

## ST. ALPHONSUS – Peru

## ST. JOSEPH – Monroeville



June 28, 2008 – June 29, 2009  
YEAR OF ST. PAUL  
The Great Evangelizer  
Martyr for the Love of Christ



FEBRUARY 15, 2009

6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME

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### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

CALL THE RECTORY

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

AT LEAST 6 MONTH NOTICE AND  
ATTENDANCE AT ENGAGED  
COUPLES CONFERENCE

### COMMUNION TO THE SICK

CALL THE RECTORY AT 465-4142

### CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY AT 4 PM AT  
ST. JOSEPH

### FINANCE COMMITTEES

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Dear Friends,

Through the efforts of the Pastoral Council, our parishes are participating in **"The Spirit of Jesus Alive Today: Pentecost in Our Time,"** a diocesan evangelization effort that will culminate in the celebration of the Toledo Diocese Centennial, in April of 2010. This process will allow our faith community to look internally to the needs of those who are registered and practicing. It will also allow us to look outward and to invite those who are absent from the Lord's Table to join us. The first phase will begin the weekend of March 28-29 by updating the parish census records for St. Alphonsus and St. Joseph. During the second phase in September & October we will visit families whose records are incomplete or inactive. There will more information concerning this program in the coming weeks and months.

The Pastoral Council is continuing to address the "DREAMS" of our parishes. To date, we have joined our parish councils and various committees, become involved in the non-food pantry, implemented a second collection in both parishes on the second weekend of the month in an effort to assist those who need help in our parishes, and expanded and improved the cemeteries. The Council will continue to focus on the dream list over the next few years. Our predecessors gave us a wonderful gift of two beautiful parishes and, hopefully, we continue to treasure and build on those dreams as we take an active role in insuring the future of our parish community.

Our Diocese lost one of its more dedicated and colorful priests this week. Fr. Jim Walsh went to his eternal reward last Sunday morning. Ordained in 1954, Fr. Jim served in many parishes throughout the diocese. He served as pastor of St. Anthony Parish in Milan for 18 years until he retired in 2004. Those of us who knew him & cared for him can only imagine the ruckus going on in heaven this week. Not one to go unnoticed, Fr. Jim's wake and funeral took place during the windstorms on Wednesday & Thursday.

I will be away and on retreat this week. Please keep me in your prayers and know that you will be in mine.

*Fr. Ken Lill*

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sat., Feb. 14 – Sts. Cyril & Methodius**

5:00 PM (SJ) Clarence Martin  
Ray & Marie Gates

**Sun., Feb. 15 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 AM (SA) Marie Latteman  
10:30 AM (SJ) Anna Wilhelm

**Mon., Feb. 16**

NO MASS

**Tues., Feb. 17 – Seven Founders of the  
Order of Servites**

NO MASS

**Wed., Feb. 18**

8:15 AM (SJ) COMMUNION SERVICE

**Thurs., Feb. 19**

NO MASS

**Fri., Feb. 20**

NO MASS

**Sat., Feb. 21 – St. Peter Damian**

5:00 PM (SJ) Mary Wilhelm

**Sun., Feb. 22 – 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 AM (SA) Richard Huey  
10:30 AM (SJ) Smith & Bauer Families  
Clayton Houck & Calvin Rennecker

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SUN-Lv. 13:1-2, 44-46/1 Cor. 10:311-1:1/Mk. 1:40-45

MON-Gn. 4:1-15, 25/Mk. 8:11-13

TUE-Gn. 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Mk. 8:14-21

WED-Gn. 8:6-13, 20-22/Mk. 8:22-26

THU-Gn. 9:1-13/Mk. 8:27-33

FRI-Gn. 11:1-9/Mk. 8:34; 9:1

SAT-Heb. 11:1-7/Mk. 9:2-13

## **CONTRIBUTIONS – FEB. 1**

**St. Joseph**-Sunday-4,473, (118 envelopes) Loose-238.70, St. VdeP-117, 50/50-75, Children-2, Bldg. Fund-100, Fuel-75, School Supp-235, Initial-20, Holy Name-95.

