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Catholic Church

601 Jennings Road ~
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Rev. Stanley Szybka

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Masses:

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Weekday: Tuesday 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:45 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. & Saturday, 3:00 - 3:30 pm. or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated during or after any weekend Mass. Instructions for parents having their first child baptized are held the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Please contact Cherie Freewalt to schedule a date.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please contact Fr. Stan AT LEAST SIX MONTHS prior to your proposed wedding date to begin preparation for your marriage and to schedule a date.

New to the Parish?

We are glad to welcome you as a member of our Parish Family. Please stop by or call the Parish Office to register. Welcome!

Directory

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Ed Fox (419) 238-4998

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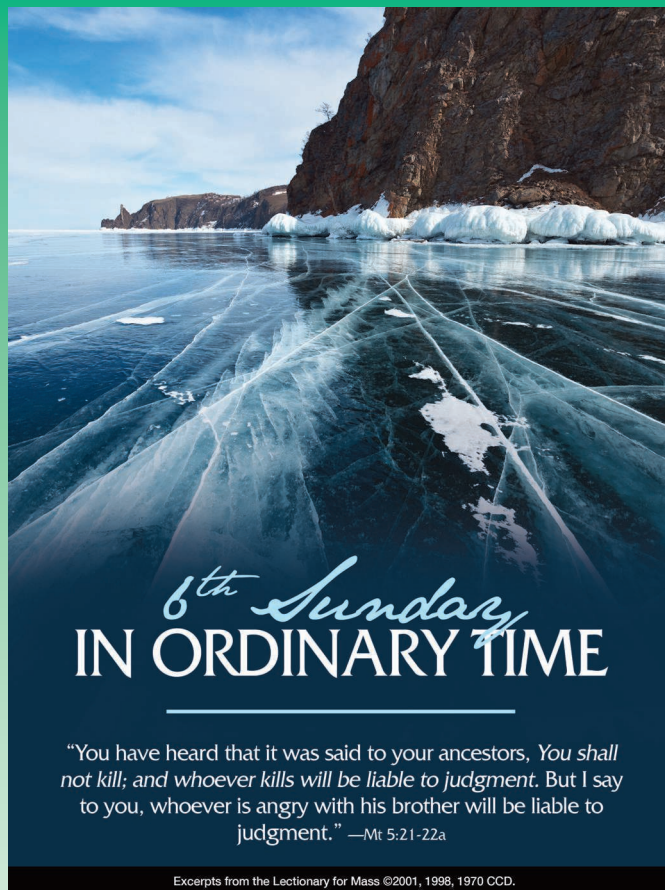
Office Hours:

Monday through Friday:
8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline:

Monday at NOON, in writing

February 12, 2017



This Week in Our Parish

<u>Sun Feb 12:</u>	Bible Study	9:30 am
	Bible Study (HFR)	6:00 pm
	Bingo (K of C Hall)	6:15 pm
<u>Tue Feb 14:</u>	Prayer Group (HFR)	8:30 am
<u>Wed Feb 15:</u>	SOR	6:45—8:00 pm
	Youth Group (HFR)	6:45—8:00 pm
	K of C Meeting (K of C Hall)	8:00 pm
<u>Thur Feb 16:</u>	Bible Study (HFR)	9:30 am
	Bingo (K of C Hall)	6:15 pm



Liturgical Schedule

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12

8:30 AM Edmund Wurst
10:30 AM St. Mary's Parish

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13

No Services

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14 + STS. CYRIL, MONK & METHODIUS

8:00 AM—5:30 Adoration
5:30 PM Benediction and Evening Prayer
6:00 PM Ann Carter

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

8:45 AM John and Heather Metzger

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16

8:45 AM Gene Shuman

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17 + SEVEN HOLY FOUNDERS OF

8:45 AM Helen Cahoon **SERVITE ORDER**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

4:00 PM Rosemary Schroeder

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

8:30 AM St. Mary's Parish
10:30 AM Thom Gemmer



Servers, Eucharistic Minister, Lector & Usher Schedules for February 18 & 19, 2017

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 4:00 PM

Servers: Catherine Kopack, NEED 2 Servers
E. M.: T Heckler, G Hirzel, J Hoersten, D Mathew,
T Reinhart, L Vonderwell, NEED 1
Ushers: Ushers needed
Lector: Mary Yackey

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 8:30 AM

Servers: Zach Dealey, Kaitlyn & Ashley Motycka
E. M.: M Dickman, L Fox, G Kulwicki, J Plas,
T Plas, D Pollock, J Sheeran
Ushers: Emmett Minnich, G Krugh, M Krugh,
K Kline, A Lautzenheiser, E Minnich
Lector: Lois Steyer

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 10:30 AM

Servers: Matt, Anna & Joshua Reichert
E. M.: M Anthony, D Arend, J Arend, J Bloomfield,
J Comer, A Schaufelberger, B Williamson
Ushers: G Knapke, S Long, D Menke
Lector: Jean Gemmer

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Please come forward immediately when the prayers for extending Peace are offered. This will help substitutes know they are needed and allow sufficient time to be ready at the altar. Also, please watch for a total of 8 with Father, Deacons and yourselves.

