

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY NOVEMBER 20

6:45 AM George & Helen Fedor

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 21

- Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:15 AM Mary Smith - Husband

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 22 - St. Cecilia

6:45 AM Emma Begala - Ernest & Martha Petti

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 23

- St. Clement I; St. Columban; Blessed Miguel

Augustin Pro; Thanksgiving Day

Note: Special Holiday Mass Time Below

9:00 AM Pauline Verbiak - Family

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 24

- St. Andrew Dung-Lac and His Companions

8:15 AM Martin Joyce - Family

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 25

- Vigil: Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

4:30 PM John & Marjorie Kvak - Family

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 26

- Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

7:00 AM St. Mel Parishioners

9:30 AM Frank & Marge Fickel - Sister

11:30 AM Marjorie Roberto - Family & Friends



Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

Mark 13:31

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11; Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: Rv 5:1-10; Lk 19:41-44

Thanksgiving Day—Suggested:

Sir 50:22-24; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19

Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: Rv 11:4-12; Lk 20:27-40

Sunday: Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37



JR. CHOIR SINGS at the 9:30 AM Mass on Sunday, November 26, 2006. Singers are to be in the choir loft by 9:15 AM.

ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

Ennis Court - A Place to Call Home

The parish staff extends a special "Thank You" to all the merchants who use our bulletin to advertise.

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION



2006: Regular	\$3741
Monthly	\$217
Capital Improvement	\$305
2005: Regular	\$4557
Monthly	\$312
Capital Improvement	\$268

In November 811 packets of envelopes were mailed out. Last week, 212 parish families/households contributed to St. Mel Church. Thank you.

SENIORS . . .

IRA WITHDRAWAL TAX OPPORTUNITY!

You may be interested in **new** legislation that allows donors age 70 1/2 to make a **TAX FREE YEAR-END** gift to the parish. The gift is made from an IRA before December 31, 2006. This two (2) year legislation also applies to an IRA gift made during 2007. Call the parish office or consult your tax advisor if you would like more information. *Paul Filippi, Finance Council*

THANKSGIVING DAY PRAYER

Heavenly Father, on Thanksgiving Day

We bow our hearts to You and pray.

We give You thanks for all You've done

Especially for the gift of Jesus, Your Son.

For beauty in nature, Your glory we see

For joy and health, friends and family,

For daily provision, Your mercy and care

These are the blessings You graciously share.

So today we offer this response of praise

With a promise to follow You all of our days.

Mary Fairchild



NEW PARISHIONERS Our parish community extends a warm welcome to Michael, Kelly, and Michael Wencho.

SERVERS THIS WEEK

8:15 AM Tuesday November 21

Daniel McGinty, Mykael Telles-McGinty

9:00 AM Thursday November 23 Thanksgiving Day

To be scheduled

8:15 AM Friday November 24

Michael Stanton, Ronan Forrestal

4:30 PM Saturday November 25

Matt Szucs, Julie & Megan Seman

7:00 AM Sunday November 26

Rebecca Gooding, Vincent Varouh

9:30 AM Sunday November 26

Daniel McGinty, Rachael Jenkins, Michael Mausser

11:30 AM Sunday November 26

Steve Gannon, Molly & Bride Sweeney



PARISH CALENDAR

MON. 20



SENIOR CLUB MEETING: 1:00 PM in church hall. Special Memorial Service. Light a candle for friends or relatives. Chit-Chat. Refreshments. Bingo. New Members Welcome. Call Leo 216-671-2457 or Dorothy 216-941-8389.

MARKET DAY PICK-UP: 3:30 - 4:30 PM.

JR. CHOIR PRACTICE: 5:45-7:15 PM.

ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE: 7:30 - 9:00 PM

TUES. 21

SCHOOL THANKSGIVING MASS: 8:15 AM.

ROSARY: 11:00 AM in the church.

NO PSR

MCDONALD'S NIGHT: 5:00-7:00 PM at the West 150 Street location.

WED. 22

NO SCHOOL

THURS. 23

THANKSGIVING DAY: School, rectory, custodial offices closed for the holiday.



THANKSGIVING DAY MASS: 9:00 AM.

NO CONFESSIONS

FRI. 24

PARISH OFFICE & SCHOOL CLOSED

SAT. 25

CONFESSIONS: 3:00-4:00 PM.

SUN. 26

JR. CHOIR SINGS: At the 9:30 AM Mass. Singers are to be in the choir loft by 9:15 AM.

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



ST. MEL GIVING TREE



Our church is participating in the "Giving Tree 2006" with the West Side Catholic Center. We will be collecting various items for men, women, and children. The Giving Tree will be located in the gathering area next weekend. Please take one or more tags with suggested gift items (clothes & toiletries) and return the *unwrapped* gift on December 2/3. Thank you!

AN OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME ACTIVE IN ST. MEL PARISH AS A LECTOR IS AVAILABLE

Additional Lectors are being sought. Schedules customized to individual preference, relative to dates and Mass time, are currently being developed for next year. If you want to be involved in this rewarding ministry, please call Tom Maloney at 216-251-6736.

DIVORCE RECOVERY FOR CATHOLICS

The Catholic parishes of the Diocesan Suburban West District sponsor a 10-week series of support group meetings designed to assist Catholics who are recently separated or divorced. Divorce is never easy and leaves individuals feeling alone, hurt and confused.

The "Divorce and Beyond" Program will help you to:

- Gain a perspective on your divorce
- Cope with the stresses and strains associated with divorce
- Understand some of your emotional responses
- Find ways of coping that will lead to growth and the restructuring of you life

Sessions are designed to provide a caring, confidential atmosphere to share with others who understand your experience and help you find support and encouragement. A group begins at St. Christopher Church in Rocky River on Monday, January 22. To obtain a registration form and brochure, call Gayle Cilimburg at 440-331-4255. Pre-registration is required.

IRISH CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

Saturday, December 2, 2006 - 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
 Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes
 21281 Chardon Road, Euclid, OH
 Lunch Available - Bake Sale - Free Admission

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES ASSOCIATION DECORATION SCHEDULE

November 1, 2006 - March 15, 2007

Winter wreaths and other artificial decorations are permitted. All decorations, including crosses, cannot exceed a height of 36" above ground. *Natural wreaths may be ordered though the cemeteries for the winter season.* Grave blankets, mounds and cones, or any similar decorations are not permitted because they become a nesting place for animals, and because they often kill the grass under them. All glass decorations and any lights or lighted decorations are not permitted. Votive candles of any kind and any decoration which include a flame, either live or battery operated, are not allowed on places of interment and will be removed and discarded. Due to cold temperatures, if bouquet holders are used to place artificial flowers during the winter months, we cannot be responsible for any damage that might result. *Also while efforts are made to return decorations to grave sites after nearby burials, this is not always possible due to weather and workload constraints.*