

OUR LADY OF MERCY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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A Parish of the Roman Catholic
Diocese of Steubenville

Fr. David Gaydosik, Pastor

Cell: 740-391-1093

Fr. Walter E. Heinz, Retired/In Residence

Fr. Dale Tornes, Retired

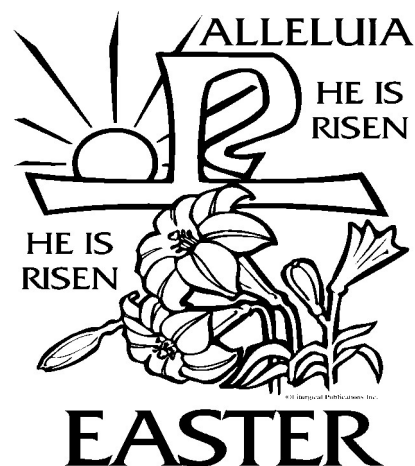
Mrs. Kristin Offenberger, Secretary

Ms. Heather Peters, PSR Coordinator

Mrs. Martha Flieman, Prayer Chain

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

**Rosary: Before each weekend
Mass**



March 31, 2024

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

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. March 30 Easter Vigil	OLM Darren Cheeseman (Cathy Cheeseman Family) St. John James & Maglena Arnold (Family)	*8:00 PM* 8:00 PM
Sun. March 31 Easter Sunday	OLM Special Intentions (Stephen & Jenna Huffman) St. John Vincent Huck (Vincent Huck Family) St. John Edna Smith (Jerry Smith Family)	9:30 AM 7:30 AM *9:00 AM*
Mon. April 01	OLM No Mass St. John Kevin Arnold (Family); Mary E. Huck (Mike Schaad Family)	No Mass 8:00 AM
Tues. April 02	OLM Jerry Huck (04/03 2 yr. Annv.) (Glenn, Darla, Dallas Schwendeman) St. John Edith Brooker (Tim & Judy Best)	5:00 PM 8:00 AM
Wed. April 03	OLM No Mass St. John Bowling Family (Staff & Students of STJ School)	No Mass <i>School Mass</i> 8:20 AM
Thurs. April 04	OLM Shirley, Dean, & Greg Beaver (Larry & Linda Pottmeyer) St. John Vincent Lang (Bob & Peggy Byers)	5:00 PM 8:00 AM
Fri. April 05	OLM No Mass St. John Jim Thieman (Eldon & Nancy Miller)	No Mass *6:00 PM*
Sat. April 06	OLM Lucy Stengel (Mike & Susan Huck) St. John Martha Huck (Doug & Mary Parks)	4:00 PM 6:00 PM
Sun. April 07	OLM Patricia Stehly (Mike & Denise Stehly) St. John Penny Schwendeman (Family) St. John Gladys Schilling (Rosemary Heiss Family)	9:30 AM 7:30 AM 11:00 AM

God Bless those who support our Parishes!

OLM: \$1,290.00 (56); Offertory \$213.25; Rice Bowl \$5.00 (1); Easter Flowers \$125.00 (7);
 Easter Flowers \$220.00 (2);

OLM 50/50 Winner: Doris Schaad – Congratulations!

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

Lectors

Altar Servers

OLM: 04/06 (4 PM) Tony Offenberger
OLM: 04/07 (9:30AM) Dan Flieman

OLM: 04/06 (4 PM) Tim & Emma Snyder
OLM: 04/07 (9:30 AM) Margret, Clara, & Emma Morris

Eucharistic Ministers

USHERS (Month of April)

OLM: 04/06 (4 PM) Heather Peters
OLM: 04/07 (9:30AM) Marlene Greene

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

The Church celebrates the Easter Season for fifty days (until Pentecost Sunday). This time of rejoicing is a foretaste of the beatific vision, the everlasting gift of seeing God face to face that is granted to those who die in loving union with Our Lord. Let us take advantage of this time of spiritual refreshment to remind ourselves that those who follow the “Lamb once slain who lives now forever” are on the winning side, no matter how extensive or powerful the forces arraigned against us may appear to be. Our faithfulness to God includes an absolute conviction that goodness and truth and love have already won out over the evil and lies and hatred that have plagued human society since the Fall of Adam and Eve. We know that God works his ways in our lives. It is up to us to discover each day how we should imitate our Savior so as to share fully in his victory over sin and death. Disappointment is a natural reaction in a fallen world where the devil “prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.” But the message of Easter is that all possible disappointments, past, present and future, were resolved and overcome when Christ rose from the dead.

