



# SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS

**FEBRUARY 18, 2024**

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**<http://www.stbenedictohio.org>**

## **PASTORAL STAFF**

**Reverend Luigi C. Miola**, Pastor  
**Deacon Raymond L. Daull**  
**Mrs. Julia Brown**, Parish Musician  
**Mrs. Roberta Bugaj**, Sacramental Coordinator  
**Miss Julie Bell**, Receptionist

## **LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

Saturday            7:30 a.m., 4:30 p.m.  
 Sunday            9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.  
 Holy Days        7:30 a.m., Noon & 6:30 p.m.  
 Mon. - Sat.        7:30 a.m.  
 Mon. - Tue. - Wed. 6:30 p.m.  
 Holidays Consult Bulletin

**ROSARY**            Monday at 6:00 pm.  
 Monday through Saturday 8:00 a.m.

**VESPERS**            Tuesday and Wednesday at 6:15 p.m.

**DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART-First Friday 8:00 a.m.**

## **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday:            3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
 5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
 Sunday:            Before First Friday between the Masses.

## **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

We ask that parents attend a Baptism Preparation Program before a child's baptism. Arrangements may be made through the Parish Office.

## **SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**

Arrangements should be made through the Parish Office at least six months before the wedding date.

## **HOME VISITATION AND ANOINTING**

Arrangements for Holy Communion and the Anointing of the Sick to the homebound can be made through the Parish Office. Please let us know when a family member is hospitalized or enters a nursing home.

## **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)**

The RCIA welcomes all adults or teens who are non-baptized, baptized non-Catholics, or Catholics not yet fully initiated who desire to enter the Catholic Church. Please contact the Parish Office.

## **NEW PARISHIONERS AND REGISTRATION**

Please call the Parish Office when moving into the parish.

## **PERPETUAL ADORATION**

24 Hours a Day. Please call the Parish Office for scheduling details.

## **PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR)**

Mondays from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
 (September through May)  
**Mrs. Roberta Bugaj**, Sacramental Coordinator  
 PSR Principal (216) 475-4300

## **ST. BENEDICT CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

Our school provides Catholic education for students Gr. 1-8.  
**Mrs. Lisa Oriti**, School Principal            216-662-9380  
 13623 Rockside Rd., Garfield Hts., Ohio    216-475-4300  
 Saint Benedict Catholic School- <https://st.benedictohio.org>

## **ST. BENEDICT EARLY CENTER**

Our school provides Catholic education for preschool and kindergarten.  
 14600 Turney Rd., Maple Hts., Ohio            216-475-3633

**Today's Scripture:** Mindful of his covenant the Lord promises never to destroy creation again by floodwaters. The waters of baptism bring salvation and forgiveness through the death of Christ. After fasting forty days and being put to the test, Jesus begins his public ministry.

**MASS INTENTIONS:**

**SATURDAY: FEBRUARY 17 SATURDAY AFTER  
ASH WEDNESDAY; THE SEVEN HOLY FOUNDERS  
OF THE SERVITE ORDER**

7:30 am Carl Nash Jr. (Friend)

4:30 pm For The People

**SUNDAY: FEBRUARY 18 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

9:00 am Maryann Cowie (Family)

11:00 am Gary Svray (Family)

**MONDAY: FEBRUARY 19 LENTEN WEEKDAY**

7:30 am Jack & Dorothy Janosik (Artale Family)

6:30 pm Loretta & Rosario Audino (Ben Ali)

**TUESDAY: FEBRUARY 20 LENTEN WEEKDAY**

7:30 am Marcia Bailey (Family)

6:30 pm Kathryn Stenger (Family)

**WEDNESDAY: FEBRUARY 21 LENTEN WEEKDAY**

7:30 am Deceased Members of the Thomas  
Family (Family)

6:30 pm Deceased Members of the Skuhrovec  
Family (McFeely Family)

**THURSDAY: FEBRUARY 22 THE CHAIR OF SAINT  
PETER THE APOSTLE**

7:30 am Ronald J. Blatnik (Family)

