

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



Mass Intentions



Alleluia

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 15

7:30pm Easter Vigil Mass

For the Parish

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

OF THE LORD, APRIL 16

8:00am †Edith Boisclair

Requested by Family

10:00am †Robert T. Connaughton

Requested by Family

12:00nn †Joseph & Marian Cappuccio

Requested by Family

Monday, April 17

7:00am †Dr. Stephen Szlatenyi

Tuesday, April 18

7:00am †Sister Mary Susan Gross RSM

Requested by Family

Wednesday, April 19

7:00am †Trudy Manney

Thursday, April 20

7:00am Mass for the People

Friday, April 21

7:00am †Rita & Tom O'Rourke & Warren Behie

Requested by Family

Saturday, April 22

4:30 pm †Richard A. DeJoseph

(Birthday remembrance)

Requested by Wife

Sunday, April 23

8:00am †Raymond Quirk

Requested by Family

10:00am †Helen Dziobek Pado

Requested by the Meehan Family

12:00nn Claire Sharpe (Special Intention)



St. Romuald Chapel Mass Intentions

Sunday, April 16

10:00am †John H. Duffy

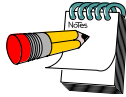
Requested by Roger & Mary Grace Hood

Sunday, April 23

10:00am †Bob Alarie

Requested by Jude

3:00pm Divine Mercy Mass



For Your Information



*Fr. Bodah and the Staff of St. Francis of Assisi
would like to wish you all a very Blessed Easter!
Know that you and your families remain in our
prayers!*

**THE PARISH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED
EASTER MONDAY, APRIL 17TH.
(THERE WILL BE NO ADORATION)**

2017 CATHOLIC CHARITY APPEAL

"Faith and Good Works"

OUR GOAL FOR 2017 IS: \$110,000.00

As of 3-31-2017 the amount raised is: \$66,035.00

Total # of gifts: 296; % of Goal—60.03%; % of Participation—14.49%

Your gift to the annual Appeal impacts the lives of 19,016 children and youth as well as 2,271 volunteer catechists and aides through the Office of Evangelization and Faith Formation..

Please don't forget to turn in your pledge. Every little bit helps!

PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Support

		April 9
Budget envelopes used (278)	-	\$7,367.50
Loose Donations	-	\$1,890.00
Online Giving (# of donors—71)	-	\$2,199.00
Total Budget	-	\$11,456.50

Second Collection (Catholic Relief Services/Operation Rice Bowl)

Budget envelopes used (182)	-	\$2,874.10
Loose Donations	-	\$1,008.00
Total	-	\$3,882.10

The second collection this week is the Easter Collection. Next week's second collection is for Ongoing Maintenance.

As always, thank you for your continued generosity.

APRIL 16, 2017

From the Pastor

Spring has sprung and we are surrounded by signs of new life. Christ is risen and the power of death is broken. "By dying he has destroyed our death, and by rising, restored our life." The "Firstborn of many brothers and sisters" is now able to promise us, "If you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will have life in you and I will raise you up on the last day."

Another sign of life is the vitality of our parish. Nearly 300 parishioners volunteer to help with all the ministries and projects going on here in the course of the year. In addition to all the liturgical ministries, valiant parishioners sacrifice their time to help teach religious education, clean the church and chapel, take care of the gardens, count and record the weekly collections; help with youth ministry; the list of tasks goes on and on.

And over all this is the most valuable contribution of all: public worship. I am happy to report that nationwide the majority of Christians attend church every Sunday. God bless them for this irreplaceable witness to the power of the risen Christ!

I cannot thank the Lord enough for all of you who do your part, especially in the face of indifference and even hostility, to make St. Francis parish a thriving community of faith. Happy Easter to all. Christ is risen!

PS. I just received a letter which, as soon as I realized it was anonymous, I put it through the shredder. God love yez; please don't waste a stamp on anonymous mail: I don't read it. If you have something to contribute please don't be afraid to approach me directly or sign your name to written correspondence.

Fr. Bodah

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

We are always interested in those parishioners who are unable to attend our services— whether it be for short term or a long time.

If you know of someone who is in a *convalescent home or who is home-bound*, please call the office and give us the information.

We want to reach out to and stay connected with all of our community members. **Thank You in Advance...** 783-4411 ext. 10 .



