

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 25

6:45 AM Deceased Members of the Hanley Family - Family

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 26 - Ss. Cosmas and Damian

8:15 AM Arthur Fazio - Sister

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 27 - St. Vincent de Paul

6:45 AM Lee Masterson - Rudolph Family

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 28 - St. Lawrence Ruiz and His Companions; St. Wenceslaus

5:45 PM Lawrence & Susan Dee - Joanne & Don West

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 29

- Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael

8:15 AM Albert Fazio - Sister



SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 30

- Vigil: Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM Tom & Clarice Kearney - Family

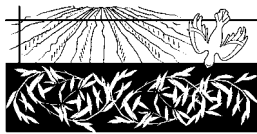
SUNDAY OCTOBER 1

- Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 AM St. Mel Parishioners

9:30 AM Selma J. Klosterman - Daughter, Sylvia

11:30 AM Martin Joyce - Patricia McCool & Family



The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace.
James 3:18

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9; Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or
Rv 12:7-12a; Jn 1:47-51

Saturday: Eccl 11:9 — 12:8; Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday: Nm 11:25-19; Ps 19; Jas 5:1-6;
Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48



RCIA NEWS

As in the past, the RCIA Program for St. Mel is combined with that of St. Vincent De Paul. *Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Church or do you know someone who would like to become a Catholic?* Please call Fr. Mike Ausperk at St. Vincent De Paul Church at 216-252-2626, extension 22.

SEPTEMBER FOOD COLLECTION

In additions to the food items left at church for the September Food Collection, \$57 were received. 2 Families and 4 singles or couples were served.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION IN OCTOBER

4:30 Paul Filippi, Pat Hartwig, Eileen Joyce

7:00 Lisa Carpenter, Carol Kerrigan, Jackie Zjaba

9:30 Sally Armstrong, Richard Beil, Charlotte Bliscik,
Doris Colombo

11:30 Laura Ferguson, Maryjo Macejko, Rosy Szucs

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION



2006: Regular	\$4283
Monthly	\$413
Capital Improvement	\$200
2005: Regular	\$3971
Monthly	\$323
Capital Improvement	\$203

In September 833 packets of envelopes were mailed out. Last week, 220 (18%) parish families/households contributed to St. Mel Church. Thank you.

TO ALL PARISHIONERS

Around the end of October you will be hearing the fiscal year report. Are there any questions, comments or suggestions you would like me to incorporate in the report? Drop a note in the collection basket addressed to "Paul", no signature is required. *Paul Filippi, Financial Chair Person*

DVD OF BISHOP RICHARD G. LENNON'S INSTALLATION MASS

The Communications Department of the Diocese of Cleveland has provided St. Mel Church a DVD of Bishop Lennon's Installation Mass that took place on May 15, 2006. We want to share it with you. It is in the book display case in the church's main vestibule. You may borrow it and return it to the display case when finished viewing it.

LECTORS IN OCTOBER

4:30 Tom Maloney 9:30 Chuck Lane 11:30 Lucky Varouh

SERVERS THIS WEEK

8:15 AM Tuesday September 26 Lori Hardony

5:45 PM Thursday September 28 Ryan & Matthew Faulhaber

8:15 AM Friday September 29
Shawn Dickinson, Matthew Workman

4:30 PM Saturday September 30
Bret Bruening, Julie & Megan Seman

7:00 AM Sunday October 1 Bruce Shomon, Maggie Mertus

9:30 AM Sunday October 1
Michael Stanton, Amanda Thurman, Robert Stroffolino

11:30 AM Sunday October 1
Thomas Adkins, Joseph Cavin, Aaron Thompson, Jr.



IT'S POST TIME AT ST. MEL! "AN EVENING AT THE RACES"

Benefits the St. Mel Athletic Association

Saturday, October 7, 2006 in the Church Hall

Doors Open: 6:30 PM - Post Time: 7:30 PM

Beer and Snacks, 10 Full Color Video Races,
Trophies Plus \$35.00 Cash to Winning Horse Owners
Buffet Prior to Races

Donation: \$10.00/Person, Adults Only

PARISH CALENDAR

MON. 25



MARKET DAY PICK-UP: 3:30 PM.
JR. CHOIR PRACTICE: 5:45-7:15 PM.
ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE: 7:30-9:00 PM.

