

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:

The folks in Nazareth were proud of Jesus, their home-grown celebrity. When he told them his mission was to those outside his family and friends, they felt cheated and angry. Jesus did not back down: It is important to care for those entrusted to us in our family, but we must go beyond family and care for strangers also.

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK:

Monday, Feb. 1

8:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 2

8:30 a.m. Ann Monahan +

Wednesday, Feb. 3

8:30 a.m. Frank & Cecelia Sliemers+

Thursday, Feb. 4

8:30 a.m. Joe & Josephine Pike +

Friday, Feb. 5

8:30 a.m. Mary Rita Doorley

Saturday, Feb. 6

8:30 a.m.

5:30 p.m. Prison Mass - People of the Parish

5:00 p.m. Bill & Carolyn Bailey +

Sunday, Feb. 7

8:30 a.m. Living & deceased of the Falk, Ruen & Pentenburg Families

11:00 a.m. Catalina Pichay + Living & deceased of the Singian & Reyes Families

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH:

Sunday, Jan. 31

Engaged Couples Conference

Masses at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

9:30 a.m. - 10:50 a.m. - Parish School of Religion

9:30 a.m. - Noon - Coffee & donuts in the cafeteria

Monday, Feb. 1

7:00 p.m. - Baptism Class

Tuesday, Feb. 2

7:00 p.m. - Bell Choir Practice in Church

Wednesday, Feb. 3

2:00 p.m. - OLPH Novena

Thursday, Feb. 4

2:00-7:00 p.m. - Eucharistic Adoration

7:15 - 8:45 p.m. - Vocal Choir Practice in Church

Saturday, Feb. 6

5:00 p.m. - Mass

Sunday, Feb. 7

Masses at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

9:30 a.m. - 10:50 a.m. - Parish School of Religion

9:30 a.m. - Noon - Coffee & donuts in the cafeteria

5:30 p.m. - Super Bowl Party in the Parish Hall - Join us!



PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT:

Budgeted Year to Date:	\$366,000.00
Actual Year to Date:	\$352,222.45
Under Budget:	\$ 13,777.55
Last Sunday's Collection (01/24/10):	\$ 10,969.07

PIZZA SALE:



Fr. Joy is once again organizing the annual pizza sale on Super Bowl Sunday weekend to raise money to purchase bibles for our graduating high school seniors. With this purpose, we will be selling pizzas on **February 6th and 7th** following the Masses. Please patronize the sale and join the parish to congratulate our graduating seniors.

REDEMPTORIST SPIRITUALITY CENTER:

Many have asked how they can help with furnishing the new Spirituality Center. Our thought is to furnish the bedrooms in "memory of" or in "honor of" a loved one. If you would like more information, please give Fr. Jim a call at 419-224-3080. Thank you.

"Faith doesn't get us out of trouble; faith get us through it."

- Anonymous

**HAITI
COLLECTION**

We are happy to report that the collection for Haiti netted over \$7,100.00 and has been sent to the Diocese of Toledo who will send it directly to Catholic Relief Services. Please continue to pray for the people of Haiti as they respond to the aftermath of that massive earthquake that struck near the capital of Port au Prince. This was a great opportunity for us to live out the gospel . . . When I was hungry; When I was thirsty . . . Thank you so much for your continued prayers and generosity!



SCHOOL NEWS:

On January 22nd, the students and staff participated in a prayer service for the people of Haiti. During that service, we collected over \$1,600 to send to Catholic Relief Services.

SUPER BOWL PARTY:

All are invited to the Super Bowl Party being held on Sunday, February 7th in the Parish Hall.



Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and the cost is \$5.00 a person or \$10.00 a family which includes a meatball or bratwurst sandwich, chips, pretzels & soft drinks. Coolers are welcome. Please plan on attending with your family!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Do you have time to spare to help the less fortunate in our community? Please consider helping at Our Daily Bread Soup Kitchen. We need 2-3 volunteers who could help every other month on the 4th Monday of the month. If you are interested, please call Judy Brennan at 419-339-5575.

BOY SCOUT MASS:



All Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, past and present are invited to a Scout Mass with Bishop Leonard Blair on Sunday, February 7th at 11:00 a.m. at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral in Toledo. Brunch will be offered following Mass for \$5.00 per person. Please RSVP with questions or reservations to Gary Holewinski at 419-704-7811 or 419-535-1232 or GHolewi889@aol.com. The 2010 Scout Mass is to celebrate the double centennial ~ the 100th anniversary of Scouting in America and the 100th anniversary of the Diocese of Toledo.

**2009 CONTRIBUTION
STATEMENTS:**

If you would like a copy of your 2009 contributions, please call the parish office at 419-224-3080 and we will be happy to mail it to you. Thank you.



**WEEKEND RETREAT FOR SEPARATED/
DIVORCED WOMEN & MEN:**

Have you ever been tired of trying to figure out the road map for your life? Have your New Year's resolutions already evaporated into thin air? Are you where you want to be at this stage of your life? Then come . . . take a detour with us for: sabbath, sanity & social graces. This retreat will take place Feb. 5-7 at Our Lady of Consolation Retreat House in Carey, OH. Please contact 419-396-7970 or email at retreats@olcshrine.com for more information.

