

March 3, 2024

Third Sunday of Lent



SS. ROBERT & WILLIAM

CATHOLIC PARISHES | DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND

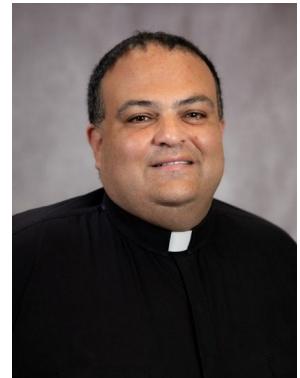


ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS

Dear Parishioners,

It is hard to believe that March is already here and Spring is just 18 days away . I hope Lent is going well for you. As we continue our Lenten journey, I encourage you to grow in your *Prayer* life, *fast* from things that will prevent you from becoming a better version of yourself, and look for opportunities to give *Alms* with your time, talent & treasure.

This week Fr. Thom, Renee Barber, Deacon Tom, and I will be leading our two-night Parish Mission. It is March 4 and 5 at 7:00 pm (join us on March 5 at 6:30 pm for Mass) at St. John of the Cross. The title of the Mission is *Rejoice and Be Glad: The Beatitudes and the Eucharist*. We will be reflecting on the 8 Beatitudes and how they relate so much to the Eucharist and the Real Presence of Jesus Christ. So many times, people like to have the Beatitudes read at a loved one's funeral. However, I believe they should be read at our Baptism and throughout our life as a way of life for a Christian Catholic, follower of Jesus Christ. It is through the reception of the Eucharist that we can be blessed. In what would appear to the world as weakness, but with Christ, it is made holy, sacred, and triumphant. Please plan to join us these two nights.



Next Wednesday, March 13, I will be waiting tables at Mama Catena at 711 Babbitt Road in Euclid. This is the third time I have done this, and all the tips I make are donated to our Lenten Almsgiving, in which we are assisting with building a hospital in Kuda, Nigeria. The main structure is now complete, and they are hoping to get the windows and inside furnishings completed soon. Please invite your family and friends to join me that evening. I would love to be your waiter.

A few weeks ago, Martha Dodd, our school principal, shared with me, that she is retiring after 40 years in Catholic Education. Martha has remarkably served as a teacher and principal in only two schools in those 40 years. She started her teaching career at St. John of the Cross (formerly St. Felicitas) and then came to SRW in 2014. I told her that she has ministered in Euclid longer than any priest! She is an extraordinary, gifted educator, and this is bittersweet. I am so happy that she gets to enjoy a well-deserved retirement, but it is a real loss for our school. The good news is she is not going far as she and her husband Bill will remain active parishioners. We have initiated a search for a new leader for our school. Please pray that the right person is found.

The St. Patrick's Day Mass, hosted in partnership with the Eastside Irish American Club, will be Sunday, at 10 am at Ss. Robert & William. Please note the time! There will be NO 11:00 am Mass at SRW that day.

Hope to see you at the Fish Fry this Friday, followed by Mass and Stations of the Cross.

Make it a great week. See you at the Mission and in church.

Peace,

Fr. John

SJC MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 4

8:30 AM † Larry Rowe (JB/TS)

Tuesday, March 5

6:30 PM † Eugene Hertrick (JB)

Wednesday, March 6

8:30 AM † Mike Budny (JL)

Thursday, March 7

6:30 PM † Georgene Gricar (JL/TS)

Friday, March 8

9:00 AM Morning Prayer

Saturday, March 9

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

Sunday, March 10

9:30 AM † Andrew & Helen Yakubic & Family (JL)

LOAVES AND FISHES BABY PANTRY

SRW and SJOC will be collecting baby items for the Loaves and Fishes Baby Pantry throughout the season of Lent. Needed items include (but are not limited to):

Diapers (sizes newborn, 3, 4, 5), Baby wipes, Diaper rash cream, Baby wash/baby shampoo, Onesies/sleepers, Clothing (Newborn through 18 mo.), Blankets, Crib sheets, Baby bottles, Infant socks, Small toys, and Board books.

All items must be new! Please place your items in the baskets at the door of the church or bring them to the SRW or SJOC parish office. We appreciate your generosity!



ALL SOULS CEMETERY – PRE-PLANNING SEMINAR

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour pre-planning seminar on **Wednesday, March 13th, 2024, at 5:30p.m.** Please join us to learn more about the necessary steps to pre-planning the burial process, burial options including options for cremated remains, and the Catholic burial rite. We kindly ask that you **RSVP** to this event to All Souls Cemetery – 10366 Chardon Rd., Chardon, Oh. **216-641-7575 ext. 4** or email **bstrauchon@clecem.org**.



