

The Most Holy Trinity

May 27, 2018



Monday, May 28, Memorial Day

9:30 a.m. Kay Feltrup (Family)

Tuesday, May 29

8:15 a.m. Anna Marie Munka (Scripture Group)

6:30 p.m. Shirley Long (Family)

Wednesday, May 30

8:15 a.m. Father Bline, 20th Anniversary
(St. Francis de Sales Parish)

**Thursday, May 31, Visitation of the Blessed
Virgin Mary**

8:15 a.m. Mary & Joseph Keblesh (Family)

10:30 a.m. St. Francis de Sales Parish School
Class of 2018 (Parish & School Staff)

6:30 p.m. Andrew Morrison (Lofreso Family)

Friday, June 1, St. Justin

8:15 a.m. Vivian Heim (Lee & Judy Christine)

6:30 p.m. William Flickinger (Helen Flickinger)

Saturday, June 2, St. Marcellinus and St. Peter

8:15 a.m. Jerry Drexler (Tyke & Mary Ott)

11:30 a.m. Wedding: Thomas Pasternak &
Shannon Leslie

1:30 p.m. Wedding: Francesco DeVitis &
Carly Asher

5:00 p.m. Intentions of Deacon Frank Lonteen
(St. Francis de Sales Parish)

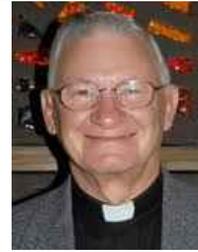
June 3, 2018

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

7:30 am -, 9:00 am - Pro Populo, 11:00 am

Scripture Readings for the Week:

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Saturday



Twenty years ago, on May 23, 1998, I was ordained a Permanent Deacon for service in the Diocese of Cleveland, with assignment to St. Francis de Sales Parish in Akron, Ohio. The following week, it was an honor to assist at the ordination Mass of our pastor, Father David Bline, as well as St. Francis de Sales parishioner, Father Tom Stock. A week later, Bishop Pilla was here to officiate at our parish 50th Anniversary Mass (another early ministry joy!) Since that time, I have enjoyed the blessings of ministry in serving in a number of ways including assisting at Mass, preaching, visiting the sick, funeral liturgies, burying the dead, training altar servers, formation and administration of the Adult Scripture Study Program, Baptism and Marriage preparation classes, and presiding at various prayer liturgies including the monthly Avila Holy Hour for vocations. I have even officiated a few Baptisms and Marriages. And then there were the ten years of near full-time summer visitation program when parish clergy visited and blessed all the homes of our parishioners. While it was quite a time-consuming task, meeting so many of you was a great joy!

Officially retired at age 75 (as a priest does), I voluntarily continue to minister in most, but not administrative and teaching ways. Without the support of my wife, Frances, much could not have been accomplished. My thanks to her, our family, and all of our parishioners who have supported me with your encouragement over the years.

May God bless you all,
Deacon Richard Butz



Please remember in your prayers the soul of parishioners Frank LiCause and Tony D'Andrea. Also, Angel Areola, brother of Zeny Hornacek. May perpetual light shine upon them.



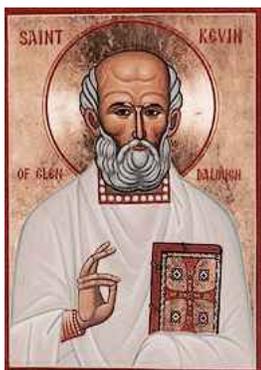
70th ANNIVERSARY JUBILEE

This weekend marks the actual founding day of our parish in 1948. So we offer our Mass of Thanksgiving at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. For months our Parish Pastoral Council (The Bloomers) has been writing articles for the bulletin about our parish history, they have invited back formerly assigned priests and priests who grew up in the parish, invited 250 parishioners to share a dinner and a movie together, passed out parish yard signs, coffee mugs (this weekend), two families donated Mass journals (thanks Koncz's) and commemorative pens (thanks Murphy's), created billboards for Manchester Road, and developed a new parish "mark" to represent this year of Jubilee. You'll notice on the design (created by Ms. Brianna McVicker):

