

Most Pure Heart of Mary Parish, A Member of the St. Juan Diego Deanery

Dear Friends,

Job's cry of hopelessness in today's first reading stands in marked contrast to the hope of those who put their trust in Jesus. This weekend's Gospel passage from Mark that Jesus "heals the broken hearted and binds up all their wounds."

Perhaps you have felt 'broken hearted' at one time or another in your life. Maybe you feel that way now! Please remember that the Eucharist allows us to experience the real presence of Jesus, and that Jesus came to heal and offer us hope. I was very impressed that so many people came forward at the end of Mass last weekend to have their throats blessed. This was a reminder for me that most people haven't given up hope in Christ!

Please remember to support the MPMH Youth Program by attending the Spaghetti Dinner after Mass on Saturday. If you weren't able to get there please make every effort to support our youth in other ways. Teen years can be tough years and the more you can help them the better. Perhaps for Lent you could spiritually adopt a teenager and keep him/her in your prayers and kind deeds.

Have a blessed week and don't forget to support our next Spaghetti Dinner at St. Joe's in Plymouth on Sunday, February 15.

God bless,
- Fr. Jim

2015 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL: Next weekend, Feb. 14 & 15, will be Commitment Weekend at our parish for the 2015 Annual Catholic Appeal. If you are registered with the parish, you should have already received a letter regarding this vital appeal. Please bring your completed pledge form with you to Mass next weekend. Additional pledge envelopes will be available south and west vestibule for our visitors. Seventy-five percent of funds raised over our parish goal of \$23,000 will be rebated back to our parish.

JESS RATH DINNER: The Jess Rath dinner will be held on Saturday, February 21, 6:30 p.m. at the Trinity United Methodist Church. Tickets are \$8.00 per person and can be purchased at the Parish Office until February 13. If you have any questions, please call Kathy Kanney.

2014 GIVING STATEMENTS: Please call the Parish Office (419-347-2381) to request a 2014 Giving Statement. Please allow 3 days to process. Giving Statements may be picked up at the Parish Office M-F 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. or other times by appointment. If unable to make it to the Parish Office we will mail your Giving Statement upon request.

**Please pray for our children preparing
for their first Reconciliation.**

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, February 9

- 9:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word & Communion
- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study—Lower Level Meet. Room
- 4:30 p.m. 3rd/4th B-ball Practice—Gym
- 6:00 p.m. 5th/6th B-ball Practice—Gym

Tuesday, February 10

- 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph's (Plymouth)
- 9:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word & Communion
- 6:00 p.m. 7th/8th B-ball Practice—Gym
- 6:00 p.m. Bible Study—Lower Level Meet. Room
- 7:00 p.m. Pastoral Council—Conference Room

Wednesday, February 11

- 9:00 a.m. Mass—Prayers for Eileen Huggins
- 3:30 p.m. Children's Choir—Music Room
- 6:00 p.m. CCD grades 1-6
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Praise Team—Music Room
- 6:30 p.m. RCIA—Lower Level Meet. Room
- 7:00 p.m. CCD grades 7-8—Student Session
- 7:00 p.m. DEEPER Going to Ignite @ Sacred Heart
- 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir—Music Room

Thursday, February 12

- 9:00 a.m. Mass—Prayers for Fred Shaw
- 4:00 p.m. 7th/8th B-ball Practice—Gym
- 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour
- 6:30 p.m. Title I Parent Workshop—Theology Room
- 7:00 p.m. Disciples of Song—Music Room
- 7:30 p.m. 11th/12th B-ball Practice—Gym

Friday, February 13

- 9:00 a.m. Mass—Prayers for Theresa Bilka
- 4:30 p.m. 3rd/4th/5th/6th B-ball Practice—Gym

Saturday, February 14

- 5:00 p.m. Mass—Prayers for Bernard Miller, Elsie Reinweiler

Sunday, February 15

- 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph's (Plymouth)
- 10:30 a.m. Mass—Prayers for Arcudi Family, Gaylee & Steve Korbas, Ernest Biglin

Daily Scripture Readings

- Monday: Gn.1:1-19; Ps.104:1-2a,5-6,10,12,24,35c; Mk.6:53-56
- Tuesday: St. Scholastica, Virgin (Memorial)
Gn.1:20-2:4a; Ps.8:4-9; Mk.7:1-13
- Wednesday: Gn.2:4b-9,15-17; Ps.104:1-2a,27-30; Mk.7:14-23
- Thursday: Gn.2:18-25; Ps.128:1-5; Mk.7:24-30
- Friday: Gn.3:1-8; Ps.32:1-2,5-7; Mk.7:31-37
- Saturday: Sts. Cyril, Monk & Methodius, Bishop (Memorial)
Gn.3:9-24; Ps.90:2-6,12-13; Mk.8:1-10
- Sunday: Lv.13:1-2,44-46; Ps.32:1-2,5,11; 1Cor.10:31-11:1; Mk.1:40-45

SAVE THE DATE:

St. Mary's Spring Fling will be Friday, April 24.

