



Our Lady of Hope

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

MASS SCHEDULE:
Saturday: Vigil 4:00pm
Sunday: 11am
Monday, Tuesday & Friday 8am

CONFESSIONS:
Saturdays 3:00 p.m. or
 anytime by appointment.

BAPTISM: For
 information, please
 contact the Rectory at
 440-232-8166 during
 office hours.

MARRIAGES: Limited
 to registered parishioners
 only. Arrangements for
 date and time must be
 made six months in
 advance. Final
 preparations should be
 made five weeks before
 the wedding date.

**SACRAMENT OF
 HOLY ORDERS
 (PRIESTHOOD/
 DIACONATE):** For
 information please contact
 the Diocese at 216-696-
 6525. .

**PARISH SCHOOL OF
 RELIGION:** Please call
 Rectory office.

REGISTRATION: If you
 are new in the parish,
 please register at the
 rectory or online at our
 website. If you moved out
 of the parish, please notify
 the rectory.

AUGUST 4, 2019 EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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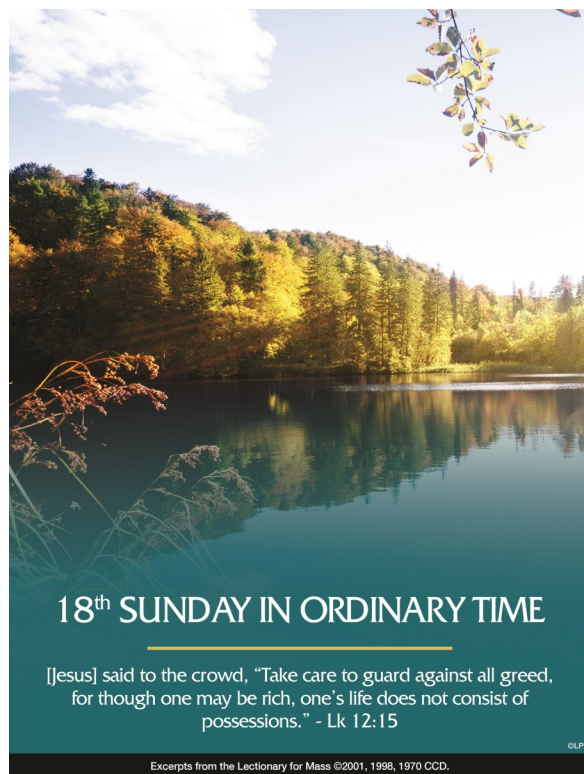
Parish Website:

www.ourladyofhopebedford.org

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Mondays, Tuesdays & Fridays,
 8:30am –12 noon and 12:30—2:30pm.

Anytime for emergencies.



18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

[Jesus] said to the crowd, "Take care to guard against all greed,
 for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of
 possessions." - Lk 12:15

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

The cake is frosted, the guests have arrived, and the gifts are piled high. One by one, the packages are opened, and one by one, the child reaches for another. Who among us hasn't seen a child who appears crestfallen when the gifts run out? Even the abundance isn't quite enough. Today's Gospel tackles a key question in the spiritual life - grateful or greedy?

"There was a rich man whose land produced a bountiful harvest." We all recognize the need to be practical. Raising a family, there's need to save for all sorts of things beyond normal day-to-day costs - medical bills, family vacations, private school, rainy day funds, retirement. Jesus doesn't critique the rich man for simply having an abundant harvest. It's his mentality. Does the rich man sell off the extra to make the needed repairs to the back fence or to invest in some additional livestock to grow the business? Perhaps donate some of the excess to the poor? No. "You have so many good things stored up for many years, rest, eat, drink, be merry!" The man wants to hoard and indulge with no concern for others.

Jesus doesn't condemn prudent saving or owning necessary items. He calls us to purify our attitudes. "Guard against all greed... one's life does not consist of possessions." We are called to be good stewards. This means being practical. It also means remaining open to God's invitation with our resources. Are we tithing to our parish? Do we give alms to the poor? Does our weekly entertainment far outstrip what we offer to others? Life is not about "stor[ing] up treasure for [our] selves." The more we grow in gratitude and generosity, the more we become "rich in what matters to God."