- +the center is a Cross made out of a quill (which represents that St. Francis de Sales is the patron of writers)
- +the bottom left quadrant is the Waters of Salvation which flows our Baptism
- +the top left quadrant there is our source and summit The Blessed Sacrament
- +the top right quadrant is the Monstrance to lead us in Eucharistic Adoration by supporting our parish's call of living out our vocations

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

In order to authentically celebrate Corpus Christi next weekend, we just have to remember those who are struggling in health and age. So let's rejoice in the Body of Christ by taking care of His members. During the 5:00 p.m. Mass (June 2) we will be offering the Sacrament of Anointing for those who are sick or in need of healing. Just register in the main narthex/entrance for someone to help you. During the Vigil Mass Fr. Bearer and I will be coming directly to you if you are in need of an Anointing. Come Holy Spirit!



ST. KEVIN'S DAY MASS

Perhaps one of the most intimate and profound relationships in a person's life is when they have a bond with a child. Parents understand that unending bond better than anyone. When a parent loses a child, that bond is never forgotten. Whether it is with a young couple, or with a parent whose child died decades ago, the separation and loss always remains. For the past four years, we have offered a chance for all parents who have lost a child to come together on the Feast of St. Kevin to have a Mass for their intentions. This year St. Kevin's feast day (June 3) fittingly falls on the Feast of Corpus Christi. In memory of all children who are carried to Heaven, we will be offering the 9:00 a.m. Mass intention for their families. May we hold on and trust in Jesus' promise.

OUR NEW LITERATURE RACK

Check out the literature rack in the narthex! Feel free to take a flyer, a pamphlet, a brochure or a holy card. I've asked the pastoral staff to oversee the choices that are available. I'm hoping to begin eliminating some of the flyers from the bulletin by having them available in the rack. More on this in the coming weeks.

Peace, Fr. Bline

Here's What's Happening Around the Parish This Week...

Sunday, May 27

- Parish 70th Anniversary
- Ice Cream Social after the 11:00 Mass

Monday, May 28

- Memorial Day – Mass at 9:30 a.m. only

Tuesday, May 29

- Women's Study Group, 9:15 a.m. (Upper Room)

Wednesday, May 30

- Choir Practice, 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- AA/Al-Anon, 7:30-9:00 p.m. (Refectory)

Thursday, May 31

- Last Day of School
- Scripture Study, 12:30-3:00 p.m. (Upper Room)

Friday, June 1

- Women of Faith, 7:00-9:00 p.m. (Upper Room)

COLLECTION INFORMATION

The collection for last weekend was \$15,617.01.
Our parish is blessed by your generosity!

WEDDING BANNS

- III Thomas Pasternak and Shannon Leslie
- III Francesco DeVitis and Carly Asher
- II Michael Barber and Trinity Gephart
- II Lucas Dies and Makayla Dunn
- I Jeremy Flaker and Melissa Segedi
- I Shawn Keenan and Monica Rizzo
- I Kyle Dougherty and Rebecca Campbell



The parish can always use more volunteers to receive the Vocation Crucifix. Even if you've received it before, you may receive it again. There's no limit! Vocation prayers are always needed and appreciated! Please call the parish office at 330-644-2225 to have your name added to the list.

Bill and Mary Simmons received the Vocation Crucifix this weekend.

#YOUR MERCY

Transforming Lives + Communities

This weekend, we will participate in an important Follow-Up Parish Appeal for Catholic Charities. This is not a special collection; rather it is a chance for all Catholics to make a commitment to transform lives and communities by sharing with others the gifts which God has given you. Funds raised through this effort will be used to expand treatment and prevention services to fight the opioid crisis that has a grip on our families, friends and communities. In 2017, nearly 1,200 people in our diocese died of drug overdoses. With your help, Catholic Charities will be able to expand their reach into every county and provide help and hope to those suffering from addiction. **DOUBLE YOUR IMPACT!** All new, increased and additional gifts returned in the In-Pew envelopes this weekend or donated online at www.CatholicCommunity.org/Challenge will be matched up to \$100,000. Everyone knows someone who has been affected by drug addiction. Prayerfully consider the impact you can have on their recovery and please give as generously as possible. Thank you for making a difference.