OLM CWC

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

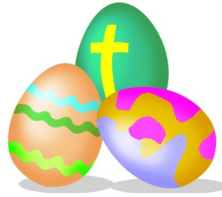
April Committee

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

The next CWC meeting will be held on Tuesday,
April 02 at 6:30 PM in the parish hall. Please
plan to attend.

EASTER EGG HUNT

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



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. Please contact Dan Flieman at 740-
236-0122 to volunteer to help with meal prepara-
tions, signing up of members, or if you are inter-
ested in joining the next OLM 50/50 Club Draw-
ing.

SERVICES NEEDED

Is the Lord calling you to serve? Do you want to
serve the Church more? Are you interested in be-
coming 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.

OLM PRAYER CHAIN

We would like to remind everyone about the
OLM Prayer Chain. If you become aware of a
parishioner or parishioners who are in need of our
prayers, please contact Fr. Gaydosik at 740-391-
1093 or you may call Martha Flieman at 740-
984-4039 and "The Chain" will be activated.
Anyone who would like to become a "link" in
our chain as either a caller, or just to receive calls
to say prayers for those in need, please call
Martha Flieman and you will be added to the
list/chain.



EASTER JOY

Today is a day of great joy and celebration. That's because Jesus Christ, who suffered a cruel death and rose from his tomb, is now risen in glory. And now that you are "raised with Christ," he invites you to enter into his joy (Colossians 3:1). You may feel full of joy today. But what if you don't? What if you feel weighed down by worries and burdens? There is still a way that you can experience Easter joy. How? By faith. As St. Paul writes in today's second reading, "Think of what is above" (Colossians 3:2). By faith, you can recall that God loves you, that he is with you, and that he has won the victory over death and sin—including all of your own sins! Scripture promises that "there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus" (Romans 8:1). That's you! "When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory" (Colossians 3:4). That's you! Recalling these truths can lead you into another experience of Easter joy: the joy of serving the Lord and his people. Peter must have been overjoyed when Jesus told him, "Feed my lambs" (John 21:15). His failures and sins—even his denial of the Lord—had been washed away! Now he could participate in the mission of the risen Christ. As you serve Jesus today—by loving others, by sharing your faith, or by joyfully preparing a family meal—believe that, just like Peter, you are also participating in Jesus' mission. And that is a true and certain path to joy. Easter joy is not just about gathering for Mass or enjoying a feast or wearing a special outfit—you know that! It comes about through faith and service, and it can last all year long. So set your heart on "what is above" today (Colossians 3:2). Then hear Jesus say, "Come and share in my joy! ~ **The Word Among Us**

POPE FRANCIS

Prayer Intentions for March:

For the New Martyrs

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world; inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY (SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER)

44: Acts 4: 32–35 Ps 118: 2–4, 13–15, 22–24

1 Jn 5: 1–6

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

(Matthew 28: 1-10)

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 and 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](#)
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.

FREE

There are free copies of The Word Among Us booklets available at the exits of the church. They have daily devotions and readings that may help us to deepen our faith and keep God in our hearts.

ST. JOHN'S CENTRAL SCHOOL NEWS

Bingo Group Work Schedule

March 31 NO BINGO/ Happy Easter

April 07 Team 6 Jeff Canterbury 740-984-4827
& Team 7 Brandon Wheeler 740-336-0350

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.

ST. JOHN SCHOOL OPEN REGISTRATION

SJC 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.

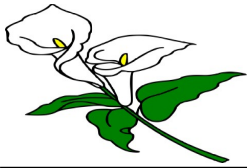
NIGHT AT THE RACES

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. 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.