Visit us on the web at: www.stgerardchurch.org

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER'S SCHEDULE:

Saturday, Feb. 6:

5:00 p.m. M. Doorley, K. Polser, A. Compton,
L. Lammers, S. Lammers, Mike Hinegardner
M. Hinegardner, S. Sites

Sunday, Feb. 7

8:30 a.m. M. Meyer, M. King, S. Ellinger, C. Wright,
P. Leugers, S. Martin, G. Merkel, D. Coon
11:00 a.m. M. Smith, G. Petrilla, D. Baker, S. Cole,
D. Vondrell, G. Vondrell, J. Previte,
T. Luchini

LECTOR'S SCHEDULE:

Feb. 6: 5:00 p.m. - Barb Flynn

Feb. 7: 8:30 a.m. - Caitlyn Merkel

11:00 a.m. - David Gremling

SACRISTY WORKERS FOR FEBRUARY:

Rita Casey, Mary Lou Bryan, Julia Ryan

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE:

Feb. 6 5:00 p.m. - A. Schweyer, N. Schweyer,
J. Kesner

Feb. 7: 8:30 a.m. - A. Rigg, T. Rigg, L. Arellano
11:00 a.m. - Sydney & Sammy Santaguida,
K. Brown

Readings for the Week of January 31, 2010

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71; 1 Cor 12:31-
13:13 or 13:4-13; Lk 4:21-30

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3;
Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24; Heb 2:14-18; Lk
2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Wed, 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12;
Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Sir 47:2-11; Ps 18; Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119; Mk 6:30-34

Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138; 1 Cor 15:1-11
or 15:3-8, 11; Lk 5:1-11

LCC CLASS OF 1990:

Lima Central Catholic, Class of 1990 is planning their 20th year reunion for the last weekend in June, 2010. For information, please contact Missy Azzarello Hullinger at mthullinger@wcoil.com or Jayna Wellmeier Mokros at jaynamokros@gmail.com or 801-870-7744.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY:

Worldwide Marriage Encounter celebrates World Marriage Day, Sunday, February 14, 2010. All encountered couples are invited to attend the celebration hosted by Sts. Peter and Paul Parish, Ottawa. Mass will be at 3:30 p.m. at St. Peter and Paul Church, 307 N. Locust St., Ottawa, OH with a dinner and dance to follow from 5-9 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 10759 Road H, Ottawa. Presale tickets are \$25.00 per couple. A cash bar is provided. Contact the rectory office at 419-224-3080 by January 31st if you would like to purchase your tickets.



THE LAST SUPPER: A DRAMATIZATION

This dramatization will be presented at St. John Catholic Church (Lima) at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 21st. Sponsored by the St. John Liturgy Committee, it will take you for a "glimpse into the Upper room" on that Holy Thursday evening so many years ago. This is a perfect way to begin your Holy Week leading to Easter. Plan now to join us on Sunday, March 21st.

THEOLOGY ON TAP:

Theology on Tap in Lima wants you to attend their meeting this month on Tuesday, February 9th at Westgate Bowling Lanes from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Come enjoy pizza and beverages and hear Sister Marilyn Ellerbrock from the Toledo Diocese speak on "Living a Reflective Life." This group is for all young adults. Bring a friend and get involved!

REDEMPTORISTS.NET:

Find the Redemptorists online at redemptorists.net. . . Looking for a few bytes of spiritual food during the week? Want to know more about what the Redemptorists do? Curious about how to join us? Visit redemptorists.net. There you'll find daily audio homilies preached by Redemptorists of the Baltimore Province. This is also the place for province news, vocation retreat schedules and a gift shop. Follow the Redemptorists on Facebook and Twitter too. All this and more at redemptorists.net!

**OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION CHAPTER OF
MAGNIFICAT**

**All women are invited to a Breakfast
sponsored by Magnificat**

Date: Saturday, February 6, 2010

Time: 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Place: Old Barn Out Back Restaurant

Speaker: Sharon Laurent

**Cost: \$10.00 which includes speaker,
breakfast and handouts**

Sharon will share with us how God has worked in her life since a life-after-life experience she had during the loss of her second child. She, also will speak of the experiences of over 30 years ministering to the nursing home residents she loves.

Please call or mail reservations to:

Judy Brennan, 5498 River Ridge St., Elida, OH 45807. Phone: 419-339-5575. Deadline for reservations is February 3, 2010. Please make checks payable to: Magnificat of Lima.

SCRIP NEWS:

You can enroll in Scrip and purchase cards on-line at:

www.shopwithscrip.com. After registering, you can set up your account with the following code:

2B5AAFAD3563. Orders placed by noon on Monday's will be available for pick-up on Friday mornings (7:30 a.m.- 9:00 a.m.) and after Sunday Masses. There will also be paper order forms available in the cafeteria at these times. Please help St. Gerard by purchasing Scrip for your everyday needs. Thank you.



ST. GERARD PRAYER CHAIN:

For prayer requests, please call Barbara at 419-229-2110 or Sis at 419-228-6971.

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**Eucharistic Adoration
Every Thursday from
2:00-7:00 p.m.**