

August 7, 2022

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Saint John of the Cross

Roman Catholic Parish / Cleveland Catholic Diocese

Dear Parishioners,

Happy First Sunday of August! Hard to believe how fast our summer is flying by. Now that the SRW festival is past us, we have a number of events coming up that are meant to feed our souls.



Tonight (Sunday, August 7) at 8:15 pm we kick off #NineNights of Prayer. About a year ago, my classmate, Fr. Damian, started this in the Diocese. Fr. Damian is the Vicar for Evangelization at the Diocese. He asks nine parishes for nine days to offer night prayer. The idea here is for those who are active in their faith to those who are searching for faith and all in between to experience the beauty and wonder of the Liturgy, specifically Night Prayer. It is a beautiful way to end your day and includes an opportunity to examine your conscience and to honor our Blessed Mother. We have a number of parishioners who are helping and Fr. Thom is coordinating it. It goes from August 7 – August 15 and is each night in the church at 8:15 pm **at Ss. Robert & William**. We are one of nine churches in the Diocese to be hosting. I imagine we will have some guests. Please plan on attending. This is for all people throughout the Diocese, including SRW and SJC.

SRW and SJC will be starting a new ministry focused on Grandparents and their role to help pass on the faith to their grandchildren. In the spirit of Ss. Anne & Joachim, the grandparents of Jesus, we are endeavoring to provide faith formation and resources that we can empower grandparents to help form the faith of their grandchildren. I remember growing up my Grandma had a sign in our house that said, *If Mom says No, ask Grandma*. I cannot tell you how many times I personally embraced and used that saying. My hope here is that grandparents will say YES to becoming the role models and guides to their grandchildren. This will require some thinking outside the box and will require us to understand the challenges these young people face and the world they are living in. It is not the same world we grew up in and they have challenges and experiences that we can never imagine! So, please come to **Ss. Robert & William on Monday, August 8 at 10 am to join me for breakfast to chat about this new ministry**.

I'm very happy to share that after a COVID hiatus we are bringing back our Eucharistic/Marian Procession. We will process from St. John of the Cross (downhill) to Ss. Robert & William on the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Mother on Monday, August 15. We will start at 7 pm and end with Night Prayer at 8:15 at Ss. Robert & William. Regretfully, Lolly the Trolley is out of business so we will not have that this year. Please plan on joining us. We will have an Ice Cream social afterwards with special Marian Ice Cream the diocese commissioned to be made. I will be away on vacation with Fr. Scott this week. It'll be good to hang out with him and relax. I will be back in time for our Eucharistic/Marian procession.

Make it a great week. See you in Church.

Peace,  
Fr. John

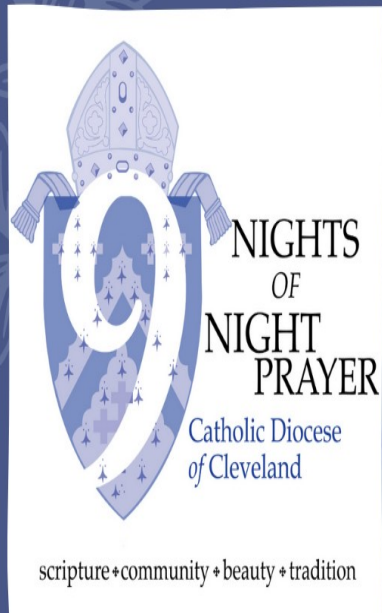


## ROSARY FOR PEACE

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."***

Experience the peace & serenity of Night Prayer  
Aug. 7-15, 2022 @ 8:15pm



Ss. Robert & William Catholic Parish  
367 E. 260th St. Euclid, OH 44132

## Honor first responders at Lake County Captains Game

St. John of the Cross Catholic Parish invites the community to join in honoring local first responders at a special "Blue Mass" at Classic Park on the anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks, Sunday, September 11, 2022

All are welcome, especially uniformed police officers, firefighters and EMS responders. Gates open at 9:45 a.m., with the Mass beginning at 10:30. A picnic lunch will be available from noon to 1:30 p.m. The St. John of the Cross Music Ministry will perform the National Anthem before the ballgame gets underway at 1:00 pm

For tickets & more information, visit  
<https://sjceucld.com/mass-at-lake-county-captains>

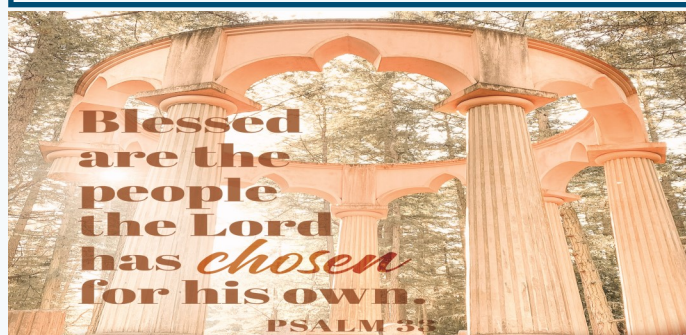


### Ss. Robert & William & Saint John of the Cross Parish School of Religion (PSR)

PSR sign-ups are open for the 2022-2023 catechetical year!

