

Responding To God's Call ...

God works in many different ways, through ordinary people and events. Are you interested in strengthening your relationship with God by practicing Catholic traditions? Do you know someone who is struggling with life now, who would benefit by getting to know our loving God?

The way to learn how to become Catholic is by actually doing what Catholics do. So the process of being initiated into the Church is about learning a way of life as an apprentice learns a discipline from a master and that master's community. The RCIA process serves to help individuals grow closer to God and to learn about our Catholic faith traditions and teachings with the help of members of our faith community.

Talk with family members and friends ... share your faith in God with them ... and invite them to explore learning more about our Catholic faith and traditions (and why we do what we do) as an option for their life!!

If you, or someone you know, is asking life questions or is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, please contact Pattie Batchman at 440-298-1327 to talk about the RCIA process.

Your Prayers Appreciated for Those Actively Serving in the Military:

- ◇ **Caitlyn Geisman, daughter of Carol & John Geisman**
- ◇ **Daniel Kraynik, son of Deacon Phil & Betty Kraynik**
- ◇ **Tom Zarack, son of Gayle & Tom Zarack**
- ◇ **John Connor Redmond, nephew of Fr. Dan Redmond**

We would like to honor and pray for those members of our parish, and their immediate family members, who are actively serving in any of the five branches of our military forces (Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marines, Navy). Please send (phillipkraynik@sbcglobal.net), or give, your loved ones' name and branch of service to Deacon Phil. He will coordinate with our Pastoral Associate: Mrs. Batchman, to have the names placed in our Parish Bulletin so that our entire Parish Family can remember your loved ones in prayer as they continue to serve and protect our nation. We also ask that as your loved one completes their time in the service that you please let us know so that we can keep our list as accurate as possible.

Offered at Jesuit Retreat House in Parma

Let Nothing Trouble You ... September 26. 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. Presented by Martha Campbell. After the death of Teresa of Avila, a bookmark was found in her possessions which speaks to her "rule of life" which is based on Sacred Scripture. Come to this day of quiet and reflection, ready to sit at the feet of Teresa, allowing her to help you find equanimity in your busy, challenging life! The day will include input, time for personal reflection and group dialogue. Cost: \$40.

To register contact 440-884-9300 or visit www.jrh-cleveland.org.

Men on a Journey! – Plan Ahead For Upcoming Retreat:**MEN – adults and teens – SAVE THE DATE**

Join us for: Men on a Journey! – A Day of Retreat: But ... who do YOU say that I am?

When: Saturday September 23rd

Where: St. Mary, Chardon (401 North Street, Chardon)

Time: 8:30 am – 3:00pm

Cost: \$10 – light lunch to be provided

Register: Contact Gary Burling 440.357.6899 or gt2784@roadrunner.com

Catholic Family Day with Mass and a Cleveland Indians Game

Join the Cleveland Indians for Mass and a ball game for Catholic Family Day at Progressive Field on October 1, 2017. Pre-Game Mass at 10:15 am in the Ball Park. Tickets starting at \$14. Purchase on-line with this link: <http://m.mlb.com/indians/tickets/group/catholicfamilyday> and enter the special passcode "baseball". Any additional questions please call 216-420-4162 or e-mail jplys@indians.com.

Congratulations to David and Katti Cadorette with the Celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism for Lillian Kathleen and Marian Rose on Sunday, September 3

Lillian Kathleen and Marian Rose were welcomed into the Catholic Church through Baptism at St. Patrick Church by Deacon Bob Schwartz. Parents are the primary “passers on of the faith” and are supported especially by godparents. Extended family and faith-filled friends emphasize the importance of a relationship with Christ and faith-in-action during daily life.

Matthew and Amanda Cadorette are serving as godparents for Lillian. Denis and Susan Cadorette are godparents for Marian. Lillian and Marian have been blessed with loving parents, godparents and extended family to celebrate their Baptism!

The St. Patrick community is indeed very special in the faith journey of the Cadorette family. God’s love for Lillian and Marian, on this special day, is revealed by all those who have surrounded them on this special day!



