

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

Dear Friends,

This coming Wednesday we will begin the important season of Lent. On Feb. 18, Ash Wednesday, there will be Masses 9 a.m. at MPH and 7 p.m. at St. Joe. There will also be a Liturgy of the Word with the distribution of ashes at MPH that night at 7 p.m. Please make every effort to attend and receive your ashes as the outward sign of your desire to do penance during Lent.

Lent is also a time for alms-giving. This is why we are beginning the Annual Catholic Appeal this Sunday. Please try to get your response mailed in to the diocese or just drop it in the collection basket and we'll mail it in for you.

This week also provides some great opportunities to enjoy fellowship in our parishes. On Sunday, Feb. 15, St. Joseph Parish in Plymouth will be offering the annual Spaghetti Dinner from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. On Friday, Feb. 20, Most Pure Heart of Mary in Shelby will have their first of two Lenten Fish Fry dinners at 4:30 p.m.

Please don't forget that every Friday in Lent we will pray the Stations of the Cross: 5:30 p.m. in Plymouth and 7:00 p.m. in Shelby. We will also be celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Sunday, Mar. 15, at 2 p.m. in MPH church. There will be 7 priests available for confession.

Finally, both parishes are participating this year in the Traveling Cross for Vocations. St. Joe has already begun the process and MPH will start soon. Each family that signs up is asked to take the cross home and pray for vocations to the priesthood and Religious Life. Please consider doing this.

Have a blessed start to this very holy season.

— Fr. Jim

**LENTEN LITURGY & MUSIC:** Lent begins this week with Ash Wednesday. At this time we enter a penitential season in which we make changes to our lives through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. We will see changes in the weekend liturgies as well. The Masses will have a more tempered feel. A few changes you will notice are saying the rosary before Mass, chanting the Penitential Rite, omitting the Gloria as well as the word "Alleluia," a spoken Lamb of God, and the most easily noticed practice of an instrumental only recessional. All these changes are only for the season of Lent so that we can better prepare our hearts and minds for the celebration of the Easter to come.

Also during Lent, we are called to give of ourselves. This is an excellent time to reflect on how we can give of our time to our fellow parishioners. We are always looking for teachers, bakers, knitters, ushers, greeters, lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, servers, and musicians. These are just some of the ministries that make this parish live and breathe. Please pray over these ministries and consider helping. Call the Parish Office (419-347-2381) if you need more information.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** There will be a mandatory meeting for parents of the children preparing for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. The meeting will be held Wednesday, March 11 at 6 p.m. in the school gym.

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

### Monday, February 16

- 9:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word & Communion
- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study—Lower Level Meet. Room
- 4:30 p.m. 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> B-ball Practice—Gym
- 6:00 p.m. 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> B-ball Practice—Gym
- 6:15 p.m. 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> B-ball Tournament Game @ Crestline St. Joe's vs. St. Pete's

### Tuesday, February 17

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

### Ash Wednesday, February 18

- 9:00 a.m. Mass & Ashes—Prayers for Mary Ann Frye
  - 10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl—Conference Room
  - 7:00 p.m. Communion Service & Ashes (MPH)
  - 7:00 p.m. Mass & Ashes (Plymouth)
- ### Thursday, February 19
- 9:00 a.m. Mass—Prayers for John & Helen Yetzer
  - 4:00 p.m. 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> B-ball Practice—Gym
  - 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour
  - 6:30 p.m. Title I Parent Workshop—Theology Room
  - 5:30 p.m. Finance Council Meeting—Shelby Country Club
  - 7:00 p.m. Disciples of Song—Music Room
  - 7:30 p.m. 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> B-ball Practice—Gym

### Friday, February 20

- 9:00 a.m. Mass—Prayers for Kenneth Kempf
- 11:30 a.m. Children's Stations of the Cross—Church
- 4:30 p.m. Fish Fry Dinner—McFadden Hall
- 5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Plymouth)
- 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

### Saturday, February 21

- 5:00 p.m. Mass—Prayers for Kenneth Yosick, John Kreim

### Sunday, February 22

- 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph's (Plymouth)
- 10:30 a.m. Mass—Prayers for Ruth Whisler, Chuck & Beda Phillips
- 7:00 p.m. SLAM—Youth Room

