

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 11, 2018

Monday	Mar 12	8:30 a.m.	
Tuesday	Mar 13	8:30 a.m.	Hannah Svarny ~ Family
		7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Wednesday	Mar 14	8:30 a.m.	
		9:30 a.m.	Mass ~ Orange Village Nursing Home
Thursday	Mar 15	8:30 a.m.	Special Intention
Friday	Mar 16	8:30 a.m.	Rosary ~ Communion Service
Saturday	Mar 17	4:30 p.m.	Bob Rappach, Jr. ~ Ruth & Joe Hayes
Sunday	Mar 18	10:00 a.m.	Cathy Santucci ~ Joe Santucci



Today is the Fourth Sunday of Lent. Jesus is conversing with the Jewish leader and teacher Nicodemus, who came to Jesus in the night and affirming that clearly Jesus must be from God, or he would not be able to perform such acts. Nicodemus wants to understand what it means to be reborn. Jesus begins his answer with a reference to the miracle performed by Moses, where a bronze serpent on a stick is raised and the people walking in the desert are saved, given new life. Jesus too will be raised on wood---the Cross--- but his death is one death for the salvation of all, yet through his Passion, Jesus gives us new life.

The 2018 Bishop's Appeal has only a few weeks remaining. It runs every year during the Lenten Season. You can find commitment cards in the pews. Take one home and return it by Easter. The Bishop holds this drive every year during Lent to put into practice the call of helping the poor through almsgiving. Proceeds from this Appeal remain local and help fund Catholic Charities and other Diocesan social service agencies and programs throughout the upcoming year. A perfect way to show your gratitude for not needing additional help would be to give to this Appeal. Please be generous.

Welcome all our visitors who are with us this weekend. You are always welcome... we would love to have you join our parish family. You can find on the welcome/information table in the gathering space, new parishioner packets if you would like to join our parish family. You can also find a book of our parish organizations and who to contact if you would like to join... maybe you can offer us something to improve our faith community. We all bring different gifts to the church and to the altar. It is our call to share those gifts.

Stations of the Cross will be held on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. except the Tuesday of Holy Week. Reconnect yourself to this traditional devotion. Bring a friend!

Our Lenten Luncheons are on consecutive Wednesdays through Lent, except the Wednesday of Holy Week. Lunch is free and will be served at 12 noon, and the area pastors will speak at 12:30 p.m. Thanks to Pastor Judi Bender from the Vienna Presbyterian Church who spoke last Wednesday. Pastor Scott Flanders from the Vienna New Life Community Church will be our next guest speaker. Bring a friend!

Our Fish Fridays are happening!! Our dinner starts at 3:00 pm for takeout, and 3:30 pm for dining in. For just \$10.00, you will receive your choice of fried or baked fish, perogies, buttered potatoes, apple sauce, homemade coleslaw, bread/butter, dessert and a drink. Last week we sold 742 dinners! **New this year... we are open for lunch!** Serving from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm, you can enjoy a delicious quick lunch for just \$5.00. Our version of "Fish and Chips" will include a fish sandwich, a bag of chips and a pickle. The lunch will only be available from 11:00 – 1:00 and is take out only. Pick up a lunch for you and a friend! Last week we sold 91 lunches! We do need desserts for our dinners! Fire up those ovens!

No winner yet on the "Pot of Gold" drawing. Last week's number was 213. The winner is now guaranteed at least \$910.00! Good luck! Join the weekly fun by using your "Pot of Gold" \$2 envelope in your envelope packet. All envelopes must be in the parish office by 10:00 a.m. Monday morning to be eligible for the drawing!

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available any Saturday during Lent from 3:30 – 4:00 p.m. or at the Warren-area Communal Reconciliation Service to be held at Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday, March 20 at 7:00 p.m. or at St. Rose, Tuesday, March 20 at 7:00 p.m.

T.G.I.F. (Together Growing in Faith) will meet Sunday, April 8 at 3:30 p.m. Please be in your seat by 3:20 to prepare for Mass. This program is for people of all ages. **Everyone is invited.**

First communion Parent and student class (required) Sat., March 17 from 1:30 -5:30 p.m.

Project Rachel Outreach Something to Remember during Lent: There is no sin, including abortion that is greater than God's forgiveness. There is Hope and Healing available. For CONFIDENTIAL help contact Project Rachel of N.E. Ohio at 888-259-4806 or support@projrachneo.zohosupport.com

Calling all "Holy Rollers" We are looking for adults to help roll out nuts rolls on Monday, March 12th no experience needed!!! **We will start at 10:00 a.m. Bring a rolling pin.** If you cannot come during the day we need help wrapping nut rolls after 1 pm. Please call 330-394-2461 if you are able to help. **This fundraiser helps defray the cost of the Together growing In Faith Program (TGIF).**

DELICIOUS NUT ROLLS will be sold starting Monday March 12 from 1-6pm and that weekend at Mass, March 17 and 18. (Nut rolls will be double wrapped so you can freeze for Easter.) **They are still only \$10.00!**

Women's Guild Meeting - March 11 in rooms 3 & 4 after 10:00 a.m. Mass.

CRS Helping Hands Project for March 11, 2018 at JFK. This Year our Parish is responsible for cleanup at 5:00 pm. Please join us if you can help.

Cleveland Performing Arts Ministries' musical passion play "Tetlestai" will be presented at St. Patrick Church in Hubbard. This dramatic stage production tells the story of Jesus' trial, execution and resurrection in a visual way that will leave a lasting impression. This is a great way to prepare for the Holy Days of the Easter season. Performances will be 8:00 p.m. on March 16 and 17, Friday and Saturday, and 1:00 p.m., Sunday, March 18. Doors will open approximately 1 hour before performance time. There is no charge, but free-will offerings will be accepted.

The Ladies of the Bishop McFadden Assembly #819 will be selling chances for a lottery tree after 10:00 a.m. Mass on March 11 and 18. The tree holds \$100.00 worth of lottery tickets and a \$20 bill. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Winner will be drawn on May 5.

Seniors Group will not meet in March. See you April 10.



DID YOU KNOW? Knights of Columbus Vienna Council 13260 has been preparing and serving meals for the St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen for about 15 years. They have served up to 175 meals in a day. They are looking for additional help on Thursday, March 29. All men from the parish are welcome to volunteer their help. You do not have to be a member of the council. If you are interested, please contact Jerry Rassega at 330-856-2119 or Joe Hayes at 330-539-5296. This is a great ministry with many rewards and fellowship. Please consider. Thank you.

Easter Flower envelopes must be in the parish office by March 19 if you would like the names included in the bulletin insert for Easter.

Monthly calendar news for April must be submitted by March 19 due to early publication deadlines.

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Sunday 3/4/2018	\$8330.50	216 Envelopes
Easter Flowers	896.00	61 Envelopes
Heating	145.00	4 Envelopes
Exponent	89.00	7 Envelopes

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