



September 27, 2020

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SS. ROBERT & WILLIAM

CATHOLIC PARISH
DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND

Dear Parishioners,

As we enter into the fall season and the time of harvest and thanks, I wanted to take some time to thank and honor a few people who have been real heroes over the last several months as we have journeyed through this pandemic. I would love to list **all** the names, but I am afraid I would miss someone, so I am just highlighting a few.

Thank you to Fr. Thom and members of Outreach and Community Meal ministries. You all have done an incredible job in transforming and adapting these ministries to the needs in the pandemic. We have continued to provide food and necessities to people in need physically, emotionally, and even spiritually. The drive-thru meals, the fruit give-a-ways, the pantry continuing to be full, the donations, etc., have been a true blessing for so many! In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus says, "When I was hungry and thirsty..." These ministries have been a real example of this.

Thank you to Renee Barber, the Evangelization Committee, and Parish Council. In May, this group of people made a personal phone call to all parishioners in our database for whom we had a working phone number. So many great conversations were had, and they helped to identify some genuine needs our parishioners had, allowing us to respond. I have heard from quite a few parishioners who said how much this call meant to them. Also, in the first month of the pandemic, Renee Barber personally called every parishioner in our database, 80 and over, to check on them. She made some great connections and helped us do some great outreach.

Thank you to Kyle and our Music Ministry (and Francesco and SJC Music Ministry). The Concerts of Hope were (and continue to be) a source of great hope and joy for so many. They bring refreshment to our souls and remind us of God's beauty. It was a wonderful example of SRW and SJC working together. Thank you also for stepping up and continuing to provide music at Masses and other Sacramental celebrations in church. I know singing with masks on is not fun, but you all bring such beauty to our worship.

Thank you to Anney, Bill, and their volunteers for all they did for the young people of our parish. While PSR, EDGE, LIFETEEEN, First Communion, and Confirmation all look a bit different, Anney and Bill, and all those parishioners who help our children grow in the ways of the faith and receive the Sacraments, have risen to the occasion. They are thinking outside the box and making sure we continue to minister to these children and teens.

Thank you to Nate! Nate is our amazing Communications Director who has handled and provided all our LIVE-STREAMING, video messages, and other communications. Nate told me he sees his job/ministry as so vital, now more than ever, to keep people connected! I think he did and is continuing to do this every day.

So, thank you! Thank you to all of you! Thank you to all mentioned above and all those who are behind the scenes and do so much. Thanks to all our prayer warriors who have kept us sustained with the grace of prayers. At the start of the pandemic, I said, "we are all in this together" and I truly believe we have seen this play out. We are not out of the woods yet, but I believe that together we can move forward and remain an active, vibrant source of spiritual hope and love that bestows on us the blessings and grace of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

Make it a great week! See you in Church.

Peace,

Fr. John



COMMUNITY MEAL EXPANDED

- Now serving meals twice a month!
- Our next meal is September 29th
- Starting at 5:00 pm (take-out meals only)

**THE ST. FRANCIS PET BLESSING
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH AT 1:00 PM
IN THE PARKING LOT.**



NOW - NOV. 3



960 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration

We invite you to pray one hour a week to help us get to 960 hours of prayer for our country, the USA. Pray for us to live in a country that embraces Gospel Morals & Justice. Sign-up for one hour a week in our Adoration Chapel. Call the Parish Office or email Fr. John (fjb@srweuclid.cc) to sign-up.

The PSR program between Ss. Robert & William and Saint John of the Cross is underway! Sunday, September 13, was the first day of class. Following the directives of the SRW day school, PSR students will learn remotely, through a web portal, until Sunday, October 11. At that point, students will meet in age-level classrooms with one of four catechists:

Grades K-1: Chris Raddell

Grade 2: Marybeth Kelly

Grades 3-4: Chris Barni

Grades 5-6: William Knox

Thank you, Chris, Marybeth, Chris, and William for your willingness to serve our young people and their families in this important ministry!

