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Parish Registration:

Please see the Priest after any of the weekend Masses.

**Parish Office Hours:** 

Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Masses: Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m., Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.

Monday through Saturday, 8:15 a.m.; Tuesday and Thursday 6:30 p.m.

Confessions: Thursday, 5:30-6:15 p.m.; Saturday, 9:00-9:45 a.m.; or call the office

at 330-644-2225 for an appointment.

Baptisms: Please make arrangements with the Parish Office.

Weddings: Arrangements with the Parish Priest are to be made at least six months before the

wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick: At any time. Please call the Parish Office at 330-644-2225.

## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY JUNE 4, 2023



### SUNDAY, JUNE 4, THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

7:30 a.m. Pro Populo

9:00 a.m. Elizabeth "Jackie" Wargo

(Dan & Sue Wargo)

Blessing of all 8th Grade Students

11:00 a.m. Bob Baltrinic (Carol Baltrinic & Family)

### MONDAY, JUNE 5, ST. BONIFACE

8:15 a.m. Fred Boggs (Kathy Boggs)

Deacon Lonteen – Anniversary of Ordination

### TUESDAY, JUNE 6, ST. NORBERT

8:15 a.m. Bill Bertsch (Family)

6:30 p.m. Domenico Bererdi (Daughters)

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7

8:15 a.m. Mary Franz

(Susan Muzljakovich & Jessica Rogers)

9:00 a.m. Graduating Class of 2023 (SFdS Parish)

Ellen Kurek - Month's Mind

### **THURSDAY, JUNE 8**

8:15 a.m. Jackie Schnitzler

(Weber & Hilton Families)

6:30 p.m. August Szempruch

(John & Michele Steurer)

### FRIDAY, JUNE 9, ST. EPHREM

8:15 a.m. Bob Baltrinic (Lou & Laurene Scala)

Bob Baltrinic – Anniversary of Death

### **SATURDAY, JUNE 10**

8:15 a.m. Katie & Ed Duckworth (John Duckworth)

5:00 p.m. Thomas Andrew (Jeanne Wagner)

Fr. Bline's 25th Anniversary of Ordination

Mass

## SUNDAY, JUNE 11, THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

7:30 a.m. Pro Populo

9:00 a.m. Donna Koehler (Salvino Family)

11:00 a.m. Eugene Frank (Barbara Frank)

2:00 p.m. Wedding: Logan Tolson & Georgia Owen

### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Tb 1:3; 2:1b-8; Mk 12:1-12 Tuesday: Tb 2:9-14; Mk 12:13-17

**Wednesday:** Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Mk 12:18-27

**Thursday:** Tb 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a;

Mk 12:28-34

**Friday:** Tb 11:5-17; Mk 12:35-37

**Saturday:** Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20; Mk 12:38-44

**Sunday:** Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a; 1 Cor 10:16-17;

Jn 6:51-58



Just last week, I had the opportunity to go down to Salt Fork for a couple days. I went with a couple of priest friends who are active, energetic and have even run marathons in the past. We ended up playing 36 holes of golf each day. But on the second day, after getting done with golf, one of my buddies had the idea to go on a run. We ended up hiking and running for 8 miles! Thank God, I survived!

After looking back on that experience, it made me think a lot about my life and how we can be impacted by the people around us. Some people can lift us up, encourage us and help us achieve things we never imagined. Others can do otherwise.

How much more is this true about our God? Just last weekend we celebrated Pentecost, where we celebrate how God wants to share His life with us. God wants to encourage and inspire us, ensuring us that He is with us in all that we do. This weekend, we celebrate who God is as Father, Son and Spirit. We have a God who is a "merciful and gracious God, slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity" (Ex 34:6). Truly, we have a faithful God who promises to be with us forever. We have a God who came into the world not to condemn the world, but to save it and make it new.

Just as time with my priest friends encouraged me to live better, spending time with God in Mass, Adoration, personal prayer, praise and worship and more can change your life forever and transform you into someone you never even imagined! Let us pray like Moses prayed at Mt. Sinai and ask the Lord to "receive us as Your own." Lord, receive us, pardon us and transform us into the saints You desire us to be!

## Thank you Lord, Fr. Jeremy

P.S. Don't forget that Fr. Bline will be celebrating his 25th Anniversary Mass on Saturday, June 10 at the 5:00 p.m. Mass. We love him and prayerfully support him in all of his endeavors!

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

### **SUNDAY, JUNE 4**

- Donut Sunday

### **MONDAY, JUNE 5**

- SVdP Food Pantry open 9:00-9:30 a.m.

