



HOLY TRINITY

CATHOLIC PARISH

33601 Detroit Road | Avon, OH 44011 | 440-937-5363 | www.htavon.org

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & Noon
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 7:45 a.m.

DEVOTIONS

Holy Rosary: Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.
Eucharistic Adoration:
Mondays: 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Thursdays: 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Morning Prayer: Thursday at 7:45 a.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at 4:00 p.m.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Confessions

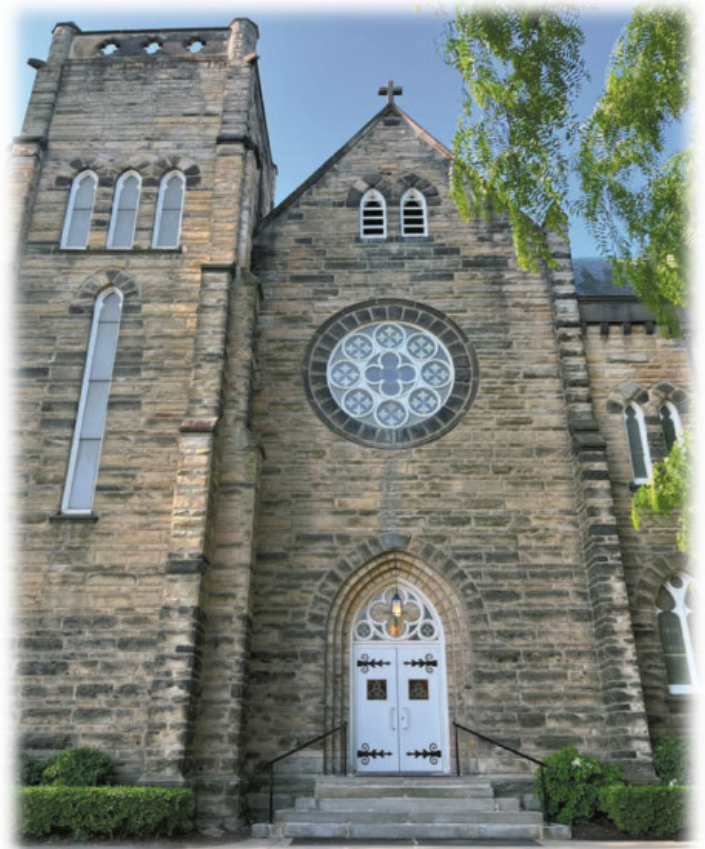
Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Anointing

Please call the pastor

Marriage

Couples who are registered members of the parish should contact the pastor 6 months in advance of the intended date.



HOLY TRINITY STAFF

Parish Staff and Phone Extensions

Pastor.....Rev. Vincent Hawk (ext. 237)
Parochial Vicar.....Rev. Deogratias Ruwaainenyi (ext. 250)
Seminary Intern..... Sean Neville (ext. 251)
Executive Assistant.....Karen Boehm (ext. 239)
Director of Evangelization.....Desi Gould (ext. 249)
Director of Religious Education.....Kevin Kaufhold (ext.241)
Music Minister.....Helen Herbst (ext. 238)
Care & Consolation Minister.....Tammie Frank (ext. 223)
Youth Minister.....John Nunney (ext. 244)
Communications.....Brooke Uehlein (ext. 243)
Accountant.....Colleen Stalla (ext. 245)
Receptionist.....Kathleen Ulintz (ext. 240)
Maintenance.....Stan Vitovich and Steve Uhas (ext. 235)

Holy Trinity School & Preschool Staff

Principals.....Kim Kuchta (ext. 227) and Mike Modzeleski (ext. 236)
Director of Marketing & Admissions.....Cheryl Roche (ext. 234)
Secretary.....Mary Kay Kotsybar (ext. 221)
Office Assistant.....Laura Menser(ext.229)

HOW TO REACH US

Phone: 440-937-5363

Website: htavon.org

Email: office@holytrinityavon.com

School Phone: 440-937-6420

School Website: holytrinityavon.org

School Email: holytrinity@htsavon.org

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday.....8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Closed for lunch from 12:00 - 12:30 p.m.

