

SAINT MEL

Catholic Church

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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 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 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 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.

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 other than Christmas & New Years

Weekday evening before the Holy Day: 5:45 PM
Holy Day: 6:45, 10:00 AM

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

MASS INTENTIONS**MONDAY JANUARY 28 - St. Thomas Aquinas**

6:45 AM Veronica T. Eyerman - Eileen Kilbane

TUESDAY JANUARY 29

6:45 AM All Souls' Day Intentions

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 30

6:45 AM Jean Vine - Ladies Guild

THURSDAY JANUARY 31 - St. John Bosco

5:45 PM All Souls' Day Intentions

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 1 - First Friday

6:45 AM Wilbur Myers - John & Doris Colombo

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 2**- Vigil: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30 PM (Anniversary) James Frank - Family

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 3**- Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:00 AM St. Mel Parishioners

9:30 AM Joseph Verbiak - Pauline & Eric Joseph

11:30 AM William Scanlon - Ayrey Family



The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. Luke 4:18a

WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER *Thomas J. Keating* who died on January 17, 2019. *May God grant peace and comfort to his family and friends.*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98:1-6; Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11; Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-6; Mk 4:21-25

Friday: Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk 4:21-30

HYMNS AT ST. MEL**Opening Hymns for Masses**

1/27 #496 Glory and Praise to Our God



Memorial Acclamation When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

Communion Refrain Christ be our light, shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness. Christ be our light, shine in your Church, gathered today.

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION

<u>2019:</u>	Offertory	\$1857	<u>2018:</u>	Offertory	\$4357
	Monthly	\$65		Monthly	\$231
	Repairs/Maintenance	\$25		Repairs/Maintenance	\$145
	(Extra Ordinary)			(Extra Ordinary)	

In January 571 packets of envelopes were mailed out. Last week, 57 parish families/households contributed to Saint Mel Church. Thank you.

**THROATS WILL BE BLESSED**

in honor of Saint Blaise
after all Masses next weekend.



2019 ANNUAL APPEAL

WALK IN FAITH. GIVE IN JOY.

Your support of the Catholic Charities Appeal will help us serve those individuals who are most in need and most vulnerable. What does it mean to Walk in Faith and Give in Joy? It means that we are to continue the work of Christ on earth; to show mercy to our brothers and sisters in need no matter their background or circumstances. When we do this with joy, we act as missionary disciples.

Many parishioners received letters from Bishop Perez in January inviting their support of the Annual Appeal. Please pray for the good work of Catholic Charities and make a pledge today. Your donation makes a difference!

To learn more about the Appeal or to give online, visit www.CatholicCommunity.org/2019Appeal or call Karen Joyce at 216-696-6525 extension 1910; or email her at kjoyce@catholiccommunity.org

LECTORS - FEBRUARY

4:30 Mary Elizabeth Tinnirello 9:30 Lucky Varouh
7:00 Maria Pelleschi 11:30 Rich Beil

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION - FEBRUARY

4:30 Paul Filippi, Kathleen Hough, Deborah Roscoe
7:00 Lisa Carpenter, Maria Pelleschi, Peter Roth
9:30 Katherine Gergen, Pat Kerrigan, Marty Lewis 17th,
Stephen Crandall 3rd, Laura Gill 10th & 24th
11:30 Rich Beil, Brendan Gilbride, Tom Stamper

SERVERS4:30 PM Sunday February 2 Mike Bartell7:00 AM Sunday February 3 Susan Mitchell9:30 AM Sunday February 3 Jacob Novak11:30 AM Sunday February 3

Christian Braquet, Collin McCray, Audrey Harrington



PARISH CALENDAR

- TUES. 29 PSR: 6:30-7:30 PM in the church hall.
 THUR. 31 Confessions: 5:00-5:30 PM.
 FRI. 1 First Friday Communion Calls
 SAT. 2 Confessions: 3:00-4:00 PM.
Blessing of Throats: After the 4:30 PM Mass.
 SUN. 3 Blessing of Throats: After all Masses.

