

## INTRODUCING THE NEWEST MEMBER OF OUR PASTORAL STAFF: DEACON CHARLES DOERPERS

Deacon Charles B. Doerpers was born on August 16, 1949 to Bernard and Mary Ann Doerpers. He grew up in a medium size town in Southwestern Ohio, in-between Cincinnati and Dayton, called Hamilton. After graduating from Taft High School he attended Bowling Green State University earning a B.S. in Business Administration majoring in Information Technology. After graduating he

worked in Toledo for five years and then moved to Cleveland for job advancement. He has worked for The Sherwin-Williams Company for almost 30 years.

This move to Cleveland also allowed him to meet a beautiful person named Diane. In 1978 Deacon Charles and Diane were married. Diane was a strict Catholic and attended Mass regularly and lives her faith. At the time Deacon Charles was not Catholic but attended Mass with her at Holy Redeemer in Collinwood where she grew up. It wasn't long before the questions started and his interest peaked in learning more about The Roman Catholic Church. After talking with the pastor, Fr. James J. Grandillo, and receiving personal instruction from him about the Catholic Faith, he entered the Roman Catholic Church as a believer. But, his love for the Church did not stop there. He entered the Diaconate program in the fall of 1995, and was ordained a Deacon on May 23, 1998.

The first 4 years of being a deacon was spent at Holy Redeemer in Collinwood. In January of 2002 Airport Ministry called and Deacon Charles became the Director of Catholic Services at Cleveland Hopkins International Airport. The City of Cleveland then made a business decision to replace the airport chapel with retail stores. Today, Deacon Charles is assigned to St. John of the Cross and is looking forward to serving and assisting the parish and pastor.

Deacon Charles and Diane live in Highland Heights with their 4 cats. Spare time hobbies include audio books, computer work, traveling, and being a certified Master SCUBA Diver.



### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Jesus tells the disciples that they will be witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:1-11).

**Psalm** — God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord (Psalm 47).

**Second Reading** — May the Father of glory give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation (Ephesians 1:17-23) *or*

*Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23.*

**Gospel** — The disciples, witnesses to all the events of Christ's life, were blessed by him as he parted from them and was taken up to heaven (Luke 24:46-53).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25

Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a,

16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or

Jl 3:1-5; Ps 104; Rom 8:22-27;

Jn 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104;

1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17;

Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26



**ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS  
PRAYER NETWORK HOTLINE  
216-289-6456**

Call and leave a short message regarding your request. Let us know when your request has been answered, we can offer prayers of thanksgiving.



**REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE SICK  
OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY**



Thomas Becker, Daniel Carter, Theresa Farabaugh, Charlotte Farinacci, George Halgash, Andrew Jarm, Donald Justus, Cindy Kinley, Lucille Kucharski, Ruth Lamm, Dottie Maher, John Malovasic, Ronald Maxey, Joanne Nale, Fausta Nowosielski, Jim Nolan, Mark O'Bannon, Joan Raddell, Justin Raddell, Martin Risko, Gerald Scarniench, Norma Sedar, Tony Stepec, Edward Slavkovsky, Milton Taisey, John Tarmann, Alberta Ulrich, Richard Warman, Nicholas Zanella, and Jackie Zupan  
**Please notify the Parish Office when a name can be removed from this list.**

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR FAITH DEVELOPMENT**

**SUPPORTING EACH OTHER THROUGH LIFE AND LOSS:**

All are invited to join us this coming Tuesday for a presentation of "Anticipatory Grief and Loss". The loss of a family member or friend, job loss or a move to a new home. How do we cope? We will meet in meeting room 3 (the back of the church) from 7 to 9pm. This is the third of four evenings being offered by Crossroads Hospice Community and St. John of the Cross Bereavement Ministry. You may attend one or all of these gatherings. Our final presentation will be:

**May 25 Living Better with Laughter** – Learn how laughter can help you live a happier, longer healthier life.

**Call Lisa Radey at the parish office to rsvp 216.289.0770**

**SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY:** The fourth principle of Catholic social justice tells us about the poor and vulnerable. "In a society marred by deepening divisions between rich and poor, Our tradition recalls the story of the Last Judgment and instructs us to put the needs of the poor and vulnerable first." 2 Corinthians 8:14 points out when we read "Your plenty at the time should supply their needs so that their surplus may one day supply your need with equality as a result." How can we help the people with disabilities? How can we help the poor?

