

May 28, 2023

Pentecost Sunday



# SS. ROBERT & WILLIAM

CATHOLIC PARISHES



ST. JOHN OF  
THE CROSS  
CATHOLIC PARISHES | DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND



Dear Parishioners,

Happy Memorial Day weekend! I hope you have some fun things planned for the unofficial kickoff to summer. This is a weekend we recognize and honor the brave men and women who served in our military and have died. I cannot think of a greater way to give one's life than serving to protect your fellow men and women. Jesus is the ultimate model of this when He gave His life for all of us. Please be sure to lift up in your prayers the repose of the soul of all those who have served and died and all those who are currently serving, that the Lord may protect them always. We will have Mass at 8:30 am in the outdoor Shrine (weather permitting) at SJC and 9:00 am at SRW in the church on Memorial Day. Hopefully you can start your day with Mass.

This weekend we bid farewell to Kyle Lorek at SRW. This is his last "official" weekend as Music Director. He will be moving on to a new role as Pastoral Associate at St. Mary in Mentor. He will be here next Sunday, June 4 at the 11:30 am Mass followed by a reception in the gym for his "Farewell Song." Please plan on attending if you are able to say thank you to Kyle for all he has done for SRW. Under his leadership, we have unified our SRW Music Ministry in one cohesive ministry, created a great new music space in the main body of the church, raised money and got a great new piano, helped upgrade and expand our audio & visual capabilities in the church, gym, & upper hall. He has scheduled and trained our liturgical ministers, represented us in the ecumenical community of Euclid, and who can forget the concerts and most importantly, Lamb of God. While all these things are very impressive for a young man, I must say Kyle's greatest gift is the love, sacredness, and spiritual gifts he brings to the music ministry. While I sense he always does his best because of his love of music, I believe it is his love of God and his personal relationship with Him that drives him. It comes out in all he does. For this I feel SRW was BLESSED! Words could not adequately express our appreciation for his ministry, and I do believe he has forever left a mark on the SRW community and the SJC community because he was always willing to share his talents there as well. On behalf of both communities, please join me in expressing our appreciation and love for all he has done, and we wish him well as he moves forward. I know he will not be a stranger and we will see him again.

Next weekend we welcome Alex Ulle to our parish communities. Over the next few months, he will get to know our communities and work to continue the great things that we are already doing in both parishes!

Make it a great week! See you in Church.  
Peace,  
Fr. John



## SJC MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, May 29**

8:30 AM For the Active, Retired, & Deceased Military  
(JL/TS)

**Tuesday, May 30**

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

**Wednesday, May 31**

8:30 AM † Patricia Rossoll (JL)

**Thursday, June 1**

6:30 PM Fr. Edward Mehok (JL/TSP)

**Friday, June 2**

**Saturday, June 3**

4:00 PM Sam Corea (JB/TS)

**Sunday, June 4**

7:45 AM † Minka Kmetich (JL)

10:15 AM † Ferdinand Krecic (TK)

## SJC PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

*Fun Facts: 1: CROCHET REDUCES STRESS & ANXIETY.  
2. NEIGHBORS WILL NEVER COMPLAIN YOU ARE CROCHETING TOO LOUD.*

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.

## 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. 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](http://srweuclid.cc/catholic-watchmen)

## 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.

## COMMUNITY CENTER SURVEY

Ss. Robert & William, and St. John of the Cross Parishes in conjunction with Catholic Charities, are exploring the possibility of opening a Family Resource / Community Center to be located at 140 Richmond Road in Euclid, OH. The center would be housed in the former St. John of the Cross School building.

With the goal of bringing healing and wholeness of body, mind and spirit, the center would provide vital support, resources, and services to the community. Programs and support services would be free of charge and available to anyone and everyone living in the community. We hope you will share your thoughts and opinions by participating in this brief survey, as your feedback will help us make important decisions moving forward. We have engaged TRIAD Research Group, an independent research firm to assist us with this process.

It should take no more than 10 minutes to complete, and to make it simple, there are three options for completing this brief survey:

- **Computer or tablet** - Type the following URL into your web browser: [www.triadsurvey.com/B](http://www.triadsurvey.com/B)
- **Smartphone** - Complete the survey using your smartphone, by scanning the QR code.



Be assured that your responses will go directly to TRIAD for processing and tabulation. Results will only be shared in aggregate form, and your individual responses will remain completely anonymous.

In advance, I want to extend my personal thanks for sharing your ideas and opinions.

