



Readings for the Week

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Jn 8:12-20
 Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30
 Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42
 Thursday: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
 Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42
 Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jn 11:45-56
 Sunday: Lk 19:28-40 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14 -- 23:56 [23:1-49]

St. John of the Cross Holy Week
Schedule



Sunday, March 28, 2010 Palm Sunday

**Thursday, April 1, 2010 7:00pm
 Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper**

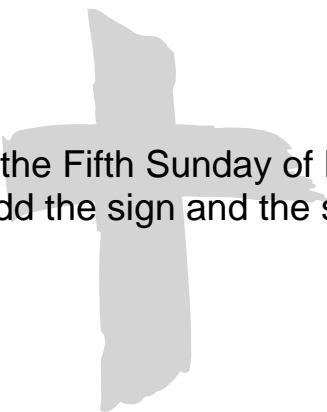


**Friday, April 2, 2010
 Stations of the Cross 12:00noon
 Good Friday Service of Passion,
 Veneration and Communion
 3:00pm and 7:00pm**



**Saturday, April 3, 2010
 Blessing of Baskets at 1:00pm
 Easter Vigil at 9:00pm**

THE LENTEN CROSS



On the Fifth Sunday of Lent
 we add the sign and the spear.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The LORD does something new for the chosen people (Isaiah 43:16-21) or *Ezekiel 37:12-14*.

Psalm — The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy (Psalm 126) or *Psalm 130*.

Second Reading — The supreme good is knowing Jesus as Lord (Philippians 3:8-14) or *Romans 8:8-11*.

Gospel — A woman caught in the act of adultery is brought to Jesus. He challenges anyone without sin to throw the first stone (John 8:1-11) or *John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]*.



**Sunday, April 4, 2010
 Easter Sunday Masses:
 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00noon**

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FAITH DEVELOPMENT

ATTENTION AUXILIARY MEMBERS OF THE LEGION OF MARY: The Acies will be held here at our St. John of the Cross Parish this year, today March 21st at 2:00pm. There will be a luncheon afterwards. Come join us.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Please come together as a community to pray the Stations of the Cross on Friday, Mar. 26th, at 7:00pm. Fr. Sal will lead us.

CROSS OF CHRIST EVENING: Unfortunately, the "Cross of Christ" evening, scheduled for Tuesday, Mar. 23rd has been canceled.



Next Sunday all are encouraged to join us in the school for the start of our Palm Sunday liturgy. We will gather in the gym for our opening prayers, gospel reading and blessing of palms. There will then be a procession back to the church for the remainder of the Mass.

SOMETHING NEW

"See, I am doing something new!" (Isaiah 43:19). All during this Lenten season, the scriptures have revealed the truth of these words, proclaimed in today's first reading from the prophet Isaiah. We have heard about a bush in the desert aflame but not consumed. We have listened to a parable about a father, the depth of whose love for his prodigal son was almost inconceivable. Today, instead of condemning a woman caught in the act of adultery and joining in stoning her to death, the Lord Jesus sends her on her way, away from what would have been certain death, admonishing her to sin no more. Indeed, God has been doing something new in our midst. Even when we are trapped in sin, with no perceivable way out, we are offered forgiveness when we turn to the Lord with repentant hearts. Let us remember that God has done something new in the heart of each of us.

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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, Ronald Maxey, Joanne Nale, Fausta Nowosielski, Jim Nolan, Mark O'Bannon, Joan Raddell, Justin Raddell, Gerald Scarniench, Norma Sedar, Henry Sepko, 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.