**FRIDAY: FEBRUARY 23 FRIDAY LENTEN  
WEEKDAY**

7:30 am Patricia Mastaller (Joe Rzeszut)

**SATURDAY: FEBRUARY 24 LENTEN WEEKDAY**

7:30 am Steve & Ann Anielski (Family)

4:30 pm Lois Zimmerman (Ken Zimmerman)

**SUNDAY: FEBRUARY 25 SECOND SUNDAY OF  
LENT**

9:00 am For The People

11:00 am Anthony & Josephine Russo and  
Edward & Elizabeth Baroni (James & Marianna  
Baroni)

**Parish Collection February 11, 2024**

Sunday Envelopes	\$5,064.00
Repair and Maintenance	\$ 850.00
Cloak Fund	\$ 825.00
Utilities	\$ 867.00
Donations	\$1,810.00
Candles	\$ 65.00
Eastern European	\$ 162.00
Black/Native Missions	\$ 42.00

**PLEASE PRAY: Please keep in your prayers the sick  
and the homebound of our parish:**

Marissa, Patrice Adams, Mary Ann Anselmo, Joyce  
Armstrong, Kathi Bayun, Gaylene Bielawski, Lisa Bielawski,  
Margaret Blaha, Helen Blasko, Mary Ann Blatnik, Sue  
Boyne, Judith Carr, Robert Carr, Kathy Carrabine, Alexis  
Cerio, Christie Cerio, Drew Chernisky, Paul Cramer, Kevin  
Deka, Roger DiPenti, Judi Filisko, Jeff Fossa, Bob Frey,  
Bob Gerber, Frank Gerber, Loretta Gerber, Mark Gerber,  
Danny Goins, Lorenzo Gramuglia, Grant family, Ed Hall,  
Virginia Harley, Alicia Hernandez, Carla Hernandez, Gilbert  
Hernandez, Robert Hernandez, Christine Hexter, Bob  
Hrovat, Danny Houlahan, Dick Hovan, Anthony Hrich,  
Helen Husky, Virginia Jannazo, John Klamar, Emily  
Kondash, Cynthia Konopa, Jeffrey Ksiazka, Nina Kucinic,  
Nicole Kukoleck, Sean Kukoleck, Ronald Lewayne, Fred  
Lisy, Patty Lisy, Diana Markosky, John McDonald, Alexis  
McElhone, Denise Mummery, Judith Nagorski, James  
Neitzel, Cameron North, Jim Obley, Sr., Denis Osowski,  
Marilyn Palko, Margit Papay, Jim Piskura, Jessica  
Provateare, Dan Remar, Irene Remar, Betty Rembowski,  
Cortney Ruggeri, Jonathan Sedor, Daniel Sholz, Edwina  
Stefanski, Janet S., Betty Takitch, Petar Tokic, Jean Toth,  
Gerald Towalski, Jeffrey Virzi, John Virzi, Frances Yartz.

**Please Pray for Our Most Recently Deceased:**

Richard M. Bialkowski

*Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine  
upon him. May he rest in peace, Amen.*

**When was the last time you were  
told... You are Forgiven!**

You are invited to an: **Evening of Confession.** EVERY  
Catholic church in the Diocese of Cleveland will be OPEN  
for the sacrament of reconciliation. **Wednesday, Feb. 28,**  
**5-8 pm.** *Open the door in 2024!*

