

December 4, 2022

Second Sunday in Advent



# SS. ROBERT & WILLIAM

CATHOLIC PARISH | DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND

Dear Parishioners,

Happy Second Week of Advent! I hope the first week of your Advent went well. As we journey this Advent Season, I hope and pray that you can reflect on "Who Do You Say That I Am", our yearly reflection. I think Advent is a good time to reevaluate this question. In the lead up to Christmas our thoughts about Jesus shift to the vulnerable infant that he was. His humble birth in a manger and all the struggles that come with taking care of a newborn baby.

As the church goes through Liturgical seasons, so there are in our own lives. When we think about who Jesus is, it can vary from season to season depending on what's happening in our lives. When we are struggling, Jesus can be the friend that we lean on, when we are doing well, Jesus can be the guiding teacher, keeping us on the right path. No matter where we are in our journey we can grow closer, with that we all can ask ourselves these questions. Is He the center of all that you do? Is prayer and conversation with Him an important part of every day of your life? Are we honoring God with our actions?

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Mother, Mary is this Thursday, December 8. It is the feast in which we celebrate and honor that Mary was born without Original Sin. She was born pure and perfect so that from her womb, our savior Jesus Christ could be born, God could become Man. This is a Holy Day and does oblige Mass attendance. We will have Mass at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, December 7 (Vigil Mass) and on Thursday, December 8 at 8:30 am, 11:30 am, and 6:30 pm.

Make it a great Second week of Advent!

See you in Church.

Peace,

Fr. John



PLEASE JOIN US!

**LOREK CAPSTONE  
SYMPOSIUM  
PRESENTATION**

**Composing Liturgical Music in Accordance with the  
Three Judgements: Liturgical, Pastoral, and Musical**

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7TH  
7:30 PM IN THE CHURCH

SRW/SJC 55 and Over

**An Artistic Tour**  
of the  
**Life of Christ**  
at the  
**Cleveland Museum of Art**

Originally scheduled for July has been rescheduled for  
Thursday, December 8, 2022

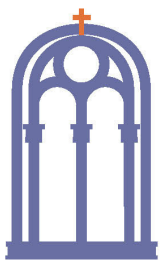
Leaving Ss. Robert and 9:30AM – Returning at 1:30PM  
\$15.00 per Person for Transportation  
for those who were not registered for the July tour  
Checks should be made payable to Ss. Robert & William Parish

**See Ten Works of Art**

Call 216-731-1515 for reservations.

Tour is limited to 20 participants.

Includes time for lunch and exploring the museum on your own.



# HEART OF A SHEPHERD

*Building for Today. Providing for Tomorrow.*

[www.catholiccommunity.org/shepherd](http://www.catholiccommunity.org/shepherd)



## CAMPAIGN UPDATE

MORE THAN  
**\$29.9 MILLION**  
HAS BEEN PAID  
TOWARD THE  
**\$51.4 MILLION**  
PLEDGES TO THE  
CAMPAIGN BY  
**13,023 DONORS.\***

In addition to supporting the seminary renovation, priest pension retirement fund, and education debt relief for newly ordained clergy, this campaign includes a share going back to parishes for local projects. \$9.9 million has already been distributed to parishes for local projects and needs.

This progress is primarily thanks to the pastors and parishes across the Diocese, and to the generosity of the faithful who continue to “build for today and provide for tomorrow.”

If this effort has not reached your parish and you would like to hear more information or to pledge your support, feel free to call 216-902-1300 to learn more or visit [www.catholiccommunity.org/shepherd](http://www.catholiccommunity.org/shepherd). ■

\*Totals include a \$3 million commitment on behalf of the Diocese of Cleveland.

## HEART OF A SHEPHERD IS A FAMILY AFFAIR FOR ERIN, TONY, AND THEIR SON, SEMINARIAN ANTHONY DONATELLI

Anthony Donatelli, a third-year seminarian at Saint Mary Seminary, had an unexpected foreshadowing of his future this past May when he was sent to Gesu Parish to speak about the *Heart of a Shepherd* campaign. He expected to sit in the first pew, walk up to the microphone after Communion, and talk about the campaign, as he had before at other parishes.

