



# St. Mel Catholic Church

14436 Triskett Road  
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

Rectory Office ..... 216-941-4313

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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 August 17 - St. Clare of Montefalco**

6:45 AM Satoru Yamahiro - Family

**Tuesday August 18 - Ss. Florus & Laurus**

6:45 AM Peggy Haney - Family

**Wednesday August 19 - St. John Eudes**

6:45 AM Wayne Milota - Family

**Thursday August 20 - St. Bernard**

5:45 PM Betty Zdrojewski - Donlon Funeral Home

**Friday August 21 - St. Pius X**

6:45 AM Peggy Haney - Family

**Saturday August 22 - Queenship of the Blessed**

**Virgin Mary**



**WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS**

1:00 PM Vincent Franks and Sarah Corr

4:30 PM Jim Mulgrew - Family

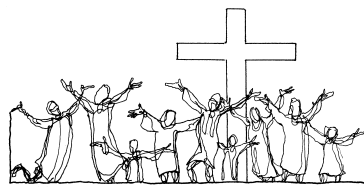
**Sunday August 23 - Twenty-First Sunday in**

**Ordinary Times**

7:00 AM St. Mel Parishioners

9:30 AM Sam & Anna George - Family

11:30 AM Edward & Veronica Eyeran - 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*

**WEDDING BANNERS**

**III Vincent Edward Franks (St. Ambrose  
Michigan)  
Sarah Anne Corr (St. Mel)**

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Ez 24:15-24; Dt 32:18-21;  
Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10;  
Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab;  
Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;  
Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-9; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14;  
Mt 23:1-12

Sunday: Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8;  
Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

**LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION**

2020:	Offertory \$3700	2019:	Offertory \$3561
	Monthly \$230		Monthly \$140
Repairs/Maintenance \$425		Repairs/Maintenance \$428	
(Extra Ordinary)		(Extra Ordinary)	

In April 564 packets of envelopes were mailed out. Last week, 72 parish families/households contributed to Saint Mel Church. Thank you.

**BAPTISM CLASS AT ST. MARK CHURCH  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 20**

**15800 Montrose Ave., Cleveland, 216-226-7557**

All parents expecting their first child must attend a Baptism Class prior to having their child baptized. It is suggested that you attend the class during the second trimester of pregnancy. You must call to register prior to attending.



RCIA

**RCIA CLASSES TO BEGIN**  
The Church prepares adults for Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist through a process called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). The RCIA is designed to form the mind and heart in Christian discipleship through study of the basics of the Catholic faith, prayer, and fellowship. PERHAPS you have been thinking about becoming a Catholic for some time but never got around to doing anything about it... PERHAPS you are married to a Catholic, but have not yet made a religious commitment of your own... PERHAPS you were baptized Catholic, but never received Holy Communion... PERHAPS you were raised in a non-Catholic Christian community and want to learn more about the Catholic tradition... RCIA for St. Mel's, St. Patrick (West Park), St. Vincent de Paul, and St. Ignatius of Antioch meets each Monday, beginning **Monday, September 21, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Parish House of St. Ignatius of Antioch (10205 Lorain Ave., Cleveland, OH 44111)** To sign-up for RCIA or for more information please call Fr. Estabrook at 216-251-0300 or email [fr.kevin.estabrook@gmail.com](mailto:fr.kevin.estabrook@gmail.com)



PARISH CALENDAR

THUR. 20 Confessions: 5:00-5:30 PM
SAT. 22 Confessions: 3:00-4:00 PM

AM 1260 PROGRAM CHANGES

- On Tuesdays at 8:00 AM we'll feature a Fathers of Mercy Hour with Fr. Wade Menezes, Fr. William Casey and others!!
On Wednesdays, our 8:00-8:30 AM timeslot will alternate with The Brooke Taylor Show and Fr. Nathan Cromly, CSJ. At 8:30, we'll feature "Life is Worth Living" with Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen.
Mondays and Fridays at 8:00 AM will be "Christ is the Answer" with Fr. John Riccardo.
On Thursdays at 8:00 AM, we'll feature "The Reason for Our Hope" with Fr. Larry Richards.



Our Local Program "Where We Worship" which highlights our local parishes and institutions will feature Holy

Rosary Parish in Little Italy. This program airs on Sunday, August 16th at 11:00 AM and is rebroadcast on Saturday, August 22nd at 4:30 PM. "Table Talk" with our local bishops will feature Retired Auxiliary Bishop Roger Gries this month on Thursday August 20th at 5:00 PM and will be rebroadcast on Friday August 21st at 8:00 AM and Sunday August 23rd at 1:00 PM.

ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY PRE-PLANNING SEMINAR

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour pre-planning seminar on Wednesday, August 12, 2020, at 6 p.m. Learn about your Catholic burial options, including options for cremated remains. Attendees will receive a personal reference guide and a special discount coupon. We kindly ask that you RSVP to this event so we can make arrangements for proper social distancing. Attendees are required to wear a facial covering throughout the duration of the seminar.
St. Joseph Cemetery - 32789 Detroit Rd., Avon
RSVP 216/641-7575 ext. 8



Growing in FAITH

Discovering hope and joy in the Catholic faith

MATTHEW 16:21-27, OUR WAYS ARE NOT GOD'S WAYS

This passage seems like bad news. First, Jesus predicts his own death. This must have shocked the disciples, to whom it was just revealed that their Master was the long-awaited Messiah. Instead of an epic, Roman-conquering battle plan, Jesus told them he would be executed – seemingly tragedy and defeat, not joy and triumph.

Second, Peter did what we often do when God permits setbacks and suffering. He saw the Cross and wanted to flee – and was harshly rebuked. Yet, if Jesus listened to Peter and turned aside, we would have died in our sins, unable to get into Heaven. Instead, he chose the Cross – for us. He chose us. Through our post-Resurrection lens, what seemed a devastating defeat was actually a decisive victory against sin and death.

Let's be clear: our Father wants us to be happy, but he wants us to be happy forever, not just for today. The key is not to avoid the crosses he sends us, but to accept them trustingly, peacefully, as Jesus did. Jesus helps us carry our crosses, with him taking the heavier end.

CAN THE SEAL OF CONFESSION EVER BE BROKEN

The seal of Confession refers to the silence binding a priest, under severe penalties, about what he hears in Confession. "[The priest] can make no use of knowledge that confession gives him about penitents' lives." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #1467).

The penitents are not bound by the seal. The only two "exceptions" are: If the penitent wants to discuss his previous confession to Fr. X with him, Fr. X must first ask the penitent's permission. Or, if a priest needed guidance from another confessor, he must still ask the penitent's permission and keep the penitent's identity a secret.

In truth, in the Sacrament of Confession the penitent is really addressing Jesus Christ, not the priest, who is simply the "phone line" between the two parties. The purpose of the seal is to encourage people to approach the Lord in complete confidence and experience his mercy. While this enforced silence may seem strange and possibly problematic, the first priority is the salvation of souls. The rest is entrusted to God.

THIS WEEK'S FEATURED ADVERTISER ENNIS COURT ASSISTED LIVING