**PSR News:**

**There will be no PSR February 19, 2024 due to  
President's Day holiday. Classes resume  
February 26th.**



**PARISH WEEKLY EVENTS**

<b>Sat: February 17</b>	7:30 am Mass 8:00 am Rosary 3:00 pm Confessions 4:30 pm Mass
<b>Sun: February 18</b>	9:00 am Mass 11:00 am Mass
<b>Mon: February 19</b>	7:30 am Mass 8:00 am Rosary 6:00 pm Rosary 6:30 pm Mass– No PSR due to: President’s Day Holiday
<b>Tues: February 20</b>	7:30 am Mass 8:00 am Rosary 6:15 pm Evening Prayer (Vespers) 6:30 pm Mass
<b>Wed: February 21</b>	7:30 am Mass 8:00 am Rosary 6:15 pm Evening Prayer (Vespers) 6:30 pm Mass
<b>Thurs: February 22</b>	7:30 am Mass 8:00 am Rosary 7:00 pm - Choir Rehearsal in the Church
<b>Fri: February 23</b>	7:30 am Mass 8:00 am Rosary 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross
<b>Sat: February 24</b>	7:30 am Mass 8:00 am Rosary 3:00 pm Confessions 4:30 pm Mass-St. Benedict Hospitality
<b>Sun: February 25</b>	9:00 am Mass-St. Benedict Hospitality 11:00 am Mass-St. Benedict Hospitality

*Light on the Liturgy*

by Ed Francis

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent: Why do we live the Christian life?

Today’s Readings: <https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/021824.cfm>

(continued from last week)

The attitudes, actions and over-all lifestyle that characterize a member of God’s Kingdom are what make up the basic Christian moral code. It is these characteristics which flow from the nature and life of God and which tell us what it means to be followers of Christ, in other words, what it means to be Christian. It is important to realize here that we are to live this way not because God or the Church – or anybody – established rules and laws which we have to follow to avoid a set of prescribed punishments, of varying degrees of severity. That would be the human way. Rather, we live as Christians, following the “New Law,” because we live in a personal, intimate relationship with Christ – and thus with the Trinity. This relationship began when we were baptized – “in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit” – and is nourished each time we participate in the sacraments, especially the Eucharist, and receive Communion. However, like our relationships with one another, the relationship with Christ also requires personal contact and communication. We need to take some time out of our daily routine to talk with Jesus – after all, he was, and remains, human like you and me. We call this *prayer*. We can use formal, structured prayers; but we don’t have to. We can stop, think of Jesus as a friend and talk to him as we would with anyone close to us. That’s really all it takes.

This is fundamental. However, we have to be careful not to fall into the trap of individualism. The Christian way is not only between me and Jesus. We have been redeemed and are saved, not just individually, but as members of a community, the Church, united by baptism into the Body of Christ. As such, the Christian life is more than just getting me to heaven. Rather, it is primarily about how we relate to one another, how we live out our relationship to Christ in the way we live with one another. Recall Jesus’ summary of the law: Love God with your whole heart, and love your neighbor as yourself (Mk. 12/29-31; also Mt. 25/40, 45). Tertullian, a 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> century theologian, describes the pagans in his society as saying, “See how these Christians love one another.” Do people say that of us today? If not, why not? (cont. next week)



**Stations of the Cross**

will be Fridays during Lent in the church starting February 16th at 7:00

**Catholic Charities Thanks YOU:**

THANK YOU to all who made a gift to Catholic Charities last weekend at St. Martin of Tours. Because of your support, hundreds of thousands of individuals will be given help + hope in the Diocese of Cleveland. You can still make a donation by visiting [CatholicCommunity.org/donate](http://CatholicCommunity.org/donate) OR text CCHOPE to 41444.

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

As was the habit of a few of my seminary brothers there was the intention of reading all of the works of one particular author/writer. Back in the day it was Steinbeck or Vonnegut or Hesse to recall three. The trend continues for some of us today. I (as mentioned before) have been reading



the Cistercian Michael Casey. I also recommend his work in the area of spirituality. One of his works has to do with daily reflections. He reflected on a time in childhood when he was expecting immediate results from planting seeds. He recollected how he would daily go to the garden and pull up that which he had sown and expected some fruit and was disappointed. He was