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**OUR LADY OF HOPE CHURCH:****Saturday, August 3**

3:00 p.m. Confession

4:00 p.m. Joseph Milavec

ST. MARY & OUR LADY OF HOPE:**Sunday, August 4****Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time****SM**—9:15 a.m. Leo Sirna**OLH**—11:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners**OUR LADY OF HOPE CHURCH:****Monday, August 5**

8:00 a.m. Russell Rizzo

Tuesday, August 68:00 a.m. Catherine Ginley
*Novena of the Miraculous Medal after Tuesday Mass.***ST. MARY CHURCH:****Wednesday, August 7**

8:00 a.m. Leroy Vlk

Thursday, August 8

8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners

OUR LADY OF HOPE CHURCH:**Friday, August 9**

8:00 a.m. George Gregus

Saturday, August 10

3:00 p.m. Confession

4:00p.m. Christina Skocaj

ST. MARY & OUR LADY OF HOPE:**Sunday, August 11****Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time****SM**—9:15 a.m. Therese March**OLH**—11:00 a.m. Charles Sprowles***YOUR PRAYERS ARE NEEDED . . .******Please remember in your prayers all of the sick in our parish and families, especially:***

Jim Waple, Virginia Vitale, Mary Emling, Daniel Baran, Berta Ugucini, Carmen Whaley, Trudy Zimo, Bernie Sylvester, Lil Kalal, Andy Mizesak, Matthew Reeve, Albert Finn, Alan Parker, R.C., James Smith, Bob Franklin, Harold Fischer, Ronald Richnavsky, Joe McElhone, Mae Saliga, Laverne Krempasky, Larry Krempasky, Paul Melzer, Patricia Zak, Matthew J. Zamiska, Daisy Darus, Sr. Patricia Raelene, Gerry Lantos, Louise Dragan, Ken Hudak, Joyce Smedley, Maria Spears, Veda Wagner, Shirley Holmes, Frank Richnavsky, Eileen Salupo, Jim Gersmeyer, Mary Ann Runevitch...



In the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable about the rich man who selfishly stored all his grain and goods only to die and not enjoy his abundance anyway. What we struggle all our lives to learn is that life does not consist of possessions nor our perceived security, but of being possessed by God. **This week, as you give your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you are realizing that in giving you indeed receive.**

GOD HOLDS US DAILY IN EXISTENCE

God created all things from nothing. He continually holds them in existence. He makes possible their actions and leads them to their ultimate perfection. Do you or someone that you know have an interest in inquiring about becoming Catholic? Have you been baptized in the Catholic Church but have not received First Communion and Confirmation? If the answer to either of these questions is yes and you would like more information on our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), please call Fr. Joe or Louise during office hours.

DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR

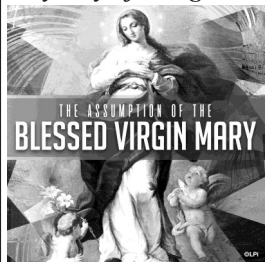
Please join us for a special hour of adoration to the Divine Mercy of Jesus on Sunday, August 11th, at 2:30 p.m. at St. Monica Church in Garfield Hts.

OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTIONS**July 28, 2019**

Weekly Collection \$3,355.00
 Envelopes used..... 162
 Comfort the Needy..... \$183.00
 Repairs & Maintenance..... \$86.00

Special Collections

Assumption-\$4; Faith & Values-\$20.

MASS COUNT**OLH:** 4pm—118; 11am—149; Total—267**STM:** 4pm—138; 9:15am—166; Total—304***Thank you for your generosity!!******Holy Day of Obligation*****MASS TIMES**

Vigil Masses—August 14th:

OLH — 4:00 p.m.**SM — 7:00 p.m.***(Correction to the August 2019 regular calendar.)*

Holy Day Masses—August 15th:

SM— 8:00 a.m.**OLH — 6:00 p.m.**

We extend our sincere sympathy and prayers to the family & friends of the recently deceased—