The Parish Office is located near the school's Main Entrance

MASS INTENTIONS

HOLY TRINITY

ST. MARY

Mon. Dec. 18

7:45 A.M.

Don Nagel Jr.

7:30 P.M.

Dennis & Betty Moran

Tues. Dec. 19

7:45 A.M.

Marion Stack

Wed. Dec. 20

7:45 A.M.

Carter & Wilda Rowland

8:30 A.M.

Joyce Plas

Thurs., Dec. 21

7:30 P.M.

Fri. Dec. 22

7:45 A.M.

Dennis Carman

8:30 A.M.

William & Mary Konya

Sat. Dec.23

8:30 A.M.

4:00 P.M.

Martha & Clarence Schneider and Family

5:00 P.M.

Living/Deceased members of the Biercek & Lengyel Family

Sun. Dec.24

7:30 A.M.

8:00 A.M.

Joseph Paulchell

9:00 A.M.

Deceased members of Ravas & Pogran Family

10:00 A.M.

10:30 A.M.

John Corrigan

Noon

Jerome Rettig

4:00 P.M.

Living/Deceased members of Lengen Family

Banville & McGervey Family

6:00 P.M.

Deceased members of the Pesta & Ginley Family

10:00 P.M.

Tom Obral

Midnight

Raymond Hatch

Pray for the Sick at Holy Trinity:

Tina Doss Abshire | Joe Buettner | Kelly Callahan | David Carroll | Mark Fox | Matt Gould | Kelly Konya | Theresa Lattimore | Christy Lauer Janice Lee-mans | Patrick O'Toole | Paula Parker | Chad Rawlings | Regis Saltis | Tom Shaughnessy | Robert Shinko | Amanda Shultzberger | Brittany Snahnican | Jim Somers | Cyde Thom | Mary Trav-agliante-Bloss | Jennifer Varga | Marc Williams | and for all of our homebound parishioners.

Pray for our Troops:

Patrick Bergen | Paul Bohnert | John Camp | Ethan Cutright | Cayden Fischbach | Dillon Franciscus | Grace Fryer | Emma Kennelly | Ryan Kennelly | Alex Leigh | Jacob McCann | Dominic Opron | Katie Schlather | Michelle Kennelly Sweeney | Daniel Vrabic | David Vrabic | Ethan Williams

Please Pray for the Sick at SMIC:

Allen Arendt | Fr. Lawrence Bayer | Pat Beckman | Anne Benisek | Arlene Bores | Natalie Butchko | Ryan Case | Patricia Cernac | Irene Chrulski Elaine Citro | Kerry Coleman | Elizabeth Conners | Kurt Cummings | Patrick Fahey John Matthew Gibson | Ann Gomos | Bill Grabert | Anita Grant | Gwendolyn Gurney Wendy Hallier | Brenda Hazelwood | Louis Holley | Jeffrey Hostottle, Norma James Alexa Jennings | Gerald Laco | Lamb family Kate Liauw | Brian Madia | Kathleen Mahoney | Bob Mayton | Timothy McCarthy Betty McGreal | Barbara Milota | Vicky Motes | Jessica Mueller | Carey Neal | Marcia Notarberardino | Mildred Ondrus | Sandra Pitts | Thomas Richards | Judy Richardson | Joel Rivera | Tina Roach | Joan Rodger | Arthur Rossi | Diane Urig | Gerda Vanthoor | Dylan Vega | Joan Votes | Owen Winters | Joe Zvosecz | Ann Lopez | Edward Bahr | George Szocs | Celia Zegar-ec.