## Daily Scripture Readings

- 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,3-4,9c-10;  
Mk.8:14-21
- Wednesday: Ash Wednesday  
Jl.2:12-18; Ps.51:3-6ab,12-14,17;  
2Cor.5:20-6:2; Mt.6:1-6,16-18
- Thursday: Dt.30:15-20; PS.1:1-4,6; Lk.9:22-25
- Friday: Is.58:1-9a; Ps.51:3-6ab,18-19; Mt.9:14-15
- Saturday: Is.58:9b-14; Ps.86:1-6; Lk.5:27-32
- Sunday: Gn.9:8-15; Ps.25:4-9; 1Pt.3:18-22;  
Mk.1:12-15

**Saturday, Feb. 21, 5:00 p.m. Mass**

**Lector** Dave Winans  
**Servers** Kyle Krystofik, Jesse & Katie Lauderbaugh  
**E.Ministers** Betty & Jim Yetzer, David Yetzer, Bill Anspach, Lisa Hiler, Janet Kehres  
**Ushers** Alan Vogt, Brad Wagner, Bill Anspach, Gary Lauderbaugh  
**Greeters** Bill Anspach & Lisa Hiler, Barry & Trudi Britt  
**Music** Disciples of Song

**Sunday, Feb. 22, 10:30 a.m. Mass**

**Lector** Tom Dannemiller  
**Servers** Adam Niese, Remy Rhodes, Oliver Wagner  
**E.Ministers** Jake Penwell, Dave & Lois Steele, Karen Winters, Angela Yetzer, Dick & Becky Young  
**Ushers** Clem Kanney, Lee Kaple, Jeff Murray, Scott Kurtzman  
**Greeters** Clem & Kathy Kanney, Volunteer  
**Music** Dannemillers

**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 Dinner 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.

**SAVE THE DATE:**

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

**SLAM YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS**

There are no SLAM events this Sunday due to the Back to Heartland Middle School Gathering.

This week is Ash Wednesday! DEEPER will sit together for the Communion Service & Ashes at 7 p.m. in the church. We will then head to the youth room where we will study the readings for the upcoming Sunday Liturgy.

Next Sunday, February 22nd come for SLAM! We will meet in the youth room from 7-8:30 p.m. Bring a friend!

The Tobogganing Trip is 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!

**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.

**THE CEILI IS COMING**

SAT., MAR. 14 -- 6-9 PM

Come celebrate St. Patrick's day with food, fun, music & be Irish for a day! More info. to follow soon!

**Please pray for our children preparing for their First Reconciliation on Feb. 28.**

*Pray that they and their families truly experience the love, forgiveness, and grace of this special sacrament of healing.*

**WEEKLY COLLECTIONS –FEB. 7 & 8, 2015**

**Sunday Collections:**

Offertory	\$	7,046.25
Children's	\$	9.25
Religious Education	\$	415.00
Youth Ministry	\$	100.00
Initial Offering	\$	20.00
Support Your School	\$	275.00

**Holy Day Collections:**

Mary Mother of God	\$	5.00
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**TOTAL SUNDAY AND HOLY DAY COLLECTIONS \$ 7,870.50 down \$321.00 from 2013/2014**

Total Sunday and Holy Day Collections to Date \$ 318,559.11 down \$11,537.00 from 2013/2014

**Diocesan Collections:**

Church in Eastern Europe	\$	32.00
Black & Indian	\$	30.00

**Other Parish Collections:**

Capital Improvement	\$	140.00
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# Most Pure Heart of Mary Parish, A Member of the St. Juan Diego Deanery

## Greetings from St. Mary's School

### *A ministry of Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church*

Today our bulletin article celebrates progress! Soon, the Globe will present a full edition dedicated to sharing great stories, detailing huge strides each Shelby school is making in providing the best education for our students. It is truly a refreshing view into the educational excellence that ALL Shelby schools work very hard to successfully provide!

When asked about progress at St. Mary's School, I can't help but immediately bring to the forefront the HUGE accomplishments our teachers have made in differentiating learning for each and every student at St. Mary's School. A student doesn't have to have an IEP to have tailored learning plans. St. Mary's students receive an individualized learning path that is as unique as each student is...then, I paused and asked myself, "is our progress truly rooted in our techniques, our technology, and our curriculum? Or, is our progress really in maintaining what makes us Different by Design...which is truly embracing the academic excellence we provide while welcoming God into each child's day from beginning to end?" The answer was clear...our progress is in the beautiful gift that our parish provides to our community. Our parish maintains a choice for all parents to be able to bring their children closer to God through an excellent education enriched by faith, regardless of denomination. That is progress!

