



# 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT



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*"You shall love the Lord, your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it. You shall love your neighbor as yourself. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations." Matthew 22:37 & 28:19*

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#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 9:00-9:30 AM or by appointment.

#### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples should call the Parish Office upon their engagement to arrange a date for their wedding. The bride or groom must be a registered parishioner of Our Lady of Victory.

#### SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil	5:00 PM
Sunday	8:30 & 11:00 AM
Daily (Mon -Thur)	8:30 AM
Holydays & Other	As announced within

#### OFFICE HOURS

PARISH: Mon-Fri	8:30-4:00 PM
RELIGIOUS EDUC.:	8:30-4:00 PM
LUNCH (offices closed):	12:00-1:00 PM

*(Offices closed holidays & major holydays)*

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms can usually be scheduled for any weekend Mass. Attendance of a preparation workshop for first-time parents is required. Parents can call the Parish Office to arrange a date for Baptism, and to check dates for the Baptismal Workshop. Sponsors can call the Parish Office for details about acquiring a Certificate.

#### SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Available at any time to those who are ill, facing surgery, or in danger of death. Sacramental care is provided by chaplains at all area hospitals. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

#### R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

This is a process for those interested in the faith of the Catholic Church. For more information, contact Linda Herold at 633-3637 or email her at [lherold@ourladyofvictory.net](mailto:lherold@ourladyofvictory.net).

#### PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Parents can call the Parish Office for information.

#### PRAYER FOR EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

(to be prayed before the Blessed Sacrament)

Lord Jesus, as we gather at your altar, you give yourself to us in the Most Holy Eucharist, so that we might become what we receive.

May we be transformed forever by your love that stretches forth to us from this altar.

May your sharing in our humanity humble us to share in your divinity.

Heal our brokenness with your real presence and help us to draw strength from you in the Eucharist. Unite us to you in this Sacrament that brings healing and redemption.

As we glorify you by our lives, give us grace and courage to share your love with a world sorely in need of your mercy. May your true presence bring hope to those on the peripheries, dry the tears of the poor and the wounded, and end our divisions.

May your Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity be a constant source of revival for us. Let us become one with you as we seek the peace of your kingdom where you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

[www.dioceseofcleveland.org/eucharist](http://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/eucharist)



"The hour has come  
for the Son of Man  
to be glorified.  
Amen, amen,  
I say to you,  
unless a grain of  
wheat falls to the  
ground and dies, it  
remains just a grain  
of wheat; but if it  
dies, it produces  
much fruit."

*John 12: 23,24*



**MASSES & SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK**

**(ALL PRAYER/MASSES ARE LIVE-STREAMED. WEEKEND MASSES ARE ALSO BROADCAST OVER FM 93.7)**

Live stream **Facebook** at:

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Uploaded to **VIMEO** at: <https://www.vimeo.com>

or **YouTube** at: <https://www.YouTube.com>

Monday, Mar 18	(8:30 am-C) Joe Ritzert (7:00 pm-C) <i>Parish Lenten Mission followed by a Social in Finnerty Hall</i> Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday, Mar 19	(8:30 am-C) Assunta Casalinova (7:00 pm-C) <i>Parish Lenten Mission followed by a Social in Finnerty Hall</i> St Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
Wednesday, Mar 20	(8:30 am-C) Edwin Sekowski (7:00 pm-C) <i>Mime Stations of the Cross</i> Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42
Thursday, Mar 21	(8:30 am-C) Daniel Broda (7:00 pm-PC) Adoration/Night Prayer Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59
Friday, Mar 22	(No Mass) (7:00 pm-PC) Adoration/Night Prayer Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday, Mar 23	(9:00 am-C) Confessions (4:45 pm) <i>Procession from Tallmadge Circle</i> (5:00 pm-C) Joe & Dora Quattrocchi Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56
Sunday, Mar 24	(8:30 am-C) Christopher Bird (11:00 am-C) For the Parishioners <i>Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion</i> Mk 11:1-10; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1—15:47

