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Confessions/*Confesiones*
 Saturday, 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.;
 Every 1st Friday, 11:00 a.m.;
 at St. Bernard and by appointment.
Confesiones con cita cualquier día.

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Call the Parish Offices at (330) 253-5161 for a priest to anoint the sick. If confined at home, call for a Minister to bring Communion. *Favor de comunicarse al telefono para que un sacerdote provea estos sacramentos.*

FOR OTHER SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Call the Parish Offices at (330) 253-5161 or visit our Websites. *Para cualquier otro Sacramento por favor comunicarse al teléfono (330) 253-5161, ext. 1009.*

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

Please have your funeral director contact the Parish Offices to arrange a day and time for a funeral and burial.

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Call the Parish Offices at (330) 253-5161 to be directed to one of our hunger programs.

SATURDAY MASS

4:30 p.m. St. Bernard

SUNDAY MASS

9:00 a.m. St. Mary

10:00 a.m. St. Bernard

12:00 p.m. St. Bernard

(Bilingüe)

8:00 p.m. St. Bernard

DAILY & HOLY DAY MASSES

(See inside bulletin for schedule)

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ENROLLMENT – Call the School Office at (330) 253-1233 to enroll a child in K-Grade 8. Financial assistance is available.

Llame a la Oficina Escolar al (330) 253-1233 para inscribir al niño/a en nivel K-8. Hay becas disponibles.

UNIVERSITY OF AKRON CAMPUS MINISTRY

Call Mr. John Szarwark, Campus Minister for the Newman Center, at (330) 208-0703, third floor of the Parish Office building. Dinner & Social there on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

ST. BERNARD MASS INTENTIONS**Sunday, July 25**

10:00 a.m.* + Harvat, Pribonic, Krebs Family
 12:00 p.m.* + Sol Tamez
 8:00 p.m. + Christine Holman

Monday, July 26

12:10 p.m. + Joseph Rotole

Tuesday, July 27

12:10 p.m. + Brenda Guajardo

Wednesday, July 28

12:10 p.m. + Rosa Pena

Thursday, July 29

12:10 p.m. + Esau Olmedo

Friday, July 30

12:10 p.m. + Brandy Santiago-Rivera

Saturday, July 31

4:30 p.m. Intentions of Cristina Fela

Sunday, August 1

10:00 a.m.* Intentions of Hannah Burke
 12:00 p.m.* Intentions Hailey Schleich
 8:00 p.m. + Roman Alfaro

*Will be streamed on our website
 and on our Facebook page.

Please call the office if you would like to have a Mass
 offered for your intention.

ST. MARY MASS INTENTIONS**Sunday, July 25**

9:00 a.m. Deceased members of the Antalek Family

Sunday, August 1

9:00 a.m. + Kathryn Phillips

SUNDAY OFFERING

	St. Bernard	St. Mary
July 18, 2021	\$6,261.00	\$842.00
Second Collection – Maryknoll Mission	\$2,298.00	\$412.55

Wedding Banns

II Matthew Stephen Lewis and
 Danielle Marie Schwartz

**Next Adult Faith Formation Course:****St. John Paul II's Theology of The Body!**

Did you know that Theology of the Body (TOB) isn't just about marriage and marital intimacy? At its deepest core, TOB provides a "lens" through which to view the whole mystery of human life - who are we called to be and how are we called to live as persons created in the image and likeness of God? Regardless of our vocation or state in life, TOB should inform and impact every relationship in our lives, most especially our own relationship with Jesus Christ. If you have a body, TOB is for you! Please join us for our TOB series "Into The Heart," as we seek to not only become informed, but **TRANSFORMED**, by the beauty of God's vision for human life. Starts Thursday, August 5th, weekly through November 18th, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., in the History Room. To register, order a workbook, or if you have any questions, please call Michele at 313-319-1188 or email mtschmidt@sbcglobal.net.