Gospel Reflection

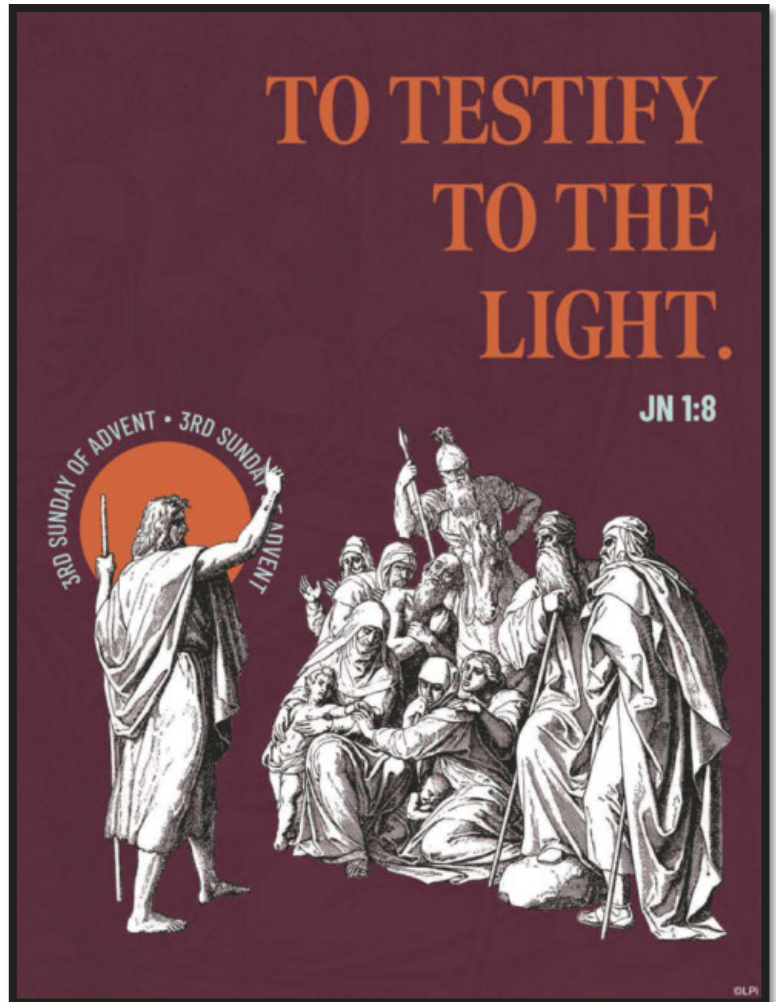
This Advent season, Gospel and Advent reflections pulled from a collection curated by Bishop Robert Barron and his brother priests will be provided to the Avon Catholic Community.

Why do we believe in Jesus and the Catholic Church? Why should we continue to do so? We've never seen him face-to-face (at least not most of us, I assume). Most of us have never had mystical visions of angels or saints. We live in the same world as our atheist and secularists friends. Why do we believe in Christ if we've never seen him?

The simple, symbolic answer the Gospel presents to us this week might surprise us: we believe because of John the Baptist. Early in John's Gospel we hear: **"There was a man sent from God, his name was John. He came for testimony, to bear witness to the light, that all might believe through him."** The Baptist powerfully announces Jesus. This is a historical fact, and it is also now a *pattern* at work in our lives.

John the Baptist stands for the entirety of the old covenant, everything entrusted to the Jewish people. And yet he prophetically opens the door to something entirely new in Jesus, to the revival and fulfillment of God's promises. In every generation, and in every human life, God continues to do this. He has done it through people named Augustine, Francis, Catherine, Theresa, and countless others. In my life, the Baptist's spirit has come through persons named Eric, Paul, Mary, and Ron. I challenge you to name at least three people through whom God

— Father John Muir



The Seven Sisters Apostolate is looking for Holy Trinity and St. Mary parishioners to join efforts to pray daily for all our priests. In this Apostolate, a Sister prays 1 holy hour for 1 assigned priest each week, this now includes Fr. Deogratias and Fr. Cleaton. 7 Sisters are needed. If interested call the parish office.

Journey to Exodus

AT SIBLING REVELRY BREWERY
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20
FROM 6:30–9:30 P.M.

Join men from Holy Trinity and St. Mary of
the Immaculate Conception and
participate in a purposeful discussion in
a relaxed setting about Exodus 90.



SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER

SIBLING REVELRY BREWERY:
29305 CLEMENS ROAD,
WESTLAKE, OH 44145



Holiday Notes:

-There will be no Senior Saints on 12/22 and
no bereavement meeting on 12/31.

