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OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE





Well, here we are again, celebrating another Season of Lent. It seems ironic to use the word "celebrate" and "Lent" in the same sentence. I remember growing up, especially as a young student in a Catholic School (St. Stanislaus in Slavic Village), where the good Polish Sisters taught us well how we should carry ourselves during Lent to prepare for what was to come during the most Holy Week of the year and all that Jesus went through for us. It was to be our Easter cleansing. Stations of the Cross, Reconciliation (at that time referred to strictly as Confession), giving something up during Lent that we like, fasting, almsgiving, etc., all seemed rather depressing, austere, and incredibly somber. They said this was celebratory; how was this celebratory?

Fast forward a few years (and I mean way more than a few years!) when I finally began to understand what Lent was all about. I have learned and very much appreciate that it is a time for me to get rid of the things that hold me back from being a good Catholic Christian. I realize the joy in what these Lenten practices mean, and how they help me to become a better person. Lent is truly a celebratory time in which we prepare and cleanse ourselves to reignite the flame within us to be reborn as a follower of Jesus. That is why on Easter Sunday we renew our Baptismal promises. It's a new beginning for each of us and this is something that we get to celebrate year after year without question. When I think of being able to be reborn every year at Easter through my Lenten practices, austere or not, I find it very celebratory!

Don't forget we have Stations of the Cross on the Fridays of Lent at 7:00 PM and a weekday Mass on the Tuesdays of Lent at 12:00 Noon. Let's keep one another in prayer this Lent. May this season be celebratory for you!

Sincerely, Don Grabowy

THANK YOU to everyone who supported our Music Ministry Bake Sale last weekend! May God bless each of you for your kindness and generosity, we were able to raise \$2039.00 for our needs!

The Week Ahead

Sunday, February 18	
Mass, CH	8:30 am
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Boy Scout Troop 882B & 882G, TE &TI	6:00 pm
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AA Mtg., RR	8:00 pm
NO PSR	

Monday, February 19

Eucharistic Adoration, Chapel	
Guadalupe Ringers, SC	7:00 pm
NOPSR	

Tuesday, February 20

Eucharistic Adoration, Chapel	9:00 am-4:00 pm
Mass	
Bible Study, MR	6:30 pm

Wednesday, February 21

Eucharistic Adoration, Chapel	9:00 am-4:00 pm
Rosary, CH	6:30 pm
Baptism Class, MR	7;00 pm
OLG Men's Ministry, PSR Office	8:00pm

Thursday, February 22

Eucharistic Adoration,	Chapel	
Magnificat Choir, CH.	·	7:00 pm

Friday, February 23

Eucharistic Adoration, Chapel	9:00 am-4:00 pm
Fish Fry (Dining In)	5:30-7:30 pm
Fish Fry (Take Out)	5:00-7:00 pm
Stations of the Cross, CH	

Saturday, February 24

LITE Mtg., CRR	. 9:00-10:30 am
Mass, CH	4:30 pm
Confessions, CH	5:30 pm

Sunday, February 25

Mass, CH	8:30 am
PSR (All Rooms)	9:30 am
Mass, CH	10:30 am
Boy Scout Troop 882B & 882G, TE & TI	6:00 pm
Confirmation Class	6:00 pm
AA Mtg., RR	8:00 pm



The First Sunday of Lent February 18, 2024

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church



*Penitential Rite

I confess to almighty God and to you my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, (All strike their breast.) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore, I ask blessed Mary, ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters,

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

to pray for me to the Lord our God.

ALL: AMEN!



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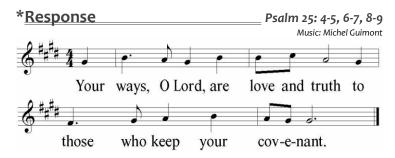
The Liturgy of The Word

*1st Reading:

_ Genesis 9: 8-15

God said to Noah and to his sons with him: "See, I am now establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you and with every living creature that was with you: all the birds, and the various tame and wild animals that were with you and came out of the ark. I will establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all bodily creatures be destroyed by the waters of a flood; there shall not be another flood to devastate the earth." God added: "This is the sign that I am giving for all ages to come, of the covenant between me and you and every living creature with you: I set my bow in the clouds to serve as a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth, and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the covenant I have made between me and you and all living beings, so that the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all mortal beings."

The word of the Lord. THANKS BE TO GOD.



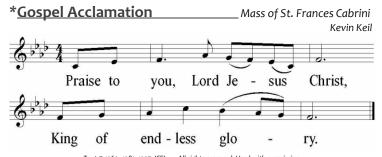
- O LORD, make me know your ways. Teach me your paths. Guide me in your truth, and teach me; for you are the God of my salvation.
- Remember your compassion, O LORD, and your merciful love, for they are from of old. In your merciful love remember me, because of your goodness, O LORD.
- 3. Good and upright is the LORD; he shows the way to sinners.He guides the humble in right judgment; to the humble he teaches his way.

