will be held in St. Mary Banquet Room from 7:00– 9:00 PM.

**Registration & Information Forms area available on the desk in the entry area of the church.** Volunteers, moms and teens, and sweet treat donations are needed also and you can sign up via the Registration Form. RSVP deadline is April 24th. If you have questions please contact Holly Suszynski by e-mail at [hollycopter912@hotmail.com](mailto:hollycopter912@hotmail.com).

**First Step Program: Continuing Education Regarding Marriage and Divorce in the Catholic Church**

Attempting to pick up the pieces of one's life after the tragedy of divorce is an area that can impact a person's relationship with God and the Church. The Tribunal of the Diocese of Cleveland offers its First Step Program to help individuals deal with these questions in order to renew and/or strengthen their relationship with God and the Church. This program is offered to help everyone, especially those who have experienced divorce, learn more about Catholic teaching regarding marriage, divorce, and remarriage.

Representatives from the Ministry to the Divorced Office of the Department for Marriage and Family Ministry will also be present to explain the resources they offer to the divorced. Everyone is welcome to the First Step Program as it helps individuals navigate the path of healing and closure. Please refer to the Tribunal website for testimonials about the program from past participants. A First Step meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2017, at St. Mary Parish, Chardon, at 7:00 p.m. Note that the Diocese of Cleveland no longer requires any fees for this process. For more information check our website: [www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal](http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/tribunal) Or call the Tribunal: 216-696-6525/800-869-6525, ext. 4000.

**St. Noel Parish offers ...**

**BEREAVEMENT SERIES – dealing with grief is never easy.** The St. Noel Bereavement Team is offering a 5-week support series beginning Tuesday, April 11, 2017 from 7:00-8:30pm in the Nativity Room. The series will meet 5 consecutive Tuesday evenings. Call the parish office (946-0887) to register.

**FREE FRESH PRODUCE – St. Noel, in partnership with the Greater Cleveland Food Bank, is hosting a free produce market for low-income seniors in our community.** The market is open on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month from 2-4pm in the Banquet Center at St. Noel Church, 35200 Chardon Road, Willoughby Hills. The next market is April 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Painting With a Purpose Painting Parties!**

Each month Birthright will be hosting 2 painting parties - one held in the cafeteria of St. Mary's in Chardon on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month and one at Birthright's offices at 209 Center Street in Chardon (next to Joey's Italian Grill) on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday. The cost is \$35 per person. A portion of this price is a donation to the wonderful work Birthright does to help women in crisis pregnancies. All materials, as well as light snacks and coffee and water are provided. A great way to have fun while helping those in need! Contact Birthright at 440-286-9711 to reserve your spot.

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St. Patrick April / May Calendar



**APRIL**

**Easter Vigil Mass: Saturday April 15 at 9:00 pm, followed by Resurrection Celebration**

**Easter Masses: Sunday April 16 at 9:30 am & 11:30 am**

**Women's Social Gathering (following Women's Lenten Reflection Series): at 6:15 pm on Tuesday April 18**



**Sharpening Stone Meetings: Thursdays at 7:00 pm**

**Afternoon of Prayer: Saturday April 29 from 11:00 am—3:00 pm**

**First Holy Communion: Saturday April 29 at 4:00 pm Mass**

**Divine Mercy Sunday, April 23: Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed, following 9:30 am Mass**

**Registration Forms for PSR and VBS: available beginning in April**



**MAY**

**May Crowning: Tuesday May 2 at 6:15 pm, during last PSR Session**

**Sharpening Stone Meetings: Thursdays at 7:00 pm**

**Donut Sunday: May 7**

**Muffins For Moms: Sunday May 14, following 9:30 am Mass**



**JUNE**

**Donut Sunday: June 4**

**Welcome New Parishioners Brunch: Sunday June 11, following 9:30 am Mass**

**Virtus—Protecting God's Children Training Session: Tuesday June 13 at 6:30 pm**

**Vacation Bible School Volunteer & Station Leader Meeting: Tuesday, June 20 at 6:15 pm**



**JULY**

**Donut Sunday: July 2**

**St. Patrick Church Tent at Thompson's 4th of July Celebration: Stop by our tent and receive a complementary hotdog as you enjoy the parade**

**Vacation Bible School: Tuesday July 11 through Thursday July 13, from 5:30–8:00 pm**

**AUGUST**

**Donut Sunday: August 6**

**Parish Picnic: Saturday, August 12 following the 4:00 pm Mass.**

GREAT company, food and fun!! Everyone welcome to come!!