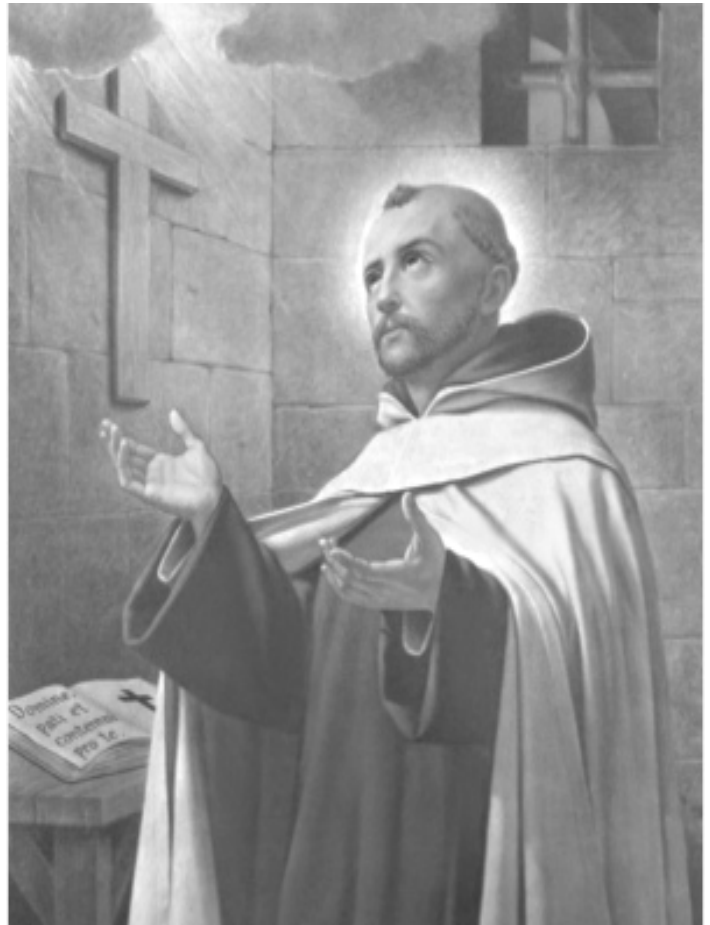
The social justice ministry meets the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the school library. Please join us.

**WHAT WE WEAR TO MASS DOES MATTER!**

Summer is quickly approaching and with it, hot weather. That usually means a different form of dress. Casual and light is the order of the day. But we must consider what exactly is appropriate for Sunday Mass. Sunday Mass is a sacred event. We gather in a special place (air conditioned when appropriate) in the presence of God and one another to do the most sacred thing we can every do — offer the sacrifice of Christ to the Father. Certainly such an event calls for the greatest degree of reverence and our attitude, shown in our dress, should be profound respect. How would you dress to meet the President of the United States? Sunday Mass is obviously far more significant and important. Shorts, cut-off jeans, tank tops, and athletic shirts do not really speak to the sacredness of what we gather to do and the reverence that we are called to have. Please, before setting out to church on the weekend, ask yourself: Does what I am wearing show respect for where I am going and for the presence of Jesus that I will experience? Does what I am wearing tell everyone how I feel about this sacred action?

