

OUR LADY OF MERCY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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A Parish of the Roman Catholic
Diocese of Steubenville

April 14, 2024

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Fr. David Gaydosik, Pastor

Cell: 740-391-1093

Fr. Walter E. Heinz, Retired/In Residence

Fr. Dale Tornes, Retired

Mrs. Kristin Offenberger, Secretary

Ms. Heather Peters, PSR Coordinator

Mrs. Martha Flieman, Prayer Chain

**Confessions: Saturdays -
3 PM to 4 PM**

**Rosary: Before each weekend
Mass**

Parish Council: Council
Meetings will be announced.

Men's Club: Meetings will be announced.

Catholic Women's Club: Meetings will be
held the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30
PM in the parish social hall.

Knights of Columbus: Meet on the 1st and
3rd Mondays of the month at 7:30 PM at the
K of C Hall, Churchtown.

Baptisms: Parents are to schedule the baptism of their
child at least 2 weeks in advance of the desired date
arrangements.

Confirmation: To be confirmed you must attend either
the Parish School of Religion, Catholic School, or the
RCIA.

Marriages: Couples intending to be married at OLM
must contact Fr. David at least 6 months in advance of
the intended wedding date.

Sponsor at Baptism or Confirmation: Must be at least 16
years old; be an active Catholic who has been confirmed,
and lead a life that is in harmony with the faith.

Visitation of Sick or Homebound: Please call Father
Gaydosik at 740-391-1093, or the Parish Office at 740-
896-2207, when someone is hospitalized, homebound,
sick.

St. John Central Elementary School - (740) 896-2697:
Mrs. Karen Pottmeyer, **Principal.** The Central Catholic
Grade School is a combination of the parishes of: St.
John the Baptist, Churchtown; Our Lady of Mercy,
Lowell, St. Ambrose, Little Hocking; and St. Bernard,
Beverly.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sat. April 13	OLM Linda Huck (Hugh & Kelly Arnold) St. John Alice Lang (Bob & Peggy Byers)	4:00 PM 6:00 PM
Sun. April 14	OLM Arthur & Helen Perry (Ron & Linda Miller) St. John Leo & Lucy Huck Family (Family) St. John Leora Arnold (Arnold Huck)	9:30 AM 7:30 AM 11:00 AM
Mon. April 15	OLM No Mass St. John Brooke Way (Richard & Brenda Arnold Family)	No Mass *6:00 PM*
Tues. April 16	OLM Jerry Huck (Glen, Darla, & Dallas Schwendeman) St. John Patricia Gaydosik (Bernard & Marilyn Schilling)	5:00 PM 8:00 AM
Wed. April 17	OLM No Mass St. John Kevin Arnold (Family) <i>School Mass</i>	No Mass 8:20 AM
Thurs. April 18	OLM Patricia Gaydosik (Heather & Marilyn Peters) St. John Larry Schaad (Mary Brooker Family)	5:00 PM 8:00 AM
Fri. April 19	OLM No Mass St. John Earl & Justine Tornes (David Schaad Family)	No Mass 8:00 AM
Sat. April 20	OLM Alfred Tornes (Ricard & Melissa Tornes) St. John Donna Klinger (Tom & Martha Flieman)	4:00 PM 6:00 PM
Sun. April 21	OLM Nathan Heiss (Charlie & Dorothy Huck) St. John Anna Mae Brooker (STJ CWC) St. John Amy Smith (Jerry Smith Family)	9:30 AM 7:30 AM 11:00 AM

God Bless those who support our Parishes!

OLM: \$2,564.00 (64); Offertory \$276.00; Good Friday \$25.00 (1); Easter Offering \$40.00 (2);
 St. John \$15.00 (1); Catholic Home Mission \$2.00 (1)

OLM 50/50 Winner: Becky Britton– Congratulations!