Collection in Our Diocese for Hurricane Victims last weekend—THANK YOU!!

Thank you for your generosity!! The funds collected will be used both to support the humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities USA and to provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted dioceses through the USCCB. **Thank you!!**

Help Us Clean Out Some “No-Longer Needed” Items From Our Barn and Underground Portico

Some fall clean-up is in progress!! Our hope is that someone can make use of some “no-longer-needed” items or be willing to help us dispose of them. If anyone is interested in some old desks and benches (formerly used by our PSR program in the hall before switching to the full size tables and chairs). We have a good number of these stored in the barn. If anyone is interested in an old, most-likely-not-working walk behind mower or rototiller. These items are currently stored under the front portico and need to be removed. Please contact the Parish Office 440-298-1327 to make arrangements to check out these items out or to pick up. Thank you!!

St. Patrick Church Afternoon of Prayer and Reflection:

Hearing God In Today’s World

**Saturday, October 7, from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm,
including a light lunch**

*“Blessed
are those
who hear
the word of
God and
observe it.”*

Come join others for prayer, learning how to listen to God
so we can grow closer to Him.

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

Luke 11:28

To participate, sign-up on the sheet in the entryway of the church or
call the Parish Office at 440-298-1327.

What's It All About? (Do you sometimes wonder at Mass?)

This fall you can join others ... here at St. Patrick!!

Scripture Series: Gather with others to focus on the Scripture Readings for the upcoming Sunday on Tuesdays. By gaining additional information about the reading, through discussion and learning from each other you will better understand the Scripture Readings at Mass ... and (hopefully) hear what God hopes you hear through the Readings. The Spiritual Life Ministry will sponsor this series.



Two options for the Scripture Series will be on Tuesdays: September 26 through November 14

◆ 9:45—11:00 AM

OR

◆ 6:15—7:30 PM, during scheduled PSR sessions.

Men's Reflection Series "Sharpening Stone": Gather with other men for prayer and a focus on Scripture. Be the man God created you to be by enriching your spiritual life. Deacon Phil will facilitate the group.

Meetings will be on Thursdays from 7- 8:30 PM, September 28 through November 14.

All are invited to participate!!

Questions? Call the Parish Office at 440-298-1327.

To SIGN-UP to participate this fall: COMPLETE THIS FORM AND PLACE IN BASKET IN CHURCH or call the Parish Office.

NAME _____ PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____

I would like to attend: please "X" to indicate which series you will be attending.

_____ Tuesdays 9:45-11:00 AM
Scripture Series

_____ Tuesdays 6:15-7:30 PM
Scripture Series

_____ Thursdays 7:00– 8:30 PM
Men's Sharpening Stone

Eucharistic Adoration at St. Patrick on the First Thursday Each Month

What is Eucharistic Adoration? Understood simply, Eucharistic Adoration is adoring or honouring the Eucharistic Presence of Christ. In a deeper sense, it involves "the contemplation of the Mystery of Christ truly present before us". During Eucharistic Adoration, we "watch and wait", we remain "silent" in His Presence and open ourselves to His Graces which flow from the Eucharist ... By worshiping the Eucharistic Jesus, we become what God wants us to be! The Lord draws us to Himself and gently transforms us.



All are invited to participate in Eucharistic Adoration Thursday October 5, from 7:00-8:30 PM. Come for all or just a part of the time. It will be time well spent!!

Discover the Hope: Opiate Treatment & Recovery: Sept. 21

Join others for an overview of treatment in Geauga County, including a look at our local system of care, best practice models and moving testimonials. Learn about the effects of opiates on the brain and the hope of recovery. Special guest, Dr. Ted Parran, nationally recognized addiction specialist. Thursday, September 21 from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon, including a continental breakfast at St. Mary Banquet Center, 401 North St., Chardon, OH 44024. Seating is limited so please RSVP to <https://discover-the-hope.eventbrite.com>. This is a free event.