**RESPECT LIFE:** We are responsible for the unborn of future generations. "As stewards of the heritage of future generations, we have an obligation to respect their dignity and to pass on their natural inheritance, so that their lives are protected and, if possible, made better than our own. (*Corresponding paragraphs in Pope Benedict 2010 World Day of Peace Message: 7 & 8*) **What message are we sending to our children in how we care and respect the world God has given to us?**

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**



***St. John of the Cross—Pray for Us***

<b>MONDAY</b> 7:00 p.m.	<b>Easter Weekday</b> Bill Guhde Sr.	<b>May 17</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b> 8:15 a.m.	<b>Easter Weekday</b> Helen Campolieti	<b>May 18</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>Easter Weekday</b>	<b>May 19</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b> 7:00 p.m.	<b>Easter Weekday</b> Carmen Waters	<b>May 20</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b> 8:15 a.m.	<b>Easter Weekday</b> Vincent Metalonis	<b>May 21</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b> 4:00 p.m.	<b>Easter Weekday</b> John & Mary Semen	<b>May 22</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b> 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b> Cecilia Miller Mary Koscak Maureen Martucci	<b>May 23</b>

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

**COUNTERS**

Richmond Hts. Hospital-Wed. May 19....Van Gorder  
Grande Pointe-Sun. May 23.....Legion of Mary

Counters for Monday, May 24....."C" Team

**MINISTERS SCHEDULE —MAY 22-23, 2010**

MASS	PRESIDER	HOSPITALITY	LECTOR 1	LECTOR 2	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	SERVERS
Sat. 4:00pm	Fr. Timothy	A. Barteld C. Knox	D. Abreo	W. Knox	J. Borkey, J. Borkey, T. Burrello J. Chounet, M. Freas, W. Nalepka F. Holtcamp, T. Isabella	D. Davis C. Knox
Sun. 8:00am	Fr. Mehok	C. Fornal S. Glavic	C.Hainrihar	L. Miller	W. Burnett, S. Calderone, B. Dennis, C. Gricar, M. Gricar, J. Kirchmeir, M. Virant, S. Ruggeri	C. Gricar J. Gricar
Sun. 10:00am	Fr. Sal	V. Kostelec A. Linek	L. Bochenek	L. Cooke	D. Apanasewicz, E. Dulaney, D. Hocevar, J. Miozzi, E. Perme, J. Perme, R. Somich, L. Yama	J. Dulaney A. Hocevar
Sun. 12:00pm	Fr. Mehok	J. Berquist R. Manning	T. Gorenssek	S. Thomas-Greaves	J. Bretz, J. Konchan, J. Martin, K. Musarra, M. Proctor, D. Rymer, J. Radachy, J. Vajda	J. Bozak B. Caruso-Taylor

### NEWS AT ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS

**INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK:** More About Interfaith Hospitality Network *"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor."* Luke 4:18.

The Parish weekly program is one of many offered by the Interfaith Hospitality Network. It is included with the Family Centers, Homeward Bound Project, Transportation, Jump Start life skills training, Mentoring which continues after the stay with IHN, HOPE outings to cultural, civic, and sports events, and the Welcome Wagon which provides home furnishings. Just Neighbors which is an educational program for volunteers to learn about poverty and the Interfaith Advocacy Project round out the projects. IHN serves families that are homeless. The average age of a homeless child in the program last year was seven years old. It takes between 30 and 50 volunteers to make the program work in a parish. Saint John of the Cross is one of five Catholic churches in a group of approximately 70 Cleveland area churches and temples. Last year we had 40 volunteers. Our week starts Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup> and ends Sunday June 20<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are still needed to cook, sleep over on our not so comfy roll away beds, entertain the children, and help set up Sunday morning, June 13<sup>th</sup> and take down Sunday morning June 20<sup>th</sup>. To volunteer and pass along God's love please call Andrea Dean at 440- 944-1157.

**CREDIT UNION ANNUAL MEETING:** Once again the time for our annual meeting is at hand. All members of the parish are eligible to join the credit union. As a credit union member, you are eligible to vote for officers and policies. The continued success of the Credit Union depends on your active participation in the services provided. The Credit Union has money available for new and used automobile loans. The Credit Union can help you compare interest rates, monthly payments and the total cost of the loan. In addition we can provide new car dealer cost & used car book values. The meeting will be Monday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm at 200th & Chardon Rd. (school basement).