-PSR begins holiday break the week of
12/25. Class resumes the week of Jan. 8.

The Singing Angels Youth Choir will per-
form a holiday concert at St. Richard
(26855 Lorain Rd. North Olmsted) on Sun-
day, December 17 at 3 p.m. This is a FREE
concert & a free will offering will be taken.



THIS IS MY BODY, GIVEN UP FOR YOU.

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY ONE DAY INTRODUCTORY COURSE

4 Hours of Engaging Lectures by TOB Experts
(.5 CEUs)

Q & A and Discussion
Study Materials // Breakfast & Lunch



Fr. David Stavarz

SATURDAY, FEB 3RD
9AM-3:30 PM
Holy Trinity in Avon
\$45/person
REGISTER BY 1/26 AT
TOBCLE.ORG



Jen Ricard

TIME•TALENT•TREASURE

THE REMAINING COLLECTIONS FOR DECEMBER
WILL POST AFTER 12/31 DUE TO THE HOLIDAY

The 8-Week Grief Recovery Program will begin: January 10 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Parish Office at Holy Trinity.

Your feelings are normal and natural. The problem is that we have been socialized to believe that these feelings are abnormal and unnatural.

Whether your loss is from:

- Death
- Divorce or end of a relationship
- Loss of a career
- Loss of trust
- Loss of faith
- Loss of safety
- Loss of health



People say you have to let go and move on in your life, but they don't tell you what you need to do to accomplish that. The Grief Recovery Method Outreach Program not only makes that possible, but provides partnerships and guidance to ensure that it happens.

For further information call: 440-937-5363 X223 Tammiemarie Frank, Certified Grief Recovery Specialist. RSVP Space is limited.



Mass Times for the Fourth Sunday of Advent and Christmas

Sunday, December 24
celebrating the 4th Sunday of Advent

Holy Trinity	Saint Mary
7:30 AM - 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM - Noon	8:00 AM - 10:00 AM - Noon

Sunday, December 24 Christmas Eve

Holy Trinity	Saint Mary
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM	4:00 PM - Midnight

Monday, December 25 Christmas Day

Holy Trinity	Saint Mary
9:00 AM - Noon	8:00 AM - 10:00 AM





Dear Holy Trinity Parish Families,

Last year, Angel Scholarship Fund (ASF) donations amounted to \$130,000 which was used to help reduce the tuition for 92 students at Holy Trinity School (HTS). The ASF allows you to direct a portion of your Ohio state income taxes towards supporting HTS.

It's crucial to highlight that this isn't just a deduction – it's a tax credit. When you donate to this fund, every dollar you give serves as a credit on your taxes up to \$750 per single filer or \$1,500 per married couple filing jointly.

Timing is of the essence with respect to this initiative. While contributions made by April 15, 2024 will apply to the 2023 tax year, only donations made by January 31, 2024 can be used for the upcoming 2024/2025 school year. Donations after January 31, 2024 will apply to the 2025/2026 school year.

It is essential to recognize the significance of the ASF even in light of the existence of Ed Choice funding. While Ed Choice provides substantial assistance, certain families may not qualify for significant support. The ASF serves as a crucial supplemental resource, particularly for those families facing financial constraints in the context of escalating educational costs.

In the past year, we proudly ranked among the top five parishes with the highest amount of donations. With your continued support this will lighten the parish subsidy toward the school and grow the offerings for our parish community. In essence it is a win-win-win. We thank you for your continued support toward Catholic education.

To donate to the ASF visit www.catholiccommunity.org/angel and select Holy Trinity - Avon - #54.

Thank you in advance for your consideration to support this important initiative!

For more information about ASF, please consult with your tax advisor, contact Colleen Stalla, CPA for Holy Trinity Parish at 440-937-6420 or finance@htsavon.org. You can also visit www.catholiccommunity.org/angel or call 216-902-1312.

