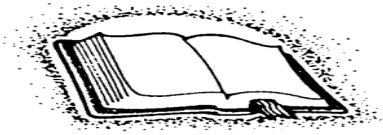


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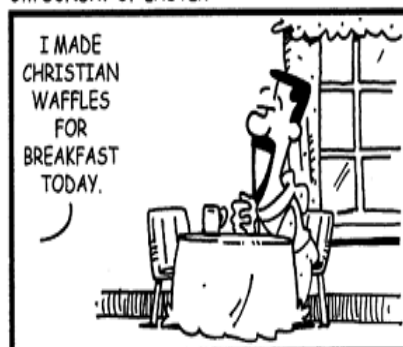
## Fifth Sunday of Easter Of Personal Concern . . .



- Mon:** I Corinthians 15:1-8  
**5/03** Psalms 19:2-5  
John 14:6-14
- Tue:** Acts 14:19-28  
**5/04** Psalms 145:1-13b,21  
John 14:27-31a
- Wed:** Acts 15:1-6  
**5/05** Psalms 122:1-5  
John 15:1-8
- Thu:** Acts 15:7-21  
**5/06** Psalms 96:1-3,10  
John 15:9-11
- Fri:** Acts 15:22-31  
**5/07** Psalms 57:8-10,12  
John 15:12-17
- Sat:** Acts 16:1-10  
**5/08** Ps. 100:1b-2,3,5  
John 15:18-21
- Sun:** Acts 15:1-2,22-29  
**5/09** Psalms 67:2-3,6-5,8  
Revelations 21:10-14,22-23  
John 14:23-29

## Insights from Fr. Flood

5th SUNDAY OF EASTER



### Family Perspective

The gospel challenges us to see DIFFERENCES in one another in a new way, not as something we need to change or tolerate, but to embrace. In a Christian family we are accepted and cherished for who we are and who we can be. "This is how all "will know you are my disciples" and "God is glorified."

**Congratulations** to George & Rosemary Fitzthum who celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary on April 30th. This was incorrectly stated in last week's bulletin.

**Banns II** - Melissa Williams & Kevin Krieger

**Banns III** - Amanda White and Josh Kreimes

**Daughters of Isabella** meeting Weds, May 5th, 6:15 pm, Holy Angels Gathering Space for a Mother Daughter Friend prime rib dinner—\$7.00. Call Sandra 419.626.5089 by 5/3 to reserve.

**Natural Family Planning** will be taught by the Couple to Couple League at a series of three classes beginning **May 13, 7:00pm** in Norwalk. The method taught, the Sympto-Thermal Method, is safe, effective, and morally acceptable. For further information, registration, or to learn of other classes in the area, please call Paul or Monica Depinet at 419.660.0534.

**Alzheimer's Caregiver Conference** is being hosted by The Commons of Providence on **May 5, May 12, & May 19; 10AM—12 Noon**. Conference is in the Community Room at 5000 Providence Dr. and is free of charge. Refreshments will be served. Conference is open to all caregivers and professional persons. Please RSVP to 1-800-272-3900.

**Wreath Laying Ceremony & Blue Mass** in honor of law enforcement officers, fire fighters, and emergency medical providers will be celebrated **Sunday, May 16, 1:30pm beginning** with a wreath ceremony at Erie County Courthouse followed by procession to St. Mary's Church where Mass will be celebrated at 2:00PM. Reception immediately following Mass at K of C Hall, 614 Columbus Ave. Celebration is sponsored by Sandusky Knight of Columbus Council #546.

**Rosebud Display** Please visit the Rosebud display during the month of May at the main entrance to the church.

**First Communion** Mass will be celebrated today, **May 2nd at 2:00PM**. Please pray for the 42 parish children and their families being received more fully into the Body of Christ. Blessing of religious articles will be next Sunday, May 9th, after both 9:30 & 11:00AM Masses.

**Confirmation** is scheduled for **Sunday May 23rd, 3:00PM** Mass. Please pray for the 48 children being confirmed at St. Mary's this year. Practice will be Thursday, May 20th, 6PM for both Confirmands and Sponsors in the church. Please bring your "Spirit" project to the practice. Sponsor logs are due any time. Thank you.

**Terra Arts Chorale** performance **Mon., May 3, 7:30 pm** in St. Mary's Church. The concert titled "A Choral Landscape" will be directed by Michael Shirtz. Free and open to public.