Can you offer a few hours over the summer to help maintain our flowers?

Calling anyone with a willing heart to help water the beautiful flowers on our parish grounds.

Call or email Kathleen Ott for details.

(330) 644-2225 (rectory)

knott@stfparishschool.org

THE GOOD SHEPHERDS

Three Pastors have served us in seventy years,
Guided us through sorrows, through joys and tears,
Served St. Francis de Sales with honor and glory,
And each of them brought us his own unique story.

When the first came there was only a barn and a shed,
Eight bare acres of land, but a dream in his head.
He looked past what was there and saw what it could be,
A Church, School and Parish for you and for me.

He cleared and hammered and helped hang the trusses,
And when he was needed he drove the school buses.
A cigar in his hand and a smile on his face
Father Diederich – the first one to honor this place!

“First comes the school,” the first pastor said,
“We’ll build for the future, the kids must be fed.”
So up went the school, a three-story beauty,
With a classroom that served as a Church – double duty!

Next came the gym, or was it the Church?
A linoleum floor with a choir loft perch.
A building erected with blood, sweat and tears,
It served this fine parish for fifteen good years!

But it wasn’t the building the Pastor dreamed of,
He wanted much more for the Parish he loved.
So more blood, sweat and tears were gladly invested,
And when ground was broken he finally rested.

Up went the new Church (where the swings used to be),
A beautiful Church, a vision to see.
Father Diederich was there to say the first Mass,
And then it was time for his cup to pass.

Out of Chicago the next Pastor came,
Father James Schleicher was this Pastor’s name.
A no-nonsense guy with a heart made of gold,
And hear the man sing – well, it never got old!

Now the Church and school were both here when he came,
And the problem with both was, in fact, just the same.
Beautiful buildings, what joy did they bring,
But does anyone know how to pay for these things?

Father James was not fond of asking for money,
He’d rather play golf, or say something funny.
But the Parish responded to his silent pleas
And the bills all got paid as he wore out his knees.

For thirty-four years he guided his flock,
And throughout all those years he was firm as a rock,
In his faith and his fealty, second to none,
Till it finally came time to pass the baton.

Who would succeed him, (big shoes to fill),
Someone quiet and timid; someone over the hill?
Would the Bishop be kind? Did he have a good plan,
To bless our dear Parish with another great man?

God loves this Parish, it’s perfectly clear,
He next sent a Pastor who grew up near here.
He grew up with sisters, tormented them all,
But they helped him get ready to answer this call!

The Irishman came with a wink in his eye,
A spiritual man but a regular guy.
A grin on his face and his heart on his sleeve
With a message of love that we all could believe.

Now make no mistake, this is no “feel good” Pastor,
“Right’s right and wrong’s wrong” – he’s true to his Master.
“I’m your Pastor” he said, “Not your pal or your friend,
When we’re talking about what will count in the end.”

So now it’s his watch, and the Parish is growing,
Blossoms of love from the seeds that he’s sowing.
And a Parish so strong seems to be even stronger,
So many things just couldn’t wait any longer.

Some buildings expanded while some disappeared,
(it wasn’t as awful as some people feared).
And the Spirit, the Spirit, the Spirit is soaring –
Every day of the week there are people “adoring”!

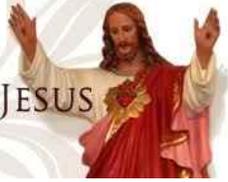
The school’s been spruced up, a new entryway built,
While the Upper Room always is full to the hilt.
Ministries are growing, the Church is alive,
The seeds of vocations are planted and thrive!

Father Bline, what a blessing, the tradition lives on,
Of Pastors so caring, though two are now gone.
The third carries on the work of the others,
For the love of this Parish, a true band of brothers!

Three Pastors have served us, and served us quite well,
How many will follow? There’s no way to tell.
But God loves this Parish, it’s easy to see
To have blessed us with giants of faith like these three!