“When I walked into the sacristy before Mass, the pastor asked me to serve and sit at his right side,” says Anthony. He then discovered that about ten second-graders would receive First Communion at this Mass. “Something was different; I felt the Holy Spirit moving through the pastor and the children. Father Lucas invited me to join him in receiving the gifts and distributing Communion. The invitation was so powerful, like I was being immersed. When it was time for me to talk about *Heart of a Shepherd*, I didn’t even look at my notes; I just spoke from a place of excitement and gratitude. There was so much love and support from the people! I was invigorated in my vocation.”

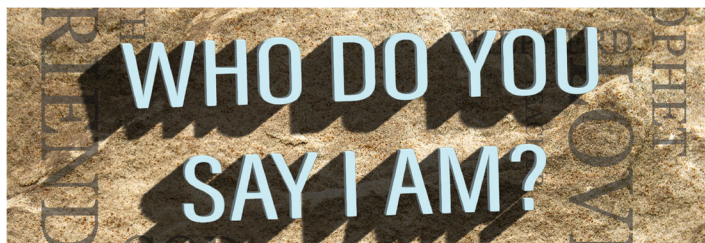


Anthony’s parents, Erin and Tony Donatelli have been on board with *Heart of a Shepherd* since the campaign’s beginnings. Tony served as a campaign cabinet member, and both supported the campaign at their parish, St. Mary, Hudson. “Of course, this campaign was near and dear to us with Anthony being in the seminary,” says Tony. “But it was even more – it was about knowing God, and loving and serving Him. We have to support our shepherds, those from the past, those who preach and provide the sacraments for us, and the shepherds of the future – seminarians like Anthony. For the Church to continue, we need priests.”

Erin and Tony are amazed at the love and care the Catholics in the diocese have for the young men studying to be priests. “It strikes a spot that God has already placed in our hearts about hope for the future,” says Erin. “People recognize the beauty of this, and they responded. The campaign represents the hope of the Church moving forward!”

## LUKE BROWN REFLECTIONS

*The first week of Advent is already over! As I have grown in my faith, I have started to think about Advent as being similar to Lent in a lot of ways. Both involve waiting and preparing ourselves for God's presence and mercy. Many people dread Lent because on the surface it means giving things up, including meat on Fridays. I grew up on a beef ranch- the selfish part of me really struggles to give that beef one up during Lent. However, preparing our hearts for Christ cannot be reduced to simply giving things up in the same way we begrudgingly give up certain foods to lose weight or habits for our health. If you are viewing your sacrifice of ice cream or Netflix as simply following some archaic practice or tradition the Church requires and not as a chance to pray more, love more, and focus on God more, you may want to reflect upon and revisit why we as Catholics participate in this practice. The meaning behind the call to sacrifice is to rely entirely on Christ. We sacrifice the base, finite, and lowly things of this world to make room for the coming of Christ into our hearts. If you have not already, I would suggest reflecting on this message in relation to the season of Advent! The more we make room for Christ in our hearts, the better our mental health is. The more we base caring for our mental health on the infinite, eternal, and loving Christ and less on the base, finite, and fake promises this world offers, the more peaceful our hearts will be. This week, consider praying about how you can improve your prayer life and mental health during this Advent season.*



Grow in your awareness of "Who do you say I am?"

What is the meaning and significance of the Incarnation?



## Advent Giving Tree

If you have participated in our Advent Giving Tree please bring your gifts by Sunday, December 11th.

Gifts may be wrapped and gift card values should not exceed \$25 per card. Your gift donation can be placed in the Ushers Room or dropped off at the Parish Offices.

## OUTREACH TO THOSE IN NEED

Our **Bereavement Ministry** offers assistance during your time of grief following the death of a family member. Please call the Parish Office.