**28th Annual St. Mary's Spring Concert, Sun., May 16, 7:30 pm**. Both concerts are free and open to the public. You won't want to miss these superb choral groups. For more information, visit the St. Mary's Music Ministry Website at [www.stmarysmusicministry.blogspot.com](http://www.stmarysmusicministry.blogspot.com).

### Annual Catholic Appeal

**" whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully."**

The Bible speaks of stewardship - the obligation to be generous with what we have received from God, the true Owner. The Annual Catholic Appeal is an excellent opportunity to practice good stewardship. ACA is the life-blood of many of the ministries and programs sponsored by the Diocese of Toledo, including Office of Vocations, Lay Ministry Formation, and Catholic Youth and School Services to name only a few. You recently received a mailing at home which can be mailed directly to the diocese or placed in our Sunday collection. Please contribute as generously as you are able.

Our St. Mary's Parish goal this year is \$55,030.

**From Father Dave's desk.....**

This weekend 42 children of our parish family will receive Holy Communion for their very first time. God is so good! It never ceases to amaze me how God chooses His little ones to remind the rest of us about that which truly is most important.

Just as we must nourish our bodies with *physical food*, so also do we need to nourish our souls with *spiritual food*.

My personal preparation to receive the Eucharist has changed over the years. There was a time in my life when I mistakenly viewed the Eucharist as a reward-of-sorts for a week well lived, like a gold star given for mortal sin avoided. Now when the Sacred Host is held aloft over the altar and words are spoken announcing to all that "This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world," I feel a deep longing to receive *God's medicine for my soul* – a divine remedy I dearly need and without Whom I have no chance to live well.

Of all our prayers, participating in the Eucharistic sacrifice truly is best. The Lord once said to Blessed Angela of Foligno (d. 1309):

"Make yourself a capacity; I will make myself a torrent."

Friends, the Eucharist unleashes a supernatural surge of beauty, goodness and truth into our very selves. In order to drink abundantly of what is nothing less than an inexhaustible reservoir of divine grace, we need to mature as persons by turning away from self-absorbed impulses and activities. This happens as we see the Eucharist more as God's gracious gift and less as our rightful reward.

Without exception *the saints loved the Eucharist*. It is no surprise that those who embark upon imitating the saints find themselves going to Mass frequently. These people especially are alive to the power of God's Word and Holy Sacrament. With time, they rightly see the Holy Sacrifice as the very best moment of every day.

But, alas, not everyone is a saint. Among the most common excuses heard from the people who are reluctant to attend Mass, those who easily and with little or no regret disregard their Sunday obligation, are the complaints that "it is not meaningful to me," and "I don't get anything out of it," or "it's boring." Listen carefully to these excuses, all of which fail to consider anything wrong within the complaining individual and instead see something wrong with the Eucharistic sacrifice itself.

It saddens me terribly that there also are priests who disregard the Church's norms for a beautiful, dignified and reverent celebration of Mass. Sometimes homilies are vague rhapsodies of platitudes and private opinions with little doctrinal content and even less spiritual depth. If ever I am an obstacle to your prayer, please love me enough to help me by telling me.

What lies at the center of the boredom complaint? Like most kinds of monotony, disinterest in the Mass is due principally to spiritual deficiencies within bored people. Lacking in human development, they more or less are insensitive to seeing and appreciating the beauty that is right before their eyes. For example, they can read Shakespeare, listen to Beethoven and look upon Rembrandt without being moved by what well-rounded and well-grounded men and women find amazing and inspiring. The awesome wonders of creation leave them cold and unimpressed. In biblical literature they are the ones who have ears yet do not hear and eyes yet fail to see.