counseled by his mother to wait and be patient. Lesson learned and eventually his patience was rewarded. I have read that we live in a time which has been described as the culture of immediacy. Some of that which is accessible on different websites is given to us without delay it would seem. (Recalling the days when I would visit the library at the Alta House and study biology while checking out books and this was a slow process). That said, it may ask for a bit of a persevering spirit in the area of our Lenten intentions. What we may have planted within our minds and hearts in the way of intentions may need a patient waiting in what I have read is the 'long term'. Lent is about a patient preparation for celebration of the Resurrection. To that degree how might our Lenten intentions prepare us for the return of Jesus and our share in the resurrected life? I wonder how often we give that due consideration. How well do we fix our minds on the long term and our preparation (not only for the Easter event) for the eventual return of Jesus Himself? Nowadays (again I have read) our culture can become toxic and so the need of being 'detoxed'. Interesting how the word culture (some time ago) also had the meaning of preparing the earth for crops. Cultivating may be a direction that asks for a patient and persevering spirit in allowing the seeds of faith and our Lenten intentions to bear fruit. At my first pastorate I planted tulip bulbs near the stairs of the priest's residence. Having learned from my mother what it is to prepare the soil and tend the same it did bear out the flowers over time. May we be free of any impatience that would inhibit the seeds of our Lenten intentions and seek to blossom one day at a time.

### Readings for the Week of February 18, 2024

<b>Sunday:</b>	Gn 9: 8-15 Ps 25: 4-9 1 Pt 3: 18-22 Mk 1: 12-15
<b>Monday:</b>	Lv 19: 1-2, 11-18 Ps 19: 8-10, 15 Mt 25: 31-46
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Is 55: 10-11 Ps 34:4-7, 16-19 Mt 6: 7-15
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Jon 3: 1-10 Ps 51: 3-4, 12-13, 18-19 Lk 11: 29-32
<b>Thursday:</b>	1 Pt 5: 1-4 Ps 23: 1-6 Mt 16: 13-19
<b>Friday:</b>	Ez 18: 21-28 Ps 130: 1-8 Mt 5: 20-26
<b>Saturday:</b>	Dt 26: 16-19 Ps 119: 1-2, 4-5, 7-8 Mt 5: 43-48
<b>Sunday:</b>	Gn 22: 1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 Ps 116: 10, 15-19 Rom 8: 31b-34 Mk 9: 2-10

### READINGS FOR THE DAY

TO FOLLOW ALONG WITH THE DAILY READINGS VISIT  
< [HTTP://USCCB.ORG](http://USCCB.ORG) > AND CLICK ON TODAY'S DATE  
ON THE CALENDAR.

### TELEVISED AND RADIO MASS SCHEDULE HELPFUL GUIDE FOR TELEVISION VIEWING:

- Sunday at 10 am WUAB Channel 43, the CW  
Cox Communications Cable subscribers may select channel 45. Mass airs each week Sunday at 11:30am.

### HELPFUL GUIDE FOR RADIO AND AUDIO LISTENING:

- **WINT-1330 AM** airs Mass each Sunday at 9:00 am  
**The Rock 1260 AM** Sunday at 10:30 am

### Protecting God's Children

The Diocese of Cleveland's "Protecting God's Children" program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about the protection of children from sexual abuse. **To report any past or present suspected inappropriate behavior toward children by priests, deacons, religious, lay ecclesial ministers or personnel associated with the Church, please contact the Diocesan Response Service Office at 216-334-2999 or via email: [response\\_services@dioceseofcleveland.org](mailto:response_services@dioceseofcleveland.org)** You are also asked to immediately inform local authorities about any inappropriate behavior.

**Last call to register: EXPERIENCE JESUS IN THE EUCHARIST** Diocese of Cleveland—Catholic Men's Fellowship Conference **Saturday, March 2, 2024**  
**OUTSTANDING MUSIC ♦ SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION ♦ MASS**  
**Registration: 8:00 am Mass: 4:00 pm Adjourn: 5:00 pm**  
For info. or to register, go to: [www.cmfneo.com](http://www.cmfneo.com), or call  
**877-208-5585 Deadline: February 20, 2024**  
**Where: 6001 Rockside Road, Independence, OH (Holiday Inn) Pricing: 8 or more men: \$40, Single: \$45, Student: \$15**

### Bible Study

Everyone Invited, All Are Welcome! No preregistration needed. Next Study will be **Wednesday, March 6, 2024—The Hidden Kingdom—Matt Chapters 11-13.** We will meet in St. Martin of Tours school at 7:00 pm.

