

I am going to **THE FATHER** JOHN 14:28



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Reconciliation/
Confession

SATURDAYS:
8:30 - 9:30AM
OR BY APPOINTMENT



Mass

MONDAY-FRIDAY: 8:00AM
SATURDAY VIGIL: 5:00PM
SUNDAY: 7:30AM, 9:00AM,
11:00AM, 5:00PM



Eucharistic
Adoration

**MONDAYS &
WEDNESDAYS:**
8:30AM - 9:00PM

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Parish Directory

PARISH OFFICE: 440-526-1686
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440-526-3520
ST. MICHAEL SCHOOL: 440-717-0398

Office Hours

MONDAY-THURSDAY: 8AM - 7PM
FRIDAY: 8AM - 5PM
SATURDAY: 8AM - 12PM
SUNDAY: CLOSED

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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Monday, May 4, 2026

8am The Alpino Family (*Maria Costanzo*)

Tuesday, May 5, 2026

8am Mary L. Dean (*Friends*)

Wednesday, May 6, 2026

8am Michael A. Zuccaro
(*The D'Onofrio Family*)

Thursday, May 7, 2026

8am Filomena & John Corsi
(*Ed & JoAnn Zrimsek*)

Friday, May 8, 2026

8am Karen Kelley (*Mary Ann Lyzen*)

7pm Confirmation– Bishop Edward Malesic



Saturday, May 9, 2026

5pm Carl Szubski (*Dorothy, Wife*) (*Fr. Liptak*)

Sunday, May 10, 2026 –Sixth Sunday of Easter

7:30am Charles, Edna & Sharon Geszler
(*Chuck & Adrienne Geszler*) (*Fr. Mann*)

9am Ron Shawhan (*Wife, Terri*) (*Fr. Liptak*)

11am George Sloat (*Ron & Tina Brocco*) (*Fr. Mann*)

5pm Ronald Honkonen (*Audrey & Beverly*)
(*Fr. Liptak*)

Offertory April 26, 2026

Regular Collection \$37,122.75

Monthly Maintenance \$2,716.00

Thank you for your continued support!



Sixth Sunday of Easter May 10, 2026

1st Reading: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 3:15-18

Gospel: John 14: 15-21

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."

CALLED TO FLOURISH COMMITMENT WEEKEND

Witness your generosity come to life

Today, all parish families are invited to participate in the **Called to Flourish in-pew appeal**. As we gather at Mass, we ask you to join fellow parishioners in supporting this campaign. Please take a moment to prayerfully reflect on what a **five-year pledge** could look like for your family. One that is meaningful, sacrificial, and rooted in faith. Your commitment helps strengthen our parish for generations to come. Every gift, of any size, truly makes a lasting difference.

Our parish is blessed by the faith and generosity of our parishioners. As you prayerfully consider a gift, know there are many ways you can participate. When filling out your pledge card, be sure to select a start date and payment schedule. Common ways to make a gift:

- **Check**
- **Credit Card or Automatic Bank Withdrawal**
- **Stock & Securities**
- **Qualified Charitable Distribution from IRA**
- **Donor Advised Fund**



PARISH PRIORITIES

- Renovating the sacristy
- Empowering families through evangelization
- Transforming parish offices and the rectory to meet current and future opportunities
- Supporting our neighbors, Mary Queen of Peace
- Enhancing campus safety

LEGAL INFORMATION

- **Legal Name:** Catholic Community Foundation
- **Tax ID Number:** 34-1908579
- **For the benefit of:**
Called to Flourish Campaign
1404 East Ninth Street, 8th Floor
Cleveland, OH 44114-1722

READY TO GIVE?

Turn your pledge card into the parish office or use the QR code to make your gift online.



Visit catholiccommunity.org/calledtoflourish

With questions, please contact the Campaign Office at (216) 902-1300 or calledtoflourish@catholiccommunity.org

PARISH GOAL

\$4,500,000





St. Basil Silent Auction Needs Donations



The 2026 Silent on-line Auction is fast approaching and the committee is looking for items that we would like to add to the auction. We need all donated items no later than Friday, July 3rd. Keep in mind that the auction will conclude on July 16, 2026.

