

OUR LADY OF MERCY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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A Parish of the Roman Catholic
Diocese of Steubenville

April 09, 2023

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Fr. David Gaydosik, Pastor

Cell: 740-391-1093

Fr. Dale Tornes, Retired

Mrs. Kristin Offenberger, Secretary

Mr. David Bauerbach, Parish Council President

Ms. Heather Peters, PSR Coordinator

Mrs. Martha Flieman, Prayer Chain

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

**Rosary: Before each weekend
Mass**

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 homebound, sick, or hospitalized.

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. 08 Easter Vigil	OLM Laurie Offerman (Nancy Huck) St. John Penny Schwendeman (Family)	*8:00 PM* *8:00 PM*
Sun. April. 09 Easter Sunday	OLM Kenneth Stehly (Mike & Denise) St. John L & D of Leo and Lucy Huck (Family) St. John Earl & Justine Tornes (Bernard & Marilyn Schilling)	9:30 AM 7:30 AM *9:00 AM*
Mon. April. 10	OLM No Mass St. John Rayleen Heiss (Family)	8:00 AM
Tue. April. 11	OLM Joe Strahler (Unknown) St. John Norbert Kern (Marylyn Kern & Family)	5:00 PM 8:00 AM
Wed. April. 12	OLM No Mass St. John Alice Lang (Bob & Peggy Byers)	<i>School Mass</i> 8:20 AM
Thur. April. 13	OLM Kathleen Higgins (Jason & Jennifer Morris) St. John Rosemary Heiss (Joe & Janice Schaad)	5:00 PM 8:00 AM
Fri. April. 14	OLM No Mass St. John Rita Schwendeman (Ken & Cindy Pottmeyer)	8:00 AM
Sat. April. 15	OLM Bernard "Buzzard" Brooker (The Paul Bauerbach Family) St. John Donna Klinger (Rick Canterbury)	4:00 PM 6:00 PM
Sun. April. 16	OLM Earl & Francis Thieman (Connie Schwendeman) St. John Ralph & Pauline Zoller (Larry & Janet Schaad) St. John Tony Tornes (Donna Tornes & Family)	9:30 AM 7:30 AM 11:00 AM

God Bless Those Who Support Our Parish!

OLM: \$2,618.00 (68); Offertory \$183.00; Easter Flowers \$220.00 (16); OLM Cemetery \$60.00 (3); Diocesan Retirement \$100.00 (1); Solemnity of Mary \$5.00 (1); Rice Bowl \$20.00 (3); St. John \$45.00 (3); Initial Offering \$30.00 (3); Churches of Europe \$5.00 (1); World Mission \$5.00 (1); Latin American \$5.00 (1); Catholic Relief \$5.00 (1); Votive Candles \$33.85

50/50 Winner: Jim Schwendeman- Congratulations!

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

<p style="text-align: center;">Lectors</p> <p>OLM: 04/15 (4 PM) Alex Bauerbach OLM: 04/16 (9:30AM) Dan Flieman</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Altar Servers</p> <p>OLM: 04/15 (4 PM) Emma & Brett Bauerbach OLM: 04/16 (9:30AM) Kate, Ross, & Ashton Schultheis</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Eucharistic Ministers</p> <p>OLM: 04/15 (4 PM) Heather Peters OLM: 04/16 (9:30AM) Cindy Schwendeman</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">USHERS (Month of April)</p> <p>SAT: Robert J. Huck, Tracy Lang SUN: Cecil Bauerbach, Volunteer</p>

SUPPORT ENVELOPES



Support envelopes are available for pick up at the back of the church. There have been no changes this year, so please check the number and address on the box. If there are any corrections, please notify the Parish Office at 740-896-2207 or place a note in the collection basket. Thank you for your patience and your support!

OLM CWC

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

April Committee

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

EASTER EGG HUNT



Sponsored by the K of C Members, there will be an EGG HUNT held after the 9:30 AM Mass on Easter Sunday, April 09.

OLM 50/50 CLUB NEWS

The Our Lady of Mercy 50-50 Club Annual Dinner and Drawing is on Saturday, April 22, at Our Lady of Mercy Parish Hall with happy hour starting at 5 PM with dinner at 6 PM. Please 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. Good Luck!

2023 Diocesan Parish Share Campaign

"The Eucharist is a Fire that Inflames Us!"

~ St. John Chrysostom

Our Lady of Mercy Goal:
\$18,246.00



By supporting the D/PSC, we promote the Church's call to give thanks both on a diocesan level and on a parish level. All monetary contributions over the set goals will be returned to the parish.

SERVICES NEEDED

Is the Lord calling you to serve? Do you want to serve the Church more? Are you interested in becoming a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, or Server for Mass? If you are, please call Father Dave at 740-391-1093 or the parish office at 740-896-2207 to be added to the schedule.