With love and deep gratitude for the blessings bestowed on our Parish by these three “Saints” who have so faithfully, humbly and unselfishly led us through the years. May Father Diederich and Father Schleicher rest in the heavenly peace they so richly earned, and may Father Bline be blessed as he continues to lead our Parish on this spiritual journey! Good Shepherds, one and all!

SACRED HEART OF JESUS



The **Women of Faith** will meet in the Upper Room on Friday, June 1st following the 6:30 evening Mass. Our topic for discussion is "The Sacred Heart of Jesus." Come find out what "true love" looks like and how you can bring joy to Christ's heart. This will be our last gathering until the fall. Bring a friend and a snack to share.



Anointing of the Sick

"Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord."

James 5:14

Remember that the troubled heart is lightened through the gift of the sacraments. Our annual **Anointing of the Sick Mass** will be held next Saturday, June 2nd at the 5:00 Vigil. All those in need of the sacrament are encouraged to participate. All that is required is to sign in before Mass in the narthex.



UPCOMING YOUTH GROUP EVENTS:

- 6/10: Putt Putt & Ice Cream - meet in the Upper Room at 6:30pm
- 6/22-6/24: Steubenville Youth Conference – Please pray for our teens!



CYO GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Girls volleyball for Fall 2018 registration is now open for entering 3rd through 8th graders. Please go to our parish website, www.stfparish.com and click on the CYO tab to register. Questions? Give our Athletic Director, Kerri Defibaugh a call at 330-388-8803 or email her at orangejett@gmail.com.



BARE NECESSITIES TREASURE CHEST

With summer time and vacations coming up very soon, it also means we ask you to start saving sample-size or travel-size toothpaste, soaps, shampoos and lotions. The Social Action Committee of our Parish Pastoral Council will be collecting these items the weekend of the Parish Picnic, September 8-9. All items for the Bare Necessities Treasure Chest from last year were donated to the victims of Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria. Thank you for keeping this ministry in your thoughts and prayers as you shop and vacation this summer! Any and all donations will be directed to a worthwhile cause, yet to be determined.



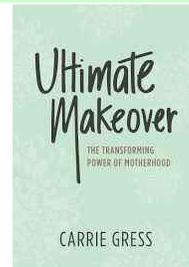
NEW FROM FORMED.ORG

What is it that is so special about the Eucharist? Although the Eucharist appears to be simple bread and wine, it is actually the "source and summit" of the Christian life. **Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist** explores the truth and beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist, from its origins in Sacred Scripture, to its profound role in the life of the Church and her members. It is the crescendo of the entire story of salvation. Discover the Mystery of the Eucharist with **Presence**, featuring Chris Stefanick, Lisa Cotter and Dr. Tim Gray. Simply access by registering at FORMED.org. Our Parish Code is WY494W. It's free!

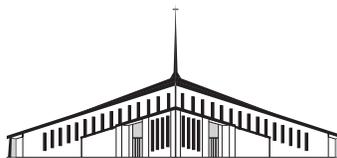
Children's Liturgy of the **Word**

Last Sunday was the last Sunday for Children's Liturgy of the Word for the summer. We will start back in September. Many thanks to Mrs. Joanie Gilkey, Mrs. Brooke Schon and Mrs. Emily Palmer for doing such a wonderful job working with our littlest Catholics, to grow in understanding and love of our beautiful faith. We are blessed!

*Be who God meant you to be
and you will set the world on fire.
St. Catherine of Sienna*



Ladies: Please join us on Tuesday mornings this summer, beginning June 5, as we read and study *Ultimate Makeover: The Transforming Power of Motherhood* by Carrie Gress. We will meet at the Pavilion from 10:00 -11:30 a.m. You're welcome to bring your children and let them play on the playground while we pray and discuss the book. Don't worry if you can't make it every week or if you can't finish the reading at times – let's just commit to meeting, praying, and growing together. Questions? Call/text/email Annie Walter at 330-603-6718 or walterfiat@gmail.com.



