

May 14, 2023

Sixth Sunday of Easter

SS. ROBERT & WILLIAM

CATHOLIC PARISHES | DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND



ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS

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Dear Parishioners,

Happy Mother's Day! I hope and pray that all moms have a great day. In all honesty, everyday should be your day, but today is your day. So to Moms, Grandmas, Godmothers, Step Moms and those women who play a motherly role, know that we love and appreciate the great gift of your motherhood to our parish, society and of course our individual families. Through the intercession of our Blessed Mother may you receive all the beautiful graces you need to fulfill your role. It is an odd Mother's Day for me as this is the first Mother's Day without my Grandma and Sittoo (Grandma in Lebanese) with both of them passing this past February. My thoughts and prayers are with people who have lost their mom or grandma. I know they continue their motherly role from heaven.



I am very happy to announce that we have a new Music Director, Alex Ulle. Alex will serve as Music Director for both SRW and SJC. Alex is coming to us from St. Bartholomew Parish in Middleburgh Heights. He grew up in Painesville, went to school at St. Mary Painesville, St. Gabriel, and Lake Catholic High School, and has a degree in Music from Baldwin Wallace University. He has worked at several parishes in the diocese, including St. Mary Painesville, St. Gabriel, St. Mary Chardon, St. Thomas More, and, most recently, St. Bartholomew. In addition to liturgical music, he is also the accompanist for several local school choirs and a musical director for theater productions in his free time. He is a man of many talents, plays many instruments and sings as well. A group of five parishioners from each parish interviewed him and unanimously recommended him to me. He

already knows many people in both of the parishes and I think this will help continue the great music ministry at both. We have lots of details to work out once he gets here of how we will now share this role with both parishes, but I am confident it can be done.

SRW will be very sad to see Kyle leave our music ministry. But he leaves with our deep appreciation, love, admiration and best wishes as he takes on a new role at another parish. He has done phenomenal things for our SRW music ministry and the parish in general. Kyle will play the 11:30 am Mass on Sunday, June 4, then there will be a reception for him in the Gym. Please plan on attending.

Make it a great week! See you in Church.

Peace,

Fr. John

SJC MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 15

8:30 AM † Mark Sedar (JB/TSP)

Tuesday, May 16

6:30 PM † Wanda Betters (JB)

Wednesday, May 17

8:30 AM † Marija Obreza (JL)

Thursday, May 18

6:30 PM For the People of this Parish (JL/TS)

Friday, May 19

Saturday, May 20

4:00 PM For all parishioners celebrating a May birthday (JL/TS)

Sunday, May 21

7:45 AM † John & Helen Yakubik (JB/TS)

10:15 AM † Katy Berquist (JB/TS)

2:00 PM Confirmation Mass (+MW)

OUTREACH TO THOSE IN NEED

The SRW **Bereavement Ministry** offers assistance during your time of grief following the death of a family member. Please call the SRW Parish Office at 216.731.1515.

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.

Community Meal program offers free hot meals at both SRW and SJC. At SRW meals are on the second and last Tuesdays of the month at 5:00 pm. SJC has a monthly meal every third Wednesday of the month at 5:00 pm.

The SRW 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.

OUTDOOR SHRINE MASSES AT SJC

The Outdoor Shrine Masses will start Monday, May 29th (Memorial Day) at 8:30 am. They will continue, weather permitting on Sundays at 7:45 am in the shrine through Labor Day, Monday September 4th.

JOIN OUR NEW WOMEN'S GROUP

We invite the women of both SJC and SRW to join us for a monthly meeting of prayer. We'll share our faith journey, devotions, speakers, and learning about our role in today's church. We will meet in SJC church, the 4th Monday of the month from 6:30 – 7:30pm followed by socialization and refreshments. Our first meeting will be Monday, May 22. This is an opportunity to be more present to women of our two parishes and to enjoy each other's company on this journey with and to God!



You are invited to a Dinner and a Fight / Dialogue.

Dinner and a Fight (Dialogue) is designed for

30 to 60 people to experience a really disagreeable topic in a very constructive way. The event is hosted on Tuesday, May 16th at 5:45pm, at St. John of the Cross Catholic Church at 140 Richmond Road in Euclid. Find out more about how the event works at www.Fighting-To-Understand.us.