There will be a Divine Mercy Holy Hour Sunday **February 25, 2024** at St. Therese's Church. Prayers start at 2:30 pm. All are welcome. Next Divine Mercy will be at St. Monica's **March 3, 2024.** Prayers will start at 2:30 pm.

### RICE BOWL-2024 ~ For Lent For Life

As you leave the church today, **please take a rice bowl you will find in the vestibule. Place the box in a prominent spot in your home and encourage all members to add monies from their sacrifices to it.** They will be collected during Holy Week. **Thank you and God bless you.**

### Anointing of the Sick & Healing Prayer

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated on **Sunday, March 3, 2024 at the 11:00 am Mass.** Following mass, members of the healing prayer team will be available to pray with you for your intentions.

### Rosary for Healing and Protection of Sexual Abuse Victims

- **February 28, 2024 starting at 6 pm,** we will pray the Holy Hour for the Healing and Protection of Sexual Abuse Victims. We will start with the Rosary and end with Mass.

**If you cannot come but want to pray with us, pick up a copy of the Rosary in the vestibule or the Rectory.**

### Parish Communal Penance Service

**February 26, 2024—7:00 pm**

We will celebrate the Parish Communal Penance Service immediately following the 6:30 pm Mass. There will be several Priests available to hear individual confessions.

### Knights of Columbus Dinner

**Wednesday Night Dinner - February 21 Meat Loaf**

Dinner will consist of - Meat Loaf, Mashed Potatoes, Peas

**Wednesday Night Dinner - March 6** Corned Beef Dinner or Sandwich meal Cost: \$13 Prepared by Lori's Custom Catering

**Reservations due: Friday March 1 @ 8 pm Phone 216-662-2277**

**\*\*Corned Beef Dinner will consist of —Corned Beef, Cabbage, Red Skin Potatoes, Carrots**

**\*\*Corned Beef Sandwich will consist of —Corned Beef, Cabbage, Home Made Potato Salad, Rye Bread, Dill Pickle, Swiss Cheese**

**EVERYTHING IS PACKAGED - PRE-ORDER ONLY - TAKEOUT ONLY—**  
Curbside Pickup - READY TO HEAT SERVING TIME 4 - 6 PM PICK-UP at 10806 Granger Road - Club 4130! **\*\*Please leave your complete name, phone number, and number of dinners you will be picking up. Please no changes day of dinner.\*\***

## From Bobbi Bugaj

On Thursday last in my morning offering, I noticed something upcoming in the Sunday readings for Lent this year that I never considered. The Old Testament readings speak a lot about God's covenants with His people. I recalled what God said to Abraham "I will bless you abundantly and make your descendants as countless as the stars of the sky and the sands of the seashore," because he heard and obeyed God and was willing and in trust, to sacrifice his son. With Noah, (this Sunday's reading) a forever came the arc of the rainbow that God would not destroy the world again. The rainbow being a constant sign. Moses, "I will be your God and you will be my people." Then Jeremiah, a new covenant, God's law will be within people, written on their hearts. My first reaction to this was Wow, that is a lot of love. But a few minutes later, I was wondering how I live out these relationships. Do I take my part of the covenant seriously or is it just lip service. Like my wedding vows, is there a total self-giving to God. Am I fulfilling my part of the covenant? I know that God fulfills his part, but on my part, am I just doing the motions or am I a committed participant in kingdom building. There is no Bobbi Bashing here, just the thought that one of the things that I should be contemplating this Lenten season is my part and renewal of the covenant. My part of the self-giving. I love Lent because each year, I find something to restore me that I have yet to contemplate in a different way, maybe not new, just not the way I have in the past. Lent, while being restoring and healing, is also where I am also asked to reach out, stretch myself so as to allow me to participate in all these covenants better. Noah got a beautiful rainbow, Abraham got his son, Moses and his people got God, and Jeremiah tells of a new covenant: Jesus. I am amazed and speechless about what was revealed to me today in prayer. Covenants go on forever, the world is still full of evil, but I have the way, the truth and the light. The way this Lent is to think about permanent covenants, what maybe I need to stop or add to truly be a meaningful participant in faith, hope and love. I need to stretch myself to breakout of things that maybe I just got complacent to, and let slip. Today was a journey in thought that shows, in all times God is present, that he will never stop trying to have a relationship with me and others, and that in that covenant, there is so much love that he sent his Son. An obedient perfect person, to start a new covenant. You are probably going, where is she going with this, I am going to Mark 14: "While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body." Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many." Have a blessed Lent!