Queen of Heaven Parish Fun Days

Join Queen of Heaven Parish as we celebrate Fun Days on Friday, July 30th and Saturday, July 31st from 5:00 to 9:30 p.m. each evening. There will be food, games, and rides. Dinner on Friday night will be a Fish Fry and Saturday night will be Smoked BBQ Chicken and Pulled Pork by Boy Scout Troop 334. Music by LaFlavour on Friday and Aftermath on Saturday. Raffle tickets are available for a new 2021 Chevy Equinox donated by the VanDevere Bunch (profits going to Queen of Heaven's religious education and the youth at St. Francis de Sales School). The drawing for the car will be Saturday, July 31st at 9:30 p.m. There will be four additional drawings for money. Bring your family for a fun summer evening event.

For more information, go to <https://queenofheavenparish.org/fun-days-july-2021> or call the Queen of Heaven Parish office at 330-896-2345.

ST. BERNARD PARISH SUMMER PICNIC

**"FIESTA SAN BERNARDO" ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 14TH
 FROM 1:00-7:30 P.M. IN THE UPPER LOT AT ST. BERNARD!**

Authentic hispanic food as well as festival food classics served 1:00-6:30 p.m.! Live music 1:30-3:00 p.m. and 5:30-7:00 p.m.! Adoration and Confession 3-4:30! Games, outreach, raffles and more all day long! To sign up to help out, click the link on the parish homepage www.stbernardakron.org!

**SAVE THE DATE: ST. MARY PARISH SUMMER PICNIC
 ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH IN THE AFTERNOON**

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13; Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9; Mt 13:44-46
Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11; Jn 11:19-27
Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58
Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12
Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Delores Abbott, Crisra Asmoeelle, Richard & Mary Ann Cook, Constance Crace, Cora Christoff, Pam Daer, Jeanne Dorka, Rosalia Duran, Domingo Abarzya Daza, Terry Fercana, Olinda Frazier, Lee Freund, Jorge Gomes, Sarah Greer, Patrick Grismer, Timothy Hacker, Betty Kahlil, David Kaminsky, Jamie Kapes, Bud Lundstrom, Barbara Lukacik, Brian Madia, John Madia, Marilyn Maximovich, Ann Miller, Rosalie Morhidge, Paula Muehlbauer, Diane O'Connor, Terrie Pfeil, Clara Jean Piscazzi, John Rienzi, Richard Reinhart, Odalis Rodriguez, Joey Rundo, Olinda Freizer-Santiago, Heleyne Stephanie, Marcia Stuczynski, Charlotte & Thurman Tilman, Georgina Valerio, Margaret Williams, Sharon Cicora, Arlene Franco Torres, Lorrie Haddox, Mayra Cornejo, Phil Petrowski, Jeannette Wiesenbahn, Jim Rowland.

"Fear not, I am with you; be not dismayed; I am your God. I will strengthen you, and help you, and uphold you with my right hand of justice." Isaiah 41:10



Novena to St. Monica Begins August 19th

In response to the many prayer requests for adult children and other family members to return to the practice of the faith, AM 1260 The Rock invites our listeners and donors to join us for a Novena to St. Monica beginning August 19th. Each day at 3:00 p.m., we will broadcast the Novena prayers for the day (see separate insert). Prayers will be led by a variety of local clergy and AM 1260 The Rock program hosts.

The Novena will run through Friday, August 27th, the Feast of St. Monica. We invite you to join us in prayer at a closing Mass at 7:00 p.m. at the Church of St. Monica, 13623 Rockside Road in Garfield Heights, with the Most Rev. Roger Gries as the main celebrant and Fr. Doug Brown, Chaplain of AM 1260 The Rock and Pastor of Mary Queen of Peace as homilist.

Together, let us pray in charity for all those we love to return to the one true home, the Catholic Church. Any questions or for a copy of the Novena prayers, please visit www.AM1260TheRock.com or call us at 216-227-1260.

TUTORING IS BACK AT ST. MARY SCHOOL!

If you are interested in serving the youth of St. Mary School as an after school tutor, please call 330-253-1233. There will be some early August enrichment opportunities before school starts!

PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS ON JULY 25TH, WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS

Lord God almighty,
bless our grandparents with long life, happiness, and health.
May they remain constant in Your love
and be living signs of Your presence
to their children and grandchildren.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen!

PASTOR'S NOTE

COOL RESPONSES TO HOT TOPICS!