**Catholic Counseling**— Sacred Heart Counseling can help with anger management, anxiety, marital problems, trauma, depression, self-care and more. For more info call 440-305-6192 or email [lukebrown@sacredheartcleveland.com](mailto:lukebrown@sacredheartcleveland.com).

**Community Meal** program offers free hot meals the second and last Tuesday of the month at 5 pm.

**The Pantry** is stocked with food to assist those in need of food.

Call the **Prayer Line** at 216-331-5075 to entrust your prayer requests to fellow parishioners.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday, December 5

11:30 AM † Ziggy & Loretta Wojtowicz (TK)

### Tuesday, December 6

8:30 AM † Sandra Hayes (TK)

### Wednesday, December 7

11:30 AM † Robert A. Setele (JB)

6:30 PM For the People of this Parish (JB)

### Thursday, December 8

8:30 AM For the People of this Parish (TK)

11:30 AM For the People of this Parish (JB)

6:30 PM For the People of this Parish (TK)

### Friday, December 9

11:30 AM Family of Zak Raddell (TK)

### Saturday, December 10

8:30 AM † Sandra Hayes Jenovic (TK)

4:00 PM † Jean and Bill Garry (JB)

### Sunday, December 11

9:00 AM † Mate Luketic (JB)

11:30 AM † Greg Cosgriff (MM)

6:00 PM † Ed and Mildred Emser (TK)



## GUARDIAN ANGELS EARLY LEARNING CENTER

The students at the Guardian Angels Early Learning Center have officially wrapped up their studies on Trees and are moving onto our next curriculum study, Clothing. We kicked-off the start of our Clothing Study with a pajama day, which was very exciting for our students (and our staff, too)!

We are also preparing for the Advent and Christmas Season in several ways. The students have been hard at work practicing for our Christmas concert. This event is open to the public, so I hope you will join us! This year, our concert will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, December 15, in the Church.



We are also beginning our annual Advent Service Project. Our staff has selected the Ronald McDonald House Charities as the recipient of our service project this year. This Advent season, the SRW Guardian Angels Early Learning Center will be collecting tabs to benefit the Cleveland location of the Ronald McDonald House. By collecting and recycling tabs, the Ronald McDonald House is able to provide meals and items for families, assistance in emergencies, and small gifts for children if they have a birthday while at the House.

Tabs can come from anything with a metallic tab: energy drinks, soup, aluminum cans, etc. There are designated donation containers in the SRW Church, Rectory, Elementary School, or Early Learning Center. If you would like to make a monetary donation to this project, please contact me at [mlorek@srwschool.cc](mailto:mlorek@srwschool.cc) for more information.



Growing with you in Faith,  
Mrs. Molly Lorek  
GAELC Director

## SRW/SJC/GAELC Christmas Party



Dec. 9 in the St. John Of  
The Cross Gym

Calling all people, young and  
old, families and singles, parish-  
ioners and school families, basi-  
cally anyone!

We are going to PARTY!  
Celebrate and have some  
Christmas fun.



Friday, December 9  
6:30 pm – 10 pm

Pizza & Snacks will be provided.  
Please bring a dessert, and beverage  
to share. Adult Beverages are fine!  
Christmas Trivia with prizes worth  
up to \$100! Christmas Music. Meet  
new friends and have a great time  
out. Just have FUN!

Please call 216.731.1515 or go to  
[www.srweuclid.cc/christmas-party](http://www.srweuclid.cc/christmas-party)  
to RSVP



Women's Fellowship  
will have room for YOU at our  
Christmas Breakfast

Sat. Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> Upper Hall  
9 – 11 a.m.

*Special Guest: Fr. John Betters*  
Please make your reservation by Mon., Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>  
Call 216-731-1515



**Have you thought of leaving a legacy, especially for our parish or school?** Remember Ss. Robert & William in your will or trust to continue our traditions and education. Contact Fr. John at the Parish Office for more information.