Saturday, Feb. 14, 5:00 p.m. Mass

Lector Christi Smith
Servers Faith Gosser, Julia & Gloria Gutchall
E.Ministers Lori McCartney, Laurie Metzger, Mary Miller, Marilyn Moore, Mike Smith, Vincent Studer
Ushers Kevin & Mitch Noel, Jeff Peiffer, Allan Kempf
Greeters Jeff & Jennifer Yates, Mike & Darlene Zappa
Music SpiritSong

Sunday, Feb. 15, 10:30 a.m. Mass

Lector Mary Dannemiller
Servers Derek Lowe, Sam Logan, Cody Lantz
E.Ministers Scott Kurtzman, Ann Logan, Lori McCartney, Colton Penwell, Lisa Rhodes, Chuck Schiffer, Linda Shaughnesy
Ushers Ken Ensmann, Ed Friebe, John Gies, Joe Gies
Greeters Ann Hemmerly, Dorothy Humphrey, Volunteer
Music Michelle

J-O-Y (Just Older Youth): We will meet on Feb. 12th in the Parish Center in the lower level meeting room. We will be viewing the movie **"God Is Not Dead"** at 10:00 am. If school is delayed, we will watch the movie, if school is cancelled, we will reschedule. Refreshments will be served. All are welcome!

Sacred Heart School PTO's Annual Euchre Tournament: February 15th, 2015, Doors open @ 3:00 pm, Play begins @ 3:30 pm, 50/50 drawing, food and drinks for sale RSVP to Laura Gosser 419-565-0909.

SLAM YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

This Sunday, February 8th come for a regularly scheduled SLAM! We will meet in the youth room from 7-8:30 p.m. Bring a friend!

Youth Praise Team practice is this Wednesday, February 11th from 6-6:40 p.m. in the school music room!

This week, instead of our regularly scheduled DEEPER, we will be traveling to Sacred Heart for Ignite. Meet in the Youth Room at 6:45 p.m. We will return to the youth room by 9:15 p.m.

High School Girls! Don't make plans for February 13th! We will be having our Girls Only Overnight Retreat! Disney movies, facials, painting nails and we will take a look at modesty and purity in our world today! Join us for the ultimate slumber party!

The Tobogganing Trip is coming up Friday, February 27th. We will meet in the youth room at 4 p.m. and return by 11:30 p.m. We will stop for dinner on the way! More details are available at CCD, DEEPER and SLAM!

CATHOLIC WOMENS CLUB: The next luncheon will be Wednesday, February 11, 2015 at 11:30. It will be held at The Liederkrantz at 1212 Silver Lane, Mansfield, Ohio. All Catholic women from any parish in our Deanery are invited to attend. If you are new, we encourage you to join us and get to know the Catholic women in our area. You may call Debbie Cochran at 419-529-8176 or JoAnn Jerger at 419-756-1082 to make your reservations.

SPAGHETTI DINNER: St. Joseph Catholic Church, Plymouth will be hosting a spaghetti dinner on Feb. 15. Serving spaghetti with meat sauce, breadsticks, salad and beverage from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Freewill offering. Carry out available! Call 419-687-4611, for more information. Sponsored by St. Joseph A & R Society.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS – JAN. 31 & FEB. 1, 2015

Sunday Collections:

Offertory	\$	11,355.00
Children's	\$	4.96
Religious Education	\$	100.00
Youth Ministry	\$	75.00
Initial Offering	\$	25.00
Support Your School	\$	525.00

TOTAL SUNDAY AND HOLY DAY COLLECTIONS \$ 12,084.96 up \$234.00 from 2013/2014

Total Sunday and Holy Day Collections to Date \$ 310,688.61 down \$11,211.00 from 2013/2014

Diocesan Collections:

Church in Eastern Europe	\$	75.00
Black & Indian	\$	80.00

Other Parish Collections:

Capital Improvement	\$	415.00
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Greetings from St. Mary's School

A ministry of Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church

As we enter into the 2nd half of the school year, we celebrate school choice and prepare to open registration to St. Mary's School to all families in our community. We welcome your help engaging in conversations about the benefits of a faith-based education in a small school setting with families you know that have students in grades prek to 6. What have our students shared about what they love at St. Mary's School? Our students have shared that they love the small classes, the family environment and their teachers are awesome! They enjoy the leadership opportunities here at St. Mary's School, as well as sharing and growing their faith.