We welcome our newest parishioners:

Bettle, Nicholas, Corinne, Nadia and Carson
Briggs, Marylou Davidson, Drew
Christman, Colin Hallie, Killian and Lincoln
Dyer, James and Patricia
Fentner, Neil, Lindsey and Avery
Howe, Brian, Danielle and Gia
Huckels, Janet
Johnston, Scott, Susan and Tara
Kulick, Michael, Kelly, Elyse and Aubrey
LaGuardia, Michael and Mary

Lloyd, Zachary and Holly
Maglio, Drew, Colleen, Luke, Leia and Lauren
Miller, Bob, Kimberly, Austin and Aubrey
Malinak, Dorothy
Widders, Matthew, Kelly, Avery, Lena
Reiner, Joseph
Ruhlin, Joseph, Melissa, Reese and Cole
Warner, Lonnie, Heather, Jacob, Catherine and Marionna
Zelinski, Adam, Molly Ann, Tallulah and Teagan

And the newly Baptized

Madelyn Marie Andes
Haley Rose Costello
Gavin Tison Cromer
Jaxson Brooks Crumbley
Lucas Ryan Evereth
Josephine Marie Facteau
Maximum Gene Hensel
Logan Fordyce Holes

Fulton Scott Humphrey
Lauren Jade Maglio
Matthew Clayton Mason
Kasey Danielle Midock
Rocco Alexander Palermo
Caroline Grace Pohl
Corban Michael Rice
Gianna Marie Scherer
Mary Elizabeth Zushin

St. Francis de Sales Parish



70th ANNIVERSARY PHOTO DIRECTORY!

“Bloom where you are planted”

Our new directory sincerely will not be the same without you!!

Please sign up now to have your photo taken!!

All photos will be taken in the Upper Room at St. Francis de Sales

By Universal Church Directories

You can sign up online: (website closed on weekends for Mass sign-ups)

GO TO: WWW.UCDIR.COM CODE: oh2111 PASSWORD: sfd

Click “schedule your photography session” on the right side & follow the prompts.

~~ OR ~~

You can sign up after all the Masses on Memorial Weekend

PHOTOGRAPHY SESSION DATES:

*******New Dates Opened!!*******

June 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th

And

August 9th, 10th & 11th, 2018

Weekdays 2 pm – 8:30 pm & Saturdays 10:30 am – 4 pm

Every family that is photographed will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait, and a free 70th Anniversary Directory!!

Please feel free to bring a beloved pet if you'd like to have them in the photo with you.



Questions? Please ask:

Susie Naragon 330-329-1937 ms4e@aol.com, Michele Steurer 330-618-5545 shellbell601@gmail.com

Joy Kopcha 765-760-9517 joy.kopcha@gmail.com, or Terri Bachtel

An Evangelization Workshop
Sowing Seeds of Faith:
Learning to Share our Faith Stories

Saturday, June 9th, 9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Mass at 8:15 - Optional

Doors open for check-in at 8:50

St. Francis de Sales Parish

4019 Manchester Road, Akron, Ohio 44319



Speakers

Father Jacob Bearer,
Parochial Vicar, St. Francis de Sales

Terrie Baldwin,
Director of Evangelization,
Diocese of Cleveland

Mike Powers,
Saint Paul Street Evangelization,
Akron Chapter Coordinator

Talk Titles

*The Power of Testimony

*Faith-filled Encounters
Tree of encounter (a Road Map)

*Turning Points
Writing our Turning Points

*Story Telling in Small Groups

*Be My Witnesses

*Sealed in Power, Sent in Mercy

Registration Deadline: June 2, 2018

Cost: \$20 (muffins at 9 and lunch around noon included)

Questions: The St. Francis de Sales Parish Office at 330-644-2225.

Registration Form for **“Sowing Seeds of Faith”**

Name (Please Print)

Email address (please print clearly)

Phone

Parish

City of Parish

Complete form and a check for \$20 made out to St. Francis de Sales Parish.
Mail to: St. Francis de Sales Parish, 4019 Manchester Road, Akron, OH 44319.