### **TUESDAY, JUNE 6**

Women's Book Study, 9:00 a.m. (St. Gerard Room)

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7

- 8th Grade Graduation Mass, 9:00 a.m. (Church)
- AA/Al-Anon, 7:30 p.m. (Upper Room)
- Choir Practice, 7:00 p.m. (Church)

### **THURSDAY, JUNE 8**

- SVdP Food Pantry Open, 6:00-6:30 p.m.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 10

- Men's Group, 7:00 a.m. (Holy Family Room)
- Young Men's Group, 7:00 a.m. (St. Gerard Room)
- Fr. Bline's 25th Anniversary of Ordination Mass,
   5:00 p.m., followed by reception in the Gym

### **WEDDING BANNS**

III Logan Tolson & Georgia Owen II Spencer Mellon & Tara Perillo I Donald Schenz & Meghan McDonald

### **REST IN PEACE**

Please remember in your prayers the soul of David Warner, brother of Terry Warner of our parish. May Christ receive him into the joy of heaven and console his family and friends.

### **COLLECTION INFORMATION**

Information on the May 27 & 28 collection will be published in the forthcoming bulletin. Thank you! Our parish is blessed by your generosity!

#### 2024 MASSES

The 2024 Mass Book is now available for Mass Intentions! To request to have a Mass offered, please stop by the Parish Office or call 330-644-2225.

### **VOCATION CRUCIFIX**

"The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few; so ask the Master of the harvest to send out laborers for His harvest" (Mt. 9:37-38).

Receiving the Vocation Crucifix and praying for vocations is a beautiful and simple way to ask the Master to send out more laborers for His harvest! Please contact the Parish Office any time to get your name on the list; there are many slots to be filled – 330-644-2225.

**Karen Grable** received the Vocation Crucifix this weekend.



## ST. FRANCIS DE SALES 75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS!

### June 10, 5:00 p.m. - Celebrate the Past

Fr. Bline will celebrate his 25th Anniversary Mass with a reception in the gym. We will celebrate Deacon Butz' 25th Anniversary as well.

## July 30, 11:00 a.m. - Celebrate the Present

We will celebrate Mass at the Tudor House on the water. Please bring picnic items to stay and eat together.

## August 20, 12:00 p.m. - Celebrate the Future

Outdoor Mass at the Rubber Ducks Stadium followed by Rubber Ducks Game

### September 10, 12:00-4:00 p.m. – Parish Festival

Come celebrate the joy of our community with a day of fun and fellowship and a closing Mass at 4:00 p.m.!

## ST. FRANCIS DE SALES PARISH VBS JUNE 26-30, 2023 9:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. VOLUNTEER FORM - DEADLINE- JUNE 11, 2023

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## ST. FRANCIS DE SALES PARISH VBS 2023 CAMPER REGISTRATION

JUNE 26-30, 2023 - 9:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

## (Register on the PARISH WEBSITE -June 18, 2023)

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"The Priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus." St. John Vianney

## Please join

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Parish in celebration of the 25th Anniversary of Ordination of

## Father Gerald David Michael Bernard Kieran Bline

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be celebrated Saturday, June 10, 2023 5:00 p.m.

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Parish 4019 Manchester Rd Akron, OH 44319

public reception to follow

## Summer Womens Rook Study

Tuesday mornings 9:00-10:30

St. Francis de Sales Memorare Center or outside

June 6	l.	finding faith Sts. Gertrude & Matilda
June 13	2.	Holding on to Hope Sts. Perpetua & Felicity
June 20	3.	Cultivating Charity

\*no meeting June 27 (VBS)

July 6 \*Wednesday 4. Practicing Prudence
St. Hildegard & Blessed Jutta

July 11 5. Growing in Gratitude
St. Teresa of Avila & Blessed Anne

July 18 G. Living Loyalty

Ruth and Naomi

July 25

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Sts. Catherine of Siena & Catherine of Sweden

St. Therese of Lisieux & Leonie Martin

August 1 8. Pondering Prayerfulness

Mary, Mother of God & St. Elizabeth

To participate: purchase the book on your own and read each chapter before we meet. All are welcome. Contact Michelle with questions at mypower36@yahoo. com or 330-618-5638. The *Friendship Project* by Michele Faehnle & Emily Jaminet (2017)

### STEPHEN MINISTRY

The note below was taken from a letter written by a fellow parishioner receiving care from a SFDS Stephen Minister. My personal experience receiving the Stephen Ministry Gift:

The difference between solving a problem or not is getting the right help at the right time for yourself. Between the long, lonely months of COVID isolation, followed by many major life changes, I found myself overwhelmed and wanting to just sit and talk to someone. As soon as I reached out to this ministry I started to feel more in control. Simply by talking about my life's events, whether small or major, I have found peace and am better able to handle the events of my life. I know I am gently being guided with love. My spiritual life has been rejuvenated and I am experiencing peace and calm in my life. Because of Stephen Ministry I have become a better person and am living a more peaceful, happy life. I thank you. If you or someone you know could also benefit from having a Stephen Minister, please contact one of

having a Stephen Minister, please contact one of our Stephen Leaders.

Ann Clark aclark2@stfparish.com
Bill Dickey wdickey@stfparish.com

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