OUR CURRENT WISH LIST IS:

- Autographed Shirts, Hats, Footballs, Basketballs or baseballs
- Cleveland Guardians, Browns and Cavs Tickets
- Ohio State Football Tickets
- Gift cards to a favorite restaurant
- Tickets to any Play at Playhouse Square
- Vacation Home Donations for a week or weekend



Fine Wine

Remember all parishioners can participate in the on-line bidding and the proceeds benefit the Endowment Fund at St. Basil parish. If you can help with any of the above items contact:

Jeff Spetrino 440-665-7580

Don Ferfolia 216-244-5680

Karen Uhrin 724-244-3623



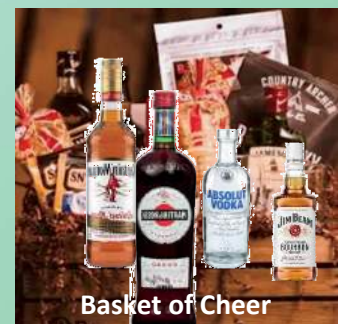
2026 Cleveland National Air Show
Featuring the U.S. Navy Blue Angels
September 5, 6 & 7 - Labor Day Weekend
Burke Lakefront Airport



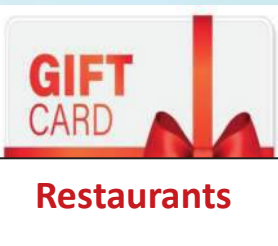
Vacation Home



Art Museum



Basket of Cheer



Airline Tickets



Theatre Tickets



Playhouse Square



\$225/Golfer
\$850/Foursome

Includes:

Green fees, carts, breakfast, lunch, dinner, drinks, quality golf giveaway

14th Annual Golf Outing
THURSDAY | JULY 16, 2026
Sleepy Hollow Golf Course

Supporting **St. Basil the Great Endowment Fund**

Check In: 7:30AM | Shotgun Start: 9:00AM

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Register Online: stbasilgolfouting.com

For sponsorship or silent auction donation info:

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Cherubim <i>\$4,425 tax deductible</i>	\$5,000	FULL	●	●	4
Archangel <i>\$1,925 tax deductible</i>	\$2,500	FULL	●	●	4
Angel <i>\$450 tax deductible</i>	\$1,250	HALF	●	●	4
Driving Range <i>\$1,000 tax deductible</i>	\$1,000		●	Signage on Driving Range	
Beverage Cart <i>\$1,000 tax deductible</i>	\$1,000		●	●	
Dinner <i>\$1,500 tax deductible</i>	\$1,500		●	●	
Ball <i>\$2,750 tax deductible</i>	\$2,750		●	●	
Lunch <i>\$750 tax deductible</i>	\$750		●	●	
Breakfast <i>\$500 tax deductible</i>	\$500		●	●	
Practice Green Sponsor <i>\$500 tax deductible</i>	\$500		●	●	
Green Sponsor (Max 18) <i>\$300 tax deductible</i>	\$300		●	Corp. Logo 3 Lines	
Tee Sponsor <i>\$200 tax deductible</i>	\$200		●	Signage by Tee 3 Lines	
Family <i>\$125 tax deductible</i>	\$125		●	●	



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of Cleveland

Deacon Ordination
May 2nd 2026
Bishop Edward Malesic
Cathedral of St. John the the Evangelist



William Michael Prebel



Jon-Gerard Woost



Jerald Matthew Joyce



Zakary Ian Jester



Congratulations!



**Deacons
Called
To Serve**



Food Pantry: End of the month food and household supplies for the Food Pantry is **May 30-31, 2026.**

***Don't forget to pick up a green grocery bag, May 23-24, 2026.



***Checks should be made out to **St. Basil the Great.**

Don't forget our fur babies! Dog and cat food is also needed and appreciated. Please place dog/cat food in separate bags.



Donations to St. Basil's St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) Helps Those in Need

Please consider donating to St. Basil's SVDP and help us help those who come to us for emergency assistance. We are humbled and very grateful for the generosity of our faithful St. Basil parishioners who support us and thank everyone who contributes to help the poor. Together we pray for the poor and ask

St. Vincent de Paul to pray for us!



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This weekend's Gospel reminds me

of how frequently I hear people frustrated with themselves for struggling to trust God. People will feel alone in their suffering and desperately trying to make sense of it, while also criticizing themselves because, "I know I should trust in God." When I reflect on how God views this lack of trust, I do not see anger and frustration. I see patience, understanding, and encouragement, especially when we can genuinely say that we want to trust in God and are trying to do so. Trust is something that is earned in relationships. If I were to 100% trust a stranger or someone I just met, this is somewhat imprudent and harm may be done to me. It is not until I learn more about them, become comfortable with them, and slowly trust them in small things until I feel like I can completely trust them. These are steps we take to protect ourselves. So, if trust is something that is slowly formed in relationship, it makes complete sense that we would struggle to trust God. Over the course of our journey of faith, we are growing in relationship with Him, which means learning to trust Him in new and bigger ways! God's call to trust completely is beautiful, good, and true, but it can also go against the ways we learn to protect ourselves. You are not being unreasonable or rejecting God, you are learning to be vulnerable and trust in new ways, which takes time and experience!

-Luke Brown, LPCC, Sacred Heart Counseling Team



Called to Intellectual Flourishing

Mary, Mother of the Good Shepherd Institute is an initiative of the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland to develop, promote, and enhance the intellectual formation of adults throughout northeast Ohio.

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Month of Mary



Hail, Mary,

full of grace,
the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou amongst
women and blessed
is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour
of our death.



