



St. Mel Catholic Church

14436 Triskett Road
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Reverend Adam A. Zajac, *Pastor*

MASSES

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 7:00, 10:00 AM

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday and Friday: 6:45 AM

Confessions:

Saturday: 3:00-4:00 PM

PHONES

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Website <http://www.stmel.net>

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PARISH INFORMATION

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 second Sunday of the month, following the 10:00AM 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; 12:30 to 4:30 PM

Hall available please call the rectory office for more information.

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.

PAPAL INTENTION

Pope's Intention for March: For the new martyrs. We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Scripture readings can be found online at:
bible.usccb.org

Monday March 11 -

8:30 AM Mass @ St. Mark

Tuesday March 12 -

6:45 AM Mass.....Father's Day Intentions

Wednesday March 13 -

10:00 AM Rosary

Thursday March 14 -

8:30 AM Mass @ St. Mark

Friday March 15 -

6:45 AM Mass.....All Souls' Day Intentions

12:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday March 16 -

3:00 PM Confessions @ St. Mark

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4:00 PM Mass @ St. Mark

4:30 PM Mass.....Michael & Henry Hout

Sunday March 17 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:00 AM Mass.....Hortencia Feliciano

8:30 AM Mass @ St. Mark

10:00 AM Mass.....Jimmy Sheehan

11:30 AM Mass @ St. Mark

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

2024:	Offertory \$3120	2023:	Offertory \$4362
Monthly	\$520	Monthly	\$30
Repairs/Maintenance (Extra Ordinary)	\$415	Repairs/Maintenance (Extra Ordinary)	\$425

EASTER FLOWERS AND DECORATIONS

To donate for Easter flowers and decorations in honor of or in remembrance of someone dear to you, please make your request by **March 24, 2024**. An insert will be placed in the parish bulletin on Easter Weekend naming all of those honored by the flowers used to decorate the church during Easter Season. Your name will be listed unless you prefer to be anonymous. Please put the form in the collection basket with your donation (if donating by check, please make out the check to St. Mel Church and write in the memo "Church Decoration Fund"). Questions, please contact Susan Mitchell at 216-941-6743

FISH FRY

St. Mel Fish Fry is back! Come join us again this Friday from 5-7 PM in the church hall. All meals are available for dine in and carry out. Cooking courtesy of Cousa Mamas. We will also have a 50/50 Raffle.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Coletta Bailey	Judy Collins
Dave Corrigan	Olga Corrigan
Emily Finazzo	Shiela Henson
Gretchen Lane	Catherine McCafferty
Jan Retzer	Sue Solenne
Mark Struhar	Matthew Struhar
Thomas Szoradi	Andrew Valek

If you or someone you know needs prayer support, please call the Rectory office to have their name included in our bulletin. Please be respectful of other's wishes and only submit a name with full permission from the intended.



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PARISH CALENDAR

Wed. 13 Rosary: 10:00 AM
 Fri. 15 Stations of the Cross 12:00 PM
 Sat. 16 Fish Fry: 5:00-7:00 PM
 Confessions 3:00-4:00 PM

**"THE GRACE OF THE DESERT"
 WOMEN'S MINI-RETREAT**

You're invited to the Walking with Purpose Women's Mini-Retreat. This FREE evening will be filled with worship music, adoration, and reflection. Confession will also be offered. Come experience what your heart has truly been longing for! All women are welcome. For more info, contact: WWPLake-wood@gmail.com Thursday, March 14 from 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. St. Luke Catholic Church – 121 Bunts Rd, Lakewood Info: StJamesLakewood.com/events

THEOLOGY ON THE ROCKS WEST

For Adults 40 & Over Join us Monday, Mar. 11 at Copper Cup (Ironwood Café) 688 Dover Center in Westlake. Vatican II! Join us as Fr. Mark Latcovich, Pastor at St. Ladislav Parish, Westlake, discusses: The Challenges & Unfinished Business of Vatican II. Cost is \$15.00 per person which includes light appetizers & refreshments. Cash Bar is also available. Advance tickets highly recommended as space is limited. Register in advance: www.theologyontherockswest.com Doors open at 6:30pm. Program begins at 7pm.