# Christmas Mass Times

**Saturday, December 24**  
**Christmas Eve**

**4:00 pm (Children's Mass)**  
**7:00 pm**  
**10:00 pm**

**Sunday, December 25**  
**Christmas Day**

**9:00 am**  
**11:30 am**

Confession will be held on Tuesday,  
December 20th at 7 pm, Wednesday,  
December 21st at 10 am & 7 pm, &  
Thursday, December 22nd  
at 10 am.

Euclid Life Teen & EDGE  
**HOLIDAY HAM SALE**



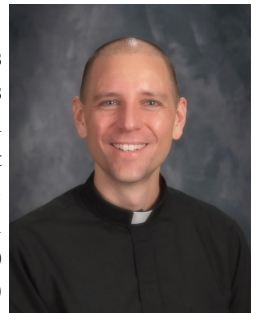
**[SRWEUCLID.CC/HAM-SALE](http://SRWEUCLID.CC/HAM-SALE)**

Fill your table with the most delicious Raddell's Christmas Hams, Sausages, and much more, all while supporting the youth program. All orders must be submitted by December 15. Pick-up will be from 4-6 pm on December 23.



## **FR. SCOTT GOODFELLOW PASTOR INSTALLATION**

Father Scott Goodfellow cordially invites you to joyfully celebrate his installation as the 31<sup>st</sup> Pastor of Saint Patrick Parish in Thompson and as the 15<sup>th</sup> Pastor of Saint Mary Parish in Chardon on Sunday, December 11. Bishop Edward Malesic will install Father Scott as Pastor at the 9:30 am Mass at Saint Patrick Parish (16550 Rock Creek Road, Thompson, Ohio 44086), and Bishop Michael Woost will install Father Scott as Pastor at the 12:00 pm Mass at Saint Mary Parish (401 North Street, Chardon, Ohio 44024). You are invited to an open reception after each installation Mass in the proper parish hall. No RSVP needed. Father Scott wishes to thank you for your prayers and support during his time at our parish.



## **40 DAYS FOR LIFE** THE BEGINNING OF THE END OF ABORTION

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 2022 Fall Campaign of 40 Days for Life. God poured blessings upon the campaign and we know 502 babies, mothers, fathers, and families were spared from abortion, 6 abortion workers experienced conversion, and 12 abortion facilities closed. Praise God! Cumulatively over the 15 years of 40 Days for Life, there have been 22,289 babies spared from abortion, 242 converted abortion workers, and 131 abortion facility closures. Praise God! We look forward to praying with you from February 22 to April 2 in the 2023 Spring Campaign. God bless you and thank you.

John Noall, campaign director - 40 DFL/Cleveland/Bedford Hts/Painesville

## **FREE CHRISTMAS DINNER**

Pick-up Friday,  
December 23 from 5-6 pm  
Saturday, December 24 from 10-11 am  
Delivery is available to the homebound that are  
local. Call Anita at 216-731-1515 to arrange  
delivery.

(NO RSVP needed except for delivery)

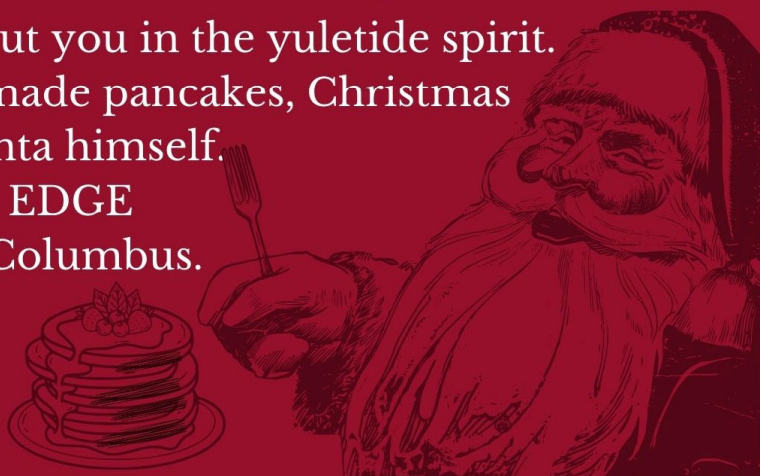
# Santa's Pancake Breakfast

December 18th at 11:15 am  
in the Saint John of the Cross Gym.