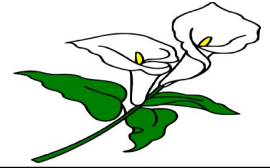




Our Lady of Mercy

Easter Flower Memorials

2024



In Memory/ Honor of:

- *Stephen Kuchyt, Charles Arnold, Grace Huck, Kenny Huck
- *Francis & Grace Huck, Joe & Mabel Arnold, Charles Arnold,
Kenny Huck, Eugene Huck
- *Nick Bauerbach Family, Frank Offenberger Family,
James Bauerbach, John Bauerbach Family, Donald Bauerbach Family,
Albert Meiser Family, David Bauerbach
- *Hurd & Mary Louise Pitt, Ray & Joanna Pitt,
Francis & Louise Offenberger
- *Vincent & Allene Huck, Harry & Emma Berendts,
Gilbert, Emily, Nathan, & Siobban Huck
- *Darren Cheeseman, Trix Saling
- *Alice Huck, Keith Cunningham, Dave Pottmeyer
- *Howard Dunn
- *Living and Deceased of Brooker & Rauch Families
- *The Huck & Greene Families
- *Donnie Heiss
- *The Huck & Bauerbach Families
- *Our Parents
- *Tess Huck, Deceased Members of Herbert Huck Family
- *Louise & Betty June Huck, Lucy Stengel, Harold Huck
- *James Huck, Members of Joe & Ida Huck Family,
Robert & Anna Seyler Family
- *Bernard & Dorothy Huck, Bernie & Linda Huck,
Laurie Offerman, Terry Huck
- *Karen Roher, Jim Huck, Joe & Ida Huck, Pam Eichmiller,
Mural & Wila Deen Nichols, Robert & Anna Seyler,
Richard & Leora Rohrer, Margaret McIntire
- *Carolyn Rush, Lauren Payne, James Huck
- *Living & Deceased of Stephen & Jenna Huffman Family
- *Robert & Lucy Long, Virgil & Margaret Groves
- *Nelson & Josephine Medley, Gary Medley,
George & Virginia Zide
- *Arthur & Helen Perry, Lloyd & Evelyn Miller
- *Deceased Members of John & Elinor Paul Families
- *Bob, Francis, Hilda, & James Peters, George & Dorothy Wendt
- *Eugene Pottmeyer
- *John & Marie Schilling, Howard Schilling, David Schilling,
Rose Mary Yost, Charles Huggins, Leander Stehle
- *Melinda Tornes, Garrett Tornes, Ralph Jr. Tornes
- *Living and Deceased of William Lang Family
- *Clarence & Gertrude Huck
- *Deceased Family Members
- *Donald Yeomans, Robert Kurucz, Jill, Kurucz, Dick Greten,
Bob Durbin, J. Gordan & Anna Smiley, Frank & Sylvia Yeomans,
John Walsh

By:

- Todd & Katheryn Arnold
- David & Elaine Arnold
- Cecil Bauerbach
- Brian & Angela Bennett
- Ben & Lisa Berendts
- Cathy Cheeseman Family
- Gary & Maureen Cunningham
- Emma Dunn
- Tom & Martha Fliehman
- Greg & Marlene Green
- Fay Heiss
- Charles & Dorothy Huck
- Mark & Sandy Huck
- Max Huck
- Irene, Mike & Susan Huck
- Peg Huck
- Nancy Huck
- Rob & Sue Huck
- Tim & Jody Huck
- Stephen & Jenna Huffman
- Ken, Jan, & Michelle Long
- Rick & Shelly Medley
- Ron & Linda Miller
- John & Elinor Paul
- Marilyn & Heather Peters
- Gary & Denise Pottmeyer
- Ed Schilling
- Mike & Denise Stehly
- Martha Stevens
- Their Family
- John F. Walter
- Dave & Joan Yeomans

Donations:

- Julia Brooker
- David & Tina Long
- Gary & Denise Pottmeyer
- Leroy & Ruth Skinner

- Virgil Huck
- Kay Offenberger
- Evan & Heather Schaad

Thank you for your generosity!