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

WELCOME to all engaged couples who join us this weekend for the Engaged Couples Conference. We are delighted that you are with us, and we offer you our prayerful support during these exciting days as you prepare for marriage.

The second Sunday of February is World Marriage Day. It is celebrated in dioceses and parishes across our country and the world.

Officially beginning in 1983 it honors husband and wife as head of the family, the basic unit of society. It salutes the beauty of their faithfulness, sacrifice, mutual forgiveness and joy in daily married life. This day speaks to us in a simple but challenging way of how God wishes us to live. Loving one another is a daily decision - - simple, but challenging.

Let us pray that our society will continue to grow in appreciation for the institution of marriage and the sacrament. May every marriage be a powerful sign of the unconditional love of God for every person.

A good marriage can be made even better through experiences like Marriage Encounter and enrichment programs of various sorts. Rocky marriages can be helped by Christian counseling and programs like Retrouville. Often couples can be of great support to one another in their sharing of various life experiences.

On Valentine's Day, February 14, many take the opportunity to express their love for others and the gratitude they feel for having them as a part of their lives. Simple words like "I love you," and "thank you" can be more precious than any material gift. Offering a prayer for others, living or deceased, can be a great way of celebrating that love. Of the three great virtues of faith, hope and love, the greatest of these is love.

In the spirit of the Gospel, some make it a point to pray specifically for one "whom we do not love as we should" (children's Eucharistic Prayer II). What a beautiful gesture of Christian love! Much the same can be said in praying for the forgotten souls of Purgatory.

May God's love be warmly felt by all this week!

Fr. Stan



SCHOOL NEWS

We believe the values we teach are not only character development, but a call to Holiness.

Catholic Schools Week 2017



Starting the Catholic Schools Week off with a Children's Mass and Pancake Breakfast on Sunday.



On Tuesday, our students went on a treasure hunt around the school and church. They were given clues as where to find various religious items



On Friday afternoon the whole school went to Van Wert Cinemas and watched the movie "Sing".



On Monday, Van Wert's Mayor, Jerry Mazur, presented the school with an official proclamation declaring the week "Catholic Schools Week in the city of Van Wert."



On Wednesday had over 100 Parent/Grandparent joining us for Lunch and time together.



Over 75 young scientists joined us for Thursday night for our annual Science Fun Night.



We held our annual Quiz Bowl Tournament. Congrats to the 2017 Quiz Bowl Champs! Joel Schrader, Josh Hohman, and Haley Owsley.





Feb 12 Jon Jarrett, Ed Fox, Michelle Easley, Angie Renner, Julie Jarrett
 Feb 16 Ed Fox, CHARLES BRICKNER, Therese Tate, Mary Kay Stegaman, Linda Heitkamp
 Feb 19 Sam Laurent, Kylee Moody, CHARLES BRICKNER, Alice Laurent
 Feb 23 Ed Fox, JIM BRICKNER, Joyce Oechsle, Nancy Wollenhaupt

KITCHEN WORKERS Report By 4:30 PM

Feb 12 Amie Burnett and Josh Geib
 Feb 16 Judy Comer and Louise Haas
 Feb 19 Michelle Rupert and Dawn Berryman
 Feb 23 Staff Night

**St. Mary's Bingo—K of C Hall
425 Woodland Ave.**

**Doors open at 4:00 PM for games-
Warm-Up Bingo at 6:15 PM**

Thank you to all the volunteers who help at Bingo each week. We appreciate all your hard work and dedication.

Since new volunteers are always welcome, why not bring a friend the next time you are scheduled?

RESPONSE TO THE LORD FOR FEBRUARY 5, 2017

ADULT OFFERING FROM 141 ENVELOPES	\$7,154.54
TOTAL ANONYMOUS	442.00
CHILDREN OFFERING FROM 5 ENVELOPES	12.25
TOTAL	\$7,608.79
 TOTAL WEEKLY SUNDAY BUDGET	 \$8,386.00

TURN IN YOUR BLESSED PALMS!

Do you know where ashes for Ash Wednesday come from? The palm fronds distributed on Palm Sunday are burned to make ashes. Please place your old palms in the barrels at the entrances of the Church thru February 26th.