*Fr. Dave*

**Mass Intentions**

**Sun., May 2– 5th Sunday of Easter**

- 7:30 a.m. - Carl & Marcella Daum  
Robert & Jane Mitchell
- 9:30 a.m. - Rita & Joey Arnold  
Robert & Teresa Baum  
Frank Bouy—Anniv.
- 11:30 a.m. - Marvin Klupp—Anniv.  
John, Anna & Joseph Fitzthum  
Teresa & Andrew McMonigal
- 2:00 pm - First Communion
- 5:00 p.m. - For the Parish

**Mon., May 3**

- 8:15 a.m. - Edna Neubauer  
George Hritsko  
John & Marie Lindsley

**Tues., May 4**

- 8:15 a.m. - Charles J. Schemmer  
Frank & Rose House  
Charles Elsner  
Elaine Fischer

**Wed., May 5**

- 8:15 a.m. - Frances & Carl Michel, Eileen  
Michel Barry  
Doug Wieber

**Thurs., May 6**

- 8:15 a.m.—Ellie Scherer  
Lenora Schaufelberger  
Laura & Paul Kreidler  
Jeffrey Sanders—30 Day  
Linda Hoffman—30 Day

**Fri., May 7**

- 8:15 a.m.—Kay Brengartner  
Nor & Elvira Kolhoff  
George Laepply

**Sat., May 8**

- 8:15 a.m.—Beatrice Powell—30 Day
- 4:00pm - For the Parish

**Sun., May 9—Mother's Day**

- 7:30 a.m. - All Masses in Honor of
- 9:30 a.m. - Mothers
- 11:30 a.m. -
- 5:00 p.m. -

**Confessions 1/2 hour before every Mass.**

**Stewardship Way of Life**

**Week of 4/25/ 2010**

Envelopes	498
Weekly -	\$20,689.03
Monthly -	\$ 2,048.00
Total Collection -	\$22,737.03

Easter Envelopes to Date 871  
 Week of 4/18 \$ 660.00  
 Easter to date \$42,713.85

Team 2 to count on 5/3/10

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## Sandusky Life Teen

*"It is better to be the child of God than king of the whole world."  
-- St. Aloysius Gonzaga*

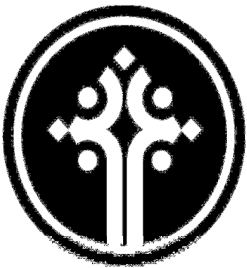
**May 2<sup>nd</sup>:** We have all heard Gandhi's quote "Be the Change You Want To See In The World" but have you ever wondered how you can make a difference? This Life Night will explore the Church's teachings on social justice and discover ways, great and small that you can make a difference in your schools, community and globally.

**May 9<sup>th</sup>:** Come Join in for our Life Teen Mass with a special Mother's Day Tribute. THERE WILL BE NO LIFE NIGHT. Take the night to spend with your mother.

### Sandusky Life Teen Needs Your Help:

Sandusky Life Teen will be joining over 240 other teenagers from the Toledo Diocese in July for the Mid-America youth conference, sponsored by Franciscan University of Steubenville. This four and a half day pilgrimage to Springfield, MO will be an incredible opportunity for the teenagers of Sandusky to grow in their Catholic Faith and become leaders within our Churches and our schools. The total cost for each teenager is \$300.00, which includes registration, travel, all meals, t-shirts and other expenses throughout the weekend. We as a ministry firmly believe that no teenager should be turned away from making this pilgrimage solely based off of a financial situation. At this time we have four teenagers who could use a partial or full scholarships for this incredible, life-changing weekend. If you could find it in your heart to consider giving a small gift of \$20.00 or more to Sandusky Life Teen that we could put towards covering the cost for these four teenagers it would be greatly appreciated. For more information about our Trip to the Mid-America Youth Conference or to learn how to give please call Brittany Taylor at 419-625-7465 ext. 26. Thank you for your constant prayers and support for the teenagers of Sandusky!

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SANDUSKY  
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### SANDUSKY CENTRAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

May 6: Mass Grades 7-8, 8:15; St. Mary's Church

May 6: Mass Grades K-6, 8:15; Sts. Peter & Paul Church

May 6: May Crowning Grades 9-12, 1:45; St. Mary's Church

**Looking for an awesome pre-school and daycare?** The Early Childhood Center is now accepting registrations for summer day care and fall pre-school. Call today to schedule a visit for you and your child! **419-626-3075**

**Do you have a child eligible for Kindergarten? Call today to schedule an appointment with our admissions office. (419-626-1892) SCCS Kindergarten Screening will be held May 18 and 19.**

**Prayer List** - Remember that there is a network of over 30 parishioners praying daily for specific requests. If you have a prayer need or would like to join the prayer group call Pauline or Stephanie at 419.626.4373 or 419.366.8168.