This family event is sure to put you in the yuletide spirit. Enjoy a morning of freshly-made pancakes, Christmas activities, and a visit from Santa himself. Hosted by our Life Teen and EDGE program and the Knights of Columbus.



EDGE



## SUPPORT CATHOLIC EDUCATION THROUGH OHIO TAX CREDITS

You can now contribute funds to provide tuition assistance for students at Ss. Robert and William, you will receive a 100% Ohio income tax credit of up to \$750 against your 2022 state tax liability. Ohio allows you to "spend" some of the state income taxes you must pay to provide tuition assistance for students seeking an education in our Catholic schools. Find out more at: [www.catholiccommunity.org/angel-scholarship-fund/overview](http://www.catholiccommunity.org/angel-scholarship-fund/overview)

## 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 living or the deceased. The suggested donation is \$10.

## Daily Advent Reflections with Dr. Tim Gray

Grow closer to our Lord in the manger this Advent season with Dr. Gray as he leads you through the Mass readings every day during **Advent** and **Christmas**.

Sign up for free at [DAILY.FORMED.ORG](http://DAILY.FORMED.ORG)



## What Are Daily Reflections?

Each Daily Reflection is a short video that features Dr. Tim Gray commenting on the daily Mass readings, explaining the Scriptures, and providing you with concrete ideas on how to apply them to your life. Dive deeper into the joys and mysteries of Sacred Scripture with Dr. Gray and enjoy the richness of the liturgical seasons as never before.

## Child Care Aide Position Available

Monday-Friday  
12 - 6 p.m.

Working with  
Infants/Babies  
(6 weeks  
through 2 years  
old)

Guardian Angels Early  
Learning Center at  
Ss. Robert and William  
School

351 E. 260th Street  
Euclid, Ohio 44132



Contact Molly Lorek,  
GAELC Director, at  
[mlorek@srwschool.cc](mailto:mlorek@srwschool.cc) or  
216-331-5080 ext. 256  
to apply

## **PARISH SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM**

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Monday—Friday: 8:00 am— 4:00 pm

Closed Saturday & Sunday

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The Collection: for November 20 was \$8,156.50

Loan Balance: \$573,901.00

Monthly Loan Payment: \$8,362.00

Faith Direct November Second Half, \$4,513



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| Capital Campaign      |                |
| Total of pledges      | \$1,966,126.54 |
| Total received/posted | \$1,856,901.51 |
| Total donors          | 560            |

Please consider a donation to help lower our long-term debt.

Please call me at the Parish Office at 216.731.1515 or email me at

fjb@srweuclid.cc. Thank you very much for your continued generosity.

~Fr. John

## **PRAYERS NEEDED**

Please pray for . . . Brody Blazetic, Ken Brickman, Kenn Brickman, Marianne Ellul, Parker Fine, Tom Golden, Ann Grossman, Helen Herman, Jeanette Hocesvar, Victoria Hodnik, Geraldine Hoffert, Patricia Johnston, Jela Katavic, John Kirk, Karen Long, Dolly Luskin, Betty Mailander, Alice Martincic, Ann Monreal, Bernard Novotney Sr., Ryan Parker, Kathleen Pavicic, Paul Pavicic, Kathleen Pfahl, Carl Phillips, Sheila Reese, John Smith, Kathleen Smyth, Roberta Szmania, Glenn Terrell, Rosemarie Terrell, Jean Toth, Evelyn Troha, Laverne Varga, Linda Wojno, Peggy Yapel, Stansa Zitnik, 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 Donna Norton, and all the families 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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