*<u>2nd Reading:</u>

Beloved:

Christ suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit. In it he also went to preach to the spirits in prison, who had once been disobedient while God patiently waited in the days of Noah during the building of the ark, in which a few persons, eight in all, were saved through water. This prefigured baptism, which saves you now. It is not a removal of dirt from the body but an appeal to God for a clear conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers subject to him.

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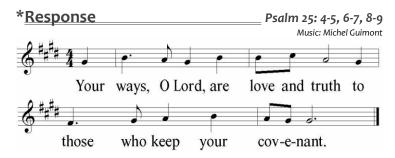
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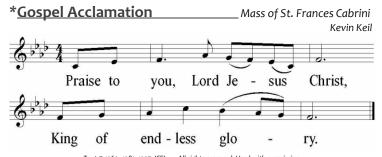
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*<u>Homily</u>

The Liturgy of The Eucharist

*<u>Offertory</u>

*Profession of Faith

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation, He came down from heaven,

(At the words that follow, up to and including "and became man," all bow.)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and His kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, Catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*<u>Prayers of the Faithful</u> Response: *Merciful God, hear our prayer*



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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



Saturday, February 17 4:30 pmElizabeth Burns
Sunday, February 18 8:30 am People of OLG 10:30 amAntonio Gonzalez
Tuesday, February 20 12:00 pmPeggy & Chuck Milko
Saturday, February 24 4:30 pmAndrew & Dorothy Kopkas & Family
Sunday, February 25 8:30 amPeople of OLG 10:30 amDebi Vavra

Readings for the Week of February 18, 2024

Sunday	Gn 9:8-15/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15
Monday	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday	Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday	Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32
Thursday	1 Pt 5:1-4/Mt 16:13-19
Friday	Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26
Saturday	Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48
Sunday	Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10



The 2024 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal will take place this weekend. This year's appeal theme is "Transformed by your love." Your generous support will

transform the lives of others, to offer dignity, possibilities and companionship to those who are most vulnerable.

Please take a moment to fill out one of the envelopes in your pew to support the ministries and services provided by Catholic Charities.

We appreciate your donation and will take special care to use it wisely in providing essential programs and services to people in need throughout the eight counties of the Diocese of Cleveland.

We invite you to view stories of inspiration and more information at CatholicCommunity.org/2024Appeal.

Sick & Shut-in



Ballard, Tom Barnett, John Bezdek, Cindy Billy, Shawn Blaze, Amanda Blaze, Olivia Boley, Ken Brower, Jean Brower, Lynn Bryce, Flo Carroll, Bobby Chipps, Joan Christian, Pat Citraro, Joseph Citraro, Kathleen Clark, Kaycee D'Angelo, Sharon Das, Tulsi Davis, Robin * Delius, Ken Delgrosso, Tyler Ellison, Blaise Friedman, Molly, Dr. Frosty Funk. Bill Gliozzo, Janet Hawking, Nicholas Hudiak, Ray Jerome, Deanna Kane, Alex Karduck, Amanda Karyadi, Tristin Kearney, Ed Kenzie Kopkas, Andrea Kynkor, Gerry Laret, Quentin Lee, Jim Lingenfield, Lisa/Gary Lubrano, Terry Martin Family Matejka, Rose Mary Mikolay, Shirley Monday, Richard Mosso, Laurie Oster. Paige Pawlowski, Joanne Perry, Hunter Perry Mary Petronek, Tom, Fr. Piontkowski, Zach Podogil, Luther Riley, Patrick Rusicka, Patty

Rusicka, Steve Rypinski, Deanna Rypinski, Olivia Salindo, Celso Sandy, Pam Schindler, Dick Seminsky, Martha Shemuga, Kevin Sobolewski, Brad Sopata, Margaret Subjack, Jim Subjack, Sydney Triggiani, Joe Triggiani, Frank Turek, Frank Whalen, Terry Wills, Patrick Winterburn, Phyllis Yontosh. Doris Zangara, Karen Zolata, Larry



Thank you to all who participated in the Souper Bowl soup tasting on February 4th. There was a tie for best soup: Tomato Basil made by Rose & Joe Triggiani and Tortellini made by Mary Jo Wolinski.

For those who made the soups, all our volunteers who helped and for everyone who

attended, we appreciate your support. We made \$408 that will go toward the church roof.

Welcoming Committee

The next Baptism Preparation Class will be held on Wednesday, baptism class February 21, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. If this is your first child or if you have not attended a class in the last five

years, you will need to attend before the baptism of your child. Please contact the Parish Office at 330-468-2194 for more information.