Several weeks ago, we were guests at the Shelby Rotary Club meeting, sharing information about St. Mary's School. During the gathering, I was asked about what reservations parents may have when considering whether or not to enroll at St. Mary's School. So I shared the top two "mythbusters" I am aware of:

1. Parents who recently enrolled students in grades 3-6 noted that they were unaware they did not have to be Catholic to attend. Our student population is about 65% Catholic and 35% other denominations. We celebrate differences; ALL are welcome here!

2. Families in the past have demonstrated concerns about maintaining tuition beyond the first year and didn't want to have to change schools if affordability became a problem. However, there are many ways to help parents with tuition, including a few recent programs. We have 5 scholarships, 2 of which are new state scholarship options and both can follow the students through 12th grade and we still have the referral program! We also offer Cornell's Tuition credit.

a. State Scholarship - Jon Peterson Scholarship is based on academic needs (if a student has an IEP). Applications available now. The window is open now through April 15th.

b. State Scholarship - EdChoice Expansion is financial need (available this year for all students eligible, entering kindergarten through 3rd grade in 2015-16), Applications available now. The window is open now through April 15th.

c. Phillips Scholarship

d. Phillips Military Family Scholarship

e. Excel Beyond the Basics Scholarship

f. Referral Program – 20% off tuition for each family referred! The incoming family and the new family both benefit! Call for details. A referral form is required.

g. Cornell's Tuition Credit – 4% cash back (direct to your student's tuition), for all receipts turned in (some exclusions apply, please call the school for details!) Family & friends are welcome to contribute!

NEW! Preschool financial assistance: ODJFS subsidy for preschool! Did you know we are the stand-alone preschool to be eligible in Richland County? We need your help informing families that all are welcome here. Reaching Blue Ribbon size (at least 10 in each grade level) would be AWESOME!

Calling all parents looking for tools to help your elementary school readers? There's still time to participate! Mrs. Little held her first of 3 literacy workshops this past Thursday. This is the first in a series of 3 workshops she is running, dedicated to helping parents of elementary students support their budding readers. Each workshop is designed to touch on a different component related to learning how to help your student succeed. Mrs. Little will be sharing tips and materials to help you help you help your student excel in both fluency and comprehension. Please contact the school at 419-342-2626 to RSVP. The classes are on Thursdays at 6:30-7:30 over the next 3 weeks. Your students do not have to be enrolled at St. Mary's School to benefit from the workshops, all are welcome!

What's new at St. Mary's School? Glad you asked! We have welcomed a new preschooler this past week and had the blessing of a baptism for one of our 2nd graders who is looking forward to celebrating the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion with his classmates!

Please keep our school and parish in your prayers. We are very proud of our faith community and feel very blessed we are to have your support.

We are truly blessed,
Lisa M. Rhodes, Principal

EXCEL BEYOND THE BASICS

SCHOOL FUND DRIVE

Our Goal \$47,000.00

Collected Jan. 31 & Feb. 1, 2015

\$ 275.00

Total Collected to Date

\$ 52,331.00



HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

Brad Timmer, Clinton Yetzer, Margaret Weaver, Mark Krietemeyer, Connie Shaffer, JoAnn Waldruff, Melissa Mahek, Robert Figueroa, Angela Simon, Ron Burkhalter, Joe Robertson, Robert Putnam, Shelly Krystofik, Blake Fetzer, Parker Herring, Brooke Riguet, Jackie Wechter, Trevor Winters.

15TH ANNUAL CHOCOLATE LOVERS BAKE-OFF:

Marvin Memorial Library will be hosting their annual Chocolate Lovers Bake-off on Monday, February 16 at 6 p.m. in the library. There are 3 adult categories in which you may enter 2 categories: cakes, cookies & bars, and desserts. Kids table can enter anything. Pick up your entry form and rules at the front desk, and must be submitted by February 14. For more information, contact Shelly Krystofik, 419-347-5576, ext. 1 or e-mail: krystosh@oplin.org.

SQUARE DANCE AT SACRED HEART CHURCH:

March 14, 2015, 8:00-11:00 pm., 5754 State Route 61 South, Shelby, **Donations at the Door Music Provided by: Crossfire** (Luke Rietschlin, Kevin and Becky Rall) **Snacks provided and Spirits for sale 50/50 Drawing.** Questions-call Laura Gosser 419-565-0909.