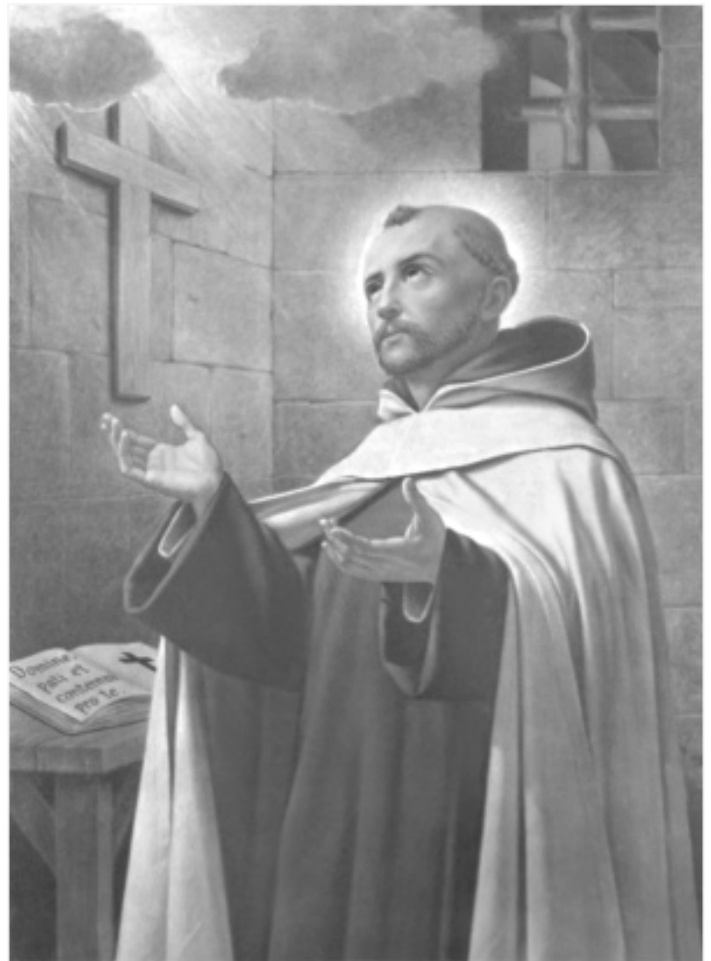
ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS PRAYER NETWORK HOTLINE 216-289-6456

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

JUSTICE FOR IMMIGRANTS: The U.S. Bishops postcard campaign in favor of comprehensive immigration reform has distributed over three million postcards to dioceses. As Catholics, faithful to the Gospel and to the Church's social teachings, we are calling on Congress to enact legislation that keeps immigrant families together, adopts smart and humane enforcement policies, and ensures that immigrants without legal status register with the government and begin a path toward citizenship. Last weekend St. John of the Cross Parish hosted this postcard campaign, if you missed the opportunity, you may send an electronic postcard to Congress, and for more information on the Church's position in favor of comprehensive immigration reform, go to the JFI web site, www.justiceforimmigrations.org. Today, March 21st, ten buses of people from the Cleveland Diocese will travel to Washington, DC, to show their support for immigration reform in the "**March for America: Change takes Courage and Faith.**" They will begin the day's events with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, celebrated by Cardinal Roger Mahoney at St. Aloysius Church in Washington, DC. Please pray in solidarity with those who will travel to Washington and for all of our immigrant brothers and sisters.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY 7:00 p.m.	Lenten Weekday Victor Kmetich	Mar. 22
TUESDAY 8:15 a.m.	Lenten Weekday Joseph Ross	Mar. 23
WEDNESDAY	Lenten Weekday	Mar. 24
THURSDAY 7:00 p.m.	Lenten Weekday Bill Guhde Sr.	Mar. 25
FRIDAY 8:15 a.m.	Lenten Weekday Mary Ruggeri	Mar. 26
SATURDAY 4:00 p.m.	Lenten Weekday Frank Nalepka	Mar. 27
SUNDAY 8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Palm Sunday Bob Miller Thomas de Haas, Sr. Jean Caresani	Mar. 28



St. John of the Cross—Pray for Us

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Richmond Hts. Hospital-Wed. Mar.24.....
S. Thomas-Greaves

Grande Pointe-Sun. Mar. 28.....Legion of Mary

COUNTERS

Counters for Monday Mar.29”C” Team

MINISTERS SCHEDULE —MAR. 27-28, 2010

MASS	PRESIDER	HOSPITALITY	LECTOR 1	LECTOR 2	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	SERVERS
Sat. 4:00pm	Fr. Timothy	A. Barteld S. Lonchar	P. Mayer	M. Melfi	K. Brown, L. Kucharski, T. Melfi, J. Page, B. Pophal, K. Sullivan, K. Zigman, M. Zoul	N. Cavotta A. Perez
Sun. 8:00am	Fr. Sal	S. Glavic C. Otters	D. Drasler	C. Hainrihar	W. Burnett, M. Cinalli, R. Eppich, C. Gricar, M. Gricar, P. Reilly, J. Volk, R. Volk	J. Gricar A. Gricar
Sun. 10:00am	Fr. Sal	A. Linek J. Pesek	T. Bernardo	L. Bochenek	D. Apanasewicz, M. Cox, L. Fulton, C. Goodin, A. Koballa, F. Koballa, J. Kovelan, M. Somich	M. Abate C. Chambers
Sun. 12:00pm	Fr. Timothy	D. Thomas- Greaves S. Thomas- Greaves	T. Gorenssek	L. Williams	J. Bretz, M. Dodd, R. Jezeski, J. Konchan, J. Radachy, J. Vajda, K. Wetzel, T. Wetzel	D. Davis J. Mello