Or reach us by email at FightingToUnderstand@gmail.com.

If you would like more information about this topic, contact Ted Wetzel at the above contact information or Deacon Tom Shetina at St. John of the Cross Catholic Church, 216-289-0770 or deacontom@sjceuclid.com.



Liturgical Tribute Fund

All money that is donated to this fund in memory of a loved one or friend, or a special occasion will be used to purchase items utilized in our worship and help us to do all that we can to assure that we have what we need to worship reverently and well.

Sincere thank you for your donations to our Liturgical Tribute Fund...

Tom Drozin.....Women's Bocce League

Mary EdelmanWomen's Bocce League

SJC PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Fun Facts: 1: CROCHET REDUCES STRESS & ANXIETY.

2. NEIGHBORS WILL NEVER COMPLAIN YOU ARE CROCHETING TOO LOUD.

3.DINOSAURS DID NOT CROCHET AND LOOK WHAT HAPPENED TO THEM.

Don't know how to crochet? No problem, we will teach you. Our meetings are open to crocheters and knitters who want to share their time and talents to spread the love and care of the Lord to those who need prayers and comfort. We meet the Third Wednesday of every month in room 8 of SJC Community Room. If you know of someone who is ill or in need of healing in mind, body or spirit, please take them a prayer shawl to let them know that they are held in prayer by our community. Contact the Parish Office or Kathy (440-223-8825) or ksomich@hotmail.com.

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Monday, May 15

11:30 AM † Brian LeQuyea (TK)

Tuesday, May 16

8:30 AM † Al Grossman (JB)

Wednesday, May 17

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

Thursday, May 18

8:30 AM † George Bauer (TK)

Friday, May 19

11:30 AM † Palascak Family (TK)

Saturday, May 20

8:30 AM † Jim Szmania (JB)

4:00 PM † Bob Dunmire (TK)

Sunday, May 21

9:00 AM Noah Selby, Omanski, Jablonski & Vidergar Families (TK)

11:30 AM † Carroll Tisot (JB)

6:00 PM † Ralph Zuponcic (JB)

WOMEN'S WEDNESDAY MORNING BOOK DISCUSSION

The next Wednesday Morning Book Discussion will be on May 17th at 10:00AM in SRW's parish office building. We will be reading Rescued: The Unexpected and Extraordinary News of the Gospel by Fr. John Riccardo.

How can we believe and be transformed by the gospel? Once we understand that the gospel is not merely good news but explosive, life-changing news, we will never be the same again. And in response to God's work in our lives, what part can we play in recreating the world for his good plan? In this powerful book, Fr. John Riccardo helps us to see the world through God's lens, with a clear vision of the future. (Amazon Review)

The Women's Wednesday Morning Book Discussion meets on the third Wednesday of the month.

Join us for coffee and great conversation!



The SRW Labre Ministry brings food, clothes and companionship to the homeless on the streets of Cleveland. Named after St. Benedict Joseph Labre, patron saint of the homeless, Labre was begun as a weekly outreach in Cleveland 20 years ago.

Mourning to Morning

is an informative and prayerful program

to help people move *through* the grieving process and *forward* in faith. Sessions begin Saturday, May 20th, 10:30AM in Ss. Robert & William Parish Office Building There is no fee but registration requested.

Contact Renée Barber 216-731-1515 Ext. 262

NOW ENROLLING



- EdChoice Scholarship Provider
- Cleveland Scholarship Provider
- Financial Assistance Available
- Religion Class Taught Daily
- Breakfast and Hot Lunch Available

Ss. Robert and William Catholic School





WILL YOU HELP OUR CHILDREN KNOW THAT THEY ARE TREASURED?

During the week of June 12 – 16, Vacation Bible School will be held at Ss. Robert and William gym. The efforts of numerous people are needed to make this event take place and be successful. Dedicated volunteers are needed to guide children to craft activities, sporting events, biblical story telling, and the preparation/serving of snacks. Please email Fr. Thom if you would like to volunteer--choose between participating the whole week or even one morning. frkowatch@srweclid.cc



Ss. Robert & William School Now Hiring

Current Openings

Grade 3 - Homeroom teacher with concentration in ELA

Grade 4 - Homeroom teacher with concentration in ELA

Grade 4 - Homeroom teacher with concentration in MATH

Grade 6 - Homeroom teacher with concentration in 5/6 MATH

Grade 7 - Homeroom teacher with concentration in 7/8 MATH

Instructional Technology teacher for grades K – 8.

