

THIS WEEK AT SAINT PASCHAL BAYLON MASS AND MEETING SCHEDULE

Monday, December 22, 2014, Advent Weekday

1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1,4-8; Lk 1:46-56

- 9:00 a.m. MASS: Mary Jane Walters**
- 11:30 a.m. MASS: Novena (St. Ann Shrine)**
- 12:15 p.m. MASS: Pat Picciano**

Tuesday, December 23, 2014, Advent Weekday

Mal 3:1-4,23-24; Ps 25:4-5,8-10,14; Lk 1:57-66

- 6:30 a.m. MASS: Terez Salloum**
- 9:00 a.m. MASS: Stanley Cesen**
- 11:30 a.m. MASS: Novena (St. Ann Shrine)**
- 7:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study**

Wednesday, December 24, 2014, Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord

Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5,16-17,27,29; Acts 13:16-17,22-25; Mt 1:1-25

- 4:00 p.m. MASS: Dennis Vicchiarelli**
- 7:00 p.m. MASS: Sam Mondello**
- 10:00 p.m. MASS: Bernard J. Gleason**

Thursday, December 25, 2014, THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18

- 9:00 a.m. MASS: Terrence McCreary**
- 11:00 a.m. MASS: Fini Family**

Friday, December 26, 2014, Saint Stephen, the First Martyr

Acts 6:8-10;7:54-59; Ps 31:3-4,6-8,16,17; Mt 10:17-22

- 9:00 a.m. MASS: Jack Quinlan**

Saturday, December 27, 2014, Saint John, Apostle, Evangelist

1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2,5-6,11-12; Jn 20:2-8

- 9:00 a.m. MASS: Nancy Rock**
- 4:30 p.m. MASS: Assunta Simonetta**

Sunday, December 28, 2014,

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSPEH

Sir 3:2-6,12-14; Ps 128:1-5; Col 3:12-21; Lk 2:22-40

- 8:00 a.m. MASS: Mary Jane Walters**
- 10:00 a.m. MASS: Felix Grdina**
- 12:00 p.m. MASS: John Komosinski**
- 1:00 p.m. Teens Encounter Christ, Eymard & Billiard Rooms**
- 7:00 p.m. MASS: Mary Nardy**

MAY WE COUNT ON YOUR HELP?



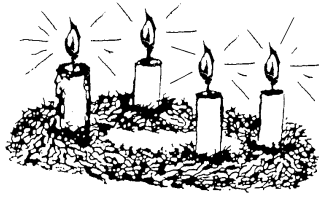
Our Community at Prayer needs someone to sign in and be present Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m.-Noon and Fridays at 12:00-1:00 p.m. Thanks for making a commitment to pray for an hour here at our church chapel!

REMINDERS AND SAVE THE DATES!

- **PEACE VIGIL (ADVENT LESSONS AND CAROLS) – A CELEBRATION OF PEACE:** Sunday, December 21, 3:00 p.m. (in church) with a reception hosted by our Welcoming Committee afterward. Join our music ministry team in celebrating this special time of prayer for peace!

- **TAIZE PRAYER HOLY HOUR with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Monday, December 22, church. Sponsored by our Community at Prayer ministry, for all members of the parish. One hour in the style of Taize – mantras, silence, meditation and benediction. Join us at 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. and pray for the peace of the Advent season.