## **FASHION SHOW/LUNCHEON**

**MARLYN PRAZNIK 216-218-2482**

**WHAT?** Tickets are available now for the St. Monica Guild Fashion Show/Luncheon

**WHEN?** on April 21, 2024.

**WHERE?** Join us as we *Celebrate Spring!* at Woodside Event Center, 5025 E. Mill Road (off Wallings @ I-77).

**COST?** The ticket price of \$35

**INCLUDES:** Woodside's signature salad, green beans almondine, rolls, dessert, regular and decaf coffee and hot or iced tea. You have a choice of Chicken Piccata with Angel Hair Pasta or Stuffed Shells with Ricotta Cheese and Marinara Sauce. A Gluten free substitute can also be pre-ordered.

**PLUS:** we have beautiful prizes for you and the opportunity to win any of our basket and cash raffles. Tickets can be purchased at our Guild Meeting or by contacting me at 216-218-2482, [mpraznik@aol.com](mailto:mpraznik@aol.com). **Get your tickets early for the best table selection!** We are setting tables for 8 but can add up to 10 per table if you need it.

### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Will you sit with our Lord and pray for the sanctity of life?

All are invited to attend an opening Mass, celebrated by Bishop Malesic, to kick-off the Bringing America Back to Life convention, on **Thursday, March 7 at 5 PM** at St. Michael Church. Eucharistic Adoration will commence after Mass until 10:00 PM Saturday, March 9. **Hourly slots are still available.**

#### **St. Michael Catholic Church**

6912 Chestnut Rd  
Independence, OH 44131

#### **Adoration Sign Up**

[volunteersignup.org/HX97Q](http://volunteersignup.org/HX97Q)

#### **More Info**

[tomkekurtzcoh.com](http://tomkekurtzcoh.com)



### **From the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland—Lenten Resources:**

#### **My Daily Prayers**

"My Daily Prayers" is a FREE daily recording of prayers led by the bishops and priests of the diocese and delivered each day directly to you via your email. It offers encouragement to enter into a deeper, personal relationship with God. Sign up at [dioceseofcleveland.org/mydailyprayers](http://dioceseofcleveland.org/mydailyprayers) OR our website: [www.stmartinoftours.info](http://www.stmartinoftours.info)

#### **Bishop Malesic's Daily Reflections**

Each day of Lent, Bishop Malesic shares daily scripture reflections posted on the [diocesan website](http://diocesan website) and on his social media platforms (@BishopMalesic).

#### **Lenten Resources**

A Lenten resource page is available on the diocesan website including additional information about My Daily Prayers, Bishop Malesic's reflections, a Fish Fry listing, Stations of the Cross (Fridays) and a Lenten reflection download from our Newman Catholic Campus Ministry. [dioceseofcleveland.org/lent](http://dioceseofcleveland.org/lent)

### **CATHOLIC CEMETARY ASSOCIATION:**

The Catholic Cemeteries Association offers free, safe, and compassionate monthly **Grief Support meetings** and Memorial events. The next Grief Support meeting is **Sunday, February 18th at 3:00pm for in-person support** (at 6 locations), and **5:00pm for virtual support** and the topic is: **"What's Normal In Grief?"**. For details, visit: <https://www.clecem.org/Information/Bereavement.aspx>

For more information or questions, call Rhonda at 216-930-4866.

**"A Closer Walk With Thee" – CCA Monthly Grief Support E-Newsletter:** To subscribe to this valued grief support resource, go to the signup form at : <https://bit.ly/ccabereavementbulletin> or contact Rhonda at [rabrams@clecem.org](mailto:rabrams@clecem.org) or 216-930-4866.