The Parish School of Religion provides religious education and sacramental preparation for students from Kindergarten - Grade 6 who attend non-Catholic schools. Parish staff and catechists (parishioners who volunteer to teach) work with the families of these children to help the children understand their faith and to develop their personal relationship with Jesus Christ. PSR meets on Sunday mornings in the SRW school building, October – May. There is also a homeschool/online option.

Registration is open until Tuesday, September 6, 2022. Sign up via the parish website, or for more information, contact Anney Roach: [aroach@srweucld.cc](mailto:aroach@srweucld.cc) / 216.731.1515, x248.



#### SPIRITUAL LIFE & EVANGELIZATION MINISTRY

#### **"Go and Make Disciples of All Nations"**

Next meeting is Thursday, August 11, 7-8:30 pm. We will meet in Room 8.

ALL ARE WELCOME



# FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION MARIAN PROCESSION

This year for the feast of the Assumption we will gather at Saint John of the Cross on August 15 at 7 pm and process to Ss. Robert and William. We will then do Night Prayer at 8:15 pm followed by an Ice Cream Social with special Marian Ice Cream provided by the Diocese.



## **Luke Brown's Reflection**

*This week, I thought it might be helpful to discuss how we react when people in our lives try to change some of their patterns of behavior. Let us use the example of someone who drinks too much to the point of performing their job poorly, harming their physical health, or hurting those closest to them. The best-case scenario would be that they stop their use of alcohol entirely one day and all becomes right in the world. However, many people do not come to healing and freedom in this way. Some people try to make changes by drinking one or two fewer drinks than they normally would, and this needs to be praised and encouraged! Another example would be something like smoking. 19 cigarettes a day is better than the full 20 in a pack and might just be a step in the right direction. When people are trying to make changes, they benefit most from encouragement and affirmation of their efforts. They might not have it beat in one day, but they are on their way. Too easily, we get frustrated with what we see as slow progress or too little effort, but scolding and putting down the person is not going to help their efforts. It will likely result in more stress and more shame, which results in more smoking or drinking. This does not only apply to drinking and smoking, but to anything that someone is trying to change. Maybe it is your child trying to get in the habit of making their bed, your coworker trying to work harder at their job, or your friend trying to be more punctual. Encouragement goes a long way, so consider utilizing encouragement as a way to help people on their journey to healing and virtue.*

## **ACTIVITIES AT SJOC CAMPUS**

### **Monday:**

- Sacred Scripture Study: 6:30 pm, Room 8
- Men of Praise: 8:00 pm, Room 8
- Calls of Love Ministry: Every 3rd Monday, 6:30 pm—8:00 pm, Parish Office

### **Tuesday:**

- Lectio Divina Bible Study: 9:30 am, Room 8
- Legion of Mary: 5:15 pm, Room 8
- Faith by Fire: every 2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:00 pm, by the outdoor firepit .

### **Wednesday:**

- Community Meal: Every 3rd Wednesday of the month 5:00 pm
- Prayer Shawl Ministry: Every 3rd Wednesday of the month, 7:00 pm

### **Thursday:**

- Family in Christ Jesus: Every 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month, 8:00 pm, Gym
- Spiritual Life & Evangelization Ministry: Every 2nd Thursday of the month, 7:00 pm -- 8:30 pm, Room 8

### **Friday:**

- Alcoholics Anonymous: 8:00 pm, Room 8
- Young Adult Ministry, Every 3rd Friday of the month, 7:00 pm

### **Saturday:**

- Men's Prayer Group: every 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month, 7:30 am, Room 10
- Fire on the Hill Ministry every 3rd Saturday of the Month, 9:00 am, Room 8

## **FAITH BY THE FIRE AUGUST 9, 2022—7 PM**

Please join us for "Faith by Fire" an evening of faith, discussion and fun. These gatherings will be taking place the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

Feel free to bring a lawn chair. All are welcome.



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**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\_\_\_\_\_

City\_\_\_\_\_Zip\_\_\_\_\_

Phone\_\_\_\_\_

Email\_\_\_\_\_

## MASS Intentions

### **Monday, August 8**

8:30 AM † Joseph Suster (JB/TS-P)

### **Tuesday, August 9**

6:30 PM † Donna and Terry Clarke (JL)

### **Wednesday, August 10**

8:30 AM † Nancy Suhy (JL)

### **Thursday, August 11**

6:30 PM † Richard & Betty Considine (JL/TS)

### **Friday, August 12**

8:30 AM Morning Prayer (No Mass)

8:45 AM-2:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration

### **Saturday, August 13**

4:00 PM † Mary and Feliks Polsak (GB)

### **Sunday, August 14**

7:45 AM † Michael and Frances Krainz & Family (JL)

10:15 AM † Ferdinand Krecic (TK)

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

*Evelyn Adamczyk; Gerald Scarniench; Helen Herman  
Fr. Edward Mehok*

### **Our Financial Stewardship**

7/31/2022 Sunday Giving.....\$3,275.50

7/31/2022 Maintenance.....\$ 812.50

Faith Direct\* Giving.....\$

Faith Direct\* Maintenance.....\$

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

O, Dear St. Jude, in our country's time of need,  
help to bring protection to our homeland and  
peace to our world.

St. Jude, St. of Hope  
Pray for Us!

### **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

### **Parish Staff**

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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.