



St. Mel Catholic Church

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Cleveland, OH 44111-2263

Reverend Mark Q. Fedor, J.C.D., *Pastor*

MASSES

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 7:00, 9:30, 11:30 AM

Weekday Masses:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: .. 6:45 AM

Thursday: 5:45 PM

Holy Day Masses:

Weekday evening before the Holy Day ... 5:45 PM

Holy Day: 6:45, 10:00 AM

Christmas & New Year's Masses:

See Bulletin for Schedule

PHONES

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PARISH INFORMATION

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

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 the 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 in 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 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 to 4:00 PM

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

Share-a-Meal Program: Sponsored by St. Ignatius Church and supported by St. Mel Parish. Meal is held on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at St. Ignatius Church, 10205 Lorain Avenue, Cleveland. Doors open at 5:00 PM. Dinner is served at 5:30 PM.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY MAY 7

6:45 AM All Souls' Day Intentions

TUESDAY MAY 8

6:45 AM Mary Thewes - Family

WEDNESDAY MAY 9

6:45 AM Joseph & Pauline Verbiak - Family

THURSDAY MAY 10 - St. Damien de Veuster

5:45 PM Robert Roth - Judy Salcedo

FRIDAY MAY 11

6:45 AM Mary Ellen Schrafel - Gary Furin

SATURDAY MAY 12

- Vigil: The Ascension of the Lord

4:30 PM Phil & Gloria Caponi - Family

SUNDAY MAY 13 - The Ascension of the Lord

7:00 AM St. Mel Parishioners

9:30 AM Thadeus & MaryHelen Ostrowski and
Kenneth R. Anderson - Family

11:30 AM Rudolph Weber - Family



*It was not you who chose me,
but I who chose you and
appointed you to go and
bear fruit. John 15:16*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b;
Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
- Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
- Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14;
Jn 16:12-15
- Thursday: Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20
- Friday: Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23
- Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
- Sunday: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9;
Eph 1:17- 23 or Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13];
Mk 16:15-20

HYMNS AT ST. MEL

Opening Hymns for Masses

- 5/06 #542 Sing With All the Saints in Glory
- 5/13 #288 Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise
- 5/20 #298 Come, Holy Ghost
- 5/27 #299 Holy, Holy, Holy



Memorial Acclamation

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection, until you come again.

Communion Refrain

Keep in mind that Jesus Christ has died for us and is risen from the dead; he is our saving Lord, he is joy for all ages.

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION

<u>2018:</u>	Offertory \$2987	<u>2017:</u>	Offertory \$3707
	Monthly \$25		Monthly \$180
	Repairs/Maintenance \$110 (Extra Ordinary)		Capital Improve \$190

In April 580 packets of envelopes were mailed out. Last week, 124 parish families/households contributed to Saint Mel Church. Thank you.

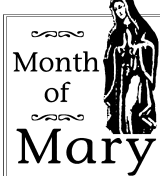
FIRST COMMUNION

We congratulate those students who are receiving their First Holy Communion today at the 9:30 AM Mass and we assure them of our prayers.

- Katherine Hageman
- Kayleigh Saunders
- Nicholas McGervey



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MAY IS DEDICATED TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER

St. Mel Rosary Group

extends an invitation to all to join them on
WEDNESDAY MORNINGS AT 10:30 AM
in the church to pray the Rosary.

RECYCLING AT ST. MEL

In February your 6,000 pounds of recycled paper and cardboard earned St. Mel \$71.08. Recycle: newspapers, mail, magazines, catalogs, paper, phone books, broken down cardboard, hard and soft bound books.

ST. MEL FOOD COLLECTION

In addition to the food items left at church for the April Food Collection, \$714.00 cash/checks was received. Thanks to your generosity 5 families and 6 singles or couples were served at St. Mel. \$250.00 was sent to the Share-A-Meal Program at Saint Ignatius of Antioch Church.