Summer is not the only thing that is hot! We have had two hot-button issues that I would like to explain so that you know more about them and can talk about them amongst yourselves. After, you know, discussing why we park in the driveway yet drive in the parkway.

No Holy Communion for Anti-life Public Figures

There was a politician in New Mexico who is pro-abortion who was recently refused the Sacrament of Holy Communion by his bishop and priest. Similar action has been talked about for months, especially by the news, as a possible consequence of President Biden being pro-abortion and attending Mass at the same time. Holy Communion is not about what we get but who we become. Because we believe that in that host is Jesus Christ's Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity and that we enter into a union with Him through the reception of the Sacrament, the canon law of the Church has long permitted bishops, on a case-by-case basis, to deny someone in the public eye the privilege of entering into this Holy Communion with Christ

if the person being denied is publicly and persistently promoting or living in mortal sin. The Catholic Church believes that abortion is the murdering of innocent life, a violation of the Fifth Commandment given by God Himself much before Christ. In promoting the right to an abortion, a mortal sin, a person of faith promotes disobedience to God which always leads us away from or out of Communion with God. So why and how could one possibly be publicly in favor of defying God and leaving Communion with Him and then also present himself or herself for a deep and intimate Communion with Him at Communion time? In calling her children to consistency of character and integrity of faith, Mother Church recommends the denial of Holy Communion until a repentance is made and a position publicly changed. This is true for all of us, but especially those who live in the public eye, politicians or otherwise. Holy Communion is about who we become, not getting something for free. The Church hopes to point out this connection and promote repentance by this option it has long offered. The bishops are moving slowly on this with regards to President Biden, but are also preparing their ultimate declaration alongside a positive teaching that will reassert the value and role of Holy Communion in the life of the Church that we will all hear about when it comes out, probably in the wintertime. Until then as it has long been, it is a viable option for a bishop to deny reception of Holy Communion to any public figure in their diocese who is publicly persisting in Mortal Sin. And now you know why!

Where are they taking my Latin Mass? Wait! There is still Latin Mass!

Since the liturgical reform of the 1960's, there have always been those who are trained in and celebrate the Mass according to the way it was done before the Second Vatican Council. Unfortunately, the changes made to the liturgy at that time were sudden and poorly introduced changes. Consequently, there has been a disconnect we have all suffered between the way things were and the way they are. In trying to mend some of this, Pope Benedict XVI told priests that any of us could celebrate the pre-Vatican II form, sometimes called the "Extraordinary Form" (instead of the new ordinarily used form of Mass post-Vatican II). Prior to that, each bishop had to give permission for a Latin Mass to happen in his diocese. The logic of Pope Benedict was that this is a transitory permission that always should have existed for those whose primary experience of faith formation for decades was within the Mass of the pre-Vatican II style. We have had many successful and wonderful uses of this permission in our own area of greater Akron, especially at St. Paul and St. Sebastian and, before it closed and reopened, at St. Mary. However, Pope Francis this week said that he thinks after over 10 years of this practice that it is leading to more division than communion. So, he issued a document this past week that basically puts Latin Mass back to what it was before Pope Benedict: a celebration that has a valid time and place and reason but only at the discretion of each bishop. Our Bishop Malesic said on July 19th in a public memo available online that he is permitting all prior scheduled Latin Masses in our diocese to continue indefinitely until he figures out what if any changes to make. His decisions will be in favor of making sure it has its right, proper and sustainable place in the life of our diocesan church. So, the short answer to the question for us in this diocese is: Nowhere! To participate in a Latin Mass, check out St. Paul and St. Sebastian's liturgy schedule.

No matter how hot the newsies or the media sites want to raise the climate, the Holy Spirit always helps us keep our cool. Make sure you take time to pray and access all that the Lord has in store for your summer plans. Put it all in the context of God's Plan! The people of the Household of Faith need to show the world how to keep cool in the midst of the drama of the world. I recommend our 24/7 adoration chapel which is in the lower lot at St. Bernard and which you can access by signing up through the office and getting the code!

With Prayers for Peace in Your Heart, Father Chris

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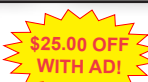


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