

**ST. MARY CHURCH VERMILION, OHIO**

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**February 19, 2012**

**Weekly Mass Intentions**

- Saturday, February 18 Weekday**  
4:00 p.m. For the Parish Family
- Sunday, February 19 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
8:00 a.m. Edward & Mary Ann Kelley  
10:30 a.m. Michael J. Duda III
- Monday, February 20 Weekday**  
8:30 a.m. Communion Service
- Tuesday, February 21 Weekday**  
8:30 a.m. Communion Service
- Wednesday, February 22 Ash Wednesday**  
9:00 a.m. For the Parish Family  
12:15 p.m. Prayer Service & Distribution of Ashes  
7:00 p.m. For the Parish Family
- Thursday, February 23 Weekday**  
8:30 a.m. Communion Service
- Friday, February 24 Weekday**  
8:30 a.m. Communion Service  
7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
- Saturday, February 25 Weekday**  
4:00 p.m. 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary for Tom & Carole Ryan
- Sunday, February 26 First Sunday of Lent**  
8:00 a.m. For the Parish Family  
10:30 a.m. Butch Dobos  
7:00 p.m. Parish Mission

**Parish Events for the Week**

- Sunday, February 19**  
9:00 a.m. RCIA (Library)  
9:15 a.m. PSR for Grades 1-6  
10:15 a.m. Pre School Sunday School  
7:00 p.m. Outbreak
- Monday, February 20**  
No School – President’s Day  
9:00 a.m. Adoration (Church)  
7:00 p.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy (Church)  
7:15 p.m. Rosary & Reposition of Blessed Sacrament
- Tuesday, February 21**  
9:15 a.m. Scripture Study (PO)  
6:00 p.m. Mardi Gras (PLC/PLCC/GS/ Library)  
7:00 p.m. Joyful Noise (Stumphauzers’)  
8:00 p.m. AA (Multi Purp. Rm)
- Wednesday, February 22**  
5:00 p.m. Girl Scout Mtg. (PLC)
- Thursday, February 23**  
3:15 p.m. 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball (PLC)
- Friday, February 24**  
6:30 p.m. PSO Movie Night (PLC/PLCC)

**WEEKEND COLLECTION**

**PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING SUMMARY**

Sunday Collection Feb. 11/12 \$ 7,464.87

**PRAYER LINE: 967-9818 OR 967-0400**

**BULLETIN DEADLINE IS TUESDAY NOON**

**BULLETIN IS AVAILABLE ON THE ST. MARY**

**WEBSITE:**

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**From the Desk of Fr. Ron**

When you hear the term “ghost writer” – what images come to mind? To some, it may mean a writer who is not present. So, I am writing this column and I am not present – although I don’t consider myself a “ghost” writer. I am ministering outside of Vermilion as you read this and am with you in prayer and in the Holy Spirit. To be able to trust in the guidance of the Holy Spirit is a true gift. Even though miles separate people at times, they are still united in Christ. So, whether one is celebrating Mass at St. Mary or on a cruise ship, there is a connection – a oneness in Christ. To want to be connected is what motivates people at times to do things that may seem unusual. To open up a roof to let someone get close to Jesus may seem a little unusual. Yet, the desire for oneness with Christ should impel us to be counter-cultural at times. To stand up for the unborn and preserve the sanctity of life requires us to face opposition. We can and must do this with the guidance of the Holy Spirit. As the paralytic was healed when he encountered Christ, so we too can be healed when we reach out and find Christ in our commitment to life. Although this writer may be away physically, remember our connection in Christ. God Bless.

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**ATTENTION ALL ST. MARY SCHOOL**

**ALUMNI:** The school would like to update their current records of St. Mary School Alumni. We are looking for one individual from each graduating class to be the contact person for their class. If you have any information (name, address, phone, email, and year of graduation) regarding alumni or if you would like to be the representative for your class please send an email to the new email address set-up solely for this purpose: [StMaryVermilionAlumni@gmail.com](mailto:StMaryVermilionAlumni@gmail.com). Thank you!

**THE CATHOLIC JEWELRY SALE** takes place this weekend and next weekend in the Gathering Space. Confirmation and First Communion gifts available.

**RUMMAGE SALE ITEMS:** We will be taking items for our April Rummage Sale any week day during normal business hours or if daytime is not good for you, you can call to set up an appointment. We are not accepting any large items until April 20<sup>th</sup> as we are limited on space. Not accepting clothes.