**St. Alphonsus**-Sunday-2,114, (65 envelopes) Loose-66.01, Holy Day-100, Children-7, Initial-20, Vigil Lights-18.

## BIRTHDAYS



**FEB 16**-Rhiannon Pretto, Patricia Ramsey, Carolyn Schafer, Carla Schaffer, Jennifer Stanley, Harold Wilhelm, Dominique Workley **FEB 17**-Dale Cherry, Alice Reynolds, Macy Schafer, Mary Ann Schaffer **FEB 18**-Andrew Benson, Tracy Brooks, Mary Jane Gerber, Thomas Schafer, Stacy Schafer, Diane Wasiniak **FEB 19**-Bernadette Bishop, Rae Colahan, Mabel Martin, Hayden Pierce, John Rospert, Jennifer Ruffing, Robert Schafer, Robert Stieber **FEB 20**-Fr. Ken, Karen Martin, Samuel Miller, Mya Neuberger, Blake Obringer, Barb Stang, Mary Stoner **FEB 21**-Judy Elmlinger, George Horsman, Donald Mesnard, Lee Myers, Sydney Reed, Judy Scheid, Norbert Stang

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

**Saturday, Feb. 21 – 5:00 p.m. – St. Joseph**

**L** Adam Mastroianni, Elaine Finch  
**U** **Ken Bischoff**, Marvin Pierce, Bill Stang  
**EM** **Geri Myers**, Sheila Meikle, Charlene Bauer, Tom Runkle, Shirley Stang  
**S** Nick Bischoff, Andrew Haughawout, Brandon Seifker

**Sunday, Feb. 22 – 8:30 a.m. – St. Alphonsus**

**L** Erin Lendrum, Barb Chase  
**U** John Burrow, Donald Schaffer, Clayton Ott, Ken Schreiner  
**EM** Gregg & Susan Moore, John, Kathy & Ian Miller, Tom Smith, John Schaffer, 2 Volunteers  
**S** Matt Silcox, Cody Fannin, George Latteman  
**G** Patti Kluding, Kathy Miller

**Sunday, Feb. 22 – 10:30 a.m. – St. Joseph**

**L** Angie Roth, Jackie Schafer  
**U** **Doug Elmlinger**, Zachary Schafer, Robert Stieber  
**EM** **Sandy Lonz**, Linda Laux, Rita Stieber, Richard & Marilyn Palmer, Ron Betschman  
**S** Bailey & Brent Bollenbacher

## COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

FEB 22 – Jerry Gravenhorst

## COUNTERS – FEB. 17 (Tuesday)

Catherine Tyler, Helen Hofacker, Esther Hauler, Catherine Raftery, Ann & Fred Roth

## BINGO – FEB. 16

**CREW #1:** Mike Kluding, Jackie Schafer, Deb Smith, Mindy Gies, Marie Burson, Dan or Michelle Stieber

**FOOD:** Andy & Wendy Schafer

**KITCHEN:** Tracy Palmer, Helen or Chip Ilg

**BAKERS:** Ann Sitterly, Tam Opper, Gaylynn Schafer

**SET UP:** Becky Gies

**WINDOW:** Jill Schafer

## **PARISH CALENDAR**

**BINGO** Monday night in the Social Center. Doors open at 5; Bingo starts at 6:45.

**SPAGHETTI DINNER** Tuesday from 5-7 p.m.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING** Saturday at 3 p.m. at St. Joseph.

**PSR** next Sunday at 9 a.m. at St. Joseph and at 9:30 at St. Alphonsus.

## **AREA EVENTS**

**SPAGHETTI DINNER** today from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. at St. Joseph, Plymouth. Free will offering. Carry outs available.

**PORK CHOP DINNER** Feb. 21 from 4:30-7 p.m. at St. Francis Xavier, Willard. \$10 per adult; \$6 per child.

**SPAGHETTI DINNER** Feb. 24 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at St. Anthony, Milan. Cost: \$6 for regular size serving & \$4 for small size serving.