We live in a society today that has been very successful in eliminating choices by way of limiting our ability to exercise our faith in public places. Most Pure Heart of Mary maintains an avenue to celebrate God, maintain His teachings, and provide growth in faith within each and every day of school...now that is progress! Our students are able to learn about and live the gospel every day, throughout the day. Did you know that our students have taken full ownership of the morning lobby gathering to start the day with prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance, our fitness activity reports, and blessings? They lead at Mass and in the community. We are very proud of their progress too! Now you might be agreeing, but still asking, "What has changed to help us make such impressive progress with academic excellence and individualized learning plans?" Glad you asked! Please stay tuned for next week's Progress update in the bulletin!

We have made great progress in becoming providers of several School Choice Scholarships that have recently been introduced through the Ohio Department of Education. EdChoice Scholarships have expanded to offer income eligible families (available in Shelby!) scholarships for full tuition to a private school. Jon Peterson Special Needs Scholarships (JPSN) are available to parents of students on IEPs, with no income verification required. This scholarship funds tuition and services needed to support the student's IEP. We are making progress getting the word out that you don't have to be Catholic to attend St. Mary's Catholic School, all are welcome here! St. Mary's School is committed to the development of the total person, spiritual and physical, moral and intellectual, individual and social, in an atmosphere filled with the spirit of Christ.

Did you know that we have progressed into our 135<sup>th</sup> year of providing an educational choice to parents of students in preschool to 6<sup>th</sup> grade in the Shelby community? We know that educational excellence is also available through other schools. However, receiving the academic excellence in an atmosphere filled with the spirit of Christ is the choice we offer and that is what makes us ***Different by Design***.

This year, our spring fund raiser kicks off Feb 20<sup>th</sup>, so we will have delicious samples of the Butter Braids available for you to try. If you choose, you can even place an order with delivery in time for your Easter celebrations!

***We are truly blessed,***  
Lisa M. Rhodes, Principal

### EXCEL BEYOND THE BASICS SCHOOL FUND DRIVE Our Goal \$47,000.00

Collected Feb. 7 & 8, 2015	\$ 25.00
<b>Total Collected to Date</b>	<b>\$ 52,356.00</b>

**St. Mary's PTO FISH FRY DINNERS:** The event is open to the public; come and enjoy! Dates Feb. 20 & Mar. 6. Dinners are served 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Menu: Alaskan Pollock (baked or fried), baked potato, coleslaw or applesauce, roll & butter, drink & dessert. (Mac 'n Cheese Option for children) Prices: Adults \$8.00; Children Ages 5-10 years \$5.00; 4 and younger are free. Where: St. Mary's School Gym/McFadden Hall.

**WE NEED YOU.** If you can volunteer to lend a hand, the work of many make light the work! We welcome donations of baked goods for desserts on both days and really need volunteers to help make the event possible. Online sign-up at <http://meetingwords.com/vPDKlaEmDf>, but if accessing that is not an option, please feel free to contact the school and we will help get you signed up!

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** Adam Gumbert, Arthur Lamb, Kathy Lowe, Mallory Krutsch, Patricia Sadowski, Sandy Pitsch, Susan McFarland, Ann Hemmerly, Lauren Terry, Mark Wolford, Rosemary Smith, Samantha Moore, Alex Kreinbrink, David Kaylor, Karen Vaughn, Linda Furney, Madison Perkins, Mary Rodriguez, Philip Wettrich, Becky Young, Bobby Evans, Nancy Rolsten, Spencer Beer, David DeVito, Erica Schroeder, George Willman, George Whisler, Macie Pry, Sandy Young.

**CHURCH IN CENTRAL & EASTERN EUROPE:** Next week, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central & Eastern Europe. This collection supports Catholic organizations that provide affordable shelter and train seminarians in a region that still struggles from the effects of Soviet rule. By providing pastoral care, catechesis, and funding for building renovations, your donations help to restore the Church and build the future in the region. Please give generously to the collection next week. Please find envelopes for this collection in your offertory packet. Visit [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org) (search "Church in Central and Eastern Europe") to learn more.

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