***In Our Parish – What/Where/When***

**MONDAY, MAR 18**

**\*\*Parish Lenten Mission followed by Social/Church, FH/7:00 pm**

**TUESDAY, MAR 19**

**\*\*Parish Lenten Mission followed by Social/Church, FH/7:00 pm**

**WEDNESDAY, MAR 20**

AA Meeting/FH/10:00 am

**\*\*Mime Stations of the Cross/Church/7:00 pm**

**THURSDAY, MAR 21**

Bible Study/PCR 100/2:00 pm

Women's Book Study/PCR 100/7:00 pm

**FRIDAY, MAR 22**

**SATURDAY, MAR 23**

Confessions/Church/9:00 am

**\*\*Process from Tallmadge Circle at 4:45 pm (weather permitting)**

**\*\*Lenten Alms Collection**

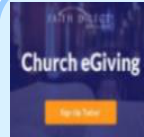
**SUNDAY, MAR 24 – PALM SUNDAY**

Child Liturgy of the Word/Church/8:30 am

NO PSR

**\*\*Lenten Alms Collection**

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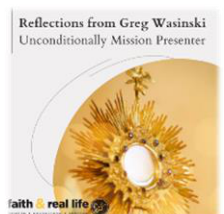
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Faith Direct (3/4/24)..... \$11,012.00

***From the Pastor's Desk***

**LENTEN MISSION MARCH 17-19 -**

Searching for more? **"Unconditionally Finding Jesus in the Eucharist"** Lenten Mission is coming to Our Lady of Victory Parish, 73 North Ave, Tallmadge, on **March 17-19!** Greg Wasinski, Catholic Speaker, Author & Podcast Host will lead this event! **Times: Sunday 4:00 PM, Monday & Tuesday 7:00 PM.** An event for EVERYONE, no matter where you are on your faith journey...exploring the deeper meaning of the Eucharist and WHY we believe what we believe! Visit [www.FaithandRealLife.com](http://www.FaithandRealLife.com) for information about Greg.



***Celebrating Notes***

**NEXT SUNDAY – MARCH 24 - IS PALM SUNDAY.** Weekend Masses are *Saturday at 5:00 pm and Sunday at 8:30 & 11:00 am.* We will gather at the Tallmadge Circle at 4:45 pm on Saturday for the Blessing of Palms (weather permitting), then process from the Circle to the Church, where we will continue with the 5:00 Mass. **For any unable to participate in the Procession, BLESSED PALMS will be available for you at the end of Mass.**

**THE LAST OPPORTUNITY FOR CONFESSION** at Our Lady of Victory before Easter will be *Saturday, Mar 23 at 9:00 am.* NO confessions Holy Thursday, Good Friday, or Holy Saturday (as well as the Saturday after Easter – April 6).

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT – ST PATRICK'S DAY


### Question of the Week

**Reading:** John 12:20-33

**Adults:** Today's reading begins with 'some Greeks' wanting to 'see Jesus'. In them, we see that His mission is universal. Who, in your circle, really wants to see Jesus, and are just waiting to be invited? Amongst them, who will you pray for and reach out to this week?

**Children:** Do I allow Jesus to bring me closer to Him in all I do?

### Coming Events/News in our Parish


 **THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** would like to thank all who joined us for a successful and delicious pancake breakfast a few weeks ago. The net proceeds from the event, along with our council's extra contribution, allowed us to donate **\$650.00** to the Parish School of Religion (PSR) here at Our Lady of Victory.

**THANK YOU TO THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** who went above and beyond to make this year's Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser for our Parish School of Religion (PSR) a tasty and huge success. The **\$650.00** raised will go a long way to help form our young people as disciples of Jesus Christ.

**LENTEN ALMS COLLECTION:** To-date you have generously contributed **\$ 3,148.65** (does not include Faith Direct) to be shared with Blessed Trinity Food Pantry and Tallmadge Good Neighbors. As often as you are able through Holy Thursday, please continue to give, making **checks payable to Our Lady of Victory**, or donate online through Faith Direct by visiting [www.ourladyofvictory.net](http://www.ourladyofvictory.net). Thank you!

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES 2024 APPEAL** – Please return your envelope to the Parish Office ASAP, as we would like to close out that portion of the campaign. Make **checks payable to Catholic Charities, NOT Our Lady of Victory**. Thank you for your generosity. For more information or to donate online, visit their website at [www.catholiccommunity.org/2024Appeal](http://www.catholiccommunity.org/2024Appeal).