Weekly Rosary hikes - enjoy nature while praying the Rosary on weekly Rosary hikes at different parks in northeast Ohio. Usually held on Saturday or Sunday. If interested, please text or call Tom Wetzel at 440-667-1705 or email at wetzelfam7@gmail.com

Parish Mission
MARCH 4 & 5
@ 7 PM
@ SJC CHURCH
Rejoice and Be Glad:
The Beatitudes and
The Eucharist

RETREAT OPPORTUNITY

The Center for Eucharistic Evangelizing is offering a Retreat on March 8 & 9, 2024 in response to the US Bishop's Eucharistic Revival. This retreat experience will focus on the Scriptural themes of the Eucharist: Covenant, Memorial, and Prophetic Witness. Come and walk with us at St. Paschal Baylon Church in Highland Heights as we deepen our experience of Eucharist through song, story, small and large group interactions, prayer, teaching and witnessing. To register or learn more information please call (440) 442-3410 or email litescripture@gmail.com.

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.

Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry is stocked to assist those are in need of food. Call 216-731-1515 X 109

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

SRW MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 4

11:30 AM † Glen Michael Schulte (TK)

Tuesday, March 5

8:30 AM † Frank Pierce (JB)

Wednesday, March 6

11:30 AM † Ralph A. Cebron (JB)

Thursday, March 7

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

Friday, March 8

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

7:00 PM † Freddy Sivillo (TK)

Saturday, March 9

8:30 AM † Bruno, Marianna, & Joseph Pitingolo (JB)

4:00 PM † Joseph Saba (TK)

Sunday, March 10

8:00 AM † Richard Rypinski (TK)

11:00 AM † Papa Catena (JB)

6:00 PM The Hronek Family (JB)



BRICK BY BRICK: HELPING KUDA BUILD

It's difficult to pinpoint exactly how many people live in the village communities because so many have been displaced by terrorists – Boko Haram and ISWAP (Islamic State West Africa Province). Before the terrorist attacks, which killed many people and caused others to flee to safer areas, around 10,000 people would have been a safe estimate. People are now returning to their communities and the population is slowly rising. With the increase in population a health clinic is a definite need for the village.



EASTER COMMUNITY MEAL

The food is ordered and the packing containers are on their way. What is needed to serve an Easter Community Meal again is you! Please contact the parish office if you would like to **volunteer on Saturday, March 30** for an hour. Forty-four volunteers are needed. Please also consider **donating Easter Candy** so that each of the 350 meals may include an Easter Basket.

LIVING STATIONS

**FRIDAY, MARCH 29TH
STARTING AT 7 PM**

Don't miss this moving and powerful depiction of the Stations of the Cross from our Life Teen youth group.



FREE EASTER DINNER



Pick-up Holy Saturday,
March 30 from 12 noon - 3 pm
Limited local delivery is available by
calling 216.731.1515.

367 E. 260th St. Euclid Ohio 44132

**LEAD ME
TO THE
CROSS**

**March 22nd
After the
7 pm Mass**

These Stations of the Cross are presented through musical selections encompassing both traditional and contemporary music helping us, in a deeper, unique, and spiritual way, to walk with Jesus on his journey to the cross.

LUKE BROWN REFLECTIONS

When people ask you if you need help, do you take them up on it? I have learned that we are often great at offering help to others but not so great at receiving it. Call it pride, a desire for independence, or not wanting to feel like a burden, but people will often refuse an offer for help when it could be a very good thing for them to accept. I had a personal experience of this recently when our entire family was sick, and some very good friends offered to pick up some groceries for us if we needed them. The reality was that we did need a few groceries, but instead of sending back a list of a few things we needed, I said, "Thanks! I'll let you know!"

and then went to the grocery store to get what we needed. Why not take them up on the offer? I was also confronted with something I had not thought of before-we often enjoy helping others and it is good for our souls to do so. By going to the grocery store instead of taking them up on their offer, I denied them an opportunity to

be charitable and compassionate! We often feel particularly good about ourselves and our faith when we have a chance to help someone! I know that I have been frustrated when someone denies me these opportunities, so why do I do the same thing? God made us for himself and for each other. Helping others is a hallmark of a good community and one selfless act often sparks another. If you have trouble receiving help from others, take a moment to reflect on why that is, as well as the good it does for us to be selfless for one another.

Celebrity Servers @ Mama Catena



Wednesday
March. 13.
4 - 8 pm

Be a part of our Fundraiser Dinner and be served by Fr. John, who will be managing the dining room. The full Mama Catena menu will be available. All Tips will be given to the Brick by Brick - Help Kuda Build Fund. Reservations are Required. Call the Restaurant at (216) 261-1168 for reservations.



EASTER HAM SALE

OUR EASTER HAM SALE IS BACK! SUPPORT THE YOUTH PROGRAM WHILE PLACING AN ORDER FOR YOUR EASTER MEAL. ALL ORDERS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY MARCH 20. PICK-UP WILL BE FROM 10-11 AM ON MARCH 30. ENJOY EASTER HAM, SAUSAGE, JERKY, AND MORE!
GO TO SRWEUCLID.CC/HAM-SALE



WITNESS JESUS' REAL PRESENCE

Our parish will be participating, with all the parishes in our Diocese, a year long **EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL**. This program will highlight the real presence of our Eucharistic Lord and His transforming power in our lives. Each month we will explore the meaning of "REAL PRESENCE."

FR. RICHARD FOLEY, S.J.