TUES. 26



ROSARY: 11:00 AM in the church.
PSR: 6:30-7:30 PM in the school.
CONFIRMATION CLASS: 7:30-8:30 PM.
BAPTISM CLASS: 7:00 PM in the rectory meeting room. All parents expecting their first child must attend a Baptism Class prior to having their child baptized. It is suggested that you attend this class during the second trimester of pregnancy. Call the rectory during business hours (M-F 9:00-Noon & 1:00-4:00 PM). There won't be another class at St. Mel until December.

THURS. 28

NO SCHOOL
TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DAY
CONFESSIONS: 5:00-5:30 PM.

FRI. 20



SCHOOL MASS: 8:15 AM for grades 2-8.
GRANDPARENT AND SPECIAL PERSON DAY: 10:00 AM. *See St. Mel School News below.*

SAT. 30

CONFESSIONS: 3:00-4:00 PM.

SUN. 1

COFFEE & DONUT SHOP: Open between the 9:30 and 11:30 AM Mass in the church hall.

ST. MEL SCHOOL NEWS

Grandparent/Special Person Day...Our special and annual St. Mel School Grandparent/Special Person Day is scheduled for Friday, September 29th. This year, we want to invite all Grandparents and special persons from our school and church family. At 10:00 a.m., the building will be open for our visitors and guests. Members of our student council will escort you to our Reception and Hospitality area. From there, you will be given information and instructions for your visit.

The school at St. Mel is a part of our Parish Family and therefore grandparents, special persons, and parishioners are all very welcome to visit us on September 29th. We are proud of the fine tradition and the wonderful faith based education we provide our youngsters. Please mark your calendars for this event.

Tupperware Fundraiser...Thank you students, parents, and parishioners for your involvement in our first fundraiser of the year. As soon as the final results are tallied, we will announce our profit and our winning students and homerooms. **The orders are expected to be ready for pick-up on Friday, September 29.** The details for the pick-up of orders will be com-

municated in the near future.

Market Day pick-up...St. Mel School's first Market Day pick-up of the year is scheduled for **Monday, September 25 beginning at 3:30 p.m..**

Staff Professional Day...Once again this year, the Diocese of Cleveland has scheduled Professional Days for our staff. The first one is scheduled for **Thursday, September 28. There is NO school for our St. Mel students that day.**

Magazine Drive...St. Mel School's annual magazine sale will kick-off on Thursday, October 5 with Magazine Service of America. This year's sale will be a web-based fundraiser, with every family able to conduct the sale of magazines from their home computer. Once again, this will be a total Parish Community effort as we encourage participation from parishioners and our school families. *Mr. Thomas McFadden*

MUSIC IN THE LITURGY

This is the first of several articles about music in our liturgy. St. Mel Parish has a long tradition of an active music program that includes Adult and Junior Choirs, Cantors, Musicians, and Assembly singing. Most important of these is the Assembly and our singing of the responses and hymns during Sunday mass. It is our duty to actively participate with one another when we come to mass and lift our voices in praise to the Lord. Especially during the Communion Procession.

Yes, Communion is a procession, when we come forward to receive the Lord. Communion celebrates a completion of our union with Christ and each other. During the procession, we are called to physically participate by our coming forward and our singing. Improving the singing during Communion is going to be our main focus this season. We want everyone to raise their voices to the Lord during the Communion procession. God does not care whether you have a good voice, a bad voice, or an in-between voice. Voice is God's gift to us and we must use that gift when we come to worship and praise Him.

In the upcoming weeks, we will try several ways to improve the singing during Communion. Some of these will be: using a short responsorial type of hymn, using the same hymn for an entire month, etc. While the responses (Memorial Acclamation, Great Amen, Alleluia, Holy Holy Holy) are the most important musical moments of the liturgy, the Communion procession unites us with one another. We join as one voice to praise God as we receive Him.

So, **LIFT YOUR VOICE TO THE LORD** and become an active participant in singing the Communion Response.
Tom Czajkowski

WESTGATE LIFE CHAIN: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2006
Rain or Shine 2:30-3:30 PM in front of Planned Parenthood, 20800 Center Ridge Road across from Westgate Mall. Just one hour, just once a year, in cities across the country, thousands who still believe in the sanctity of life, line sidewalks holding signs in *silent witness* to the terrible truth that *abortion kills children*. Join us! Signs will be provided. Bob: 440-331-2602.

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