Catherine Anne St. John*(Granddaughter of Chuck St. John)*

May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Dear Parishioners,

This Tuesday, August 6th, we celebrate the Feast of the Transfiguration. This date has always had significance in my family because my parents were married on this date in 1960. While it's not a Holy Day of Obligation, and Sunday Mass goes only encounter this feast about every seven years, it is a very important moment in the life of Christ and for the Church. We all know the story: "Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying, his face changed in appearance, and his clothing became dazzlingly white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my chosen Son; listen to him.' After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone." (Luke 9:28b-32, 35-36)

The Transfiguration has a double significance. First, the event did something very precious for Jesus as he met with Moses and Elijah. Moses was the supreme law-giver of Israel and Elijah was the greatest of the prophets. When these two great figures met with Jesus, it meant that the greatest of the law-givers and the greatest of the prophets said to him, "Go on to Jerusalem!" It meant that they saw in Jesus the consummation of all that they had dreamed of in the past. It is as if at that moment Jesus was assured that he was on the right way because all history had been leading up to the cross. Jesus was also affirmed by his Heavenly Father on the mountain: "This is my chosen Son, listen to him." Second, the Transfiguration bolstered the faith of the disciples. Peter, James, and John, were shattered by Jesus' first prediction of his Passion; that he was going to Jerusalem to die. By seeing Jesus in his heavenly glory, if but for a moment, the disciples were given the courage to accompany Jesus through his Passion, death, and resurrection. May the glory of the Transfiguration help strengthen our faith as well.

Have a blessed week.
Father Joe



ST. MONICA SUMMER SERIES

Party at the Pavilion on Thursday, August 8th from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 pm. Free admission and free live entertainment provided by Becky Boyd and the Groove Train. Food, pop and beer, 50/50 Raffle and fun for all. Special thanks to the Anonymous Series Sponsor and Ferfolia Funeral Homes the event sponsor. Bring your lawn chairs and join us for the evening.

SEE YOU AT THE FEST!!

Join us this Sunday for The FEST. It takes place on the grounds of the Center for Pastoral Leadership (28700 Euclid Ave. in Wickliffe) from 12 noon to 10:00 p.m. Come hear great music, enjoy activities for the entire family, join thousands for Mass at 8:00 p.m. with Bishop Perez, and experience the event of the summer. There is plenty of close parking and something for everyone. For a complete schedule of the day and parking directions go to: www.theFEST.us.

CPR BASIC LIFE SUPPORT TRAINING

Jennings is hosting an American Heart Association CPR Basic Life Support (BLS) Training course on Wednesday, August 7th from 12 noon to 3:00 p.m. at the Jennings Auditorium in Garfield Heights. The Community CPR Co. will provide certificates to registrants who successfully complete the training. Class fee is \$35/person. To register call 216-581-2900 or visit www.jenningsohio.org/cpr-training.

ST. MARY PARISH PICNIC

Please join us at St. Mary Parish Picnic on Sunday, August 18th, from noon until 5:00 p.m. at the Twinsburg Outdoor Pool Pavilion (behind R.B. Chamberlain Middle School), 10270 Ravenna Road. The swimming pool will be open to everyone for \$5 per person. There will be food, games, a Chinese Auction Raffle and a Grand Prize Drawing with 1st prize—\$500; 2nd prize—\$250; 3rd prize—\$100. (*Seller of 1st prize wins \$100*).

50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Please join us for the 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass on Saturday, October 12th at 10:00 a.m. with Bishop Nelson J. Perez presiding (at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist). The Mass is for couples residing within the Diocese of Cleveland married 50 years (married in 1969). Couples celebrating other significant anniversaries (55 or over) or who have missed previous celebrations are welcome to register and attend as well. We request that each couple bring no more than four family members to celebrate Mass with them so we have enough space for the couples. Please go online to www.ccdocle.org/mfm to register. Registrations are due by Monday, September 16, 2019. This is a firm deadline for preparation purposes.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS:

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, AUGUST 3 & 4

Food Collection Weekend.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6

Bereavement Group Mtg., 10am in Church.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8

SVDP Food Pantry open, 3-4:30pm at OLH.
Boy Scout Mtg., 7pm in Scout Room