NEWS AT ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS

THE FRIENDSHIP 50+ CLUB CASINO TRIP (formerly St. Paul's Plus 50 Club): Monday, April 26th, to Seneca Allegany Casino, Salamanca, New York. The cost is \$29.00 with casino incentive of \$20.00 slot dollars and \$5.00 food (subject to change/cancellation). Call Betty Slavkovsky at 216 486-7712 for reservations/additional information.

MANNA NEWS: Thank you to everyone who signed up to help sell Manna gift cards. We hope to have cards available at the Credit Union and after Masses soon. We will begin carrying Walmart cards the week of April 5th. Please contact us if there is a special card that you would like to order or to have available on a regular basis. If you have any requests or questions, please contact Teri Kern, at 216-731-8153.

It's Girl Scout cookie time again! Has it been too long since you've had a Thin Mint, Samoa, or Tagalong? Girl Scouts will be selling cookies in the gathering area before and after all Masses this weekend. Prices are still \$3.50 per box, and there are 8 different types. Stock up, and remember that cookies are great in Easter baskets and they freeze well. Thank you!

ST. FELICITAS BOOSTERS ANNUAL FLOWER SALE: Order forms can be located on the parish web site under CYO page. Order forms can be dropped off at the school or parish office by April 14th. Pick-up date is Saturday May 8 from 10am-12:30pm. Checks can be made payable St. John of Cross Boosters. Proceeds to help the Athletic Program for the Students of St. Felicitas School.

PARISHIONER NEEDS A RIDE: A parishioner here at St. John of the Cross, who lives in the Beverly Hills area is looking for a ride to church on the weekends. If you would like to help out please call the parish office and ask for Anita, at 216-289-0770. Thank you.

"Rise Up On The Hill" Was A Success. The PTU of St. Felicitas School would like to thank all the attendees of the "Rise Up On The Hill" Reverse Raffle this past weekend. The event was a huge success and a good time was had by all. Thank you for your support of the event and for donations that were made to help raise funds for our school. This event could not have happened without your generosity.

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS QUOTE

"We must then dig deeply in Christ. He is like a rich mine with many pockets containing treasures: however deep we dig, we will never find their end or their limit. Indeed, in every pocket new seams of fresh riches are discovered on all sides."

RAFFLE WINNER



Congratulations to Jeff & Jennifer Bretz of Euclid, our winners of the **Week #24 PTU Weekly Raffle**. Meghan Bretz of Euclid was the seller winner.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION: The daily news reminds us of the violence and instability plaguing the Middle East, but we rarely hear of the shrinking Christian community there, a community that struggles to remain in the land of Christ's birth, death, and resurrection. Please help support our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land by giving to the special Good Friday Collection. This Pontifical Collection allows the Franciscans and others to continue caring for Christianity's holiest sites and for God's people in the Holy Land. PLEASE BE GENEROUS IN YOUR SUPPORT.

COLLECTIONS

Last Week's Regular Collection.....\$11,919.50
 Last Week's Children's Collection.....\$12.00

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

NEWS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

LENTEN MISSION: Immaculate Conception parish, 37932 Euclid Ave., Willoughby, is hosting a Lenten Mission from Sunday, March 21st through Wednesday, March 24th. Fr. Daniel McCaffrey, a priest from NFP Outreach in Omaha, Nebraska will preach on the four pillars of the *Catechism of the Church*. The mission begins at 7:00pm each night. All are welcome.

“COME and SEE”

Weekend/Borromeo Seminary—
Saint Mary Seminary:

This overnight retreat for men between 17 and 40 years of age offers the opportunity to experience life at the seminary. April 10-11, 2010. Please call 440-943-7660 to register or for more information.