#### 18<sup>th</sup> Hole St. Felicitas School Golf Outing

Join us for a Fairway Farewell to St. Felicitas Boosters as we begin our transformation to St. John of the Cross Boosters. Help us raise money for our new athletic uniforms. Four person scramble, Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am at Briardale Golf Course. Info in the kiosk in the gathering area of the church or call 216-486-7446 for more details.

#### Saint John of the Cross Employment Network-ing

We would like to begin doing whatever we can to help those in our parish who are looking for work. If you are out of work and would like for us to help, just send us a resume that we can keep on file making sure that you give us a one or two word description of your specialty/field/job title. We will then list those job titles (WITHOUT NAMES) in the bulletin alerting potential employers that we have a potential candidate and asking them to contact our office. Once those employers contact us, we will contact you to be sure that we have your permission to forward your name to them. Please forward all resumes and job titles to Anita Linsky at our parish office via collection basket, mail, or e-mail at [secretary@saintjohnofthecross.org](mailto:secretary@saintjohnofthecross.org).

**MANNA PROGRAM:** A limited number of manna cards are available on a daily basis in the Parish Office; Giant Eagle, Heinens, Dave's, Speedway, Shell, Macy's and Bob Evans. Manna orders from the "regular order sheet" should be in by Saturday, and will be available Thursday the following week. There is also a "specialty card order sheet" (over 80 different stores and restaurants) please allow three weeks for delivery of the specialty cards. Thank you for your support.

### NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

**HOLY LAND GIFTS:** After all the Masses the weekend of May 29-30<sup>th</sup> there will be a display of hand made articles for sale including nativity scenes, crucifixes, rosaries, the last supper and many other beautiful religious articles. Due to the recent interruption of the tourist trade, over 100 Christian families in Bethlehem make their livelihood through the sale of their handmade olive wood Religious articles. Thank you for supporting this project to keep Christians present in the holy land of Jesus' birth. May God bless you.

#### VISIONARY FROM MEDJUGORJE:

Ivan Dragicevic will be speaking on Friday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at Divine Word Church, on 8100 Eagle Rd. in Kirtland. Rosary will be prayed at 6:00pm followed by Mass at 7:00pm. Ivan will speak after Mass. Ivan Dragicevic will also be at St. Bernadette Church on 2256 Clague Rd. in Westlake on Sunday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, with Mass at 5:00pm, rosary at 6:00pm, and Ivan speaking after the rosary. Tickets are not required. For more information, please contact Peggy Golden at [mepgoldie@aol.com](mailto:mepgoldie@aol.com) or go to [www.medjugorje.org](http://www.medjugorje.org).

**NEWS FROM OUR PARISH COUNCIL**

Last weekend representatives of our Parish Council spoke at all the Masses as we begin the process of discernment for the direction of St. John of the Cross. Here is a portion of their message;

We all bear the responsibility to make the most of parish life that is what being part of a community is all about: giving your best to the community and relying on the community to support you in your spiritual needs. To do that--we must commit. Commit to the mission of the Parish. Commit to the essence of Parish life. Especially to the essence of parish life including...

**Evangelization**--Proclaim your faith--share it with others as the precious gift it is. Do this in how you live your life; how you interact with people you meet.

**Worship**- Fully participating in each celebration of the Eucharist you attend. Proclaim the prayers--sing the songs

**Word**- Provide education of the basic tenets of the faith to the young, provide ongoing education to all as they proceed in their faith journey. Share what you have learned.

**Community**-Welcome all who come to worship with us. Invite and bring others to join us.

**Service**-Offer works of charity and justice. At home, within the parish and within the community to foster change to basic Christian values.

**Stewardship**--Offer your gifts of time, talent and resources to foster the mission of the Parish.

**Leadership**-Accept the responsibility of being part of a parish community and giving the best of yourself to the mission.

To discern our direction and identify how St. John of the Cross will fulfill the essence of parish life requires the commitment of each and every one of us. We will be asking you to participate in the discernment process, both through town meetings and the opportunity to provide individual feedback through the use of the cards in the gathering area of the Church on the Parish Council table.