Liturgical Minister - February 24/25, 2024					
	CANTOR	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	LECTOR	SERVERS	
4:30 PM	Donald Grabowy	Pearl Metzger, Lauren Sobolewski, Mary Weakland, Greg Knapik,Gina Dougherty, Michael Kearney	Mary Leben	Ava Kinsella Ken DiPippo Luke Misener	
8:30 AM	Rachel Pollack	Ronald Reichwein, Denise Milewski, Joseph Kost III, Cindy Holub, Pat Golias, Brian Teeters	Amy Strauss	Anthony D'Angelo Anthony D'Angelo II Timothy Lewicki	
10:30 AM	Sarah Hammerschmidt	Dan Horning, Bob Cox, Kevin Waldron, Frank Villamagna, Kevin Hughes	Karen Stoll	Giovanna Picciano Isaac Walcher	

Collection Report

February 11, 2024

Sunday Offering (2/5-2/11)	\$5,055.00
Vanco (EFT) General Offertory (2/5 - 2/11)	\$2,620.00
Total Offertory	
Rejuvenate, Replace, Repair (2/5-2/11)	\$130.00
Vanco (EFT) RRR (2/5 - 2/11)	
Total RRR donations	\$661.00

Mail In/Drop Off Collection Week of 2/8/24\$329.00

Total Sunday Collection: \$8,665.00

158 Vanco EFT participants

Thank you for sharing that which God has so generously shared with you!

Anyone wishing to enroll in EFT may do so by visiting donations.olg.cc



Food & Fellowship Make A Tasty Combo!

Join us at the OLG Fish Fry, Feb 16 to Mar 22. Dine-in from 5:30-7:30pm or place a carry-out order from 5:15-7pm for pick up 5:30-7:30pm. Call 330.468.2194 x122 for carry-out; please park at Ledgeview and come in the side door for

carry-out pick up. Entrée offerings includes fried cod, baked haddock, fried shrimp, the famous OLG salmon, combo dinner or pierogis and comes with 2 sides. Dine-in dinners include a beverage (soda extra). Don't pass on dessert! Each week a variety of delectable options will be available from the best bakers around!

ALTARED YM night

This Sunday, February 18 6:30-8pm ALL teens in grades 7-12 are invited to be a part of OLG's program for youth ministry!

Agenda: games, snacks, Lenten discussion, prayer.

Hope to see you here, and as always, you bring a friend, you get an ALTARED t-shirt!!

Matthew Griffith DRE/Youth Minister Our Lady of Guadalupe Church Macedonia, OH <u>matt@olg.cc</u>



Join other Christians from February 14 through March 23 to participate in 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. During the 40-day vigil we'll gather on the sidewalk of 2127 State Road,

Cuyahoga Falls. Sign up for a time slot at www.40daysforlife.com/cuyahogafalls. You'll need to create an account with an email and sign an agreement of peace. If you'd like more information - and especially if you'd like to please contact Michael volunteer to help at cf40days@yahoo.com.



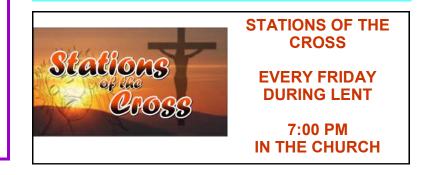
Our next blood drive is **Thursday**, **February 29th**. The following are ways to ensure a good blood donation:

- » Drink an extra 16 oz. of water (or other nonalcoholic drink) before your appointment.
- » Eat a healthy meal, avoiding fatty foods like hamburgers, fries or ice cream.
- » Wear a shirt with sleeves that you can roll up above your elbows.
- » Let us know if you have a preferred arm or particular vein that has been used successfully in the past to draw blood.
- » Relax, listen to music, talk to other donors or read while you donate.

The drive is from 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Every unit of blood can potentially save three lives.

Protecting God's Children

The Diocese of Cleveland's "Protecting God's Children" program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about the protection of children from sexual abuse. To report any past or present suspected inappropriate behavior toward children by priests, deacons, religious, lay ecclesial ministers or personnel associated with the Church, please contact the Diocesan Response Service Office at 216-334-2999 or via email at response_services@dioceseofcleveland.org. You are also asked to immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior.



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE Lenten FISH FRY 2024

Dine In: 5:30 – 7:30pm

Take Out: 5:15 – 7:00pm

Call: 330.468.2194 x122

Adult Meals

Includes 2 side dishes, rolls + 1 drink (pop not included)

Fried Cod Dinner (3 pieces)	\$15.00
Oven Baked Haddock Dinner (8-10 ozs.)	\$14.00
Shrimp Dinner (8 shrimp)	\$15.00
Combo Dinner (2 fried cod + 5 shrimp)	\$15.00
Salmon Dinner w/rice pilaf (limit 25 dinners per week)	\$18.00
Potato and Cheese Pierogi Dinner (6 pieces)	\$10.00
Onions upon request	

Young and Young at Heart Meals

Includes 2 side dishes, rolls + 1 drink (pop not included)

Fried Cod Dinner (2 pieces)	\$9.00
Macaroni & Cheese	\$7.00
Potato and Cheese Pierogi (3 pieces)	\$7.00
Onions upon request	

Side Dishes

French Fries	\$3.00
Onion Rings	\$3.00
Macaroni and Cheese	\$3.00
Green Beans	\$3.00
Coleslaw	\$3.00
Cabbage and Noodles	\$3.00

Extras: 1 piece of Cod; 3 Pierogi; Rice Pilaf \$3.00

Deserts and Beverages

Assorted Bakery	\$2.00
Soda Diet and Regular	\$1.00
Unlimited Coffee, Tea, Fruit Punch, Lemonade and Water <i>(dine in only)</i>	Free