WELCOME BACK

Be sure to welcome Father Heinz back to the area!

CHRIST HAS RISEN! And that changes everything.

Today's Gospel tells us that Jesus "had to rise from the dead" (John 20:9, emphasis added). But why? Wasn't it enough that he became a man? Wasn't it enough that he died for us? Actually, no. As St. Paul wrote, "If Christ has not been raised, your faith is vain; you are still in your sins" (1 Corinthians 15:17). By rising from the dead, Jesus proved beyond the shadow of a doubt that he has power over sin and death. Everything he said about himself is true. He is more than the victim of an unjust condemnation. He is more than an inspiring teacher or a philosopher or the founder of a new movement. He is more, even, than a healer and wonder-worker. He is the Son of God, the One whom death could not hold in its grasp (Romans 1:4). By rising, Jesus did more than just vindicate himself. He also opened the way into new life for each one of us. He overcame the sin that was keeping us separated from our Father in heaven! Because of that, we who believe in him and are baptized can now "live in newness of life" (Romans 6:4). Now we can hope in our own resurrection. We can experience power over sin and freedom from the fear of death that so often binds us up. We can count ourselves "dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus" (6:11). We now know, beyond a shadow of doubt, that love is stronger than death. It's easy to understand why Jesus' resurrection was always front and center when the apostles proclaimed the good news. You can see it in Peter's sermon from today's first reading. And you'll see it throughout the Book of Acts this Easter season. The apostles' preaching hinged on the resurrection of Jesus. Because the resurrection changes everything!

~The Word Among Us

POPE FRANCIS

Prayer Intentions for April

For a culture of peace and non-violence

We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

(SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)

43 Acts 2: 42-47

Ps 118: 2-4, 13-15, 22-24

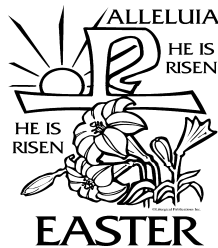
1 Pt 1: 3-9

Jn 20: 19-31

A VOCATION VIEW

The Lord has risen! It is true!
Proclaim it to the world! Pray for
those who are called to priesthood
and religious life.

(John 20: 1-9)



STEBENVILLE 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:

Peter Stetson John Paul Gan
Jonathan Ruscoe Christopher McGurn
Sam Ivokovich

Vocations to Consecrated Religious Life are a gift to the whole Church, pray that those being called to the priesthood will hear and answer that *call*.

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.

MARY'S HOUSE BENEFIT DINNER

Mary's House is having a Baked Steak Benefit Dinner on Friday, April 21, from 4:30 PM to 7 PM, in the St. James Catholic Church Social Hall, McConnelsville. The meal cost is \$15.00 per person and includes baked steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, homemade noodles, green beans, a roll, and a dessert. To purchase your dinner tickets, call 740-960-9944.

ST. JOHN'S CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWS

Bingo Group Work Schedule

April 09 NO BINGO/ Happy Easter

April 16 Team # 3 Ryan Lauchard 614-284-4251
& Team # 4 Derek Pottmeyer 304-533-6334
Alex Pottmeyer 304-989-0729

ST. JOHN SCHOOL OPEN REGISTRATION

SJC is now accepting registrations for the 2023-2024 school year. 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.

K OF C NEWS

STEAK FRY

The Knights of Columbus Council 478, Marietta will host a Steak Fry benefit on Friday, April 28, 2023 from 5:30 - 7:30 PM. Meals will include steak (chicken), baked potato, salad, roll, and a dessert all for only \$20.00. Meals by reservation only. Please contact Matt Miller by April 25; text or call 330-243-5500 or email milom2210@gmail.com. All proceeds to benefit Tony Offenberger running for State Warden of the Ohio State Council of the Knights of Columbus.

NIGHT AT THE RACES

The Knights of Columbus 4617 will be holding: A Night at the Races on Saturday, May 06. 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.

OLM CEMETERY REGULATIONS

- 1) When cemetery flowers (fresh cut or artificial) wilt and become weathered, please remove them from the grave. It is the responsibility of the family/grave owner to remove any flowers after burial. Also, please remove grave blankets after the holidays, since they can kill the grass if left on the grave for a long period of time. This helps us with the care of the cemetery and makes for a neat appearance.
- 2) **No glass** containers are to be used for flowers.
- 3) Reminder of the cemetery rule that there is to be **no permanent planting of flowers and shrubs**. OLM Cemetery is not responsible for damage done to plants/shrubs planted without permission, nor are we responsible for missing arrangements. On occasion, we receive high winds which scatter artificial arrangements over the property. We are unable to tend to these items.