SUBURBAN WEST RIGHT TO LIFE PRESENTS**“WHAT ARE CHEMICAL ABORTIONS?”**

a talk by Deacon Tom Senn of St. Raphael Parish. He has a background in pharmaceuticals. His talk will include Plan B and RU486 plus the reversal. This talk will be on Saturday, February 2, at 1:00 PM in the downstairs meeting room of Fairview Park Library. It is located at 21255 Lorain Road, Fairview Park, 44126. Refreshments will be available. For more information call 440-892-0270.

GENTLEWOMAN FELLOWSHIP*First Friday, February 1**St. Clarence Parish, 30106 Lorain Rd, North Olmsted*Schedule

9:30 AM: Rosary

10:00 AM: Mass followed by Coffee/Tea and a Snack

All women are welcome. No reservations needed.

**CATHEDRAL OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST
CONCERT: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8 AT 7:30 PM***1007 Superior Avenue, Cleveland Ohio*Concert is FREE (*no tickets, no reservations*)

Free secure parking:

Cathedral garage on Rockwell Ave. at East 9th Street

Aaron Tan, organist

First place recipient – 2018 National Young Artists Competition in Organ Performance (NYACOP). Currently studying at the Institute of Sacred Music at Yale University, Aaron also serves as Organ Scholar at Church of the Resurrection, NYC.

**HOSPICE OF THE WESTERN RESERVE
WAREHOUSE SALE***Saturday, February 16 from 8 AM-4 PM**Sunday, February 17 from 12-4 PM**17876 St. Clair Avenue, Cleveland, OH*

*Quality, Gently Used Fine Home Furnishings, Art,
Designer Furniture from a Leading Retailer, Accessories,
Fine and Costume Jewelry*

Cash and credit cards are accepted (we do not accept checks). Donations needed! For more information, visit hospicewr.org/warehouse. Call 216-255-9090 or email warehousealedonation@hospicewr.org. Proceeds benefit the patients and families of the Hospice of the Western Reserve.

**Growing in FAITH**Discovering **hope** and **joy** in the Catholic faith**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Saturday's feast of the Presentation is a day for the blessing of candles. Why does liturgy require candles? In the first years of the church, worship was often at night, and candles and torches were carried from place to place within the worship space as needed. Candles were also a mark of festivity and hospitality when people gathered for prayer in homes, and later on in large buildings with thick walls and dark corners. But even after gaslight and electricity, candles were kept.

Part of the reason has to do with the warm, clean light of a candle's flame. Candles are a good sign of the partnership of God and creation: wax made by bees, gathered and fashioned by human hands into something beautiful and useful. In order for the light to shine, the candle surrenders itself, almost as if it is pouring itself out so that the light can flood into the world. The candle of baptism, placed into our hands, and carried again and again, speaks silently of that same wisdom. If you would save your life, you must lose it. You must pour your life out like Christ so that you may be filled with the light of his love.

*—James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.***from Scripture****Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21; Jesus teaches in the synagogue**

In this passage, Jesus returned home to Nazareth to teach in the synagogue. He read the prophecy of Isaiah about the advent of the Messiah, who would come to “bring glad tidings to the poor.” Then he said, “Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.” He confirmed that he was the long-awaited Messiah.

His hearers must have been shocked. They expected the Messiah to be a worldly king from an important city, not a carpenter-turned-preacher from a small town like Nazareth. They expected this Messiah-king to defeat the oppressive Romans and make Israel a powerful nation. Instead, Jesus conquered the powerful enemies of sin and death by his Death and Resurrection.

Throughout the Bible, God chose unlikely heroes to carry out his plan: think of Abraham, Moses, David, St. Peter, St. Paul, and many others. Jesus, the Son of God, came to earth as a newborn infant and lived in humility, poverty, and service. The Good News is that God's love is stronger than sin and death. If he rose to glory, those who follow him will, too.

Although the world changes constantly, God stays the same. He can be trusted to provide love, support, and strength when we need it. All we have to do is ask him. “*For I the Lord do not change; therefore you, O sons of Jacob, are not consumed*” (Malachi 3:6).