### **Holy Cross Cemetery – Pre-Planning Seminar**

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour pre-planning seminar on **Saturday, March 16th, 2024, at 1p.m.** Please join us to learn more about the necessary steps to pre-planning the burial process, burial options including options for cremated remains, and the Catholic burial rite. We kindly ask that you **RSVP** to this event to Holy Cross Cemetery – 14609 Brookpark Rd., Brook Park, Oh. **216-641-7575 ext. 3** or email [bstrauchon@clecem.org](mailto:bstrauchon@clecem.org)

### **Prayer Vigil for Peace in Ukraine**

All are invited to attend a Prayer Vigil for Peace in Ukraine at 6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24 in the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, 1007 Superior Ave., Cleveland. The event, marking the second anniversary of the war, will be hosted by the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland and Greater Cleveland's Ukrainian community. Bishop Edward Malesic is scheduled to be the principal speaker and clergy from the orthodox communities are expected to participate. For more information, email [cma@gmail.com](mailto:cma@gmail.com)

### **Martineers: Attention All Seniors**

The Martineers **WILL NOT** be meeting in **January or February** due to unpredictable weather during those months. We will resume meeting in March!

### **Home Visitation and Anointing**

Arrangements for Holy Communion and the Anointing of the Sick to the homebound can be made through the Parish Office. *Please let us know when a family member enters a health care facility.*

### **St. Martin's Cloak Food Collection**

For the foreseeable future, St. Martin's Cloak will only be accepting monetary donations. Your support of this very important ministry enables us to purchase gift cards for our neighbors and parishioners who are in need of food for their families. **May God Bless You** for your constant generosity.

## THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

The parishioners from **Saint Mary and Our Lady of Hope in Bedford**, Ohio are inviting you to a Lenten Mission beginning on Sunday, March 10th at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary, 340 Union Street, Bedford, OH 44146. This will be a three-day mission (Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday) that will begin at 7:00 p.m. each night, ending on Tuesday, March 12th. Father Damian Ference, Vicar for Evangelization, Secretary for Parish Life and Special Ministries, and Professor of Philosophy at Borromeo Seminary, is the Mission speaker. The first night, Father Ference will talk about God and creation. Monday night will be about sin and redemption, and the final night will cover the sacraments and mission. Please bring your bibles.

There will be a social hour of coffee and cookies in the Choir Room of St. Mary Church starting at 6:00 PM, before the Lenten Mission starts.

Please call St. Mary Church, Bedford, OH Parish Office at 440.359.8205 for any questions. Office hours are Monday through Friday 8:30 AM - 2:30 PM.

### **St. Benedict Early Learning Center**

St. Benedict Early Learning Center (located on the campus of St. Martin of Tours Church in Maple Hts.) is looking for a part-time assistant teacher in our daycare. Student ages range from 6-weeks to 3 years of age. Background checks and VIRTUS training will be required prior to start date. Interested candidates please submit a resume and contact information for three references. Please contact Mrs. Malone at: [cmalone@stbenedictohio.com](mailto:cmalone@stbenedictohio.com) with any questions.

### **All Things 1260 AM Radio the Rock!**

- ~Monday through Friday at 4 PM for “**Beacon of Truth**”.
- ~Monday through Friday at 5 PM “**Kresta in the Afternoon**”
- ~Monday through Friday at 10 PM Join Fr. Mike Schmitz as his popular podcasts “**Bible in a Year**” and “**Catechism in a Year**” have been reformatted for radio.
- ~Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 3 PM The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy
- ~Tuesdays at 3 PM we will air the Devotion to the Holy Face of Jesus
- ~Fridays at 3 PM Stations of the Cross for Priests
- ~Saturdays at 2 PM Ace McKay for “**Catholics Coast to Coast**”
- ~Sundays at 4 PM “**Word on Fire**” with Bishop Robert Barron

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**All are welcome to celebrate Mass:**

- ◆ **St. John Neumann, Strongsville – Monday March 11th at 9:00 am.**