

May 21, 2023

Seventh Sunday of Easter



SS. ROBERT
& WILLIAM

CATHOLIC PARISHES



ST. JOHN OF
THE CROSS

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Dear Parishioners,

Today we welcome over 50 young people to St. John of the Cross to be confirmed by Bishop Woost. This is a regional confirmation of Sacred Heart of Jesus in South Euclid, St. Clare in Lyndhurst, Our Lady of the Lake in Euclid, Ss. Robert & William, and St. John of the Cross. This Sacrament completes their initiation into the Catholic Church. Please continue to lift them up in prayer.

This week we have our last day on school on May 25. We wish the children and their families a very happy and safe summer. New this summer will be *Saints & Scholars Leadership Camp*. We have thirty 6th, 7th and 8th graders signed up and they will be on the SJC campus for this camp. We are very excited to help nurture and grow leadership in these young people.

We also say good-bye to a number of our teachers and wish them well as they experience new beginnings. They go with our gratitude and love for all they did for SRW Catholic School:

Mrs. Patrice Garuckas is retiring after many years of service. She is probably one of the finest teachers in the Diocese, if not the country. Everywhere I go people talk about her and the influence she had on their lives. She truly approached her teaching as a ministry and loves her students and their families so much! There is nothing she would not do for them. We wish her well in a much deserved retirement!

Mrs. Diane Radachy is pursuing new opportunities. She has faithfully taught first graders for over a decade at our school. She gave them the gift of literacy by patiently and lovingly helping them learn this invaluable skill. She did many other great things in our school, but one that stands out is being the costume maker/designer for quite a number of our plays and musicals. She has quite a talent in this field! We wish her well in the next phase of her career.

Mrs. Katy Quinlan is pursuing an opportunity to return to teaching younger children in kindergarten. She was only with us a year but worked very hard with our third graders and helped them continue their education. We wish her well as she continues her teaching career.

Mrs. Jenna Davis is pursuing new opportunities. She has done such a great job of teaching our fourth graders and has the great ability to build personal relationships with her students. Jenna was a student at All Saints School when I was newly ordained priest at St. John Vianney, so it was great to see her in adult life embracing the teaching career. She recently got married and wants to focus on this new phase of her life. We wish her well.

Miss Hannah Williams is pursuing an opportunity to teach older students, perhaps in high school. She is a very bright mathematician. She had a great ability to bring a number of our female students together to learn how to worship God through dance. Using beautiful Christian music, these dances expressed a greatness and love of God.

We thank these five teachers for their ministry to our students and their families. We are blessed for having made them a part of the SRW School community. We pray for God's choicest blessings upon them as they move on to new adventures and opportunities.

We also wish **Mrs. Mary Beth Cox** well as she transitions from teaching full time to part time. She will be teaching religion to our 7th and 8th graders. I think she will do great in this new role! And to **Mrs. Kristen Trost** who will transition from full time classroom teaching to being our building sub. She has a beautiful toddler girl and wants to be able to spend as much time with her as possible. We are so glad that these two women will still be a part of the SRW School Community.

Please keep all students and teachers in your prayers that they may have a safe, rejuvenating, and restful summer!

Make it a great week. See you in Church.

Peace,

Fr. John



SJC MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 22

8:30 AM † Fr. Edward Mehok (JB/TS)

Tuesday, May 23

6:30 PM † Luke Raguz (JB)

Wednesday, May 24

8:30 AM † Michael Long (JL)

Thursday, May 25

6:30 PM Katy Berquist (JL/TSP)

Friday, May 26

Saturday, May 27

4:00 PM Joan and Gene Donnelly (TK/TSP)

Sunday, May 28

7:45 AM † Mary Ellen & Joseph Loparo (JB/TSP)

10:15 AM † Katy Berquist (JL/TSP)

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!

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



GOD, GUARDIANS & GRILLING

**TUESDAY, JUNE 6
STARTING WITH 6:30 PM MASS
AT ST. JOHN THE CROSS**

Catholic Watchmen are men living a faith-based discipline whose aim is to encourage our brothers in Christ to grow closer to God. On Tuesday, June 6th, we will do just that by celebrating Mass, grilling, talking, and listening to the Guardian's game at SJC. To find out more about Catholic Watchmen go to: srweuclid.cc/catholic-watchmen

RISE UP, FAST & PRAY

During the Months of June and September, we ask you to pray 1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary, and 1 Glory Be, daily and fast from something meaningful as we rise up against the Ohio Abortion Mandate.