- **BLOOD DRIVE:** Sunday, January 4th, 8:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Eymard Room
- **PASTORAL COUNCIL:** Sunday, January 4, 1:30 p.m. (off campus)
- **LITURGY COMMISSION:** Monday, January 5, 6:00 p.m. in the Parlor
- **OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LADIES GUILD MEETING:** Thursday, January 8, 7:30 p.m. Parish Parlor
- **INFANT BAPTISM WEEKEND:** January 10/11, Welcome a new child into our Catholic Christian faith the weekend of the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord
- **SPRING FLING COMMITTEE:** Monday, January 12, 6:30 p.m. – come join our parish festival planning team!
- **VOCATION DAYS – VISITORS AND TOURS OF THE RECTORY AND CONVENT:**
 1. Monday, January 12, PSR, Tours and Night Prayer ending the night in church at 7:50 p.m.
 2. Tuesday, January 13, Day School – Mass 9:00 a.m., Tours at 10:00 a.m., Panel in church at 1:15 p.m.
- **FINANCE COUNCIL:** Tuesday, January 13, 7 p.m. Saint Julie Billiard Room
- **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK EVENTS:**
 1. Athletic Association Pancake Breakfast: Sunday, January 25
 2. Day School Special Masses: 10 a.m. Sunday, January 25 and 9:00 a.m. Friday, January 30
 3. Taste of the Town: Saturday, January 31
 4. PSR Special Mass and Pizza Party: Noon, Sunday, February 1
- **LUKE LIVE – A PARISH MISSION with Fr. James DiLuzio, CSP:** February 28 – March 4
 1. Preaching at the weekend Masses – on a special Presentation on the Gospel of Luke – like you have never experienced!
 2. Preaching at morning Masses – 9:00 a.m. – March 2 – 4
 3. Evening Presentations March 2 – 4, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
 4. Presentation during the Eymard Spiritual Group – Tuesday, March 3, 12:45 p.m.
 5. Presentation during the School Day – Wednesday, March 4, 1:30 p.m.
- **SPRING FASHION SHOW:** Attention Ladies! SAVE THE DATE! Join the PTO for the 2015 Spring Fashion Show on March 19, 2015! You won't want to miss this sell-out event full of fashion, friends and amazing donations!
- **LADIES GUILD OVERNIGHT RETREAT:** May 8-9, 2015. Look for more details in the bulletin.
- **SPRING FLING PARISH FESTIVAL:** May 15 - 17



DAILY ADVENT REFLECTIONS

A daily Advent reflection by Fr. Robert Barron, author of the popular Catholicism series, is available to you now on our website. Simply visit www.saintpaschal.com and select 'Parish'. The home page will open and the daily reflection is there.

This is a great way to prepare your heart, mind and soul for Christmas!

HOLY DAY SCHEDULE

The Nativity of our Lord and Savior (Christmas):

Music begins 30 minutes before each Mass with Christmas Carols

- Wednesday, December 24: 4 p.m. Music: Teen Choir
 - 7 p.m. Music: Roberta and the Jets Music Combo
 - 10 p.m. Christmas Adult Choir, Fr. Tony Schueller, SSS, Guest Preacher
- Thursday, December 25: 9 or 11 a.m. (Children's Choir and family pictures at the 11 a.m.)

Mary Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation and Celebration):

- Wednesday, December 31: 9 a.m. Mass – for the Christmas Octave
 - Evening Mass – 4:30 p.m. for the Vigil of Mary, Mother of God
- Wednesday, January 1: 9 and 11 a.m. Masses for Mary, Mother of God

TASTE OF THE TOWN

Taste of the Town is a fun and social event to sample delicious foods from over a dozen local high profile restaurants! And this year it is so much more! Private Reserve Wines will be sampling a portion of their vast varieties of wine. It is quite an education! Olive Scene will be offering samples of the highest qualities of extra virgin olive oils (both flavored and single varietal) and balsamics.

In addition, we have an array of exciting and unique silent auction items. A charcoal drawing of someone you love, Mayfield Country Club Golf foursome and lunch, Indians tickets, Cavs tickets, a Nordstrom basket worth well over \$200, the newest Fitbit Charge, a signed Bugs Bunny cell, an American Girl doll, baskets from local Catholic High Schools and so much more!

Save \$10 to participate in a wine pull. We have a limited number of bottles and no bottle will retail for less than \$10 and a few will be worth over \$50!

Get your reservations in now as we have limited availability and you do not want to be left out in the cold on Saturday, January 31st! Call the parish office for more details, 440-442-3410.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Charlie Brown: “Isn’t there *ANYONE* who knows what Christmas is all about?!?!”

Linus: “*And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, ‘Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.’ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, ‘Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.’*” (Luke 2:8-14)

“You see, Charlie Brown—that’s what Christmas is all about.”

On behalf of the entire Saint Paschal Baylon Youth Ministry program, we wish you and your family a blessed and Happy Christmas. May each of us join Linus in celebrating what Christmas is truly all about!

Thank you to everyone who attended our annual Breakfast with Santa. We hope you enjoyed the games, face painting, crafts, food, and fellowship with one another. We will not have a youth group meeting tonight and look forward to our Christmas party next Sunday, the 28th.