"So immense are its spiritual benefits that Pope St. Pius X hailed perpetual adoration as the devotion which surpasses all others. And Paul VI had it mainly in mind when he echoed the hope generated by Vatican II that a new era of Eucharistic piety would pervade the whole Church. "As we would expect, an outstanding spiritual growth and impetus tend to spring from perpetual adoration. It brings heaven's choice blessings in the first place on those generous souls that keep their hour-long tryst with the Lord. But, being such a powerhouse of grace, the devotion extends its influence far beyond the individual adorers, touching their homes and families and reaching out to the parish community and beyond."

SRW LEGION OF MARY

Attention! There is no meeting March 4th and 11th.

Visit Ss. Robert and William Catholic School



Call 216-731-3060 to schedule a private tour. We are excited to share with you all of the great things happening at SRW!

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216-731-3060

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EASTER EGG HUNT

Join us for the 11th Annual Euclid Life Teen Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday, March 24. After the 11:00 am Mass, children can search for eggs, make Easter crafts, and take pictures with the Easter Bunny. Adults must accompany children at all times. Donations are accepted. Please go to our website for sign-up and photo release.

SUNDAY MARCH 24, 2024 | 12:00 PM
REGISTER ONLINE AT SRWEUCLID.CC/EASTER-EGG-HUNT

SRW/SJC FAMILY GROUP

JOIN US ON MARCH 10TH FOR THE 11:00 AM MASS FOLLOWED BY PIZZA PARTY LUNCH, OPEN GYM, AND GAMES. EVENTS IN THE UPPER HALL & GYM. (SHOULD START AROUND NOON). PIZZA BY ZEPPE'S OF HIGHLAND HEIGHTS! NO RSVP IS NEEDED, INVITE YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

MAR. 10

Future Dates: (April 14)
Mother's Day Breakfast cooked and served by Dad's & Kids on Saturday, May 11 at 10 am.
For more information, call or email Fr. John at fjb@srweuclid.cc or 216.731.1515 ext. 228

Women's Fellowship
Sat., March 9, 2024
9-11 am in the All Saints Room off of the gym
Alice Hinkel
Ministry to the Incarcerated



Bring your mug



Jesus came not to call the righteous, but sinners. Mark 2:17



Ss. Robert & William Catholic School

Forming Saints and Scholars
to know, love and serve Jesus Christ.

Now Hiring

Head of School

Ss. Robert & William Catholic School (SRW) is seeking a Head of School for the 2024 – 2025 school year.

Find out more at
www.srwschool.cc/
about-us/head-of-school



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 **Ss. Robert & William Catholic Parish**

New and Improved Lenten Fish Fry

February 14, 16, 23, • March 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29 [4:30 pm - 6:30 pm]



\$15 Choose between: •Baked batter dipped Alaskan Pollock
•Baked Atlantic Cod •Breaded Shrimp •Lake Perch (\$18)

All Meals include: •Mac-n-Cheese
•Cilantro-Lime Coleslaw •Dinner roll
•Fries •Homemade Desserts

Add Clam chowder soup for \$2 and add Pierogies for \$3.
Take-out, and dine-in meals are available.

367 East 260th Street, Euclid OH 44132
Order online at: srweuclid.cc



SRW FISH FRY
\$2.00 OFF

Dine-in meals only. Valid for up to 4 people.
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Expires 3/30/24

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SRW Confessions on Saturday at 2:30 pm

Parish Office Hours:

Monday—Friday: 8:00 am—4:00 pm

Closed Saturday & Sunday

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SJC Confessions on Saturday at 3:00 pm

140 Richmond Road, Euclid, OH 44143

216-289-0770 | sjceuclid.com

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

PARISH FINANCES

The SRW Collection: for February 25 was \$7,690.35
Loan Balance \$456,879.00
Faith Direct Second Half was \$4,558.00

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 2/25/24.....was \$3,746.50
Maintenance 2/25/24.....was \$1,305.00
Faith Direct Second Half was \$4,422.50
Maintenance \$1098.50

PRAYERS NEEDED



Please pray for... Eileen Baur, Brody Blazetic, Ken Brickman, Kenn Brickman, Robert Carney, Caesar Campanaro, Marianne Ellul, Parker Fine, Jim Gerity, Tom Golden, Ann Grossman, Jeanette Hocevar, Victoria Hodnik, Geraldine Hoffert, Kristina Hollingsworth, Patricia Johnston, Jela Katavic, Karen Long, Donna Lavdis, Dolly Luskin, James Molnar, Ann Monreal, Jim Moriarty, Bernard Novotney Sr., Ryan Parker, Kathleen Pavicic, Paul Pavicic, Kathleen Pfahl, Carl Phillips, Sheila Reese, John Smith, Roberta Szmania, Glenn Terrell, Rosemarie Terrell, Laverne Varga, and Stansa Zitnik



Evelyn Adamczyk, Ernie Deme, Helen Herman, Douglas Hoageson, Patricia Kavulich, Nancy O'Toole, Rudy Perme, Mary Rot, Marion Malovasic, Judy Schmidt, Rita Vaitkus, Kristina Velgrine, Don Wagner, and Marcie Williams

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 families of Pauline
Curak, Michael Evert and Patricia J. Reilly and 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.