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 22

11:30 AM † Ralph & Kristina Cebron (TK)

Tuesday, May 23

8:30 AM † Bernard and Mary McCluskey (JB)

Wednesday, May 24

11:30 AM † Kenneth Davis (JB)

Thursday, May 25

8:30 AM † Lois Bambic (TK)

Friday, May 26

11:30 AM † Jessica Kochis (TK)

Saturday, May 27

8:30 AM † Rev. Francis R. Sterk (TK)

4:00 PM † James Razek (JB)

Sunday, May 28

9:00 AM For the People of this Parish (JB)

11:30 AM † William Flowers (TK)

6:00 PM † John Sheredy (TK)



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.

In our parish, a group of adult parishioners and youth prepare and deliver a hot breakfast to people every other Saturday morning. The work is surrounded by prayer and time with the Blessed Sacrament in our Perpetual Adoration Chapel.

The 2024 objectives for Labre are to expand to weekly and to get more of our parish youth actively involved. This is to ask you to consider:

- Volunteering to join the Labre outreach schedule with your children. We estimate you would go out once every six (6) months. For more information, contact Jeff Pesek at 216.392.7104 or jepesek@yahoo.com.
- Adult volunteers to join our ministry as core members so we can move to a weekly outreach.
- A small monetary donation for the ongoing purchase of food and serving supplies. If you wish to donate, please mail or drop off a check, made out to SRW Church, to the parish office. Please denote "Labre Ministry" on the envelope or in the memo line of the check.

Thank you for your consideration. St. Benedict Joseph Labre, pray for us!

HELP CREATE MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO PROTECT THE SANCTITY OF LIFE.



All funds raised this weekend will be used to strengthen services that care for women and children.

A year after the Supreme Court's historic reversal of *Roe v. Wade*, Catholic Charities recognizes its call to action in expanding programs and services that protect life. Building on a long history of helping babies and young mothers, Catholic Charities is actively growing its outreach throughout Northeast Ohio.

Your Gift will be Invested to Expand Programs that Respect Life, including:

- Providing children with safe, happy homes through Foster Care and Adoption
- Encouraging early prenatal and well-baby care with the Help Me Grow Visiting Program
- Educating & inspiring people to be stewards of the gift of life through the Diocesan Office for Human Life
- Supporting pregnant and parenting women with physical, emotional, spiritual, and professional support through pregnancy support centers

WAYS TO GIVE:

DONATE ELECTRONICALLY
for immediate impact.

Your parish receives credit towards their parish goal regardless of how you give.



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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.

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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.

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@srweuclid.cc

LUKE BROWN REFLECTIONS

This weekend, we celebrate the Ascension of Jesus that will be followed by Pentecost next week, which is the Descent of the Holy Spirit. These two weekends have always reminded me of the hardship of losing someone close to us. I think that if I would have been one of the Apostles, I would have been very sad and anxious about Jesus leaving for Heaven while I was left on Earth. Comparing this loss to the loss of a loved one, it is very hard when we feel the permanence of losing someone that was such a big part of our life. We can no longer go to them for conversation, guidance, or support in the way that we used to. However, Jesus tells us that the Holy Spirit will be with us and guiding us after His Ascension. While the Holy Spirit and the spirit of a loved one are different, it can be helpful to think of the spirit of the deceased living on in us. The spirit lives on in our memory of the person and we take faith in the hope that they will be waiting for us on the other side. When Jesus ascended into heaven, his teachings and spirit lived on. When our loved ones are gone, their teachings and spirit live on as well. Because of this, we can turn to our memories of them when we are dealing with difficult emotions. What would they say about our current suffering? What sort of guidance would they give us? What sort of love and support would they give us? If we do this, we keep their memory and love alive in spite of their absence physically. If you have lost a loved one, consider reflecting on the reminder that death is not the end but a transition to a new form of existence and that their spirit, love, and wisdom can live on in you.



You are invited to golf for a cause at Zelie's Home 3rd Annual Birdies for Babies Golf Scramble on Friday, June 9th at Sleepy Hollow Golf Course in Brecksville, Ohio. All proceeds support our homes in Garfield Heights and Lakewood serving pregnant and parenting women and their children. You can be a part of

changing lives two at a time! \$150 per golfer / \$600 per four-some. Fees include 18 Holes, Cart, Breakfast, Lunch, Beverages and Raffle opportunities. For more information, visit www.zelieshome.org/events/birdiesforbabies or contact [Erin Hathaway](mailto:Erin.Hathaway@executivedirector@zelieshome.org) at executivedirector@zelieshome.org.