YOUNG ADULT FAITH FORMATION: *Mustard Seed...Finding the Spirit in Everyday Life.*

Join with other young adults for timely discussion of real life issues with mainstream movies, prayer, conversation, and hands-on service events. Most sessions will meet on Monday evenings from April 12-May 17 at St. Noel in Willoughby Hills. Optional dinner begins at 6:00pm and evenings conclude by 8:45pm. Two of the weekly sessions will involve offsite service events nearby. This is sure to be a compelling 6-week encounter with the Spirit at work in our lives! For more information or to register online visit www.clevelandcyo.org

ST. EDWARD HIGH SCHOOL SPRING OPEN HOUSE is scheduled for Sunday April 25th from 12:00pm-2:00pm. You may pre-register at www.sehs.net/openhouse.



HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF—CLEVELAND’S GOODNESS AGAIN DEMONSTRATED: And the second great commandment is “Love your neighbor as yourself” (Matt. 22:36-40). Once again...the good people of the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland have responded to the Word. It is with deepest gratitude that Bishop Richard Lennon reports that more than **\$1.1 million dollars** has been donated by the parishes to Catholic Relief Services for the recovery effort in Haiti. **CRS** reports it will be working in Haiti for years to come. Several recovery phases are projected; currently shelter during Haiti’s rainy season is the highest priority as emergency shelter kits have been distributed to 12,000 families.

SHARING GRIEF: The Catholic Cemeteries Bereavement Ministry invites you to spend some special time sharing your grief with others. A bereavement support group session will be held this Sunday, Mar. 21st from 3:00-4:00pm in the following Cemeteries: Holy Cross Cemetery in Brook Park, Calvary Cemetery in Lorain, All Souls Cemetery in Chardon, All Saints Cemetery in Northfield, and Holy Cross Cemetery in Akron.

LENT 2010 RETREATS & PROGRAMS JESUIT RETREAT HOUSE

LENTEN LUNCHEONS: *Rebuilding the Spiritual Life*; Mar. 8th, and Mar. 22nd., 11:30am-1:30pm. Each luncheon features an opening prayer service followed by lunch and the keynote talk. Cost is \$25.00. For more information call 440-884-9300 or visit www.jrh-cleveland.org

ONLINE LENTEN RETREAT: Daily readings and reflections; Feb. 8-April 5. Pray from your home or office computer by visiting the JRH website during Lent. Our online retreat, featuring daily readings from Scripture as well as reflections and meditations, may be found at www.jrh-cleveland.org Other prayer resources, including helpful websites and Stations of the Cross, may be found at <http://www.jrh-cleveland.org/prayeraids.html>.



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 MARCH 22ND

MONDAY-MARCH 22nd

6:30-7:30pm PSR (S)

TUESDAY-MARCH 23rd

7:00pm Boy Scouts Meeting
 7:00pm Legion of Mary(MR2)
 7:00pm First Communion Parent Mtg(C)

WEDNESDAY-MARCH 24th

1:30pm SFS Dismissal

THURSDAY-MARCH 25th

6:45pm Bingo Team #2 (G)

FRIDAY-MARCH 26th

A day of abstinence
 7:00pm Stations of the Cross (C)

SATURDAY-MARCH 27th

7:00-8:30am Men's Prayer Group (S)
 6:45pm Bingo Team B

SUNDAY-MARCH 28th-Palm Sunday

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



WEEK OF MARCH 29TH

MONDAY-MARCH 29th

6:30-7:30pm PSR (S)
**7:00-9:00pm Dr. D'Ambrosio
 Lenten Mission (C)**

TUESDAY-MARCH 30th

7:00pm Boy Scouts Meeting
 7:00pm Legion of Mary(MR2)

WEDNESDAY-MARCH 31st

THURSDAY-APRIL 1st-Holy Thursday

7:00pm Lord's Last Supper (C)

FRIDAY-APRIL 2nd-Good Friday

A day of abstinence and fast
 12:00pm Stations of the Cross (C)
 3:00pm Good Friday Service (C)
 7:00pm Good Friday Service (C)

SATURDAY-APRIL 3rd-Holy Saturday

1:00pm Blessing of Food (C)
 9:00pm Easter Vigil Mass (C)

SUNDAY-APRIL 4th-EASTER SUNDAY

8:00am Mass (C)
 10:00am Mass (C)
 12:00pm Mass (C)