We are transforming education with innovative and creative ways of learning. If you would like to be a part of our exciting staff please send your resume to our Principal, Martha Dodd at mdodd@srwschool.cc.

LINKED-IN-PRAYER

 Parishioners who are unable or are not healthy enough to take an active part in the various parish Masses and activities are invited to be “linked” to the parish through prayer.

Linked-In-Prayer allows those who feel separated from the parish to offer their prayers, joys, sorrows and sufferings for particular needs in the parish and the universal church. **There are no meetings, no membership dues, and no phone calls making requests.** A monthly letter will be sent to participants highlighting prayer intentions of the church. If a member of your family or someone else you know could possibly benefit from being “linked-in” to the parish through prayer, please call the parish office at 216-731-1515 to begin participating in this ministry.

WOMANKIND BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

Mothers Day weekend begins our parish's support of Womankind through their Baby Bottle Fundraiser. Womankind Maternal and Prenatal Care Center's mission is “to provide hope, help, and possibility to any pregnant woman by offering comprehensive, integrative care in a loving, nonjudgmental environment.” Their services are free and made possible through donations, and the Baby Bottle Fundraiser is a great way to offer your support. Bottles will be available at the main doors of the church. Take one home and fill it with change, write a check and place it in the bottle or use the QR code to donate. Please return bottles by Sunday, June 18th. For more information about Womankind go to womankind-cleveland.org



Thank you to everyone who participated in the 2023 Spring Campaign of 40 Days for Life. God poured blessings upon the campaign and we know 680 babies, mothers, fathers, and families were spared from abortion, 2 abortion workers experienced conversion, and 3 abortion facilities closed. Praise God! Cumulatively over the 16 years of 40 Days for Life, there have been 23,525 babies spared from abortion, 247 converted abortion workers, and 138 abortion facility closures. Praise God! We look forward to praying with you from September 27 through November 5 in the 2023 Fall Campaign. God bless you and thank you.

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

MEAL KIT FUNDRAISING EVENT

Order your Meal Kit Fundraiser and Moe's will donate 20% back to your organization. Use the Jotform link to place your order today.

Moe's Southwest Grill Fundraiser: SRW Parent Association has teamed up with Moe's Southwest Grill for a Taco Kit Fundraiser on Tuesday, May 16th. Family taco kits include 2 proteins and all the fixings including chips and salsa. Family taco kits are big enough to feed 4-6 people and the cost is \$39.99. All you need to do is place your order online by May 15th and drive-thru the SRW Parking lot between 5:30 PM – 6:00 PM on Tuesday, May 16th to pick up your hot and ready dinner! Ordering is open to everyone so please pass the word! A flyer with all the details will be sent home in backpack mail. Parent Association receives 20% of all Taco Kit sales from this event. To place your order, click here: <https://form.jotform.com/210194661315147>

Support Ss. Robert William School.
<https://form.jotform.com/210194661315147>

Pick up on May 16th, 5:30-6pm, in the school parking lot.
351 E. 260th St, Euclid, 44132

Order cut off is May 15th at 10pm.



FAIRWELL SONG

Join us for Kyle's last Mass, followed by a reception in the gym on June 4th at 11:30 am. Come share memories and wish him well in his future ministry.

JUNE 4TH
AT 11:30AM

The Eucharist in Scripture

Monday's:
May 8, 15 & ,22
June 5, & 12



Time: 6:30 pm to
8:00 pm

Sacred Heart Chapel - St. John of the Cross Parish
140 Richmond Road, Euclid



Planting the Seeds of Growth

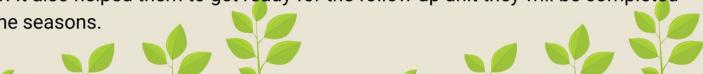
Grade 1 - Mrs. Radachy and Mrs. Warneka

First grade has been busy at work this school year! There is a lot of growth that needs to happen in First Grade, especially with the children becoming readers, writers, exploring math, science, and social studies topics.