### News & Notes in our Neighborhood

 **ST BERNARD'S HOT MEAL PROGRAM** – Adults and high school youth are invited to serve dinner at St Bernard's Hot Meals, on **Wednesday, Mar 20**. Please arrive around 3-3:30 pm to be prepared to serve hot meals at 4:30 pm. For participating youth, please provide your own transportation along with a signed permission slip. St Bernard's will supply gloves. If you can help or have questions, contact Patty Ayers at 330-310-1921.

### PARISH PARTNERS FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION & OTHER CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

*(Holy Family and Immaculate Heart of Mary Parishes/Schools, St Eugene, St Joseph, Our Lady of Victory Parishes):*

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY** – As our partners in Faith, please consider volunteering to teach an elective to the Junior High students at **Immaculate Heart of Mary School**. If you have a hobby or interest that you would like to share with our students on a weekly basis for a semester, we need you! Please contact the IHM School Office at 330-923-1220.

**HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC SCHOOL**, 3163 Kent Rd, Stow, is now offering enrollment for 3-yr old Preschool, and 4-yr old Pre-Kindergarten ½-day or full-day programs. Call 330-688-3816 to schedule a tour. Holy Family School is a National Blue Ribbon school of excellence.

**OUR LADY OF THE ELMS OPEN HOUSE – Sunday, Mar 24 from 12:00 – 2:00 pm.** Discover the transformative power of an all-girls education! Tour the campus, and connect with teachers and coaches. Learn about scholarships and financial aid at [www.theelms.org/spring24](http://www.theelms.org/spring24) or call 330-752-2507.

**EXPLORE HOBAN SUMMER CAMPS** - Students in various grades are invited to experience life at Hoban, gain additional instruction, continue advancing in skill and have tons of fun during Hoban's academic and athletic camps. Learn more at [hoban.org/summer-camps](http://hoban.org/summer-camps).



**DR PETER KREEFT, RENOWNED AUTHOR AND SPEAKER**, will present **"How to Win the Culture War – The Call, The Enemies, and The Battlefields"** in two separate talks on **Saturday, April 6** at St Sebastian Parish, 476 Mull Ave, Akron. There will be an optional 8:00 AM Mass, followed by the program from **9:00 am – 12:30 pm**. Cost is \$25 per person. All are welcome! More details at <https://one.bidpal.net/wscppeterkreeft>.

**MARRIAGES OF GRACE** invites you to **Marriage Enrichment 2024 with Tim and Valerie Staples from Catholic Answers, Saturday, April 20, 12:00 - 9:30 pm**, Holiday Inn Conference Center, 6001 Rockside Rd, Independence, OH, 44131. Visit Marriages of Grace website at <https://www.marriagesofgrace.org/events/marriage-enrichment-2024> for more information and to sign up.

**IDENTITY PROJECT** - Mass confusion about "gender," the body, humanity, & sexuality have devastating consequences, especially for young people. The **Identity Project** is designed for parents, grandparents, ministry leaders, teachers, & anyone trying to navigate these issues with truth, wisdom, & faith. The **Identity Project** is a comprehensive library of videos (150+), ranging from 2 to 20 minutes & can be viewed in any order. Topics include gender dysphoria, same-sex attraction, health, marriage & family dynamics, the theology of the body, & more. Visit <https://identityproject.tv/> for more information.

### Caring Commission

**Pray for the Sick:** Rebecca Carney, John Charterina, Agnes Clark, Debi Coudriet, Danny Firth, Floss Firth, Doug Fox, Daysha Furtney, Robert Giet, Angela Haubiel, Gerry Hollenack, Julianne Jenkins, Dan Lane, Nancy Litten, Mary Lombardo, John Lorkowski, Tom Lorkowski, Lin Mattingly, Alex Maximovich Jr, John Moran, Christine Naso, Chloe Pasco, Anne Richards, George Serba Jr, Paula Simmons, Joan Smarrito, Kay Lynn Tafari, Tina Testa, Lou Wells, J P Zalar, and all who suffer from the coronavirus.



We pray with the Church that Deacon Robert J Dybo and Gloria DiGiacomo (former OLV Parish Secretary) may share in the peace and joy of the Risen Lord.

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