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 28

11:30 AM (TK) † Decease of Bozic Family

Tuesday, September 29

8:30 AM (TK) † Richard & Isolde Haberkorn

Wednesday, September 30

11:30 AM (JB) † Rose Trout

Thursday, October 1

8:30 AM (JB) Peg Farinacci, Special Intention

Friday, October 2

11:30 AM (TK) † Marliyn Kulwin

Saturday, October 3

8:30 AM (TK) † For the People

4:00 PM (JB) † Casey & Helen Zaremski

Sunday, October 4

9:00 AM (JB) † Richard Digiovine

11:30 AM (TK) † Robert Gallagher

6:00 PM (TK) † Roger Smyth

Donate blood. Experience the wonder.



**BLOOD
DRIVE**

Ss. Robert & William Parish

SUNDAY, Sept. 27th

9:45 A.M. - 12:45 P.M.

GYM

367 E. 260TH ST., EUCLID

At this time appointments are preferred & masks are required.

Please make an appointment & earn donor reward points at

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AMERICA NEEDS FATIMA



America Needs Fatima (ANF) will have a nationwide Rosary Rally on October 10. Ss. Robert & William will participate at 12:00 noon in front of the Church, at the corner of Forestview and East 260th, near the Marian statue. In addition, there will be an ANF rally to pray for Law Enforcement on

September 26. Again, the rally will take place at noon in front of the outside Marian statue.

PROJECT HOPE FOR THE HOMELESS

Shelter Needs

On my drive to work several days ago, a news story was talking about impending evictions due to the pandemic. One woman interviewed said that she had just received a statement for four month's rent totaling over \$5000.00 and had no means to pay it. The reporter said that this crisis is hitting renters particularly hard; many people have no idea where they will go if forced out.

Several days later I came across a list of needs for *Project Hope for the Homeless* in Painesville. *Project Hope* operates an adult shelter, a daily shelter for families, and a three-unit transitional housing program for seniors 62 and over. I first became acquainted with this ministry through parishioner Mary Ellen Fellenstein who enlisted donations from our SRW Seniors' Group several years ago. The need was great then, so I can't begin to imagine what they are facing today.

So, for all you avid Amazon shoppers, here is an incredibly easy way to help *Project Hope for the Homeless*. Access their wish list at <https://amzn.to/3dAmJxK>. You can make your selections and they will be delivered directly to *Project Hope*!

If you are waking up every morning with a roof over your head and food in the refrigerator, consider using the above link and help those who are dependent on others for those comforts.

Have a peace-filled week!
Renée Barber

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions are available year round, 18-months from the date of scheduling. Remember, we can schedule no more than 3 Masses per year for the same person. Mass intentions can be for the deceased or the living. The suggested donation is \$10.

JESUS ASKED HIS DISCIPLES,

"WHO DO PEOPLE SAY THAT THE SON OF MAN IS?"

MATTHEW 16:13

WHO DO YOU SAY THAT JESUS IS? THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) BEGAN TODAY, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, AND WILL BE HELD EVERY SUNDAY AT 10:00 AM IN THE PARISH OFFICE. IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW HAS BEEN SHOWING INTEREST IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH, PLEASE INVITE THEM TO ATTEND. CALL RENÉE BARBER @ 216-731-1515.



Reflections On Racism

Social Distancing — such a polite phrase. A new concept? Certainly not. While taking a walk, I asked myself: What is social distancing? How long have I been doing it, knowingly and unknowingly? It is a very sneaky concept — like a snake — like apathy. What, or more importantly, who am I distancing from? Have I been distancing from God? From my family? From working to stop the scourge of abortion? From youth? From neighbors? From other races? Distancing from my responsibilities to stand up and say and do what I should? That's why I said a few sentences ago that it is a sneaky concept. The distancing list could go on and on.

Our country seems to have passed the crossroads where we can turn right or left and avoid the rough road ahead. I have passed the crossroads. The road ahead will quickly lead to a dead end. I must put on the brakes, turn around and close the gap I have created by distancing, by my apathy.

I must start with my attitude. As they say, "Attitude is Altitude." I need to stop distancing from my neighbor. That is the first place to start, be he black, white, or whatever. He deserves my hand. I should hold the door open for him, not socially distance myself from him. Jesus opened the door for all of us. I must do my part to keep it open.