One of the exciting projects the students worked on this year was an investigation of snowflakes. They began by talking about the weather. The students compared the weather in the Cleveland area with the weather in other parts of the country. The class talked about how blessed they were to experience snow since not everybody has the chance to experience snow. Dozens of books and online resources were explored to learn all about these unique creations of God. The children also learned about a man named "Snowflake" Bentley, who was the first to photograph and examine snowflakes. On a snowy day, the students adventured outside to take photographs of their own snowflakes and to see the beauty and wonder of the ones they caught.

The students also read about the science behind how snowflakes were formed and brainstormed ways that they could create their own. They created their own snowflakes using Borax to simulate the crystal formation. The children cut out snowflakes and discussed how every snowflake is different and beautiful in its own way, just as God's children are. Students wrote stories about snowy days and how to use the snow. They compared the way snow brings joy and how it can cause problems, too.

This snowflake exploration helped the students gain a deeper understanding about the weather. It also helped them to get ready for the follow-up unit they will be completed about the seasons.



LUKE BROWN REFLECTIONS

In this weekend's Gospel, Jesus speaks to his disciples about the Holy Spirit, whom he will send to them as a comforter and advocate. As I reflect on this passage, I am struck by the idea of comfort and advocacy, and how they relate to the topic of mental health. Mental health is a complex and often challenging topic. It is an area of our lives that is often misunderstood, stigmatized, and marginalized. C.S. Lewis wrote, "Mental pain is less dramatic than physical pain, but it is more common and also more hard to bear." This quote speaks to the reality of mental health struggles. Mental pain is often hidden from view, but it can be just as debilitating as physical pain. It can be difficult to bear, especially when we feel as though we are suffering in silence. Those who struggle with mental health issues often feel isolated, alone, and unsupported. They may feel as though no one understands their struggles, and that there is no one they can turn to for help. This is where the idea of comfort and advocacy comes in. As Christians, we are called to be advocates for those who are marginalized and oppressed. In the context of mental health, this means advocating for those who struggle with mental health issues and working to break down the stigma that they face. We are also called to be a source of comfort for those who are struggling. This means being present with them, listening to them, and supporting them in whatever way we can. We can offer them hope, encouragement, and the reassurance that they are not alone in their struggles. Ultimately, the message of this passage is one of hope and reassurance. Jesus promises to send the Holy Spirit to comfort and advocate for his disciples, and to be with them always. As we navigate the challenges of mental health, we too can take comfort in the knowledge that we are not alone. We have the support of our faith communities, the love of God, and the hope that comes from knowing that we are all beloved children of God.

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The SRW Collection: for May 7th was \$6,902.45

Loan Balance \$536,615.00

Monthly Loan Payment: \$8,362.00



Capital Campaign

Total of pledges	\$1,910,888.74
Total received/posted	\$1,895,295.58

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



SJC Financial Stewardship

Sunday Giving 4/16/23.....	\$3,032.00
Maintenance 4/16/23.....	\$348.00



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SJC Prayer Hotline: 216-289-0770, Ext. 120

Call and leave a short message with your request.

We can also offer prayers of thanksgiving. All information will be kept confidential.

PRAYERS NEEDED



Please pray for..., Phil Beebe, Brody Blazetic, Ken Brickman, Kenn Brickman, Marianne Ellul, Parker Fine, Tom Golden, Ann Grossman, Jeanette Hocevar, Victoria Hodnik, Geraldine Hoffert, Patricia Johnston, Jela Katavic, John Kirk, Karen Long, Donna Lavdis, Dolly Luskin, Alice Martincic, Ann Montreal, Bernard Novotney Sr., Ryan Parker, Kathleen Pavicic, Paul Pavicic, Kathleen Pfahl, Carl Phillips, Sheila Reese, Charlotte Roberts, John Smith, Roberta Szmania, Glenn Terrell, Rosemarie Terrell, Jean Toth, Evelyn Troha, Laverne Varga, Peggy Yapel, and Stansa Zitnik



Evelyn Adamczyk; Helen Herman, Patricia Kavulich, Nancy O'Toole, John Riley, Mary Rot, M.K. Skvasik, Marion Malovasic, and Judy Schmidt, Don Wagner

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 **Mary Jane Hiti**, 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.