**SEPTEMBER**

**Donut Sunday: September 3**

**Chinese Auction: Saturday September 9, Doors open at 11:00 am for the auction and kitchen for a light lunch. Drawing will begin at 2:00 pm. GREAT baskets! GREAT prizes!**

**PSR Classes begin: Tuesday September 12 at 6:15 pm**



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Good Sam's Financial Report

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Divine mercy flyer

**Divine Mercy Sunday is April 23: Divine Mercy Chaplet after 9:30 am Mass**

To help celebrate this special day of devotion all members of our parish family are invited to join us, in the Church, in praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet immediately after the 9:30 Mass.

If you would like to learn more about this wonderful devotion see the Divine Mercy Information Flyer on the back side of this page. Please feel free to view a website created by one of our Parish families: [WWW.DivineMercyMessage.Com](http://WWW.DivineMercyMessage.Com) or [WWW.Marian.org](http://WWW.Marian.org)

**Parish Pastoral Council: We Hear You**

Each meeting, Parish Pastoral Council checks the “suggestion Box” in the entry area of the church and considers the suggestions, concerns and questions that parishioners submit. They received a suggestion regarding Divine Mercy. The parishioner suggested that a Divine Mercy image, displayed in the church, would “assist in developing an increased devotion to the “Divine Mercy” practice at St. Patrick. *The Divine Mercy image can now be seen on the right hand side of the main entryway, as you exit the church.*

Parish Pastoral Council, with members Mary Lencse, John McDougall, Bill Mothersbaugh, Brooke Perlik and Mary Vavpetic discuss parish topics with Fr. Dan Redmond at bi-monthly meetings. Their feedback, insights and suggestions are important as Fr. Dan makes decisions for our parish. Please feel free to add your idea to the suggestion box or to talk with current Parish Pastoral Council members. *The Holy Spirit may be working through you ... to help guide our parish!*

**A Full Life**

As we celebrate the joy of Easter and the promise of new life in Christ, mark your calendars and plan to join us this summer at The FEST—our 17th Annual Catholic Family FESTival—Sunday August 6, 2017. The theme for FEST 2017 is—A FULL LIFE. Come and hear the best of Christian artists: *Laura Story, Matt Maher, Crowder, and for King & Country*. There are plenty of activities and displays, along with rock walls, BMX shows, and so much more. You will also want to check out the Marc’s mom’s Relaxation Station. It’s the perfect family day and a great opportunity to help your family celebrate our faith in Jesus Christ. It’s an exciting day as we celebrate a fullness of life in Christ. To learn more go to: [www.theFEST.us](http://www.theFEST.us).

**St. Patrick Vacation Bible School:**

**Maker Fun Factory**  
**July 11, 12 & 13, 5:30-8:00 PM**

**Mark your calendar and come join  
the faith-filled fun this summer!!**



**Information and Registration Forms  
to participate or to volunteer  
are available in the entry area of the church.**

**Adult, Teen & Youth Volunteers:**

*We need your help to make VBS great for our children .*

*Interested in volunteering or have questions:*

*Contact Marilyn Schwartz 440-298-1845*



Welcome all to our Easter Celebration at St Patrick's. Whether you are an active parishioner, a visiting family or friend, or have been a non-participating Catholic for some time, we are happy that you have chosen to join us today.

If you, or someone you know.....

- ◆ Was raised Catholic but does not attend or seldom attends Church anymore.....
- ◆ A Catholic who feels separated from the Church.....
- ◆ Would like to know more about the Catholic Church as it is today.....
- ◆ Would like to feel at home in the Catholic Church again.....
- ◆ Interested in returning to active participation, but unsure how, or if, you can return.....

No Matter how long you have been away and no matter the reason, we invite you to consider renewing your relationship with the Catholic Church. If you have been baptized in the Catholic Church, you remain Catholic, and are always welcomed home.

**Beginning April 26, 2017, St Cyprian Parish in Perry will be hosting a Catholics Returning Home series.** The program is a 6 part series of informal discussions and brief videos, in a non-judgmental setting, directed by lay parishioners. The program is designed to assist in answering questions and providing updates to the Catholic Faith.

**There is no cost nor obligation.** We simply invite you to Come Home! For more information, please contact Pat Freeman at 440-655-9121.

- April 26 : Welcome and Overview of Series.
- May 3: Sharing Stories of Faith
- May 10: The Church Today: Changes since Vatican II- Explanation of Major Changes
- May 17: Walk through the Mass – along with an Explanation and Historical Overview
- May 24: Explanation of the Sacrament of Penance (Confession)
- May 31: The Creed: What Catholics Believe

All sessions are held 6:30pm-8:00pm.