

# Saint John of the Cross

140 Richmond Rd., Euclid, Ohio 44143  
March 27, 2022

Roman Catholic Parish  
Fourth Sunday in Lent

Dear Parishioners,

Happy 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Lent! Lent is sure flying by.

This week on Monday, March 28, we have our Communal Penance Service. It is at 7 pm at St. John of the Cross for both SJC and SRW. We will gather as a community to pray and worship, then there will be a number of priests there for individual confession. I do hope you can make it so you will have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament before Easter. Even as a priest, I still get a little anxious about going to confession. However, every time I go, I come back so refreshed, so on fire with the Lord. God's loving mercy and His desire to share this with us never ceases to amaze me.



I want to encourage you to plan on celebrating Holy Week with us and invite your family and friends to join us!:

## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

### **Palm Sunday (April 10)**

Vigil Mass, April 9 at 4 pm  
Sunday Masses at 7:45 am & 10:15 am

### **Tenebrae (April 13)**

Service of Lights at 8 pm at Ss. Robert & William

### **Holy Thursday (April 14)**

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7 pm  
Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11 pm

### **Good Friday (April 15)**

Passion Service at 3 pm  
Stations of the Cross at 7 pm

### **Holy Saturday (April 16)**

Blessing of Easter Food & Baskets at 1 pm

### **Holy Saturday (April 16)**

Easter Vigil at 8:30 pm

- The Easter Vigil Mass is the only Mass this day!

### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturday, April 9: 2:30 – 3:30 pm

Monday, April 11: 7:00 – 8:00 pm

Wednesday, April 13: 10 – 11:00 am

\*No Confessions heard after Wednesday until after Easter

### **Easter Sunday (April 17)**

Masses at 7:45 am & 10:15 am

**ALL MASSES & SERVICES WILL BE LIVESTREAMED!**

Make it a great week. See you in Church!

Fr. John



## PALMS

There will be a box available in the Gathering Space for those who wish to discard their old palms.



FREE



## EASTER DINNER

*Pick-up Holy Saturday,  
April 16 from 12 noon - 1 pm  
Local delivery is available upon request*

Call 216.731.1515 or email Anita at [alinsky@srweuclid.cc](mailto:alinsky@srweuclid.cc)

*Easter is rapidly approaching and Lent will be over soon. At the halfway point, I think it serves us well to revisit our Lenten commitments. I frequently hear Lenten practices compared to New Year's resolutions in that people sometimes want to quit if they fail at all in the process. New Year's resolutions are quickly abandoned after a slip-up because the entirety of the resolution is looked at as a failure. The same happens with Lent and it is easy to give up if we look at it as a "failure" for not making it the whole forty days without a slip-up. The reality is that we will fail repeatedly in our efforts to be better, whether it is in trying to avoid sin or in praying more fervently. If we view things as total success or total failure, we will only ever get discouraged. When we view our spiritual endeavors, or any goals for that matter, in this black and white fashion, we will ultimately be left discouraged and despairing. Success essentially becomes unattainable. If success is unattainable, why even try? The reality is that our honest effort to be holier and sin less is success in and of itself. Our daily dedication to this mission is the success story, not the minutes prayed or sins committed. This does not give us an excuse to be lazy or to refrain from challenging ourselves, but it does give us the opportunity to see ourselves as more than simply successes and failures. If you find yourself giving up on Lent because of a few mistakes, consider reflecting on Psalm 73:26.*

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### Are You In Need Of Food Or Know Of Someone Who Is?

#### Food assistance is available!

An new additional resource is the Greater Cleveland Food Bank's **Euclid Neighborhood Pantry** located at 25897 Euclid Ave directly next to Simon's Supermarket. (Corner of Richmond and Euclid Ave.) The hours of their operation vary month to month.



### ROSARY FOR PEACE

Sponsored by the Legion of Mary  
Every Sunday Before the  
10:15 AM Mass

Our Blessed Mother specifically asked the children of Fatima and the world to pray the Rosary *every day*. On June 13, 1917, she said: "**Say the Rosary every day, to bring peace to the world and the end of the war.**"

It is imperative that we heed our Blessed Mother's request to pray for peace for our country and our nation.

Please join members of the Legion of Mary every Sunday, beginning March 27, at 9:45 a.m. in the Sacred Heart Chapel to pray the rosary before mass.

## SCHEDULE YOUR MASSES ONLINE



St. John of the Cross and Ss. Robert & William Parish are excited to announce that we have a new way to offer Mass Intentions. They are for both the deceased and the living. It is a tradition that dates back centuries. Each Mass is a \$10 offering. See below to schedule Masses from the comfort of your home.

To schedule your Mass intentions online, find the link on our Website, OR use this link:

[Web4ucorp.com/massintentions/srweuclid](http://Web4ucorp.com/massintentions/srweuclid)

### CHILDREN'S MASS

Dear parishioners and friends, we are launching the "Children Mass"! As of right now, we are planning for the 10:15 a.m. Masses on the fourth weekend of each month. Seventh and eighth graders from SS. Robert and William school are currently the core of the group. We hope soon to have children from St. John of the Cross join as well! Come and show them support, as they represent the future of the Church!

