



**HOLY FAMILY
PARISH**

3450 Sycamore Drive
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Lent & Holy Week 2019

“Do right, love goodness and walk humbly with your God.”

Micah 6:8

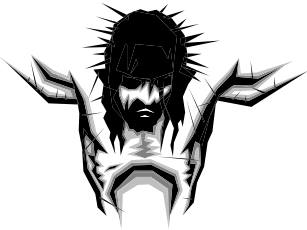
As we celebrate the Lent and Easter seasons, the following schedule is given to you to make you aware of the prayerful opportunities available to you. Lent and Easter are wonderful times for our Church and Parish to experience and participate in the Paschal Mystery – the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus. We encourage you to pray for each other and for our Parish Family, especially our RCIA Catechumens/Elect and Candidates for Full Communion. May God bless us to be good and faithful stewards sharing the faith of our Baptism in Christ-like ways of service and compassion for others.

Father Paul Rosing Father Mike Ausperk Father Kevin Klonowski

Ash Wednesday, March 6, Masses at 8:00 and 9:30 am and 7:00 pm

A NOTE ABOUT THE LENTEN LITURGIES . . .

At the liturgies on the weekend before Ash Wednesday, we observe the processing out of the ALLELUIA banner. This symbolic gesture signals the approaching Lent-Easter Season that begins on Ash Wednesday with the distribution of ashes. We suspend the singing of the ‘Alleluia’ so that we may triumphantly sing it once again to herald the feast of Easter. During Lent, the Church calls us to a spirit of prayer, fasting and the giving of charity. Our fasting is meant to encompass not only food, but other facets of our life, as well as our worship.



*Holy Family Parish welcomes back sons of the Parish
for 3 evenings on Fasting, Almsgiving and Prayer*

7:00 – 8:00 pm in the Church

Monday, March 18 – Father Matthew Byrne
“Fasting: Redemptive Suffering”

Monday, March 25 – Father Michael McCandless
“Almsgiving: The Gift of Self”

Monday, April 1 – Father Matthew Pfeiffer
“Prayer: Heart Speaks to Heart”

Kids Mission for children Kindergarten to 4th grade
in the Lower Church Hall, babysitting available in Room 2

Operation Rice Bowl is the official Lenten program of Catholic Relief Services, and calls Catholics in the United States to promote human dignity and foster solidarity with the poor around the world through prayer, fasting, learning, and giving. Please join us and participate with your family in Operation Rice Bowl this Lent. Rice bowls and calendars are available in the back of church and are also distributed to all children of the parish. Bowls should be returned to the Church by Palm Sunday, April 14. For more information, call the Religious Education Office at 330.688.6412, ext. 270.

Stations of the Cross will be led by the following each Friday evening at 7:00 pm in Church . . . all are welcome!

- March 8 – Lifeteen
- March 15 – Fr. Kevin Klonowski
- March 22 – Deacon John Green
- March 29 – Fr. Paul Rosing
- April 5 – PSR students
- April 12 – Culture of Life



Sacrament of Penance (Confession)

Saturdays, 3:30 – 4:30 pm

Evening of Confession, Wednesday, March 20, 5:00 – 8:00 pm

Area Communal Penance Service, Sunday, March 24, 4:00 pm at St. Eugene Church, 1821

Munroe Falls Avenue in Cuyahoga Falls

Saturday, April 13, 3:00 – 4:30 pm

Wednesday, April 17, 8:30 – 9:30 am, 6:30 – 7:30 pm

There are no scheduled Confessions during the Easter Triduum (Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, April 18 – 20)

FAST AND ABSTINENCE

ASH WEDNESDAY and GOOD FRIDAY are days of **FAST** (two small meals, one full meal, and no eating between meals for those between the ages of 18 and 59) and **ABSTINENCE** (no meat for those age 14 and over). Also, ALL FRIDAYS of Lent are days of abstinence.

The obligation to do penance and to observe these penitential days is a serious one, and people should seek to do more rather than less. Fast and abstinence on the days prescribed should be considered a minimal response to the Lord's call to penance and conversion.

HOLY WEEK 2019

Palm Sunday, April 14, (Saturday 5:00 pm), 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 am

Please assemble before Mass in the Bell Tower Entrance for the Blessing of Palms and Procession into Church

Wednesday, April 17, chanted candlelight Tenebrae service, 8:30 pm

Holy Thursday, April 18, Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7:00 pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Daily Mass Chapel until 11:00 pm

Good Friday, April 19

Stations of the Cross, 12:00 Noon at Stow United Methodist Church, 4880 Fishcreek in Stow

Good Friday Liturgy, 3:00 pm and 7:00 pm

Holy Saturday, April 20, Blessing of Easter Food, 4:00 pm

Note: there is no Mass at 5:00 pm

Easter Vigil Mass, 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday Masses, April 21, 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 am

For more information about any of the services, programs or information above, please call 330.688.6411