GOOD SAMARITAN HUNGER CENTER

Thank you for your generous support over the years. We strive to be good stewards of your donations. Last year, due to need, the Good Samaritan Hunger Center tripled the number of meals provided through the hot meal and grocery distribution programs. We need your help, as we are struggling now and do not wish to cut programs. No donation is too small. You may visit our web page to make a donation at:

goodsamaritanhungercenter.org

or you may mail a donation to:

Good Samaritan Hunger Center
PO Box 5753
Akron OH 44372

Thank you in advance for your support!

AM 1260 THE ROCK

The Rock has a new app! Download today and listen to Catholic radio anywhere. Search for "The Rock AM 1260" in the Apple App Store and Google Play Store. Features include: Daily Program Guide, Shout Out (send us a voice message), and Alarm (Wake up with Catholic radio!) Call 216-227-1260 if you have questions. AM 1260 The Rock – Where you hear Rock-Solid Truth!

The FEST

As we celebrate Memorial Day and enter into the summer season, join thousands from across our region for a day of faith, family and fun (all for free) at The FEST. Mark your summer calendar for Sunday, August 5, 2018 and join us in Wickliffe. Come and hear the best national Christian artists: Mandisa, We are Messenger, Big Daddy Weave, and TobyMac. There are great displays, lots of activities for the kids, games and fun. It's the perfect family day. All the details can be found at www.theFEST.us.

HEALING PRAYER SERVICE

A Healing Prayer Service will be held at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 1905 Portage Trail in Cuyahoga Falls, on Wednesday, June 20, 2018 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. (or until all receive prayer). The service will be presented by Peter's Shadow and conducted by our Parochial Vicar, Fr. Jacob Bearer and Peter's Shadow Prayer teams. Jesus still heals today. Come and experience the healing power of The Risen Christ!

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Archbishop Hoban: They will offer a practice entrance exam to 7th grade students on Friday, June 15th beginning at 9:00 a.m. This gives the students the opportunity to become familiar with the Placement Test. Sign up online under the Admissions tab at www.hoban.org or contact the Office of Admissions at 30-849-2149.

St. Vincent-St. Mary: There are a variety of enrichment opportunities available throughout the summer for school-age students. Get more information on STVM summer camps, Camp Irish 2018 at <https://www.stvm.com/summercamps>.

Walsh Jesuit: Summer Enrichment Camp is a fun and enriching experience for young men and women entering grades 7 and 8. The camp runs from June 18-28, Monday through Thursday, 8:30 until noon. Contact Rob Eubank, Walsh Jesuit Admissions Director at 330-929-4205 x103 for more information and to register.

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Theology on Tap Akron will be at the Harbor Front Grille & Party Center (Formerly known as The Harbor Inn) on Wednesday, June 13th at 7:00 p.m. We welcome all young adults in their 20's and 30's to come listen to Fr. Michael McCandless, Vocations Director for the Diocese of Cleveland. The topic of Fr. McCandless' talk will be "Come and You Will See: One Cup of Coffee, One Thirsty Soul, Once a Month." The social begins at 7:00 p.m. and the speaker at 7:30. The \$5 admission includes appetizers and a cash bar is available.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Catholic Charities of Summit County's 23rd annual golf outing will be Thursday, June 7th at 9:00 a.m. at beautiful Mayfair Country Club in Green. The outing benefits Catholic Charities programs for people with developmental disabilities in Summit County. Cost is \$100 per player or \$400 per foursome, including breakfast and lunch buffets and a steak dinner donated and professionally prepared by our friends at US Foods. To register or learn more about individual and corporate sponsorships, call 330-762-2961 or log onto www.ccdole.org/summitgolf.



Father Kevin McCaffrey, ordained May 25, 2002, completed seminary studies at the Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus. His assignments in the Diocese of Youngstown include Associate Pastor at Immaculate Conception Parish in Ravenna, where he also served as administrator, and at St. Mary Parish in Massillon. Also, he was pastor of Our Lady of Victory Parish in Andover and St. Patrick Parish in Kinsman. Father McCaffrey has served as Chaplain for the Knights of Columbus and is currently assigned as Pastor of Saints Philip and James in Canal Fulton. Father McCaffrey is a St. Francis de Sales vocation and we welcome him back to celebrate the 11:00 Mass with us next Sunday, June 3.