Upcoming Events:

- *December 28th: Christmas Party during our regular scheduled meeting times
- *January 4th: Regular Meeting ~ New Year’s Resolutions and Game Night
- *January 11th: Regular Meeting ~ Peace
- *January 18th: Regular Meeting ~ January Eucharistic Adoration
- * January 25th: Trip to Kalahari with the youth groups at St. Noel and Divine Word. There will not be a youth group meeting in the evening.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Regular Collection for our parish needs December 13/14, 2014:	\$23,087.00
December Automatic Donation Program:	\$9,216.33
Immaculate Conception Collection:	\$3,291.00
Religious Retirement Collection:	\$5,370.00

INCOME from you to the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) in November:

Market Day	\$416.88
Chipotle night	\$803.49
Walk-a-Thon	\$21,000.00
Market Day	\$613.75

Thanks for your support of the diocesan capital campaign! It directly benefited our parish – this quarter giving \$2,111,375 to parishes in the diocese and the amounts below to us! As you complete your pledges to the diocesan capital campaign, we see how these funds supported our school through the years, with security, stage curtains and more!

Grant for tinting windows in the School Gym	\$1,450.00
Technology Grant	\$20,000.00

FROM THE PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE....



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT: On this last Sunday of Advent we hear the echo of God's words thru the angel: Hail! Full of Grace! What a marvelous greeting of love, acknowledgement and care. Isn't it marvelous, too, that we hear these words said to us? Sadly, we have been tricked into not believing it! We believe the deception and not the voice of God. We continue to master the true words that God speaks to us, that we know Mary took seriously: nothing is impossible for God! Let us allow this week ahead to be **FOR GOD!** Then nothing will be impossible with all that we must do.

ENJOYING OUR CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS: Each year, our very own Blessed Sacrament Community (SSS) Brother Gary creates and builds the outdoor scenes for the SSS property. The trees are made from bamboo from our SSS inner courtyard garden. Bro. Gary made the angels out of "chicken wire" and carved the woods for the signs and manger. He also made the snowflakes that line Saint Paschal Lane. We are grateful to him and a small crew who decorate this part of the property each year. Sadly, they are not for sale, nor does Bro. Gary take orders for your own yard!

Thanks to Bro. Gary's harvesting of the bamboo, and Fr. John and our parish Art and Environment Committee, we will have bamboo trees/lights inside this year too. Next week Fr. John, in his bulletin column, will have more about our inside nativity scene. We won't spoil the surprise until after you see it! This week, however, we want to thank our Maintenance Team, Roger and Jon, for making our new inside nativity crèche.

COMMUNION MINISTERS TO THE HOMEBOUND: We are blessed to have more Communion Ministers ministering to their family members and friends. Thank you for sharing the Word and Eucharist with those unable to attend Mass. If you would like to do this ministry, please see one of the priests, Deacon Joe or a sacristan. We have pyxes (vessels for the Eucharist) and also booklets that will assist you with the prayers. (Yes, the new booklets have arrived!) We thank God for the connection of the Eucharist and the communion that binds those in church and at home with a holy connection of love and care! Dear homebound parishioners – **we love you!** And we are grateful for your notes of love and care through the mail and brought to the parish through your personal Communion Minister.

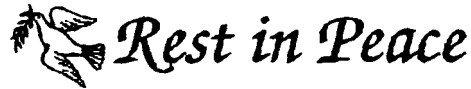
MERRY CHRISTMAS! If you are traveling this week to visit family or friends, know that our prayers go with you. We will miss you and look forward to your return. Meanwhile, on behalf of the Pastoral Staff, Blessed Sacrament Community and the eight Sisters of Notre Dame that live in our convent, we wish you a blessed, holy and wonderful Christmas 2014! We look forward to seeing you at one of the Masses Wednesday or Thursday. Let us continue to pray for each other!

In Christ our Eucharist,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Thomas Lane".

Reverend John Thomas Lane, SSS
8th Pastor

PASCHAL PRIDE SALE! Proud to be a member of our Saint Paschal Baylon community? Our youth group is! We are hosting a Paschal Pride Spirit Sale next weekend after all the Masses. All proceeds will go towards our trip to NCYC. Order online at www.rdpssports.com/st-paschal-pride-sale/ So wear your green and gold colors proudly! Thank you for your support!



**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR
DECEASED PARISHIONERS**

Nicola DiLallo, Denis Flannery, Rosanne Balchick, Tony Cek, Anton Pescha, Martha Golinar

EDUCATION

SAVE THESE DATES !