Be an angel today,

Vince Hawk
Pastor Vince Hawk



Your Taxes. Their Tuition. **OUR FUTURE**

**The Angel Scholarship Program
allows you to keep Ohio State
Income Taxes at Holy Trinity.**

**Last year we raised over
\$100,000 to provide tuition
assistance for our community.**



ANGEL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Turning taxes into tuition

**YOU WILL RECEIVE A 100% OHIO
INCOME TAX CREDIT OF UP TO
\$750 (\$1500 JOINT FILING)
AGAINST YOUR 2023 STATE TAX
LIABILITY. IN OTHER WORDS. THE
ANGEL SCHOLARSHIP FUND IS A
WIN-WIN-WIN FOR TAXPAYER
DONORS, SCHOLARSHIP
RECIPIENTS, AND HOLY TRINITY.**



This year we were able to
award money to everyone
who applied making
Catholic Education more
affordable.
Pastor Vince Hawk

It is a blessing to have the
opportunity to send my tax dollars
to Holy Trinity School to benefit my
children and all of our school and
parish families.

Principal Kim Kuchta

Further Questions Contact

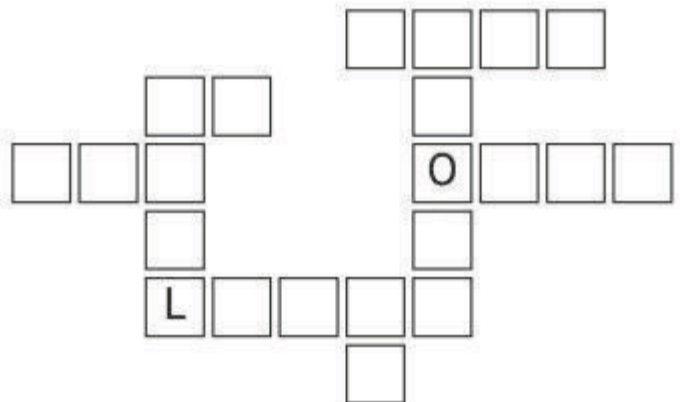
Colleen Stalla CPA: (440) 937-6420/ Finance@htsavon.org

John Herda Parishioner: (216) 387-3239/ Jherda@jcu.edu

Mark Rowland CPA & Parishioner: (440) 552-1979/ mrowland@petrohomes.com



Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:
He came only to tell about the light.



Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

I rejoice heartily in the LORD,
in my God is the joy of my soul. (Is 61:10)

Psalm:

My soul rejoices in my God. (Is 61:10b)

Second Reading:

May the God of peace make you perfectly holy
and may you entirely, spirit, soul, and body,
be preserved blameless for the coming of our Lord
Jesus Christ. (1 Thes 5:23)

Gospel:

"I baptize with water;
but there is one among you whom you do not
recognize,
the one who is coming after me,
whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie."
(Jn 1:23)

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. The English translation of
Psalm Responses from Lectionary for Mass © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on
English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

God sends a John the Baptist into every person's
life — someone who prepares His way, who calls
out His truth. Look for the John the Baptist
in your life. Pray you can be this person for
someone else.

Observances for the week of December 17, 2023

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Advent

Thursday: St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of
the Church

Saturday: St. John of Kanty, Priest

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Advent; Christmas Eve

Readings for the week of December 17, 2023

Sunday:

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54
(Is 61:10b)/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Monday:

Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/Mt 1:18-25

Tuesday:

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/
Lk 1:5-25

Wednesday:

Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38

Thursday:

Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12,
20-21/Lk 1:39-45

Friday:

1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/
Lk 1:46-56

Saturday:

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and
14/Lk 1:57-66

Next Sunday:

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5,
27, 29 (2a)/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!



SUPPORT
OUR PARISH



ADT-Monitored Home Security

Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust
833-287-3502

- Burglary
- Flood Detection
- Fire Safety
- Carbon Monoxide



WE'RE HIRING!

AD SALES EXECUTIVES

BE YOURSELF.
BRING YOUR PASSION.
WORK WITH PURPOSE.

