

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 15, 2023

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 15**

7:30 a.m. Pro Populo

9:00 a.m. Randy Berentz (Denny & Joyce Lovas)

11:00 a.m. Deborah Scherer
(Dan & Rosemary Koch)
Patricia Jemson – Anniversary of Death**MONDAY, JANUARY 16**8:15 a.m. Elizabeth Buckohr (Donald Buckohr, Son)
Randall Berentz – Anniversary of Death**TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, ST. ANTHONY**8:15 a.m. Intentions of the Boggs Family
(Kathy Boggs)

6:30 p.m. Richard Smith (Patricia Smith)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18

8:15 a.m. Bob Zehner (Marge & Denny Tietz)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

8:15 a.m. Anna Letz (Marty & Liz Misbrener)

6:30 p.m. Jennie Carosella (Paul & Jackie Heilman)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, ST. FABIAN; ST. SEBASTIAN

8:15 a.m. Guy & Angie Caruso (Family)

9:00 a.m. Mary Jo Fox-Peck (Peck Family)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, ST. AGNES

8:15 a.m. Bob Baltrinic (Tom & Patty Hercules)

5:00 p.m. Betty J. Phillips (Ann Marie Phillips)
Louis Yovanovich –
Anniversary of Death**SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**7:30 a.m. Joanne Brown-Jones
(Tom & Patty Hercules)9:00 a.m. Deceased of the Casanova Family
(Michele Kramer)

11:00 a.m. Pro Populo

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Heb 5:1-10; Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	Heb 6:10-20; Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	Heb 7:25-8:6; Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	Heb 8:6-13; Mk 3:13-19
Saturday:	Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Mk 3:20-21
Sunday:	Is 8:23-9:3; 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-17

**“Here am I, Lord;
I come to do your will.”**

As we pray Psalm 40 this weekend, I think of Fr. Matthew Jordan. If you didn't know, as of January 15, 2023, he will be the Administrator of St. Michael the Archangel Parish in Independence, Ohio. As a son of this parish, he needs our prayers, especially in the early days of this assignment. It is a big responsibility to move from Parochial Vicar to Administrator and then to, God-willing, Pastor. I am asking that everyone please pray this Novena to St. Michael the Archangel beginning this Sunday, January 15 and ending January 23. We will pray each day after the 8:15 a.m. Mass during the week. This comes from Day 1 from praymorenovenas.com.

St. Michael the Archangel, we honor you as a powerful protector of the Church and guardian of our souls. Inspire us with your humility, courage and strength that we may reject sin and perfect our love for our Heavenly Father.

In your strength and humility, slay the evil and pride in our hearts so that nothing will keep us from God.

St. Michael the Archangel, pray that we may be blessed by God with the zeal to live our lives in accordance with Christ's teachings.

St. Michael the Archangel, you are the prince of angels but in your humility, you recognized that God is God and you are but His servant. Unlike Satan, you were not overcome with pride but were steadfast in humility. Pray that we will have this same humility.

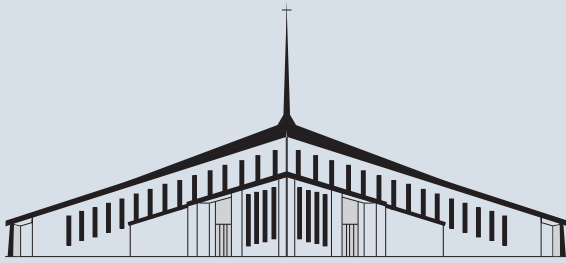
It is in the spirit of that humility that we ask for your intercession for our petitions...

(state your petitions)

“Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.” Amen.

Thank you for your prayerful support. I thank God ahead of time for all the many ways God will bless the people of St. Michael's through Fr. Jordan's love and service.

May God bless all of our parish leaders,
Fr. Jeremy



HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE PARISH THIS WEEK...

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15

- Youth Group, 7:00 p.m. (Upper Room)

MONDAY, JANUARY 16

- No School
- Parish Office Closed
- No PSR
- Blood Drive, 1:00-7:00 p.m. (Gym)
- Men's Basketball, 8:30 p.m. (Gym)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17

- Women's Book Study, 9:00 a.m. (St. Gerard Room)
- RCIA, 7:00 p.m. (Holy Family Room)
- Catholics Returning Home, 7:15-8:45 p.m. (St. Gerard Room)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18

- Holy Angels Consecration Formation, 3:30 p.m. (Holy Family Room)
- Angels 101, 6:00 p.m. (Holy Family Room)
- Guardian Angels Consecration Formation, 7:15 p.m. (Holy Family Room)
- Flow in Faith, 7:00 p.m. (Beatitudes Room)
- Choir Practice, 7:00 p.m. (Church)
- AA/Al-Anon, 7:30 p.m. (Upper Room)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19