“6th Annual Stockings for Soldiers”: *Donations of Stocking Stuffers Needed*

The sixth annual STOCKINGS for SOLDIERS collection will start the weekend of September 9th & 10th. Why the early start date you ask? Well we're dealing with the military and if you've been in you know how slowly it works at times. First we collect all the items from the parish and stuff the stockings, pack up and drive all the stockings (188 last year) to De John's Funeral Home. They consolidate their four funeral home's donations and ship them to the USO. The USO consolidates the Greater Cleveland area donations, on to the state and national levels. Finally the USO ships all the stockings to a central military point overseas and I'm not sure where or how many times the stockings move over there before they actually get to the service personnel. If we're lucky they get there by Christmas.

To all who donated so graciously last year, a heart-felt thanks! **Donations can be placed in the Christmas themed boxes in the entry area of the church and need to be received by Sunday, October 8th.**

Questions? Contact Jim & Carol Sirl at 440-298-1472.

Suggested items include the following:

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| * Small cribbage boards | * Sunglasses | * Pen/mechanical pencil |
| * Small portable games | * Sunscreen | * Small picture frames |
| * Hard candy & gum | * Lip balm | * Toothbrush & paste |
| * AA batteries | * Bug spray | * Dental floss |
| * Dominoes, Yo-Yo's, etc. | * Granola bars, etc. | * Individual packages of tissues |
| * Hand sanitizer | * Small pack band-aids | * Protein powder mix |
| * Deodorant | * Lip balm | * Slim Jims & beef jerky |
| * 3 X 5 Memo Pads | * Shaving crème | * Rubix cubes |
| * Wet wipes | * Disposable razors | * Non-perishable food items |
| * Body & face lotion | * Liquid bandage | * Puzzle books: crosswords, Sudoku, etc. |
| * Foot powder | * Shampoo/conditioner | * Post-it notes |
| * Body & face soaps | * Small packs of cookies & crackers | |
| * Eye drops | | |



24th Annual Silent Life Chain: Sunday, October 1

Lake County's 24th Annual Silent Life Chain is our chance to speak for those who have no voice, because everyone deserves a lifetime. Where: At the intersection of Route 20 (Mentor Ave.) and Route 306 (Reynolds Rd.) in Mentor from 1:30 to 2:30 pm—just one hour. Park on the outer edges of points East Shopping Center and then join others on all four corners of the intersection as we stand to silently hold signs reminding the community of the truth about abortion. Look for volunteers in neon green shirts and caps for free signs for Life chain use. Please save the date and participate.

Lake/Geauga Divorced & Separated Catholic Ministry Support Group

Hope, help, healing. The experience of divorce is never easy. It can leave the strongest among us feel alone, angry, hurt, and confused. One of the things that those who have experienced divorce have found especially helpful is the opportunity to share support and encouragement with others.

A Divorce Recovery series for those recently separated or divorced will be meeting this fall to offer direction and support. All sessions will begin at 7:00 Pm and conclude at 9:00 PM, are facilitated by a trained professional, include all materials, and are provided free of charge. Sessions will be at St. Mary in Chardon, on Thursdays from September 21 through November 9.



Holiday helps for the Divorced & Separated. A special 4-week mini-support series on Thursdays, Dec. 7 & 14, 2017 and Jan. 4 & 11, 2018 at St. Noel Church, Willoughby, Hills.

For information or to register (registration is required) call 440-285-3537 or 1-800-242-9755 or e-mail kjubeck@st-gabriel.org.

September/October Calendar

Annual Chinese Auction Successful in Many Ways!!



The generosity of our donors was abundant with 180 prize baskets for our winners!!



We welcomed area community members and conversations filled the room!!



This event raised \$3,786.75 for our parish and our 50/50 raffle winner took home \$680.00!!



Our kitchen crew's food was delicious and served with a wonderful smile!!

Many thanks to the entire auction committee who worked the entire week before assembling baskets, preparing food and setting up the room!!