- Paid training
- Some travel
- Work-life balance
- Full-Time with benefits
- Serve your community



Contact us at
careers@4lpi.com or
www.4lpi.com/careers

Place Your Ad Here and Support our Parish!

Instantly create and
purchase an ad with

AD
CREATOR
STUDIO



FREE
AD DESIGN

with purchase
of this space

CALL
800-477-4574

catholicmatch[®]
Ohio



CatholicMatch.com/OH

NEVER MISS OUR BULLETIN!

SUBSCRIBE

Have our bulletin emailed
to you every week.



VISIT WWW.PARISHESONLINE.COM



For ad info. call 1-800-477-4574 • www.4lpi.com

14-1089

We Are Here For You

*Burial Planning
Memorials
Grief Support*



www.clecem.org
216-641-7575



BOGNER
FAMILY FUNERAL HOME
AND CREMATION SERVICES
36625 Center Ridge Rd. • North Ridgeville, OH
(440) 327-2955
www.bognerfamilyfuneralhome.com
Call for free pre-planning guide

FOUNDATION & BASEMENT REPAIR • DRIVEWAYS
PATIOS • GARAGE PADS • STAMPED CONCRETE
**COULTER WATERPROOFING
& CEMENT INC.**
Quality Service **216-402-7526** FREE Estimates
JOHN COULTER - 21 years experience
LICENSED, BONDED, & INSURED



**Dr. Thomas R. Hughes • Dr. Troy Steinhilber
TMJ • Comprehensive Family Dentistry
Implants**

www.AvonDentalCare.com • 440-937-2273
1480 Center Rd. • Ste. D



*The Benchmark for Quality Service
& Craftsmanship Since 1976*
440-937-9134
www.stackheating.com • OH Lic# 12634/17479

Your Community Bank

36690 Detroit Rd
Avon
440-934-3340
www.FFLorain.bank



**Skilled Nursing & Rehabilitation
Assisted & Independent Living**
35755 Detroit Rd. • Avon, OH

For More Information Call (440) 937-3111
Learn more about us at www.atriumlivingcenters.com



Welcoming New Patients
We Have Moved
34282 Center Ridge Rd.
Call for an appointment — **440-327-7950**
www.mccormackdentalgroup.com



**Buying, Selling or
Refinancing?**
Let Erieview Title handle your Residential
and Commercial Title & Escrow Services.

Brian & Emily McManamon • 440.835.4505 • brian@erieviewtitle.com



Contact us at **440-695-0367**
acelighting.com
• Commercial-Industrial Lighting Products & Services
• Lighting Energy Audits • LED Retrofits, Fixtures & Lighting
• Sign Repair & Install • Indoor/Outdoor Lighting Repair

Since 1946
Stewart's
TV & APPLIANCE
468 Cleveland St. • Elyria, OH 44035
440-365-7321 • 800-589-6532
www.stewartappliance.com

**Beach Glass
Psychology LLC**
Psychological Services for Mature Adults
MEDICARE & MOST MAJOR INSURANCE ACCEPTED
Call for more info: **440-412-3041**
37000 Center Ridge Rd., Ste. 3, North Ridgeville



Home Furnishings
and Interior Design

maisonmaisoninteriors.com

19126 Old Detroit Rd, Rocky River
216-397-8700



440-331-1127
We Install Peace of Mind
Specializing in Foreign and
Domestic Diagnostics & Repair
• Brakes • Suspension
• Engines • Transmissions
35285 Center Ridge Rd., North Ridgeville
Jake & Chuck Jacobs ~ Family Owned



ENGINEERS ♦ CONTRACTORS ♦ DEVELOPERS
WWW.NORTHCOASTDESIGNBUILD.COM



Comprehensive Vision and
Eye Health Examinations

Saturday and Evening Appointments Available

TWO CONVENIENT LOCATIONS:

Bay Village Westlake
570 Dover Center Rd. 25125 Detroit Rd., Ste. 100
(440) 871-1139 (440) 455-1160

• Thomas Kelly, OD
• Karen Frombach, OD
• Diana Overberger, OD
• Abbey Zimmerman, OD

**DOES YOUR NONPROFIT
ORGANIZATION NEED
A NEWSLETTER?**

Engaging, ad-supported
print and digital newsletters
to reach your community.