## SRW MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, May 29**

8:30 AM For the Active, Retired, & Deceased Military  
(TK)

**Tuesday, May 30**

8:30 AM † Sandra Paus (TK)

**Wednesday, May 31**

11:30 AM † Ralph J. Cebron (JB)

**Thursday, June 1**

8:30 AM † William Bambic (JB)

**Friday, June 2**

11:30 AM † Deceased Members of the Pohl Families (TK)

**Saturday, June 3**

8:30 AM † John "Bobby" Piskur (JB)

4:00 PM For the People of this Parish (TK)

**Sunday, June 4**

9:00 AM † Edie Gron & Jim Minogue (JB)

11:30 AM † Bryan Duke (JB)

6:00 PM † Arthur and Annabell Reimer (TK)

## FAREWELL SONG



JUNE 4TH  
AT 11:30AM



Ss Robert and William Parish invites children entering Kindergarten to those who have completed 4th grade to attend this summer's Vacation Bible School: **TREASURED**. Children will go to the tropics to discover God's treasure – especially how God treasures them. This week will be filled with an affirmation of each child as they experience God's love for them. Plan on attending this year's Vacation Bible School which will be held the mornings of June 12<sup>th</sup> – June 16<sup>th</sup> in the parish gym from 9 am to 12 noon.

**HELP CREATE MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO PROTECT THE SANCTITY OF LIFE.**

**Ss. Robert & William will have In-Pew Giving the weekend of June 3-4.**

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.



**GIVE ONLINE** Scan or visit [www.CatholicCommunity.org/human](http://www.CatholicCommunity.org/human)

SCAN ME!



# **Junior Kindergarten**

## **NOW ENROLLING**

Junior Kindergarten at Ss. Robert and William Catholic School is a full-day program designed to prepare your child for Kindergarten and beyond in a nurturing, one-on-one, small-size classroom environment.

Junior Kindergarten will run Monday through Friday from 7:45 am - 2:45 pm, mirroring the elementary school hours. This program is open to children turning 5 between October 1 and November 30. Students may also be placed into this program based on family interest, assessment information, social-emotional development, and kindergarten screening results.

Let our dedicated faculty and staff help your child take the next step in his or her education journey.

**FIND OUT MORE AT: [WWW.SRW SCHOOL.CC](http://WWW.SRW SCHOOL.CC)  
OR CALL 216-731-3060.**



## 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](mailto:frkowatch@srweuclid.cc)

### LUKE BROWN REFLECTIONS

Do you remember when “What would Jesus do?” was a popular phrase? It still is in some circles, but I remember in the late 2000s when everyone was wearing the rubber bracelets that had “WWJD?” printed on them. I had the bracelets and it was a useful reminder for a bit, but the more I think about this phrase, the more I do not like it. The way it is phrased makes it sound like Jesus is simply a historical figure or somehow removed from our situation, who we recall to make a moral decision. It is the equivalent of asking “What would Abraham Lincoln do?” The reality is that Jesus is not restricted to history or somehow removed from us but is present in every moment of our lives. This is even more apparent as we celebrate Pentecost Sunday this weekend. Jesus is with us through the Holy Spirit always and guiding us towards Heaven constantly. I think that a better way to phrase it is, “Jesus, what are you doing?” When we are faced with a difficult decision, where is Jesus in our heart at that moment? When suffering is present, where is Jesus in the midst of that suffering? This differently worded phrase, “Jesus, what are you doing?” has the language of turning to God and being mindful of his presence in our daily lives. Being mindful of God’s presence helps us to keep our identity centered as beloved children of God. I have found that this practice is helpful for all Catholics but, in a particular way, for those that are struggling with their mental health. This week, consider reflecting on this different phrasing in your prayer life and see if it helps you to remember that the Holy Spirit is present in every moment of your day.



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 foursome. Fees include 18 Holes, Cart, Breakfast, Lunch, Beverages and Raffle opportunities. For more information, visit [www.zelieshome.org/events/birdiesforbabies](http://www.zelieshome.org/events/birdiesforbabies) or contact [Erin Hathaway](mailto:Erin.Hathaway@zelieshome.org) at [executivedirector@zelieshome.org](mailto:executivedirector@zelieshome.org).