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

Lectors

OLM: 04/20 (4 PM) Shelly Medley
 OLM: 04/21 (9:30AM) Linda Miller

Altar Servers

OLM: 04/20 (4 PM) Tim & Emma Snyder
 OLM: 04/21 (9:30 AM) Caleb, Declan, & Joel Schaad

Eucharistic Ministers

OLM: 04/20 (4 PM) Stephen Huffman
 OLM: 04/21 (9:30AM) Ron Miller

USHERS (Month of April)

SAT: Robert J. Huck, Tracy Lang
 SUN: Cecil Bauerbach, Volunteer

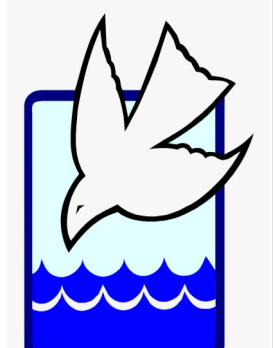


2024 Diocesan Parish Share Campaign
“One Lord, one faith, one baptism.”

~ Ephesians 4:5

Our Lady of Mercy Goal: \$21,074.00
 Pledged to date \$20,850.00
 Paid to date (32) \$13,100.00

Thank you for your generosity



OLM CWC

All women of the parish are members of the Catholic Woman's Club.

April Committee

Sandy Wagner (chair)	Lisa Schwendeman
Judy Gilham	Elaine Arnold
Tonya Arnold	Nancy Huck
Brenda (Dan) Schwendeman	

OLM 50/50 CLUB NEWS

The Our Lady of Mercy 50-50 Club Annual Dinner and Drawing is on Saturday, April 27 from 5 PM to 7 PM at the Our Lady of Mercy Parish Hall. Contact Dan Flieman at 740-236-0122 to volunteer to help with meal preparations, signing up of members, or if you are interested in joining the next OLM 50/50 Club Drawing.

THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

The Diocese of Steubenville presents Pilgrimage to the National Eucharistic Congress on July 17-21. Come make history with us in Indianapolis at the 10th National Eucharistic Congress, where we will gather at the feet of Jesus for the first time in nearly a century, boldly anticipating a new Pentecost. Your trip includes bus transportation with Steubenville and Cambridge departure points, lodging, daily transfers between hotel and event locations, and breakfast daily. Price is \$799 per person, double occupancy (single rates available). For more information and to register call Wendt Touring at 740-282-5790.

SHOP SWAP AND STROLL

The Shop Swap and Stroll is scheduled for the first Wednesday of May, June, July, and August 2024 at Lowell's Buell Island Park, Lowell from 4:30 PM to 7:30 PM. This event features: flea market and yard sale vendors, farm market vendors, craft vendors, and food truck vendors. There is no cost to participate as a vendor, although the Village of Lowell requires a small fee to set up as a food truck vendor. Donations are welcomed and go to upkeep and maintenance of Lowell's Buell Island Park. The first Shop Swap and Stroll is scheduled for May 1 and has the monthly theme of Summer Safety. Come, shop, dine, and meet with individuals from the community.

"Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song."

~ [John Paul II](#)

PEACE OF MIND

What a traumatic three days the disciples had just been through—from the Last Supper through Gethsemane, Judas' betrayal, Jesus' arrest, and Peter's denial, all the way up to Jesus' crucifixion! Everything they had staked their lives on had fallen to pieces—and they themselves had failed Jesus completely. So it's no wonder that Jesus' first words when he appeared to the disciples were "Peace be with you" (Luke 24:36). How they needed that peace! Then, just as he had done for the disciples on the road to Emmaus, he "opened their minds" to help them make sense of all they had just been through (24:45). Walking them through the Scriptures, he showed them how his death had been part of God's plan all along. He helped them see that it was not a tragedy but a triumph. It was not the end of all their hopes but the beginning of a glorious new future. Have you ever felt the way the disciples did? Maybe you're in the midst of a painful situation right now that has you feeling confused, betrayed, or lost. Maybe a traumatic experience in the past still haunts you. Or maybe the guilt of some past sin continues to weigh you down. Whatever your situation, Jesus longs to do for you what he did for his disciples. He longs to open your mind to his mercy so that you can be set free from guilt or shame. He longs to reveal his love so that you can see your past—especially the painful parts—through his eyes of love and compassion. He longs to give you new insight into his wisdom so that you can look to your future with hope and trust. Quiet your heart today so that you can hear Jesus speak to you. Let him "open your mind" and show you how he looks at you. Let him give you his peace.