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

HAPPY EASTER

No Religious Ed Classes-school vacation

Grades K-6 - see you on the 23rd!
No St. Francis' Little Friends Child
Care today
No Children's Liturgy



ATTENTION: All Steubenville East attendees

On Sunday, April 30th there will be a meeting in the lower level of Fr. Greenan Center at 6pm for all conference attendees. Please make sure that all your paperwork has been submitted to the Religious Education Office prior to that meeting.

Summer Confirmation Classes

Registration for our summer Confirmation program is ongoing.

Classes will be held as follows:

Summer Session One: Monday, July 17th – Friday, July 21st from 9am-12:30pm

Summer Session Two: Monday, August 7th – Friday, August 11th from 9am-12:30pm

Registration forms can be found on our parish website under the Confirmation tab.

**CALL BARBETTE CULLEN OR DIANE CASTRO
AT 792-8684 FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

This Week

Monday, April 17

PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

NO ADORATION

Thursday, April 20

7:00pm Men of St. Joseph (↓FGC-Foyer)

6:30pm Opening the Word (HBH)

Friday, April 21

4:30-7:00pm Pizza Bingo (FGC)

Sunday, April 23

3:00pm Divine Mercy Sunday Mass at the Chapel



ATTENTION FAMILIES!

Your children in grades 1 and up are cordially invited to form a children's choir to celebrate our First Communion students!

Provided we have enough participation, we will rehearse on Tuesday, April 25th and May 2nd from 5:30-6:30 in the choir loft.

The choir should arrive for the First Communion Mass on Saturday, May 6th, at 9am. Mass begins at 10am. Please email: stfranciswakefieldmusic@gmail.com if your child is interested!

PARENTING GROUP MEETING

The next parenting group meeting will be Friday, April 28th at 7:00pm in Fr. Greenan Hall.

The discussion will be "Advice to give your child as a young adult either moving away or leaving for college."



We are glad that you are here with us this morning. Whether you moved here a while ago or are just here for a brief stay, we welcome you.

If you would like to become a part of this wonderful community, registering in the parish is a quick process that will take about five minutes over the phone (783-4411) or you can see Father Bodah after Mass to inquire about registering. Again, welcome and God bless!

PIZZA/BINGO

Pizza/Bingo is back this **April 21** from **4:30-7:00pm** in Fr. Greenan Center!



Please help support our second annual night of fun with family and friends by donating an item (or items for either an adult or child). Donations will be welcome through April 20.

Tickets are available either before or after CCD classes, or at the rectory from 9am to 4pm Monday through Friday. The cost of tickets are \$5 (9 years old and under) or \$10 for adults.

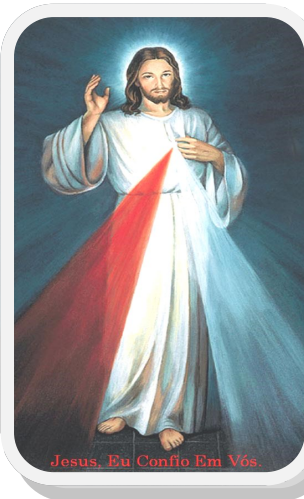
Come join the fun on April 21!

MAY MONEY MADNESS



Reminder that tickets will be sold again next weekend. ***Tickets will only be sold throughout the month of April.*** Tickets will also be available at the parish office Monday-Friday from 9am-4pm. ***A fun parish event with prizes awarded daily throughout the month of May.***

Ticket prices are: \$10 each, 6 for \$50 or 12 for \$100



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Next Sunday, April 23rd is Divine Mercy Sunday. Everyone is invited to a special Mass next Sunday at 3:00pm at St. Romuald Chapel celebrated by Fr. Nick Smith.

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed at 1:00pm. The Chaplet of

Divine Mercy will be prayed at 2:50pm. (materials will be provided)

The afternoon concludes with the Celebration of Mass at 3:00pm, the hour of mercy, celebrated by Fr. Nick Smith, our Pastor Emeritus.

Confessions will not be offered. Please note that if you went to confession during Lent, within 20 days prior to Divine Mercy Sunday or within 20 days following Mercy Sunday, you are covered under the conditions for a plenary indulgence.

Refreshments will be served following this service.