- Thursday Scripture Group, 12:30 p.m. (St. Gerard Room)
- Stephen Ministry Continuing Ed. & Supervision Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Beatitudes Room)
- First Reconciliation Retreat, 7:00-8:00 p.m. (Gym)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20

- Book Study, 6:30 p.m. (St. Gerard Room)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

- Men's Group, 7:00 a.m. (Holy Family Room)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22

- Prayers for Healing after 11:00 a.m. Mass (meet by the St. Anthony Statue)
- BSA Cub Scouts, 1:00 p.m. (Gym)
- BSA Boy Scouts, 4:30 p.m. (Refectory)

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 16 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

BLOOD DRIVE

On January 16, St. Francis will be hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive in the school gym from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Thank you for taking the time to give this "special" gift of life.

COLLECTION INFORMATION

January 7/8

	<u>Offertory</u>
Sunday	\$ 16,337.11
Assessment	\$ 145.00
Capital	\$ 165.00
School	\$ 155.00
Immaculate Conception	<u>\$ 30.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 16,832.11

Our parish is blessed by your generosity!



III. Sheldon Phillips & Kennedy Herbert

REST IN PEACE

Please remember in your prayers the soul of **Mary Franz** of our parish. Please also pray for the soul of **Samuel "Ron" Blogna**, father of Theresa Stevenson of our Parish. May they rest in peace and may the Lord console their family and friends.

VOCATION CRUCIFIX

Please prayerfully consider bringing the Vocation Crucifix into your home to pray with your family that we all answer God's vocation call for us, whether it be to the priesthood, religious, married or single life. Contact the parish office any time to get your name on the list (330-644-2225).

Ann & Doug Coutts received the Vocation Crucifix this weekend.



Prayer is essential to our spiritual progress. It is also the best way to stay in touch with our guardian angel as we journey to God. If we want to cooperate with our guardian angel for our sanctification and the glory of God, we need to become persons of prayer. Prayer must become our daily breath of life. Come to a talk on the Holy Angels at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 18th in the Holy Family Room at the Memorare Center and hear how angels help us in so many ways. The talk will be followed by a discussion at 7:15 p.m. on cooperating with God's grace as we grow in the spiritual life (letter four for those in formation for consecration). All are welcome. Please RSVP at the Parish Office for the talk and the discussion.

ADORERS NEEDED

We are in need of Adorers for the following times:

- Thursday, 2:00-3:00 p.m.
- Friday, 11:00-11:30 a.m.

If you are able to fill one of these times, please call Joanne at 330-338-4810.



Wednesday, January 18, 7:00-7:45 p.m.

Join St. Francis de Sales Parish School graduate Caity Welsh-Gerber the third Wednesday of each month in the Beatitudes Room. Flow in Faith is a time to reflect and stretch all while helping you relax, work on clearing your mind, getting in a light workout, and opening your heart to God. The cost is \$5.00 (high school age and up) and all money is donated to our school. Bring an exercise mat or a beach towel and a water bottle. Please email Caity if you plan to attend: caityegerber@gmail.com.

Dear Parishioner,

Do you know someone who has been away from the Catholic Church? Pray for them and cultivate your friendship with them. Prayer, friendship and an invitation to Catholics Returning Home could make a huge difference in their life and in bringing a soul home to Christ. You are welcome to accompany them to the meetings.

Cut this portion at the dotted line below and keep it as your reminder to pray and extend friendship, then give the invitation to your friend. Copies of this invitation are available in the Church Foyer.



No matter how long one has been away or for whatever reason, we invite you to consider renewing your relationship with the Catholic Church. Our faith community misses you and is incomplete without you. Please join us for informal sessions and an update of the Catholic faith. The six-session series will be conducted in a group format:

January 17	Sharing Stories of Faith
January 24	All about the Mass
January 31	The Creed: What Catholics Really Believe
February 7	Pope Francis and the Catholic Church Today
February 14	Reconciliation and Prayer

Come for all or part of the Tuesday evening series. Explore the way home! You will find an open door and a warm welcome!

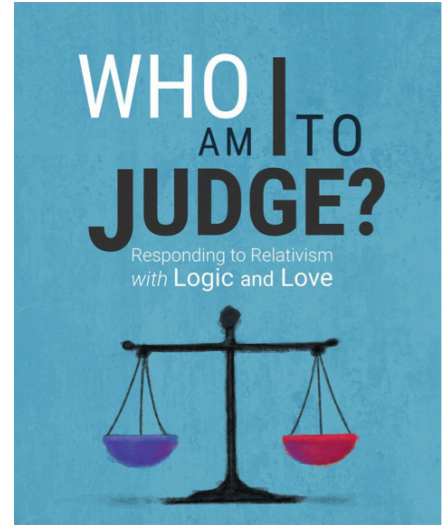
Catholics Returning Home

Tuesdays, 7:15-8:30 p.m.