**RED CROSS BLOODMOBILE** will be at St. Alphonsus on Monday Feb 16 from 3-7 p.m.

## **RAFFLE TICKETS**

Raffle tickets for a couch and for a year's free tuition are still available. The drawing will be Tuesday, Feb. 17 at the Spaghetti Dinner. Contact the school office (419-465-2625) to purchase tickets.

## **TRAINING FOR EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

A training session for NEW Eucharistic Ministers will be held in St. Joseph church on Saturday, Feb. 21 at 3 p.m. Anyone who is interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister should attend.

## **HURON COUNTY NON-FOOD BANK**

The next Non-Food Bank will be held on Feb. 19 from 2-5 p.m. Items needed are Toilet Paper, Bar Soap, Dish Soap, Trash Bags, Multi-use Cleaner, Paper Towels, Laundry Detergent, Toothpaste and Shampoo. Donations can be left in the back of either church.

If you are interested in volunteering your time to help on the Non-Food Bank distribution days, please contact Sister Nancy at (419-465-2000).

## **MAY GOD SEND HIS HEALING BLESSINGS**

to Richard Holland, Jeanette Leibold, Mike Martin, Bill Miller, Gary Rasnick, George Stepanic, & Jim Smith.

## **MONROEVILLE K of C 200 CLUB WINNERS**

Feb. 10-\$50: Ed Martin

\$25: Sharon Laux, Don Smith

## **K of C BREAKFAST BUFFET**



The K of C Breakfast Buffet will be held today from 8 a.m. until noon. Serving eggs, ham, sausage, biscuits & gravy, pancakes or French toast. The cost is \$6 for adults and \$2 for children; children under 5 are free.

## **It's Time To Start Thinking & Planning!**

Do you make the best pies? Are your cookies or cakes "the bomb"? Do you enjoy "doing for others"--things such as cleaning, raking leaves, shoveling snow?? How about driving someone to appointments, or to the store? We're looking for offers of services such as these for the silent auction this year. There are many everyday things that many people don't do or are unable to do for themselves. These would make great auction items. Think about it!

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING** will be taught by the Couple to Couple League at a series of three classes beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 26 in Norwalk. The method taught, the Sympto-Thermal Method, is safe, effective, and morally acceptable. For further information, registration, or to learn of other classes in the area, please call Paul or Monica Depinet at (419) 660-0534

## **NEED A NIGHT OFF FROM COOKING?**

Order a homemade pie and help the local M.S. Walk Team "Legs for Leo". Chicken pot pies are \$15, Fruit pies are \$10 – pecan, apple crumb, elderberry and blueberry. Call Rosalie Smith at 419-663-5530 to place your order. The chicken pot pies are frozen and unbaked and the fruit pies can be baked, frozen or unbaked. Thank you for your support.

## **LOST YOUR JOB? LOOKING FOR HELP?**

The Huron County Workforce Response Team is sponsoring an "Unemployed Workers Resource Forum" on Tuesday, Feb. 17 from 10-11:30 a.m. at Norwalk High School. Get information on job search, education and training, budgeting tips, foreclosure prevention, 401K options, health insurance, local resources and more. Free child care will be provided.

## **CHECK OUT THE NEW SCHOOL WEBSITE!**

Go to [www.noeca.net](http://www.noeca.net) and click on "Progress Book", then "Parent Access" and then the St. Joseph icon. School news and information, the Principal's Corner, School calendar, and monthly menu are all public domain information.

*THE PARISH OFFICE will be CLOSED, Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup> in observance of Presidents' Day.*

## **ANNUAL FUND UPDATE**

The 2009-2010 Saint Joseph Annual Fund has received \$41,874.00 in donations and pledges to date. The faculty, staff and students of our school are very grateful for the good stewardship of the 125 individuals and businesses who have contributed to the campaign.

If you have not considered a donation to our school's future, please do so as we begin the last week of the Fund. Our annual Phone-a-Thon to conclude this year's drive will be next Sunday, afternoon.

Thank you for your continued support.

Jim Francis

**St. Joseph Social Center  
Feb. 17 - 5-7 p.m.**

**Adults: \$6**

**Children 10 & under: \$3**

**Family: \$20**