## 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](mailto: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.



### SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE

Two years ago we began a Seven Sisters Apostolate group at Ss. Robert & William Parish which is designed to support our parish through prayer. Each day of the week a different Sister prays for the pastor for one hour before the Blessed Sacrament either in front of the Tabernacle or in the Adoration Chapel. This year three of our sisters have to step back for various reasons. We are looking for 3 ladies willing to pray one hour on Wednesday, Friday or Saturday for the next year from June 11 through the feast of Corpus Christi 2024. If you are interested in joining us or would like more information about the Seven Sisters Apostolate call or email Margaret Joyce at (216) 970-8762 or [margaret.joyce@yahoo.com](mailto:margaret.joyce@yahoo.com)

**Women's Fellowship**  
**PICNIC – Rain or Shine**  
**Upper Hall or The Grove**  
**Sat., June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Please Note  
Time Change!**  
**Call 216-731-1515**  
**To make your  
reservation**

# Planting the Seeds of Growth

What would happen if student learning connected to real-world problems? How can educators leverage the power of industry? Can students lead their own learning?

On May 3rd, Saints Robert and William Catholic School (SRW) fifth and sixth graders answered these questions with confidence and pride when industry leaders, parents, and educators gathered for a Celebration of Learning.

During the celebration, these hard-working students presented their proposed solutions to problems they have been exploring since October: What design should Saints Robert and William Catholic School use to create an Outdoor Learning Space and Greenhouse?

Fifth graders shared their proposed designs for an Outdoor Learning Space, and sixth graders presented their designs for a Greenhouse after diligently collaborating in teams and directing their own learning for seven months. Students showed off their work, which included 3-D dioramas and presentations highlighting the important aspects of their Greenhouses and Outdoor Learning Spaces. Industry partners evaluated each group's work and were thoroughly impressed with the results. Their positive feedback further emphasized what everyone was thinking... a job well done!

TelPi, an education consulting company dedicated to transforming education by leveraging the power of industry, connected the school with local industry experts. The industry experts served as hands-on resources for the students as they explored ways to solve their real-world problems and provided support and training to the teachers throughout TelPi's Problem-Based Instruction Units (PBIUs). "I am truly impressed with the master teachers at SRW. They tackled these challenging PBIUs, skillfully guiding their students through problem-based learning," according to Dawn Molnar, a TelPi Education Specialist working with SRW. "My favorite portion of the Celebration of Learning was seeing the pride on the students' faces as they shared all that they learned, the challenges their teams overcame, and their creative designs resulting from their self-directed learning."

Undoubtedly, the students had a lot of learning to celebrate. Joe Ferut, an industry partner who the students consulted with multiple times during the PBIUs, was "sincerely impressed by the passion of both the students and teachers!" And the teachers beamed with pride as their students showcased their learning to the industry partners and parents in attendance. Sixth Grade teacher Julie Turk expressed, "All the students exceeded teacher expectations with their creativity, effort, and presentation performance. We are so proud of them!"

Industry partners played an important role in the PBIUs. Lou Ciraldo from Summit Construction, Peter Bode from Community Life Collaborative, Jakob Hamlescher from Cuyahoga Soil & Water Conservation District, Noelle Akin from Pettiti Garden Center, Joe Ferut, retired architect, and Christopher Cheraso and Amanda Meireer from Cleveland Metroparks served as expert resources during these PBIUs, offering their knowledge, advice, and experience to the students and teachers. Fifth grade teacher Mary Beth Cox shared, "The industry partners were a great help in leading the students to discover new and innovative ideas while planning their Outdoor Learning Space. Their hands-on approach encouraged communication and collaboration among the students." The industry partners gave of their time and talent and were instrumental in the learning process as they collaborated and met with students throughout the learning continuum.

In addition to standard subject area content, students demonstrated 21st-century skills such as collaboration, communication, problem-solving, critical thinking, and creativity as it relates to each subject area. Several students shared sentiments about the value of learning to work in a team. According to sixth grader Emily, "Working hard is its own reward. We might not be perfect individuals, but as a team, we come pretty close!" Jaiden commented, "I never knew how much teamwork mattered until I did this."

Students also learned that brainstorming and altering plans are an important part of the design process, changing the way they define mistakes and failure. "There will be obstacles. There will be mistakes. But with hard work, there are no limits," said Addy. Mae added, "It's okay to keep trying and one day you'll succeed. We had to re-do our floor plan, but that's good because we love the finished product."

Perseverance was another theme evident when discussing the PBIUs with students. Sixth grader Catherine learned, "You don't just happen to reach your goal, you have to put hard work into it." Omar agreed, "Success doesn't come from easy; it comes from hard work and dedication."