SERVERS

- 4:30 PM Saturday May 12 Timothy Tinnirello
- 7:00 AM Sunday May 13 Mary Adkins
- 9:30 AM Sunday May 13 Jacob Novak
- 11:30 AM Sunday May 13
Attila, Emma, Olivia, and Zoltan Nagy



**THIS WEEK'S ADVERTISER
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HUMAN TRAFFICKING Be aware that online technologies give traffickers the ability to exploit a greater number of victims and advertise their services globally. Social media opens the door for predators to gain access to your child. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking. sistersagainstrafficking.org

PARISH CALENDAR

- TUES. 8 Election Day: Small hall is a polling location.
 WED. 9 Rosary: 10:30 AM in the church.
 THUR. 10 Confessions: 5:00-5:30 PM.
 SAT. 12 Confessions: 3:00-4:00 PM.
 SUN. 13 Mother's Day


BAPTISM CLASS: ST. MARK CHURCH

15800 Montrose Avenue, 216-226-7577

Thursday, May 10 at 7:00 PM

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 to register.

OFFICE OF CATHECHETICAL SERVICES
COLLECTION: MAY 12-13

Each year in the Diocese of Cleveland there is a special collection to support the ministries of the Office of Catechetical Services. The Office of Catechetical Services focuses on supporting and enhancing the catechetical initiative (PSR programs) throughout the Diocese and supports faith formation for all including adult faith formation, catechetical leader training and catechist formation for teachers of religion, media literacy, and the Newman Campus Ministry program. An envelope for this collection was included in your envelope packet. Drop it in with the regular collection next week.

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

SUNDAY, JULY 29 - 2:30 PM MASS

Once again this year our Diocese is having a Mass for all couples who are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in 2018 (married in 1968). The Mass will be at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist on Sunday, July 29 at 2:30 PM. Couples who are celebrating other significant years 55 or over or have missed previous celebrations are welcome to register and attend. To make reservations call the St. Mel rectory office during business hours.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

The Diocese of Cleveland's "Protecting God's Children" program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about the protection of children from sexual abuse. To report any past or present suspected inappropriate behavior toward children by priests, deacons, religious, lay ecclesial ministers or personnel associated with the Church, please contact the Diocesan Response Service Office at 216-334-2999 or via e-mail at responseservices@dioceseofcleveland.org. You are also asked to immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior.


Growing in FAITH

Discovering **hope** and **joy** in the Catholic faith

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In ancient Rome, the beautiful month of May was dedicated to the goddess Flora, the patroness of flowers and new life. May 1 was considered the beginning of abundant growth, and a day for public festivals aimed at expelling winter. Even after Christianity took hold, the customs of the pagan feast lingered behind. Long ago, there was a thirty-day devotion to Mary, sometimes called "Lady Month," which began on August 15. By the eighteenth century, the custom of assigning devotions to months of the year was developing. June, for example, was the month of the Sacred Heart, and October was for the Holy Rosary. Beginning with the Jesuit Order in Rome and spreading throughout the world, May has been celebrated as the month of Mary, the Blessed Mother, for more than two hundred years. That was a welcome remedy to some enduring pagan practices, such as maypole dancing and the crowning of the May Queen. Some historians say that in ancient times the May Queen was actually a human sacrifice. Devoting May to Mary is undoubtedly a better thing to do. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.


Why do we ask the saints to pray for us?

The saints' prayers for us are called "intercessory prayers." Asking the saints to pray for us is "good and pleasing to God" and is encouraged in Scripture: "I ask that supplications, prayers, petitions, and thanksgivings be offered" (1 Timothy 2:1-3). Intercessory prayer is powerful: by it, the saints help us on earth and we help those in Purgatory. Our prayers are joined to the prayers of Christ, who "never ceases to intercede for us" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #2741).

ONE MINUTE MEDITATION

Turn to Mary This month, we honor Mary, the Mother of God (and ours, too). Trust her for guidance and protection: "Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided."

FEASTS AND CELEBRATIONS

May 3 – Saints Philip and James (1st Century). St. Philip was born in Bethsaida and followed John the Baptist before he followed Christ. After the Ascension, St. Philip preached in Asia Minor, where he was martyred. St. James, son of Alphaeus, was also one of the twelve apostles. He is often confused with St. James, Brother of the Lord, who helped St. Peter in leading the early Church.