Preschool Open House: If you are interested in enrolling your child/ren in our Saint Paschal Baylon Preschool, mark Tuesday, January 27, 2015 on your calendar! The preschool team will be presenting information on all of our preschool programs beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Eymard Room of the Family Life Center. The opportunity to see the classrooms will be available to all. Our preschool fills up fast, so you won't want to miss this event. You may call the school office or email us at office@saintpaschal.com to register for the meeting.

Kindergarten- Grade 8 (new enrollment) Sneak Peek: On Thursday, January 29 at 8:30 a.m., new families interested in our kindergarten or in transferring child/ren to our school are invited to our Sneak Peek event with our Kindergarten staff. Join us for a light brunch, a fashion show of uniforms, a tour of the school, and an opportunity to win a free registration worth \$200. Please call the school office or email us at office@saintpaschal.com.

SAINT PASCHAL BAYLON SCHOOL NEWS

On behalf of the faculty, staff, and students of Saint Paschal Baylon Catholic Elementary School, we wish you a blessed and peaceful Christmas.

*All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet:
"Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son, and they shall name
him Emmanuel," which means "God is with us."*

(Mt 1:22-23)

PSR NEWS

No PSR December 22 or 29: Because of the Christmas holiday, there is no PSR on December 22 or 29. Enjoy the time with your family!

EDUCATION continued

INFANT BAPTISM CLASSES OFFERED

If you are interested in getting your child who is under the age of 7 baptized, please contact George and Anna Peko at (440) 442-3410 ext. 107 to sign up for a course on baptism. The next class is Sunday, January 11 following the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

8th GRADE CONFIRMATION

Our next Confirmation session is Sunday, January 11 starting with the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Candidates should be contemplating their Confirmation name as well as whom their Sponsor will be. Please contact George and Anna Peko at psr@saintpaschal.com with questions.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

If you are a Catholic who has yet to be Confirmed and are interested in receiving the sacrament, please contact George Peko at 440-442-3410 ext. 107. Adult Confirmation classes will begin in late January.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

RIGHT TO LIFE JANUARY EVENTS

Sunday, January 18, 2015: Justice March for Preborn Children. The 2:00 p.m. march will begin from the Great Lakes Mall, proceeding to St. Mary School Gym where Dr. Patrick Johnson will speak at 3:00 p.m. Dr. Johnson is Director of Personhood Ohio and is a popular conference speaker and author. He speaks on strong families, restored marriages and Christian education. Please bring your families to attend. Don't miss this!

January 22, 2015: National March For Life in Washington D.C. Sacred Heart Church still has bus reservations open to attend the March For Life. Please call B. Latini at 216-381-1910 for attendance. The marchers will attend Mass at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on January 21st, then they will be marching to our nation's capitol on January 22nd. Please watch EWTN for complete coverage. Also, please tell your families to watch this national event.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Have you ever felt daunted by the struggles within the Church, or had your faith shaken by the trials of your local parish community? Then join us for *First Corinthians: The Church and the Christian Community*, a Bible study by Dr. Tim Gray. In this study, we will learn about the early Christians in Corinth, and see how their struggles and challenges were not so different from our own. We will see how St. Paul addressed these struggles by introducing the Corinthians to God's greatest gift: the Eucharist.

The Women's Bible Study will be hosting *First Corinthians: The Church and the Christian Community* Bible study beginning January 21st at 7:00 p.m. and continuing every Wednesday for eleven weeks. For more information or to register for the study, call Teri at 440-646-9192 or via email tsdrda@gmail.com.

NEW ONLINE DONATION PROGRAM



We are pleased to announce that Saint Paschal Baylon Church has partnered with myEoffering in order to provide you with the convenience of online contribution. Online contribution refers to a process much like online bill pay, whereby donors opt to have their financial contributions to the church withdrawn directly from their **credit, debit, checking, or savings account** in lieu of bringing cash or paper checks each Sunday.

Many people are worried about the security of their financial data, especially with the headlines concerning identity theft. Rest assured that we chose myEoffering in part because of their strict security measures. They have passed all the required tests to be fully compliant with the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standards. This means that they are using the latest technologies available to protect against would-be data thieves. They have processed electronic donations for many churches in the United States and we feel comfortable in the security their service provides.

myEoffering has designed a secure, web-based platform in which donors may privately and prayerfully make one-time or recurring donations. You can customize a completely individual method of giving, based on how and when you receive your income - whether it be bi-weekly, monthly, or semi-monthly. By setting up recurring donations to be automatically debited from your account, it allows the church to better plan budgets and expenditures and provides a more accurate financial forecast. It also enables you to stay on the path of your contribution goals by ensuring that even if you are unable to attend church on a particular Sunday, you needn't worry about remembering to make that contribution the following week. With more consistent stewardship, our church is able to focus more on the ministry of God.