ST. MARY'S PARISH LIFE GIFT CARD RAFFLE

Congratulations to the Winners for February!

Margaret Zinsmaster &
John Gamble

Only ONE more drawing left! Get your ticket for the new year's drawings beginning February 25th.

4th Degree Knights of Columbus Patriotism Essay Contest

The 4th Degree K of C is accepting "patriotism" essays from High School Seniors. Applications are available at St. Mary's Parish Office or in the high school guidance counselor's office

Essay deadline is February 20, 2017.

Applicants must be in the 2017 Senior Class of an Allen, Van Wert or Putnam County High School.

SAVE THE DATE!

GROWING PAINS:

The Demands of Courage

MARCH 19, 2017 @ 1 pm

St. Mary's Catholic Church, Van Wert

Join Carol and Kristen Kurivial, co-founders of Luminous Ministries, for *The Demands of Courage* which begins with a musical interpretation of a Mary Magdalene, who walked the Passion with Jesus and turned the demands of her pain into crucial testimony for the Kingdom.

CURSILLOS IN CHRISTIANITY

The Cursillo is an intensive 3 day religious experience which uses community building methods to bring YOU (the candidate) into a renewed relationship with Jesus Christ, the Catholic Church and fellow Catholics.

Diocese of Toledo Dates:

Men Cursillos—March 9-12

Women Cursillos—April 20-23

Applications are available at the Parish Office.



Kelly Andersen, Rev. Tony Bus, Dolores Darwood, Joy Demidovich, Steve, Dietrich, Robert Ford, Stacie Golliver, Cyndi Hesseling, Carmen Jacobs, Michael Kahle, Patricia Kinkle, Megan Klosterman, Kourtney Kohnen, Robert Lammers. Rita Lewis, Beth Lianez, Mary Alice Louagie, Tom Metzger, Kirk Michaud, Joan Miller, Lane Mosier, Dean Osburn, Janice Osburn, George Palombi, Theresa Parkanzky, Tyler Priest, Doris Reinhart, Julie Sadler, Bob Say, Mary Say, Jim Schneider, Tom Stachler, Melba Voltz, Russ Waltmire, Brad Wannemacher, Anne Wells, Bob Wolters, Larry Youtsey

Please call the Parish Office at the beginning of each month to continue the above name(s) on the prayer list. The sick person or a close relative are the only ones who should call to add or remove name(s) to this list.

GOD BLESS OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

Please pray for all those serving in our military: Lance Corp. Josh Bolenbaugh, Capt. Virginia Brickner, Sgt. William (Ed) Carter, Commander Christopher Cavanaugh, Lance Corp. Tyler Goodlin, Airman Andrew Hammond, Airman Leisal Hanf-Fleming, Corp. Austin Kleman, MSG Andrew McMahon, Corp. Joseph Moreland, Lt. Colonel Matt Sinning, SSgt. Nate Sinning, MSgt. Robert Stant, SRA Ashley Stant, Spec. Jeremy Stevenson, Pvt. R. J. Szymanski and Sgt. Brian Wilson. Please submit to the Parish Office names of parishioners who are currently serving in the armed forces.



YOUTH GROUP will be meeting this Wednesday, February 15th, from 6:45-8:00 in the Holy Family Room. *All high school students are welcome from Lincolnview, Crestview, St. John's and Van Wert!*

2nd ANNUAL TASTE OF ST. MARY'S February 25, 2017 St. Mary's Gym

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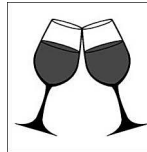
**Tickets are available for \$25 each in the Parish Office or Scrip Table after Mass.
(Only 100 tickets available)**

Table of 8 - 9 may be reserved.

Proceeds benefit St. Vincent de Paul and the St. Mary's Youth Group.

**If you have any questions, please call
Maribeth Dickman, 419-513-0811**

RAFFLE ITEM for 2017



A handcrafted wooden box with 2 wine bottles and etched wine glasses and \$100 worth of gift cards will be raffled.

Raffle will benefit St. Vincent de Paul and Youth Group.

Tickets are \$1 per ticket or 6 for \$5.



YOU'RE INVITED!

CHOIR A meeting/rehearsal will be held for those interested in joining the Parish Choir. Please meet in the School Music Room at 9:00 am on Feb 19th. Singers of all ages are invited to attend as no experience is needed.

6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Readings for the Week of February 12, 2017

Sunday: Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21/Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10/Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Ps 116:12-15, 18-19/Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Gn 9:1-13/Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23/Mk 8:27-33

Friday: Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-15/Mk 8:34--9:1

Saturday: Heb 11:1-7/Ps 145:2-5, 10-11/Mk 9:2-13

Next Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48



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