January 10-February 14, 2023

St. Francis de Sales Parish – Memorare Center
4009 Manchester Road, Akron 44319

Who Am I to Judge?
*Responding to Relativism with Logic
 and Love* by Edward Sri



How do we talk about morality in a world that no longer believes in truth? When we're bombarded with messages of "Be tolerant!" "Don't judge!" and "Coexist!" many good people feel afraid to say anything is right or wrong anymore.

This book gives us an important key to responding to relativism effectively—a Catholic moral worldview. Learn how Catholic morality is all about love, how making a judgment is not judging a person's soul, and how, in the words of Pope Francis, "relativism wounds people" and is "the spiritual poverty of our times."

Join us at St. Francis de Sales Parish to read and discuss this book together

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| • Book study begins January 20 th | • All are welcome |
| • Fridays: 6:30-8:00pm, Memorare Center | • \$5 per book |
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This book will give us greater confidence in God's moral law, greater clarity in how to explain it effectively to our secular friends, and greater compassion for those with whom we disagree.

Register with Mike & Michelle Powers mypower36@yahoo.com 330.618.5638



**REQUEST FOR
2022 FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT**

NAME

ADDRESS

CITY/ZIP CODE

ENVELOPE #

HOME PHONE #

CELL PHONE #

Please place this completed form in the collection basket and your statement will be mailed to you.

**RECOVERING CATHOLICS
AND THEIR FAMILIES**

Beginning Saturday, January 21, 2023, and continuing on the third Saturday of each month for 12 months, we will begin a program for Catholics recovering from any and all addictions and any family members who wish to attend, age 18 and older. We will be following the book "The Catholic in Recovery, A Guide to the 12 Steps" by Rachael Killackey. Meetings will be at St. Paul Parish in the PAC (Parish Activity Center), 1580 Brown Street, Akron, OH 44301, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and will include prayer, a lesson, a speaker and discussion of the Step of the Month. Join us for Step One – "We admitted we were powerless..." 3:00 p.m. Confessions and 4:30 p.m. Mass are optional. Bring a snack to share. Any questions, call Ellen Barber at 330-801-0463.



Queen of Heaven, St. Michael, and St. Francis de Sales parishes are taking one bus to Washington, D.C. in January to joyfully celebrate the Supreme Court's decision to overturn *Roe v. Wade*, to honor all who have sacrificed and prayed for this day, and to inspire clarity and enthusiasm among all pro-life people in this critical next phase of building a culture of life! We will leave Thursday morning, January 19th and return late on Friday, January 20th. Pricing for this year's trip will be:

4 people per room: \$110.00 per person
2 people per room: \$130.00 per person
Single rooms: Please contact organizers for pricing.

Contact Betty Schnitzler for more information or to register, by calling 330-958-3903. Thank you!



**THEOLOGY
on the
ROCKS**

Monday, January 23

Fr. John Valencheck, pastor of St. Sebastian Parish on

"What We Aren't Talking About"

Trying to overcome simplistic platitudes, trite tautologies, and semantically overloaded aphorisms that keep us from having national discussions about important, complex ideas.

The Tangier (New Venue)
507 S. Cleveland Massillon Road
Fairlawn, OH 44333

Doors open 7:00 p.m., Speaker at 7:30 p.m.
\$15.00 Admission includes light appetizers. Cash bar available.

MOVED RECENTLY?

Has your address or phone number changed? If so, please notify the parish office at 330-644-2225.

ROE REMEMBRANCE

On Monday, January 24th, Greater Columbus Right to Life will host the annual Roe Remembrance in the Ohio Statehouse Atrium at 12:05 p.m. The event will commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the US Supreme Court Decision *Roe vs. Wade*, and will be the first since *Roe* was overturned. Abortion continues to happen in Ohio through 20+ weeks of pregnancy. The event is free, but to help protect the dignity of the event and the safety of attendees, registration is requested. Learn more and register online at zwww.gcrtl.org/roe. The Roe Remembrance will follow the 10:30 a.m. Respect Life Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral, celebrated by Bishop Earl K. Fernandes.

SUMMIT COUNTY MARCH FOR LIFE

Please join Right to Life of Northeast Ohio for the 2023 Summit County March for Life on January 21! *Roe v. Wade* has been overturned, but abortion remains legal in Ohio, and it is an uphill battle to change this. Join us at 9:00 a.m. at Community Vineyard Church in Cuyahoga Falls for a short prayer service before we march peacefully past the Northeast Ohio Women's Center abortion facility and return to the church for fellowship (approximately 1.2 miles total). For all the details or to register to attend, visit the event page at www.RightToLifeofNortheastOhio.com.