Signing up is as simple as going to our church website (www.saintpaschal.com) and clicking on the "Donate Now" button. You'll register an account and within minutes you will be giving your first online donation.

We invite you to try electronic contributions and we hope you find it very convenient. You can use any computer or mobile device to donate electronically. Or, if you don't have access to a computer but would still like your offerings to be deducted from your account, call the parish business office, 440-442-3410, ext. 101 for a signup form so we can set up your offering.

Parishioners that are already enrolled in the parish's Automatic Donation Program will be sent information to assist them in transitioning to the new program.

As always, we thank you for your generous sharing of treasures in the spirit and practice of stewardship.

BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

We are having a 3 on 3 basketball tournament on Saturday December 27th for grades 3-8 boys and girls. T-shirts will be given to all players and prizes to winners in each division. For more information and for forms to register go to www.spb3on3.com/. If you have questions you can email athletics@saintpaschal.com. We look forward to seeing you on the court!

CLOWN AND HELPING HANDS MINISTRY

This ministry is always reaching out. Last Wednesday, that very cold night, we reached out with hot food, blankets and other necessities to those under the bridges and abandoned buildings. Last Saturday night a different group of volunteers went out to feed and clothe those in need. Thank you to all those who pick up the food, those who cook, those who went out to show how much this parish reaches out, not only during the holidays but all 12 months of the year, twice each week!

This Christmas season this ministry is going to give Christmas parties at men and women shelters. This ministry is always reaching out every week because of the generosity of the volunteers and generosity of this parish. God bless you all and thank you.

TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE

Join the SPB Community at Prayer on Monday December 22 at 7:00 p.m. for this time of prayer and worship in the Church. Taize prayer is an ecumenical time of meditative prayer and chant with music. Come experience a unique prayer form - bring a friend! If you have questions, feel free to contact Jennifer Bartlett at greygerbs@sbcglobal.net.

SOULCORE Classes will be taking a break for the Christmas holidays. Classes will resume on Thursday, January 8th at 8:15 a.m. in the Jette gym. Please check the website for the most up to date schedule: www.SoulCoreProject.com.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE



What is the most cherished gift you can give to anyone this Christmas season? Well, it would be hard to top the gift of *life* itself . . . and that's what you give someone when you donate blood.

Life . . . one gift that surely our Lord wants us to re-gift and return! Please do so if you are able, by giving blood at our American Red Cross Blood Drive on Sunday, January 4th, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Eymard Room.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

DO YOU LOVE BABIES?! Maggie's Place needs volunteers. Provide needed house coverage, babysitting (infants) and engage directly in educational lessons with young moms. Background check required; training provided; volunteers are asked to help for 4 hours on a regular weekly schedule. Call Jessica at 440-886-2620 or cleveland@maggiesplace.org.

VOLUNTEER AT WOMANKIND, the Maternal and Prenatal Care Center at 5400 Transportation Blvd in Garfield Heights. Womankind is currently in need of volunteer lab techs, nurses, or medical assistants to draw blood, from our prenatal clients during our Monday evening clinic from approximately 4-7:30 p.m. Previous experience drawing blood required; no OB experience required. If interested, please contact Dianna, Eileen or Paula at 216-662-5700, Monday-Friday between 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

NEW YEAR'S EVE RETREAT Hope is the Now. Presented by Patrick and Jeannie Cleary-Burns. Hope. In these tumultuous times, it is often obscured. We will use the wisdom of the Holy Spirit and St. Ignatius to find hope by grounding ourselves in the 'now'. New Year's Eve presents a terrific opportunity. Calling on the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we will use Ignatius' Examen and a variety of the sources of revelation – scripture, quiet, our imaginations, the world around us, and each other – to look back to see the many graces we received in this turbulent year and look ahead to living thankfully in 2015. Retreat starts with dinner at 6:00 p.m. on December 31 and concludes at 11:00 a.m. on January 1. Cost is \$90. To register contact Jesuit Retreat House [440-884-9300](tel:440-884-9300) or visit www.jrh-cleveland.org

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