**Community Supper Program** - The three Sandusky Catholic parishes prepare and serve a hot meal for those in need within our community. The suppers are served on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Wednesdays of each month from 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm at Holy Angels Church. If you would like to join one of the seven rotating serving teams, or bake dessert at home, call the parish office at 419.625.7465.

**Parish Owned Property for Rent:** 604 West Adams Street rear; 1 Bedroom, First floor, Freshly renovated, \$300 plus gas and electric. 602 1/2, 2 Bedroom, \$500 plus gas and electric. Security, no pets, Call Mark at 419-656-1456 to tour or for information. Both are immediately available.



# WEEKLY PARISH CALENDAR

SUN May 2	5th Sunday of Easter	Mission Awareness Weekend
	9:30 am Children's Liturgy of the Word (Grades K-2)	Parish Commons
	9:30 am Good Shepherd Program (program FULL)	(Atrium) Parish Center
	11:30 am Children's Liturgy of the Word	Parish Commons
	11:30 am Good Shepherd Program (program FULL)	(Atrium) Parish Center
	1:30 pm Contemporary Choir	Church
	2:00 pm First Communion	Church
	5:00 pm Sandusky Life Teen Mass	Holy Angels
MON May 3	5:00 pm Church Cleaners Team # 2	Church
	6:00 pm Concert Set-up	Church
	7:30 pm Terra Arts Chorale Concert	Church
TUE., May 4	5:30 pm Carmelites	Lower Room
	6:00 pm Holy Hour for Life	Church
	7:00 pm Pastoral Council Mtg.	Upper Room
WED May 5	7:30 am Finance Council Mtg	Lower Room
	9:30 am Women's Bible Study	Commons
	4:00 pm Community Supper CLOSED	
	5:45 pm Bible Study	SMCC Library
	5:45 pm Parish School of Religion LAST CLASS	Sandusky Central Catholic School
	5:45 pm Fit-N-Faith LAST SESSION	Sandusky Central Catholic School Cafeteria
	7:00 pm Contemporary Choir Practice	Church
THU May 6	1:45 pm May Crowning Grades 9-12	Church
	7:30 pm Parish Choir	Church
FRI May 7	8:45 am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament	Church
	1:00 pm Church Cleaners NO CLEANING	Church
	4:00 pm Benediction	Church
SAT May 8	7:00 am Men's Bible Study	Lower Room

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR MAY 8 & 9

	May 8, 4:00 PM	May 9, 7:30 AM	May 9, 9:30 AM	May 9, 11:30 AM	May 9, 5:00 PM
Servers	Trevor Fitzthum Austan Hurlburt Brian Kistler	Samantha Lochotzki Adam Lynn	Sarah May Joe Morrow Alex Grant	Aaron Colavincenzo Natalia Colavincenzo Patrick Milkie	Bryanna Bauman Mallory Bauman
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You can access the Ministry Schedule at our Parish Website: <http://stmarysandusky.org/ministryschedule.htm>

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 receive the Holy Sacraments,  
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**Our Lady of Consolation Shrine, Carey** will be offering two special days of prayer: May 4, 7:00PM Mass for Victims of Cancer and May 16, 12:00 Noon, Mass will be in Italian to honor Italian Heritage Day. All are welcome on this journey of faith, hope and healing.

**WOW (Widow/Widowers ) May Social** will be May 21st, 6:00PM at St. Paul's Parish Gathering Space in Norwalk. Fare for the evening will be appetizers, please bring your favorite to share. We look forward to enjoying a social evening with you. Call Diane 419.660.5813 or Rose 419.668.4540 for more information.

**Project Rachel** Confidential help is available to anyone who is suffering from the grief of abortion. There are people with whom you can talk in confidence about your experience. Project Rachel offers lay counselors and trained clergy ready to help you find peace and healing. There is also an independent Bible Study available specifically for post-abortive women or men. If you feel ready to talk with someone and/or would prefer to explore the Bible Study, we invite you to call the confidential help line at **419-260-5811**.

**Summer Service Opportunities for Young Women** - The Sisters of Notre Dame invite young women to join us for a week of service this summer. You will have the opportunity to serve those in need while living and sharing time with the Sisters. High school age women will serve in Leipsic, Ohio in June or July. College age and older will serve in Jacksonville FL or Leipsic, OH. For more information visit our web site at [www.toledosnd.org](http://www.toledosnd.org) or contact Sr. Marilyn at 419.474.5485