I pray that God keeps putting me in the right place at the right time; that the Holy Spirit gives me the wisdom, courage, and humility to close the distance; and that I step on and crush the sneaky snake of apathy.

Mourning to Morning

Ss. Robert & William/SJC Bereavement Support

An informative and prayerful program to help people move through the grieving process and forward in faith. A new six-week session begins:

Saturday, October 17, 2020

10:30 AM — 12:00 Noon

Sacred Heart Room Ss. Robert and William Parish Office Bldg. There is no fee but registration is requested. Call Renée Barber at 216-731-1515 Ext. 262.



WE'RE HIRING



After School Care Aide - Child care
for elementary age children (K-8)
daily from 2:00-6:00 PM

Day Time Custodian - Job includes
light cleaning and disinfecting,
emptying trash, setting up cones for
start and ending of the school, misc.
tasks daily from 6:30 AM-12:30 PM



Please call Martha Dodd at
(216) 731- 3060 for more information.

SoulCORE Before the weather forces us indoors, consider joining hour-long, outdoor SoulCore sessions, a prayer experience that combines the prayers of the rosary with core strengthening, stretching, and functional movement.

They are currently being held in the outdoor chapel at St. John of the Cross on Monday evenings, an hour before sunset (currently 6:30), and Saturday mornings at 9:30. There is no cost, but a suggested donation of \$10, for those who are able. Dress in comfortable clothing or sportswear and bring a fitness mat if you have one.



Rosary Coast to Coast

will be held on Sunday, October 11th at 4pm.

2020 is different. Mary is gathering her children together in a very special way. Please join us for this international event which now has over 50 countries participating. Our parish has hosted this event locally since 2018.

You can join us physically outside the church to recite the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary. If you can't attend, please consider participating spiritually at home at the same time.

For those who can attend, we will hold this outside in front of the church by the statue of Blessed Mother. In the event of inclement weather, people should bring umbrellas or rain gear. The appropriate COVID protocols will be followed. If there are any questions, contact Irene at 440-510-8630.

ARE YOU PREPARED TO VOTE NOV.3RD?

A CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING FOR THE 2020 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

Wednesdays: September 23, 30, October 7 & 14
in the church from 7 pm to 8:30 pm

Join us for a series of presentations on the Scripture and Tradition of our Church and what they say about a consistent ethic of life from natural conception to natural death, about human dignity, and about how we interact with one another. It will be live-streamed
Don't miss out!

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Monday—Friday: 8:00 am– 4:00 pm

Closed Saturday & Sunday

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The Collection: for September 20th was, \$6,104.25

Faith Direct September, First Half: \$13,461

Loan Balance: \$972,715.26

Monthly Loan Payment: \$8,362



Capital Campaign

Total of pledges \$1,966,126.54

Total received/posted \$1,504,260.55

Total donors 559

Please consider a donation to help lower our long-term debt.
Please call Fr. John at the Parish Office at 216.731.1515 or email
him at fjb@srweuclid.cc. Thank you very much for your
continued generosity. ~Fr. John

PRAYERS NEEDED

Please pray for... Tom Brickman, Camelle Brown, Faye Bukovec, Eileen Driscoll, Pauline Dutcher, Marianne Ellul, Donald Evanchick, Jean Feiten, Mary Ellen Fellenstein, Anthony Fratino, Tom Golden, Ann Grossman, Helen Herman, Jeanette Hocesvar, Tony Hocesvar, Geraldine Hoffert, Wesley Hollingsworth, Patricia Johnston, Karen Long, Dolly Luskin, Betty Mailander, Alice Martincic, Ann Monreal, Darlene Novotney, Ryan Parker, Ashley Phillis, Lydia Rydzinski, Laddie Stupica, Glenn Terrell, Rosemarie Terrell, Laverne Varga, Stansa Zitnik, Esther Zobec, and all those who are ill in body, mind, or spirit.

We thank, pray, and ask for God's blessings for those in the military and safety forces serving our community and country.

We offer our deepest sympathy to the family of all those who have lost a loved one. May they know the peace and comfort of God's love, and find strength in the support of our parish community.

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