Visit lpicommunities.com



**SUPPORT OUR
ADVERTISERS!**

**COBOS
INSURANCE CENTER**

**Auto Home
Life Business**

**Elyria Avon Lake
324-3732 933-5223**

www.CobosIns.com

**K.M.U TRUCKING
& EXCAVATING LLC**

Basement Walls • Yard Drains
Storm & Sanitary • Sewers • Septic
Topsoil • Stone & Plowing
Kevin Urig • (440) 934-1008



Avon Place 32900 Detroit Rd, Avon
440-937-6201
avon-place.foundationshhealth.net
French Creek 37845 Colorado Ave, Avon
440-695-1400
french-creek.foundationshhealth.net



For ad info. call 1-800-477-4574 • www.4lpi.com

14-1089

Raymond's
PLUMBING HEATING
& AIR CONDITIONING
Since 1967

Save on your Cooling Maintenance,
Call for details
www.raymondplumbing.com
1351 Broadway, Lorain • 440-244-5584

CASEY O'CONOR D.D.S., M.S.
SPECIALIST IN
ORTHODONTICS

Cleveland (216) 251-1232 www.droconor.com North Ridgeville (440) 327-9036

Budget Blinds

Keith Porchetta • 440-263-6190

1001 Jaycox Rd, Avon
440.934.2199
mail@belardolaw.com
www.belardolaw.com

L.E. Belardo, LLC
Lee E. Belardo,
Attorney at law

ROSE SENIOR LIVING
Avon

(440) 653-8460 • www.roseseniiorliving.com
Carol Morris, Director of Sales & Marketing
33200 Health Campus Blvd • Avon, OH 44011
Independent Living • Assisted Living • Memory Care
Vibrant Senior Living

Castle Care Landscapes

NOW HIRING

440.327.3700 • info@castlecareinc.com

Busch
Cremation • Burial • Pre-Planning



Leave a legacy,
not a predicament

Estate Planning and Elder Law
in Avon and surrounding
communities.
32730 Walker Rd., Avon Lake

JOSEPH L. MOTTA CO., LPA
Estate Planning & Elder Law

440-930-2826
www.JosephLMotta.com

Joe Motta

Misencik
Funeral Home
Pre-Need Planning
Family Owned & Operated
RE-ASSIGN YOUR EXISTING PLANS TO US TODAY
36363 Detroit Road
440-934-8000

NETWORK
LAND TITLE AGENCY

Judith A. Glenn
Owner
440.322.5300
www.networklandtitle.com
Parishioner &
HTS Alum '80

Celebrating 23 years of providing quality service!

KILLEEN
PLUMBING COMPANY
WE DO IT ALL!
Residential & Commercial
Sewer Cleaning/Video Inspection
Excavation/Waterproofing
Water Heaters/Tankless
Sump Pumps & Backups • Gas Lines
440.871.1112
www.kpcoho.com

Howard Hanna
REAL ESTATE SERVICES
HOWARD HANNA AVON OFFICE
2100 Center Rd, Avon, OH 44011

Donna Templeton
EXPERIENCE. DILIGENCE. INTEGRITY.
440-522-5677



LET'S GROW YOUR BUSINESS

Place Your Ad Here
and Support Our Parish!

CONTACT ME Victor Preisel
vpreisel@4LPi.com • (800) 477-4574 x6317

Helping People With Comparing Medicare Plans Since 2011

Avoid the Telemarketers and
the Scammers and work with
Someone Local that You Can Trust

Chris Murray, Parishioner
440-796-6498
cjmurray2121@gmail.com
www.medicalplansohio.com

Call Today For A FREE, No Obligation Appointment

FRANCISCUS
INCORPORATED
1.866.STAY.DRY
ROOFING - SIDING - WINDOWS - GUTTERS

SHORT STAFFED?
Place an ad here to find new
local talent for your business.

CALL 800-477-4574

catholicmatch[®]
Ohio
CatholicMatch.com/OH

