

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
Fax: 216-941-1093
Email: church@stmel.net
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 a.m. 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 a.m. to 12:00 noon; 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

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

MASSES

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: 7:00, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday & Wednesday 6:45 a.m.
Tuesday & Friday 8:15 a.m.
Thursday 5:45 p.m.

Holy Day Masses other than Christmas & New Years

Weekday evening before the Holy Day: 5:45 p.m.
Holy Day: 7:00, 10:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

Confessions: Thursdays 5:00 - 5:30 p.m.
Saturdays 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Mass Intentions

MONDAY FEBRUARY 15

6:45 a.m. William Donlon - Raymond Kappenhagen

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 16

8:15 a.m. Mary Elizabeth Blazek - Al Blazek, Son

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 17 - Ash Wednesday

6:45 a.m. Geraldine Rini - Petti Family

8:15 a.m. Martin Joyce - Ann

7:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Word

**THURSDAY FEBRUARY 18**

5:45 p.m. Daniel DiBiasio - Tomasina Frank

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 19

8:15 a.m. Danny Lavelle - Jack & Maggie Daley

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 20 - Vigil: First Sunday of Lent

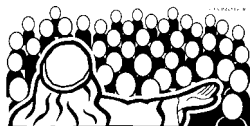
4:30 p.m. Special Intention of the Family of Nicholas Kissel

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 21 - First Sunday of Lent

7:00 a.m. St. Mel Parishioners

9:30 a.m. Ted Madison - Jim Galbraith

11:30 a.m. Amelio & Maria Leanza - Mario Leanza & Family



"Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours. Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied." Luke 6:20-21a

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jas 1:1-11; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Lk 5:27-32

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

SERVERS THIS WEEK6:45 a.m. Ash Wednesday February 17

Ned & Doreen Shepard

8:15 a.m. Wednesday February 17

Mary Adkins, Jim Graham

4:30 p.m. Saturday February 20

Valerie Brinkhoff, Lindsay Hartwig, Megan Seman

7:00 a.m. Sunday February 21

Jim Graham

9:30 a.m. Sunday February 21

Ronan, Conor & Claire Forrestal, John Houghtling

11:30 a.m. Sunday February 21

Curtis, Spencer & Dylan Harrington

**THIS WEEK'S ADVERTISER****POMPEII'S PLUMBING & HEATING**

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

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION

2010: Regular	\$4229
Monthly	\$639
Capital Improvement	\$847
2009: Regular	\$3704
Monthly	\$297
Capital Improvement	\$227

In February 713 packets of envelopes were mailed out. Last week, 175 parish families/households contributed to St. Mel Church. Thank you.

LENTEN SCHEDULE**Stations of the Cross**

Friday Evenings at 7:00 p.m.

ConfessionsThursdays from 5:00 to 5:30 p.m. and
Saturdays from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.**Lenten Reminders****Abstinence:**No meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent for those over 14 years of age.**Fasting:**One full meal and two other lighter meals and no eating between meals on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday for those who are 18 years of age and not yet 60 years of age.**A MESSAGE FROM FATHER FEDOR**

With the Season of Lent beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 17, many persons see this as an appropriate time to do a little extra in terms of the practice of the Faith. In addition to the responsibility for Fast and Abstinence, listed elsewhere in this Bulletin, practices of doing additional spiritual reading, reflection or prayer are often adopted. Others typically see this as an opportunity to exercise discipline by restricting certain food or drink items. I would like to suggest that serious thought be given to the idea of attending Mass during the week as a worthy Lenten practice. Being present to the Lord and to one another, and being nourished by the Lord in the Eucharist, are pre-eminent ways to develop an appreciation for the gift of Faith we have been granted.


LENTEN REFLECTION BOOKS

St. Mel Church is offering a daily prayer resource for use during the Lenten Season. *Living With Passion, Reflections, Reminders, & Requests* includes daily scripture meditations and prayers. The booklet is available on the table in the Gathering Area of the church. Booklets are limited and on a first come, first serve basis at no charge.

YEAR-END CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you would like a copy of your 2009 contributions, please drop a self-addressed stamped #10 envelope (long envelope) into the collection basket and it will be mailed to you.