**THE LITTLE LENTEN BLACK BOOKS** are available in the lower Gathering Space. Donation: \$1.00.

**RECYCLE FOR ST. MARY SCHOOL:** Aluminum, papers, Box Tops for Education, Campbell’s labels and Coke Reward Points.

**SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
COMING EVENTS**

**February 19, 2012**

**THE 2012 CHURCH ENVELOPES AND CALENDARS** are available in the **Gathering Space** this weekend. If you do not find a box of envelopes for yourself please sign the paper on the table with your name, address and phone number and we will have a box of envelopes for you the following weekend.

**THE 2011 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** are available upon request. Call the parish office (967-8711) to request your copy.

**ST. MARY’S CYO TRACK AND FIELD TEAM** is looking for an assistant coach for the spring season. The season will run from March thru May. Anyone interested in helping coach is asked to contact CYO pastoral designee **Charles Trinter @ 967-3719**.

**ST. MARY VERMILION PERSONALIZED HOODIES:** Back by popular demand, order your St. Mary Vermilion Hoodie (or crew without a hood) by **Sunday, March 3, 2012**. Order forms are in the Gathering Space, school office and parish office. Navy Blue CHAMPION sweatshirt with white lettering. Drop off order forms in the collection basket, school office or at the school open house on **March 4<sup>th</sup>**. Make checks payable to **St. Mary School**. Perfect Easter present.

**LENTEN REGULATIONS FOR FAST AND ABSTINENCE:** Ash Wednesday (February 22<sup>nd</sup>) marks the beginning of the penitential season of Lent. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of abstinence from meat and also days of fast, that is, limited to a single full meal. The other Fridays of the season of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The Law of Abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years of age and older. The law of fasting binds all Catholics from their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday until their 59<sup>th</sup> birthday.

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**WE WILL BE OFFERING IN-MEMORIAMS** to offset the cost of our Easter decor and the flowers that will be delivered to the nursing homes and to our people who are confined to nursing homes. Deadline is April 2. Please include the following information. Any size donation will be accepted.

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**Person(s) being remembered:** \_\_\_\_\_

**My name is:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Please print clearly.**

**Questions? Call Sherry Thomas at the office: 967-8711 or at home: 967-7647.**

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**SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.** the 6<sup>th</sup> grade is hosting a **French Toast Breakfast** to raise funds for their 6<sup>th</sup> grade field trip. Please support them and enjoy a great breakfast.

**PICK 3 LOTTERY WINNER:** There was no winner this week. Tickets are still available in the school office. Cost: \$10 each.

**THE EASTER FIRE-POT** will be in the upper Gathering Space this weekend. We are asking you to return the blessed palms you received last Palm Sunday so we can burn them to make the ashes for Ash Wednesday.

**THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS IN CONJUNCTION WITH COLETTE VACATIONS PRESENTS...CANYON COUNTRY** featuring Arizona and Utah, **September 27-October 5, 2012**. HIGHLIGHTS include: Scottsdale, Oak Creek Canyon, Kaibab National Forest, Grand Canyon, Lake Powell, Monument Valley, Bryce Canyon National Park, Zion National Park, and 2 nights in Las Vegas. Book and save \$100 per person. Meet our Colette Vacations representative, **Dawn Emerson**, and have all your questions answered at a special travel presentation **Monday, March 12, 2012, 6 P.M. @ St. Mary’s Church Cafeteria, 731 Exchange Street, Vermilion**. Call Norm at the number below to let him know you plan on attending the travel talk. For complete info visit their website: [www.collettevacations.com/link490834](http://www.collettevacations.com/link490834) or contact **Norm Felix @ 440-935-8026** for a full color flyer sent to your home. As always proceeds go to local charities.

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING** will be taught by the Couple to Couple League at a series of three classes beginning at 7:00 P.M. on **Thursday, March 29, 2012 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 @ 419-660-0534** or visit [www.ccli.org](http://www.ccli.org).

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**JOIN THE MEN OF ST. MARY’S FOR THE MEN’S RETREAT, SATURDAY, MARCH 3RD** from 8:30 A.M. – 7 P.M. Please fill out the form below and return to the parish office ASAP if interested in attending. For more info call **Bill Wagner @ 216-401-4267** or **Jerry Schrenk @ 440-315-0848**.

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**MEN’S RETREAT, SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 2012**  
**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone number:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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