



St. Mel Catholic Church

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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

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 April 19 - St. Ursula**

6:45 AM Eileen Platten-Kral - Ruth Zimmer

Tuesday April 20 - St. Agnes of Montepulciano

6:45 AM Betty Ehrbar - Ray & Sharon Ayrey

Wednesday April 21 - St. Anselm

6:45 AM

Thursday April 22 - Earth Day

5:45 PM Margaret Bir - Family

Friday April 23 - St. George; St. Adalbert

6:45 AM Joe Harrison - Eileen Kilbane

Saturday April 24 - St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen

4:30 PM James & Elizabeth Frank - Saba Family

Sunday April 25 - Fourth Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations

7:00 AM St. Mel Parishioners

9:30 AM Thomas & Teresa Fortune - Family

11:30 AM Fernando Paez - Paez Family



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*You alone, O LORD,
bring security to my
dwelling. — Psalm 4:9*

WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER Joseph Kazimir and Grace Petro who died in March. *May God grant peace and comfort to their family and friends.*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 6:8-15;
Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30;
Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a;
Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab;
Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a;
Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20;
Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2;
Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17;
Jn 6:60-69

Sunday: Acts 4:8-12;
Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29;
1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

2021: Offertory \$3441	2020: Offertory \$2421
Monthly \$785	Monthly \$195
Repairs/Maintenance \$265 (Extra Ordinary)	Repairs/Maintenance \$250 (Extra Ordinary)

In March 564 packets of envelopes were mailed out. Last week, 87 parish families/households contributed to Saint Mel Church. Thank you.

2022 MASS BOOK Mass intentions for the year 2022 may be scheduled. Visit or call the rectory office during business hours.

PRAY THE ROSARY IN MAY

Starting Tuesday May 4th at 10 AM and continuing weekly throughout the month of May, please join with other St. Mel parishioners in prayer. Any and all are welcome to meet in the church for prayer and reflection. Please continue to wear your masks and practice social distancing while gathering in any numbers.

**MOTHER'S DAY AT SAINT MEL**

Saint Mel Church is offering Spiritual Bouquet Mother's Day Cards. These are available in the card shop located next to the Gathering Area of the church. Each card comes with an offering envelope on which you can write the name(s) you wish to be remembered at the Masses offered at Saint Mel Church during the month of May in observance of Mother's Day and throughout the year. If you do not need a card, you may still complete an offering envelope as indicated. Envelopes may be placed in the collection basket at the weekend Masses. All names will be printed on a scroll which will be placed on the Blessed Mother's altar during the month of May. The suggested offering is \$1.00. All names must be submitted by May 2.

PARISH CALENDAR

TUES. 20 PSR: 6:00-7:00 PM
 THUR. 22 Confessions: 5:00-5:30 PM
 SAT. 24 Confessions: 3:00-4:00 PM

THE WEEK BEFORE THE APPEAL

Next week we will support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, over 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

RAMADAN AT JCU

Join John Carroll University students and faculty for an online discussion of the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, and what it's like to celebrate this time of prayer and fasting at a Catholic university. The webinar is free and open to the public and will be held on Wednesday, April 21 at 5:00pm. To register, go to <https://zoom.us/join> and enter meeting code 942-7263-6436.

HOUSE OF LORETO

We are currently hiring nurses for all three shifts, full time, or part time, RNs or LPNs. Want to work for a ministry that values your talent and ability? Grow your career with the best support, resources, and team. Call today 330-453-8137 or email loreto1955@neohio.twcbc.com

ZELIE'S HOME GOLF OUTING

You are invited to golf for a cause at Zelig's Home Inaugural Birdies for Babies Golf Scramble on Sunday, June 13th at Shale Creek Golf Club in Medina, Ohio. All proceeds support our home in Garfield Heights serving pregnant and parenting women and their children. You can be a part of changing lives two at a time! \$150 per golfer / \$600 per foursome. Fees include 18 Holes, Cart, Lunch, All-American Cookout Dinner, Beverages and Raffle opportunities. For more information, visit our website at www.zelieshome.org/events/birdiesforbabies or contact Erin Hathaway at executivedirector@zelieshome.org.



Growing in FAITH

Discovering hope and joy in the Catholic faith

WHY DO CATHOLICS BLESS THEMSELVES WITH HOLY WATER



The practice of blessing oneself with holy water harkens back to the washing rituals of the Old Testament Jews, who had to bathe before entering the temple.

Today, when we bless ourselves with holy water, it brings to mind our own baptism. It was at our baptism that our souls were washed clean of original sin and we were officially made members of the Church. We also received the gift of faith. In blessing ourselves, we renew our baptismal promise.

CAST LOOKS TOWARD HEAVEN THROUGHOUT THE DAY



St. Therese of Lisieux confided that, "For me prayer is a surge of the heart, it is a simple look towards Heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy." Adding short, heartfelt prayers to our daily activities can help us glance toward Heaven throughout the day:

The Jesus Prayer – "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner." Try repeating it 100 times a day.

"Teach me, O Lord, to do your will, for you are my God." Say this when beginning a chore, task, or project.

"May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace." A prayer for the souls in Purgatory.

"Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make my heart like yours." Pray this for humility and love.

"Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ." She is always willing to help.

"*Thy will be done.*" It's what Jesus said.

CHOOSE COMPANIONS WELL

Delilah had to know the secret of Samson's strength but God had forbidden him to reveal it. "*And when she pressed him hard with her words day after day, and urged him, his soul was vexed to death*" (Judges 16:16). He gave in and it was his undoing. Don't let anyone – friend or family – pressure you into violating God's commandments.

THIS WEEK'S FEATURED ADVERTISER
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