

# SAINT MEL

## Catholic Church

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### SAINT MEL

*Mel is said to have been the son of Conis and his wife, Darerca, the sister of Saint Patrick. Mel accompanied his uncle to Ireland and helped to evangelize in that country. Mel is said to have had no fixed diocese, which might be explained by his being a missionary. Saint Patrick himself built the church at Ardagh and to this he appointed his nephew, Mel. The cathedral at Ardagh is dedicated to Saint Mel. Acting upon the counsel of Saint Paul, Mel supported himself by working with his hands, and what he gained beyond bare necessities, he gave to the poor. The Feast of Saint Mel is on February 6th.*

### PARISH INFORMATION

#### PHONES

Rectory Office: ..... 216-941-4313  
School: ..... 216-941-6879  
Fax: ..... 216-941-1093  
Website ..... <http://www.stmelparish.net>

**Weddings:** Couples need to make arrangements at least six months prior to the wedding date. No date may be reserved until after a discussion with a priest of the parish.

**Funerals:** Arrangements must be confirmed with the rectory office by the funeral director before any publication in the newspaper.

**Baptisms:** On the first and third Sundays of the month, following the 11:30 AM Mass. Arrangements should begin to be made about three months before the birth of the child.

**Rite of Christian Initiation:** Persons interested becoming members of the Catholic Church are asked to call the rectory office for information.

**Anointing of the Sick:** In the case of an emergency, please call the rectory office immediately. Please notify the rectory office for communion calls to the homebound, or visits to parishioners in the hospital.

**Registration:** New parishioners are asked to call the rectory office to register. Please call if there is a change in address or when moving out of the parish.

**Rectory Office Hours:** Monday through Friday: 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon; 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

**Hall available** for catered events. Call Catered Affairs of Cleveland at 216-671-9833.

### MASSES

#### Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: ..... 4:30 PM  
Sunday: ..... 7:00, 9:30, 11:30 AM

#### Weekday Masses

Monday & Wednesday ..... 6:45 AM  
Tuesday & Friday ..... 8:15 AM  
Thursday ..... 5:45 PM

#### Holy Day Masses other than Christmas & New Years

Weekday evening before the Holy Day: ..... 5:45 PM  
Holy Day: ..... 7:00, 10:00 AM, 7:00 PM

**Confessions:** Thursdays ..... 5:00 - 5:30 PM  
Saturdays ..... 3:00 - 4:00 PM

<b>MASS INTENTIONS</b>
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**MONDAY AUGUST 18 - St. Jane Frances de Chantal**

6:45 AM Cleora Fowler - Family &amp; Friends

**TUESDAY AUGUST 19 - St. John Eudes**

8:15 AM God's Blessing on Vera Tonrey

**WEDNESDAY AUGUST 20 - St. Bernard**

6:45 AM Sylvia Coleman

**THURSDAY AUGUST 21 - St. Pius X**

5:45 PM Joseph Andrew Blazek - Al Blazek

**FRIDAY AUGUST 22****- The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:15 AM Mike &amp; Peggy Haney - Family

**SATURDAY AUGUST 23****- Vigil: Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30 PM Mary Kappenhagen - Family

**SUNDAY AUGUST 24****- Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:00 AM St. Mel Parishioners

9:30 AM Tom McKenna - Wife, Bridget

11:30 AM Bernard &amp; Helen Lynch - Family



*Observe what is right, do what is just; for my salvation is about to come, my justice, about to be revealed. Isaiah 56:1*

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Ez 24:15-24; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28; Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ez 37:1-14; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab; Mt 23:1-12

Sunday: Is 22:19-23; Ps 138; Rom 11:33-36;  
Mt 16:13-20**THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)** is the process by which adults prepare to join the Catholic Church. RCIA Sessions include prayer, education and discussion. If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church or know someone who is interested and would like to become Catholic, please call Fr. Mike Ausperk, who leads the RCIA process for St. Mel and St. Vincent De Paul parishes, at St. Vincent DePaul Church at 216-252-2626, extension 22.

**NEW PARISHIONERS** Our parish community extends a warm welcome to Tiffany and Timothy Deighton.

**LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION**

2008: Regular	\$4242
Monthly	\$693
Capital Improvement	\$430
2007: Regular	\$3545
Monthly	\$219
Capital Improvement	\$387

In August 748 packets of envelopes were mailed out. Last week, 201 parish families/households contributed to St. Mel Church. Thank you.

**MISSION APPEAL - AUGUST 23 & 24, 2008**

Fr. Dennis Chriszt, C.P.P.S., will be with us next weekend to ask your support for the work of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood. Each year we are given the opportunity to hear about the missionary work of the Church and to support that work through our financial gifts and our prayers. The Missionaries of the Precious Blood are based in Dayton, Ohio, but they also serve the Church in Guatemala, Chile, and Peru. Next weekend we will take up a special collection at all the Masses and if you want to prepare a check to bring along, the check should be written out to St. Mel Parish and marked for the missions. Please welcome Fr. Dennis with warm hospitality and respond to him with generosity.