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Theology on Tap invites All Young Adults in their 20s and 30s to join Father James Kulway as he shares his Lenten reflection on the Discipline of Body, Mind and Soul. Why is it important to balance our spiritual goals with our physical and mental health? How does staying healthy physically and mentally help us grow in holiness? Join us as we dive into this and more on Tuesday, March 19th at 7pm at Forest City Brewery. Registration is available at dioceseofcleveland.org/totcle or you may pay at the door (\$5). Parking is available at St. Wendelin or on the street. For questions, please contact totclewest@gmail.com

"God is faithful and will not let you be tried beyond your strength; but with the trial he will also provide a way out, so that you may be able to bear it" (1 Corinthians 10:13).



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WHAT ARE THE CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY?



As followers of Christ, we're encouraged to care for each other. Jesus' parable of the judgment of the sheep and the goats (Matthew 25:31-46) lists the ways we can care for those in physical need: *"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me..."* (Matthew 25:35).

These are the Corporal Works of Mercy: to feed the hungry and give drink to the thirsty, to clothe the naked, to visit the sick and imprisoned, to shelter the homeless and to bury the dead. Essentially, "it is by what they have done for the poor that Jesus Christ will recognize his chosen ones" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church* #2443).

The Corporal Works of Mercy are about being aware of others' needs and responding to them. Living the Corporal Works of Mercy is how we can make our love for God and others visible and effective.

"Whatever you did for one of these...you did for me" (Matthew 25:40).

POPE ST. ZACHARY

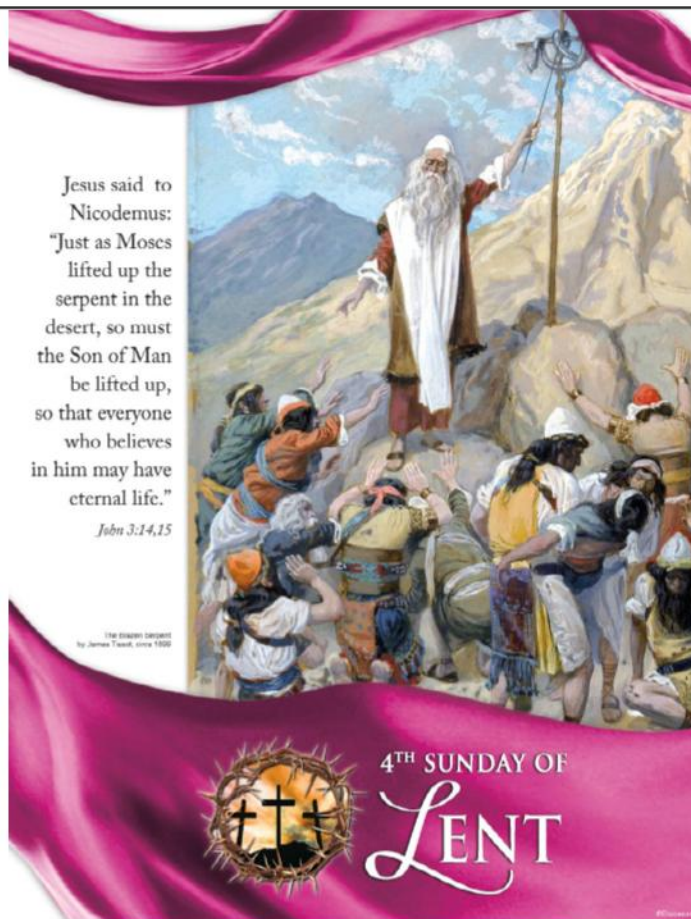


Born to a Greek family in Calabria, Italy, St. Zachary was deacon to Pope Gregory III before succeeding him as pope in 741. As pope, St. Zachary skillfully negotiated peace for Italy several times, most notably with the Lombards and the Franks. St. Zachary supported St. Boniface's German mission, ransomed slaves sold by Venetian merchants, and supported the restoration of churches. He carried the Church through troubled times with charity, prudence, and skillful leadership.

TRUST

St. (Mother) Teresa of Calcutta refused donations beyond the current needs of her community. Accepting such help would mean she didn't trust God to provide for their needs. When we rely on God, we demonstrate our faith, just as Mother Teresa did.

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