CONFIRMANDI CLASS OF 2023

Samuel Bray

Daniel Longstreet

Celia Brewer

Autumn Maltba

Gabriel Brokamp

Gianna Marsico

Audrey Catalano

Dean Masotya

Precious Chahe

Audrey Mocadlo

Reese Craig

Matthew Mocadlo

Cole Geiger-Dugandzic

Cecelia Pomnean

Jake Homan

Ella Raddell

John Komosa

Isaac Raddell

Rebecca Leone

Nicholas Vurbic



SS. ROBERT & WILLIAM
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Class of 2023

Christina Biliani

John Komosa

Geanice Bostick

Raegan Kvoriak

Samuel Bray

Keymirah Lattimore

Celia Brewer

Rebecca Leone

Gabriel Brokamp

Saani Lloyd

Bre Brown

Jailynna Lockett

Precious Chahe

Daniel Longstreet

Reese Craig

Dean Masotya

Isabella Dalto

Alyssa Mullins

Brooklyn Elston

Jonathan Noland

Carlie Emanuel

William Perez

Elyse Farrar

Cecilia Pomnean

Nicholas Gabriel

Ella Raddell

Cole Geiger-Dugandzic

Isaac Raddell

Jaevon Hairston

Sephiroth Rivers

Jahi Hobson

Cerenity Sanders

Jake Homan

David Schaefer

Guita Kande

Leon Truman

Dennis Tucker

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**



Planting the Seeds of Growth

Music - Mrs. Schenk

Welcome to SRW music class! Here we experience music in many different ways depending on the grade level. BKG-2 includes plenty of movement in order to identify and feel steady beats, rhythm, form, pitch, and just to have fun. Grades 3-4 play instruments such as resonator bells, xylophone, claves, drums, egg shakers, and other percussion instruments. Fourth grade has begun to learn how to read music and play the recorder. And middle and upper grades have created rhythm sentences.

Sometimes the music we heard and sang this school year followed the seasons or holidays, but it often reflected a theme or type of music. For example, in the middle and upper grades we learned a lot about the orchestra, identifying instruments, and hearing examples. All grade levels focused on jazz for a good deal of time, reading books about jazz artists, hearing their music, and singing songs. Highlights included Duke Ellington and "Take the 'A' Train", Charlie Parker and "Bebop", Louis Armstrong playing trumpet but also singing "What a Wonderful World", and Ella Fitzgerald singing "Summertime" and "Blue Skies". We even learned to scat-sing like Ella and follow the up and down motion of "Blue Skies".

Recently, third and fourth graders focused on preparing for a short music performance at the Learning Expo. The fourth graders did an excellent job playing two beginning recorder songs. They then joined the third graders to sing, "Follow the Drinking Gourd", a song used by slaves to guide them toward freedom along the underground railroad. Third graders continued by singing a peaceful "Rain Song", accompanied by special percussion instrumentation. The finale was a fun Moroccan folk song with silly lyrics and motions. They successfully sang it in two-part round form!

In several grade levels, music exploration closes the school year by learning about "The Beatles" and their contributions and influence. We are also trying our hands at fun movement and rhythm play along opportunities that accompany their songs. Since fifth graders have learned about the planets in science, they have been focusing on the orchestral music called, "The Planets", by composer Gustav Holst. We are discovering that his music greatly influenced composer John Williams as he created the soundtrack to the Star Wars movies. Younger grade levels are reviewing scale steps and rhythm as they sing and move to songs about spring weather and animals. What is so evident is that music reaches every area of our lives and learning. As Maya Angelou said, "Everything in the universe has a rhythm, everything dances."

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS PARISH PATRIOTIC ROSARY

Please join the Men's Prayer Group in praying the Patriotic Rosary after the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Memorial Day, May 29 weather permitting in the outside Grotto of St. John of the Cross Parish.

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



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20th Anniversary

We want to wish Fr. John well as we celebrate the 20th anniversary of his ordination, on May 17th. We thank him for saying yes to the priesthood and for the many years he has blessed this community with his ministry. God bless Fr. John!



2 Months Away!
July 20-23



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<https://brurl.co/ssrw>

**volunteers
needed**





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The SRW Collection: for May 14th was \$6,758.05

Faith Direct May, First Half, \$12,712

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 5/14/23.....\$3,207.50

Maintenance 5/14/23.....\$636.00



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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 Monreal, 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.