Parish Calendar

- MON. 15 Senior Club Meeting: 1:00 p.m. in the church hall. Refreshments. Bingo. Chit-Chat. All Seniors are welcome. Dorothy: 216-941-8389.
Choir Practice: 7:30 p.m. in the church.
- TUES. 16 Rosary: 11:00 a.m. in the church.
No PSR Classes
- WED. 17 Ash Wednesday: Masses: 6:45 and 8:15 a.m. Liturgy of the Word: 7:00 p.m. Ashes will be distributed during all Masses and at the Liturgy of the Word service.

Fish Fry: 4:30-7:00 p.m. *See Lenten Fish Fry.*
- THURS. 18 Confessions: 5:00-5:30 p.m.
- FRI. 19 Fish Fry: 4:30-7:00 p.m. *See Lenten Fish Fry.*
Stations of the Cross: 7:00 p.m.
- SAT. 20 Confessions: 3:00-4:00 p.m.
Catholic Charities Follow-up Weekend In-pew Solicitation
- SUN. 21 Catholic Charities Follow-up Weekend In-pew Solicitation
Food Collection: Place non-perishable food, soaps, and paper goods in the gathering area. Grocery store gift cards and Food Collection envelopes may be dropped in the Sunday Offertory collection.
Coffee and Donut Shop: Open between the 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Masses in the small hall.

WELCOME GUESTS & VISITORS TO ST. MEL CHURCH

A printed *History of St. Mel Church, Tour of St. Mel Church*, and magnets with St. Mel's Mass and confession schedules and phone numbers are available to you on the table in the Gathering Area of the church.

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Congratulations to the following high school students who have earned academic honors for the first semester or second quarter of the 2009-2010 school year:

St. Joseph Academy

Honors: Bride Sweeney, Emily Armstrong, Regina Russo, Alicia Edwards, Carol Martincic, Margaret Mertus

Holy Name High School

Honors: Ashley Szucs

Magnificat High School

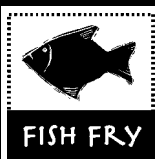
Second Honors: Angelina DiGennaro

NORTHWEST CLUSTER LENTEN SERIES

St. Ignatius of Antioch, St. Mark, St. Mel, St. Vincent de Paul, Sts. Philip and James

"Four Perspectives on the Gospel"

St. Ignatius of Antioch Church, 10205 Lorain Ave., Cleveland
See attached flyer for days and times.



**CHURCH OF SAINT MEL
LENTEN FISH FRY**

2010

Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent

February 17 (Ash Wednesday),
February 19, 26; March 5, 12, 19, 26;
April 2 (Good Friday)

St. Mel Hall 4:30-7:00 p.m.

Dinners

Baked Fish [*Haddock*] \$ 9.00 Fried Fish (2 pcs.) [*Hoki*] \$ 8.00
Macaroni & Cheese \$ 6.00 Pierogi (3) \$ 7.25

À La Carte

Baked Fish (1 piece) \$ 4.50 Fried Fish (1 piece) \$ 4.00
Pierogi \$ 2.25 or 3/\$6.00 Apple Sauce \$ 1.25
Cabbage & Noodles \$ 2.75 Cole Slaw \$ 1.50
French Fries \$ 2.00 Macaroni & Cheese \$ 2.00

Dinners include: entrée, bread and butter, and a choice of two side dishes: cole slaw, apple sauce, cabbage & noodles, macaroni & cheese, french fries, or 1 pierogi. Complimentary beverage and dessert are offered to Dine-in customers.

Dine-in or Carry Out: 216-671-9833

*Phone orders taken after 3:00 p.m.
for pick-up after 4:30 p.m.*

Saint Mel Hall is Handicapped Accessible

THANK YOU FROM CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Thank you for your very generous gift to Catholic Relief Services. Your recent offering of \$1765.00 provides vital support for CRS' Earthquake Emergency Relief Fund for Haiti. Our programs are dedicated to the alleviations of human suffering without regard to race, belief or nationality.

Your gift is clear evidence that you and your community understand fully that the world is filled with millions of people who are just like us-except they happen to be extremely poor or vulnerable, without enough food to feed their families or access to decent health care.

We could not help them without your generous and loyal support. On behalf of the children of God you are helping, I extend my deepest appreciation for the support of your community. Thank you for embracing our one human family with your generosity and your prayers.

God Bless you, Ken Hackett, President

Note: \$1765.00 was the amount St. Mel parishioners donated in cash to the Haiti Collection on January 17, 2010. Additionally, many St. Mel parishioners wrote checks to CRS, Haiti Earthquake totaling \$823.20 and these were forwarded to CRS along with the \$10.00 cash that was donated on January 24. The Haiti Collection totaled \$2598.20.