SRW plans to incorporate aspects of the fifth and sixth graders' designs in the Outdoor Learning Space and Greenhouse that will be added to the school property in the upcoming year. According to Malaya, "The project was a challenge, but I was excited to be a part of it." The entire community will benefit from these special additions due to the efforts of the students. Way to go SRW!



NOW HIRING

## ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

MONDAY-FRIDAY  
7 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

SEND YOUR RESUME TO  
MOLLY LOREK AT  
MLOREK@SRWSCHOOL.CC

### Benefits include

- Paid Time Off
- Life Insurance
- Paid Professional Development
- Employee Discount

## TEN REASONS TO MAKE YOUR OFFERTORY GIFT THROUGH FAITH DIRECT

1. No more checks to write or envelopes to find
2. 52 Weeks of predictable income for our parish
3. Greater security than cash or checks
4. No cost for you to participate
5. Online control of your offertory giving – including special collections
6. Reduction of envelope and postage expense for our parish
7. Less work for our parish office staff to post contribution records
8. Offertory cards enable you to witness your gift of treasure
9. Earn credit card points for your offertory gifts Fr. John does!

Join the parishioners who use *Faith Direct* for their parish giving. Ss. Robert & William giving visit [faith.direct/OH298](https://faith.direct/OH298), St. John of the Cross visit [faith.direct/OH960](https://faith.direct/OH960) or call 1-866-507-8757.





## PARTH SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

**Fr. John D. Betters**, Pastor  
fjb@srweuclid.cc, ext. 228

**Fr. Thom Kowatch**, Parochial Vicar  
frkowatch@srweuclid.cc, ext. 229

**Renee Barber**, Pastoral Associate  
rbarber@srweuclid.cc, ext. 262

**Michael Cox**, Youth & Young Adult Minister  
mcox@srweuclid.cc, ext. 246

**Martha Dodd**, K-8 Principal  
mdodd@srschool.cc, ext. 231

**Renee Dzuroff**, Business Manager  
rdzuroff@srweuclid.cc, ext. 224

**Anita Linsky**, Office Manager  
alinsky@srweuclid.cc, ext. 221

**Kyle Lorek**, Director of Music  
klerek@srweuclid.cc, ext. 241

**Molly Lorek**, Director GAEYC  
mlorek@srschool.cc, ext. 256

**Bob Perusek**, Liturgy Director  
bperusek@srweuclid.cc, ext. 290

**Nathan Raddell**, Director of Communications  
nraddell@srweuclid.cc, ext. 280

**Anney Roach**, DRE  
aroach@srweuclid.cc, ext. 248



### **Parish Office Hours:**

Monday—Friday: 8:00 am—4:00 pm  
Closed Saturday & Sunday  
367 E. 260th Street Euclid, OH 44132  
216.731.1515 216.731.0300 (Fax)  
info@srweuclid.cc www.srweuclid.cc



The SRW Collection: for May 21st was \$4,357.75

Faith Direct May Second Half, \$5,008

Loan Balance \$536,615.00

Monthly Loan Payment: \$8,362.00



### Capital Campaign

Total of pledges	\$1,910,888.74
Total received/posted	\$1,895,901.58

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 5/21/23.....\$2,689.00

Maintenance 5/21/23.....\$1,100.00

### Faith Direct First Half May

Offertory.....\$4,507.50

Maintenance.....\$1,318.50



## PARTH SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

**Fr. John D. Betters**, Pastor  
fjb@srweuclid.cc, ext. 103

**Rev. Gerald Bednar**, Priest in Residence  
Ext. 115

**Rev. John Loya**, Priest in Residence  
jloya@dioceseofcleveland.org

**Deacon Tom Shetina**, Deacon  
deacantom@sjceuclid.com, Ext. 112

**Renee Dzuroff**, Business Manager  
rdzuroff@srweuclid.cc 216-731-1515, ext. 224

**Terri Burrello**, Sacristan

**Karen Duke**, Office Manager  
kduke@sjceuclid.com, Ext. 100

**Tom Hagen**, Maintenance Director

**Gene Fiorelli**, Maintenance



### **Parish Office Hours:**

Monday, Tuesday 8:00 am — 4:00 pm  
Closed Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday &  
Sunday

**140 Richmond Road, Euclid, OH 44143**  
**216-289-0770 | sjceuclid.com**

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 **Carol Nicola**, 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.