### YOUNG ADULTS

The Young Adults' group is active and would like to grow! So, if you have not done so yet, please contact Joe at [YoungAdults@sjceuclid.com](mailto:YoungAdults@sjceuclid.com). This way you can ask him any questions and, if you choose, (I hope you do!), he will put you on the email group list to keep you updated with all we do here at St. John on the Cross and more. Join the group!

55 Plus  
SRW/SJC  
Book Club

*Yes to Life  
In Spite of Everything*

Next Discussion  
April 13 2022  
10:00 AM  
SRW Parish Office

By:  
*Viktor Frankl*

*Eleven months* after he was liberated from the Nazi concentration camps, Viktor E. Frankl held a series of public lectures in Vienna. The psychiatrist, who would soon become world famous, explained his central thoughts on meaning, resilience, and the importance of embracing life even in the face of great adversity.

Published here for the very first time in English, Frankl's words resonate as strongly today—as the world faces a coronavirus pandemic, social isolation, and great economic uncertainty—as they did in 1946. He offers an insightful exploration of the maxim “Live as if you were living for the second time,” and he unfolds his basic conviction that every crisis contains opportunity. Despite the unspeakable horrors of the camps, Frankl learned from the strength of his fellow inmates that it is always possible to “say yes to life”—a profound and timeless lesson for us all.

*Please Pray for the Sick of the Parish  
and Their Caregivers*

*Evelyn Adamczyk*

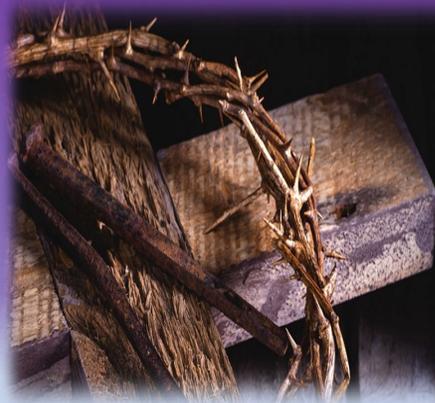
## Lent Concert

Wednesday

April 6

At

7:00 pm



### RECYCLING BINS

The recycling bins have been removed from SJC property.

There are recycling bins at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine, at 21281 Chardon Road, Euclid, Ohio 44117 should you still wish to recycle.



## Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast -- bring the Grandkids



**Breakfast served after both the 7:45 am  
& 10:15 am Masses !**



## ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS MASS SCHEDULE

### Weekday Mass Schedule

Mondays & Wednesdays.....8:30 am  
Tuesdays & Thursdays.....6:30 pm  
Fridays:- Morning Prayer 8:30 am with  
Eucharistic Adoration 8:45 am to 2:00 pm

### Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturdays.....4:00 pm  
Sundays.....7:45 am & 10:15 am

### Confessions

Saturdays.....3:00 - 3:30 pm

# MASS Intentions

## **Monday, March 28**

8:30 AM (JB/TS) † Kevin Halaus

**9:00 AM — STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

## **Tuesday, March 29**

6:30 PM (JB) † Smolic Family

## **Wednesday, March 30**

8:30 AM (JL) † Kara Schoen

## **Thursday, March 31**

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

## **Friday, April 1**

8:30 AM Morning Prayer (No Mass)

8:45 AM-2:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration

**7:00 PM — STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

## **Saturday, April 2**

4:00 PM (JL/TS-P) † Charles Duhigg, Jr.

## **Sunday, April 3**

7:45 AM (TK/TS-P) † Adolph Rot

10:15 AM (JL/TS-P) † Alessandro Binda

## **Our Financial Stewardship**

03/13/22-Sunday Giving.....\$2,673.45  
03/13/22-Maintenance.....\$ 500.00  
Faith Direct\* 1st half March Giving.....\$4,017.50  
Faith Direct\* 1st Half March Maintenance.....\$1,203.50

**\*Online Faith Direct Collections will be posted twice a month for both Giving and Maintenance.**

**Thanks for your generous support toward our mission to serve God!**

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Parish Office Hours:

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

**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.

## Our Parish Mission

We are the Catholic Community of St. John of the Cross, established in 2009. Uniting the people of God as one family, we are rooted in, and empowered by, our sacramental life and Eucharistic celebrations.

Living as disciples of Jesus Christ, we recognize our God given potential and challenge one another to share our giftedness, embrace our diversity, and engage in social outreach, service and education. In doing so, we seek to extend the reign of God in Euclid and the wider community.

### WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN THE ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS FAMILY

If you would like to be a member of our Parish, please complete this form and drop it in the collection basket or send it to the Parish office and someone from the Parish will contact you.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_