SENIOR CITIZEN PROM: You Are Invited to attend the "Senior Citizen Prom" on **Sunday, March 22, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.** Location: Shelby St. Mary's Activity Center/Gym/School, 26 West St. Shelby. **Cost:** Free. **Dress:** Casual. **Anyone over the age of 60 & guest** (If your son or daughter is driving you, they are welcome to stay.) 2:30-3:00 dancing, 3:15-4:30 Entertainment, 4:30 Supper served, (Menu: Salisbury Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Salad, Roll, etc.), 5:30-6:00 Departure. For more information or to register, please contact Sheila Hershiser, 419-935-1149; cre@willard-oh.com or Kari Krebs.



When was the last time you walked away from a faith event saying, "That was really amazing"? When you felt something really move you? **IGNITE** is an unforgettable evening of inspiring worship, word and witness in the presence of Jesus Christ that has been drawing thousands of young and old throughout Northwest Ohio. Come experience the power of God truly alive and with us. Please join us at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church (5742 St Rt 61 South, Shelby, OH) on **Wednesday, February 11th at 7:00 pm.** The night will begin in the Church and end in the Parish Hall with fellowship and refreshments. We hope to see you all there!

MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN 2015 WITH CATHOLIC CHARITIES:

What if you could help feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, clothe the naked and get in shape at the same time? Join the Catholic Charities Team at the Glass City Marathon and be part of a larger network of people seeking to make a difference. Walkers and runners are welcome to help achieve our team goal of raising \$40,000. Informational meetings with opportunities to meet other team members will be hosted February 10 in Toledo and February 17 in Findlay. To learn more, visit www.catholiccharitiesteam.kintera.org. RSVP to Amber Stargell at astargell@toledodiocese.org or 419-244-6711, ext. 232.

WINTERFEST: Come join us for a special evening at our 2nd Annual Fundraiser. We will have Hors d'oeuvres & dessert bar, Cash Bar, Silent Auction, 50/50 Drawing, Door Prizes & a Grand Prize Drawing. Join us Thursday, February 12, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Shelby Community & Senior Center. Tickets are \$20/person or \$35/couple. To purchase tickets call (419) 342-6366 or 888-342-6301. We accept credit card, cash or check (cash or check only at the door). Proceeds to benefit Shelby Home & Public Health, Inc.

Lord, I come before you today in need of your healing hand. In you all things are possible. Hold my heart within yours, and renew my mind, body, and soul

I am lost, but I am singing. You gave us life, and you also give us the gift of infinite joy. Give me the strength to move forward on the path you've laid out for me. Guide me towards better health, and give me the wisdom to identify those you've placed around me to help me get better. In your name I pray, Amen.

World Meeting of Families Pilgrimage: Join Bishop Daniel E. Thomas as he leads the Diocese of Toledo on a Pilgrimage to the World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia in September 2015! The World Meeting of Families is the world's largest Catholic gathering of families. This year's theme is "Love is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive," emphasizing the impact of the love and life of families on our society. This pilgrimage includes an opportunity to attend the Papal Mass with Pope Francis. For news, and to learn more about the pilgrimage led by Bishop Daniel, contact Monica Martinez: mmartinez@toledodiocese.org, 419-244-6711 ext. 715, or sign up for updates at toledodiocese.org/page/marriage-and-family.

OTSE BOARD MEMBERS: Ohioans to Stop Execution is accepting new board member nominations. Ohioans to Stop Executions (OTSE) is now accepting nominations for new board members for a three-year term to begin March 2015. Those interested should contact Ms. Germaine Kirk and provide the following information: Current job and/or ministry, Educational background and professional credentials, Past employment and volunteer experience, Professional and volunteer affiliations, Past and/or current advocacy regarding social justice issues, Interest in advocacy against the death penalty. Information may be sent to Germaine at gkirk@toledodiocese.org or 1933 Spielbusch Ave., Toledo, OH 43604.

Toledo Diocese Fertility Seminar: Saturday, February, 28, 2015, St. Michael the Archangel Parish, 10:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m. Parents, women, couples, clergy, and the medical community will be empowered, educated, and inspired to learn from leading author's, medical experts, and clergy surrounding such topics as: fertility, infertility, miscarriage, polycystic ovary syndrome, PMS, and other gynecological health issues, and how to approach these practically, faithfully, and pastorally. \$10 in advance/\$15 at the door/ FREE for clergy & religious. Lunch is included. Register and learn more at tdfertilityseminar.eventbrite.com. Sponsored by the Toledo Diocese Marriage & Family Life Office & The Couple To Couple League. Contact: Monica Martinez- mmartinez@toledodiocese.org 419-244-6711 ext. 715.

If you are what you should be, you will set the whole world ablaze!

-St. Catherine of Sienna

Sponsor of the Week

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