We ask that you search your heart, and ponder each of the elements of Parish life--and offer examples of how we can best, as a community, commit to these tasks, and in doing so, best serve the mission of Christ.

**PRAYER TO END ABORTION**  
*Lord God, I thank you today for the gift of my life, And for the lives of all my brothers and sisters. I know there is nothing that destroys more life than abortion, Yet I rejoice that you have conquered death by the Resurrection of Your Son. I am ready to do my part in ending abortion. Today I commit myself Never to be silent, Never to be passive, Never to be forgetful of the unborn. I commit myself to be active in the pro-life movement, And never to stop defending life Until all my brothers and sisters are protected, And our nation once again becomes A nation with liberty and justice Not just for some, but for all. Through Christ or Lord. Amen!*

**ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS QUOTE**

*“O you souls who wish to go on with so much safety and consolation, if you knew how pleasing to God is suffering, and how much it helps in acquiring other good things, you would never seek consolation in anything; but you would rather look upon it as a great happiness to bear the Cross of the Lord.”*

**RAFFLE WINNER**

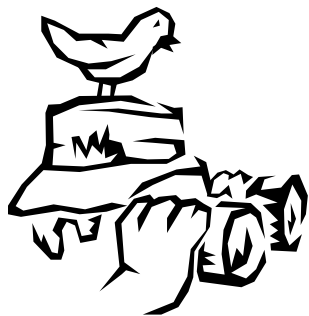


**Congratulations** to Andrea Dean of Wickliffe, our winner of the **Week #32 PTU Weekly Raffle**. Andrea Dean was also the seller winner.  
**Congratulations** to the Crosby Family of Euclid, winners of the **Monthly Drawing for May (final)**.

**COLLECTIONS**

Last Week's Collection.....\$12,427.50  
 Last Week's Children's Collection.....\$10.00

**Thank you for your generosity. Your support is needed and greatly appreciated.**



C-Church  
 P-Parish Office  
 S-School            G-Gym  
 MR1-Meeting Room #1  
 MR2-Meeting Room #2  
 MR3-Meeting Room #3

# LOOKING AHEAD

## WEEK OF MAY 17TH

### MONDAY-MAY 17th

7:30pm Fr. Mehok's Scripture Study (S)  
 7:30pm Finance Meeting

### TUESDAY-MAY 18th

7:00pm Legion of Mary (MR2)  
 7:00-8:30pm Boy Scout Meeting  
 7:00pm Anticipatory Grief & Loss (MR3)

### WEDNESDAY-MAY 19th

6:00pm Girl Scout Meeting  
 7:00pm Boosters Meeting (S)  
 7:30pm Adult Music Group Practice (C)

### THURSDAY-MAY 20th

6:45pm Bingo Team #1 (G)  
 7:30pm Parish Council Meeting (MR1)

### FRIDAY-MAY 21st

7:00pm New Parishioner Dinner (MR3)

### SATURDAY-MAY 22nd

7:00-8:30am Men's Prayer Group (S)  
 8:30-9:30am Market Day Pick Up (G)  
 6:45pm Bingo Team B

### SUNDAY-MAY 23rd

10:00am Children's Liturgy of the Word(C)

## WEEK OF MAY 24TH

### MONDAY-MAY 24th

7:00pm SFS Spring Band Concert (G)  
 7:30pm Fr. Mehok's Scripture Study (S)

### TUESDAY-MAY 25th

7:00pm Legion of Mary (MR2)  
 7:00-8:30pm Boy Scout Meeting  
 7:00pm Living Better with Laughter (MR3)

### WEDNESDAY-MAY 26th

6:00pm Girl Scout Meeting  
 6:30pm Preschool Graduation (G)  
 7:00pm Women's Group (MR2)  
 7:30pm Adult Music Group Practice (C)

### THURSDAY-MAY 27th

6:45pm Bingo Team #2 (G)  
 7:00pm Respect Life Meeting (MR2)

### FRIDAY-MAY 28th

### SATURDAY-MAY 29th

### SUNDAY-MAY 30th

10:00am Children's Liturgy of the Word(C)