~ The Word Among Us

POPE FRANCIS

Prayer Intentions for April:

For the Role of Women

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

50: Acts 4: 8–12 Ps 118:1, 8–9, 21–23, 28–29

1 Jn 3: 1–2 Jn 10: 11–18

A VOCATION VIEW

Peace be with you. The Lord gives us his Easter peace. Share that peace with someone who needs it.

(Luke 24: 35–48)

STEUBENVILLE SEMINARIANS

The following men are in formation for ordination to the sacred Priesthood for service in the Diocese of Steubenville. Please remember them in your prayers.

Studying at the Pontifical College Josephinum
(7625 N. High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43235-1499)
**John Paul Gan, Jonathan Ruscoe, Riley Morris,
Aaron Pabin, and Caleb Baker**

Studying at the Sacred Heart Major Seminary
(2701 Chicago Boulevard, Detroit, MI 48206)
**Peter Stetson, Christopher McGurn, and
Sam Ivkovich**

Diocese of Steubenville Office of Vocations
Fr. Nicholas V. Ginnetti, Vocation Director
Vocation links: Twitter @ [dsvocations](https://twitter.com/dsvocations)
Facebook: www.facebook.com/dsvocations or
Diocesan Vocation Website: <http://steubenvillevocations.com>

LAMB (Lowell Area Mission Basket)

A donation box remains in the back of the church for your donations to those in need at our local food pantry. Items needed: canned tuna, canned chicken, cereal, instant potatoes, bags of noodles, gravy, and paper products. For more information, please contact Judy Gilham at 740- 896-3266.



ST. JOHN'S CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWS

Bingo Group Work Schedule

April 14 Team 8 Russ Lang 740-336-0800

April 21 Team 1 Jeff Brooker 740-749-3538

TEACHERS NEEDED –St. John Central School is hiring for the 2024-2025 school year; a Full-Time First Grade Teacher, and a Full-Time Fifth-Eighth Grades Math and Science Teacher. Certified teachers are needed for these positions. Interested applicants should contact Michelle Schwendeman at 740-896-2697 (school) or 740-525-7925 (cell) or Karen Pottmeyer (Principal) at 740-525-3623 (cell) for additional information.

SCHOOL OPEN REGISTRATION – St. John Central School is now accepting registrations for the 2024-2025 school year. St. John Central has been providing a quality education for our students for over 60 years. The school is fully accredited, and offers a complete academic program from Pre-Kindergarten through Eighth Grade. For more information, please call the school office at 740-896-2697.

ST MARY BASILICA SPRING FESTIVAL

The Basilica of St. Mary of the Assumption, Marietta is hosting a Spring Festival from 11 AM to 6 PM on April 21. There will be a variety of kids games and raffles for all to enjoy including a Spaghetti Dinner, featuring Monsignor Luciana's famous sauce. Cost of tickets are \$15.00 for an adult, \$12.00 for a child (includes kid games) and 3 and under are free. To purchase advance tickets, contact Matt Miller at 330-243-5500.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

NIGHT AT THE RACES–The Knights of Columbus 4617, Churchtown will be holding: A Night at the Races on Saturday, May 04. Doors open at 4 PM. Tickets are \$35 each or \$280/table (for 8 people). Guests are encouraged to wear derby attire and big hats. For more information, contact Taylor Pottmeyer at 412-215-6470.

FRATERNAL BENEFITS EVENTS–Knights of Columbus 4617, Churchtown, will host a Fraternal Benefits Event, Monday, April 15 at 7:30 PM. All members and non-members are welcome to attend and see what insurance & financial investment opportunities the Knights of Columbus can offer you and your family. The regular monthly meeting will follow the presentation.

POST 750 STEAK FRY

The American Legion Post 750 is holding a public steak fry on Saturday, April 20, from 5 PM to 8 PM at the Post in Lowell. Costs are: grilled steak -\$15.00, baked steak - \$10.00, grilled chicken -\$10.00, and no meat - \$5.00. Dinners include meat, baked potato, salad, and a roll. For take-out orders, please call 740-896-3326. Come support your local American Legion.