The Missionaries of the Precious Blood believe that the redeeming power of the Blood of Christ can save the world. Because Christ shed his Blood for all, the missionaries preach of Christ's all-inclusive love, especially for those whom society may view as too poor or lowly to be of any value. Their ministry, then, often calls them to the fringes of society, such as in their missions in Chile, Peru and Guatemala, where they serve in parishes in sprawling urban centers, in villages high in the mountains and among country people who may otherwise seldom see a priest. In those countries, they have worked with the people to establish schools, clinics and many parish ministries. They are ministers of the Word who have seen the Word work great miracles among the lives of the people to whom they minister - and in themselves.

**SERVERS THIS WEEK**4:30 PM Saturday August 23

Lindsay Hartwig, Julie &amp; Megan Seman

7:00 AM Sunday August 23

Jim Graham



9:30 AM Sunday August 23

Cheyenne &amp; Katelyn Gregg

11:30 AM Sunday August 23

Ronan Forrestal, Lori Hardony, Alex Kerr

**PARISH CALENDAR**

- TUES. 19 ROSARY: 11:00 AM in the church.
- WED. 20 SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL: 5:00-7:00 PM. *See School News.*
- THURS. 21 SCHOOL BEGINS: Students in grades 1-8 return to school in full uniform from 8:15 AM to 1:15 PM. *See School News.*  
 CONFESSIONS: 5:00-5:30 PM.
- FRI. 22 KINDERGARTEN BEGINS SCHOOL: Students in grades K-8 from 8:15 AM to 1:15 PM. *See School News below.*  

- SAT. 23 CONFESSIONS: 3:00-4:00 PM.  
MISSIONARY APPEAL: At 4:30 PM Mass. *See Mission Appeal page 2.*
- SUN. 24 COFFEE & DONUTS: Open between the 9:30 and 11:30 AM Masses.  
MISSIONARY APPEAL: At all Masses. *See Mission Appeal page 2.*

**ST. MEL SCHOOL NEWS**

Wednesday, August 20: From 5:00-7:00 PM a School Open House and Ice Cream Social is planned for St. Mel School families. This will give you and your child a chance to meet the teacher, hear about curriculum, policies, and procedures for the coming school year, bring in classroom supplies and materials for your child's desk or locker, secure an important packet of information to take home and review, and enjoy a favorite summertime treat. Parent Board Officers will be available to take membership fees. In addition, a representative from the American Independent Music Association will be available to share information about the program "Music is for Everyone."

Thursday, August 21: This is the first day of school for students in grades 1-8. It will be an early dismissal day, with school hours being 8:15 AM-1:15 PM. School uniforms must be worn on the first day. Kindergarten students and parents will be invited to an orientation.

Friday, August 22: This is another early dismissal day (8:15 AM-1:15 PM) and the first day for Kindergarten students.



**ST. MEL LADIES GUILD  
RUMMAGE SALE**

Start gathering your unwanted clean usable clothing and other items that you no longer need or want and donate them to the rummage sale in September. More details later.

**ST. MEL PSR NEWS**

Registration for the 2008-2009 PSR school year will be on Tuesday September 9 at 6:30 PM in the school. The cost is \$25 per student and we have classes available from Kindergarten through Eighth grade. The first PSR class will be Tuesday September 16 and will be from 6:30 PM until 7:30 PM. We encourage all students not enrolled in a Catholic elementary school to join our PSR classes.

Being a PSR volunteer is a wonderful way to be an active member in our parish community. We look forward to another faith filled school year. *Laura Ferguson*

**FROM THE DIOCESAN  
COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT**

"For the Record": A recent Plain Dealer story on parish clustering was irresponsible and incomplete. If you have read or seen a news story about the Church, your parish, the Diocese or matters of the Catholic Faith and want to be sure you know the complete story, check "For the Record" on the Diocese of Cleveland website at [www.dioceseofcleveland.org](http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org). You might be surprised what you will learn when all the information is available

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

Misuse of the Bible: "As Bishops, we condemn the use of the Bible to condone abusive behavior. A correct reading of the Scriptures leads people to a relationship based on mutuality and love." *When I Cry for Help, USCCB 2002*. Commonly misused passages: "Turn the other cheek", "Forgive seventy times seven times", "Wives be submissive to your husbands." God does not want you to live in fear! For help call the Domestic Violence Cuyahoga County Hotline: 216-631-2275.

**FROM THE DIOCESAN SOCIAL ACTION OFFICE  
ON FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP**

The right to life implies and is linked to other human rights—to the basic goods that every human person needs to live and thrive. All the life issues are connected, for erosion of respect for the life of any individual or group in society necessarily diminishes respect for all life. The moral imperative to respond to the needs of our neighbors—basic needs such as food, shelter, health care, education, and meaningful work—is universally binding on our consciences and may be legitimately fulfilled by a variety of means. Catholics must seek the best ways to respond to these needs. (*Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship: A Call to Political Responsibility, #25*)

**MEASUREMENTS** When I die, God won't measure my head to see how clever I was. God will measure my heart to see how loving I was. *Anonymous*

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