

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

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!!

From the Good Sams...

October 1st is Doughnut Sunday and Bake Sale!

Join us for delicious doughnuts and great fellowship! All are welcome!!



“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 15th.**

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

Suggested items NOW include the following:

- * **Hard candy & gum**
- * **Lip balm**
- * **Granola bars**
- * **Lip balm**
- * **Protein bars**
- * **Slim Jims & beef jerky**
- * **Small puzzle books: crosswords, Sudoku, etc.**



Donations need to be received by Sunday, October 15th

THANK YOU!!

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.

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.