Amen



According to the USCCB, Catholics pray to Mary to ask for her intercession, honor her as the Mother of God, and look to her as a model of perfect discipleship. Mary is not worshipped, but honored, with prayers serving as requests for her to pray to God on our behalf to bring us closer to Christ.

Intercession: Catholics ask Mary to pray for them, similar to asking a friend on earth to pray for them, but with the unique efficacy of her closeness to Jesus.

Model of Faith: Mary is the model of perfect discipleship, whose "yes" to God at the Annunciation serves as an example of trust and obedience.

Spiritual Motherhood: Jesus gave Mary to the Church as a spiritual mother, making her a trusted advocate.

Role in Salvation: She actively cooperated with God's grace in the plan of salvation, bringing the author of life into the world.

The Rosary is a Scripture-based prayer. It begins with the Apostles' Creed, which summarizes the great mysteries of the Catholic faith. The Our Father, which introduces each mystery, is from the Gospels. The first part of the Hail Mary is the angel's words announcing Christ's birth and Elizabeth's greeting to Mary. St. Pius V officially added the second part of the Hail Mary. The Mysteries of the Rosary center on the events of Christ's life. There are four sets of Mysteries: Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and—added by Saint John Paul II in 2002—the Luminous.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



We are always excited to celebrate the jubilee anniversary Mass for couples married 50 years. This Mass is celebrated at 2:00 PM at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist in downtown Cleveland.

On June 14th, 2026, we will celebrate with all couples married in 1976. Everyone is invited and may bring family with them.

This is NOT a ticketed event. There is no registration required.

Event Details:

Parking is available on the surface lot off of Rockwell, next to the Cathedral. Parking can also be found in the garage next to the Cathedral. Handicapped seating available.

A picture opportunity with Bishop will take place on the Superior Avenue side of the Cathedral following Mass.

We also invite you to take pictures around the Cathedral in the alcoves etc.

WE DO NOT HIRE A PHOTOGRAPHER. Photos are on your own.

If a family member is not able to take the photo, the Marriage and Family staff will be available to assist.

Certificate:

The Office of Marriage and Family Ministry is pleased to provide a letter from Bishop Malesic and a certificate for all couples married 50 years. Attendance at the 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass is not required.

The certificates and letters are compiled once a month and must be requested online in advance. Please ensure all information is accurate before submitting. If there are any errors, we will happily make the changes.

Please go to the Diocese of Cleveland's website to request the letter and certificate.

If you have any questions, please contact the Diocese of Cleveland at 216-696-6525.



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Sign up!

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– and encourage others to join us!

Share the Prayers!



CANCER SUPPORT

GROUP: Our Cancer Support Group welcomes all who have been touched

by cancer in some way. Patients, survivors, loved ones, caregivers—whatever your journey. This group is formed to give those in need the support, strength, faith and hope to move forward together, rather than on your own.

What: *Cancer Support Group*

When: *Third Thursday of each month 6:30pm*

Next meeting: *May 21, 2026*

Where: *Parish Office – Pieta Room*

For additional info please contact:

Betsy Glosik-440-476-6269

CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY

Invites St. Basil the Great Women to join us at our annual Information Gathering

Wednesday, May 6th

10:00AM
7901 Detroit Avenue
Cleveland, 44102

St. Augustine Health Campus
Community Room, main level

Learn about how you can become a member and engage in our mission: to challenge childhood poverty in greater Cleveland.

For questions and or to RSVP, please
Email Marty: mrt2547@aol.com
Or Email : JoinNowCCSCLC@gmail.com
Or Call /Text 440-525-1606, Julie Jerdonek,
St. Basil parishioner



www.christchildsocietycleveland.org



Vacation Bible School is for children entering Kindergarten through 4th grade. St. Basil will be offering a morning and evening session of Vacation Bible School, space is limited in each session. Volunteers are needed to help make VBS possible. **Volunteers can be 5th graders through adults.** Scan the QR Codes to access the sign ups. Registration will open April 23, 2026. The same registration link is for both participant and volunteer registration.

Evening Session
July 19-23, 5:30 – 8:30pm



basilthegreat.org/forms



THEOLOGY ON THE ROCKS WEST

For Adults 40 & Over

Join us on Monday, May 11- 7 – 8:30pm

Westside Irish American Club

8559 Jennings Rd. Olmsted Twp.

Join us for an evening of mystical theology, with Bryan Hall, as we reflect on Bernard of Clairvaux's "On Loving God." Though his answer to why we love God may seem simple, his passionate and beautiful language offers a powerful, inspiring glimpse into a deeper experience of faith. Bryan was introduced to Bernard while earning his Master's in Theology at Loyola of Chicago.

Be a part of a theologically enriching evening. Cost is \$15.00 per person. Light appetizers included. Cash Bar is available. **Advance tickets recommended. Register in advance: www.theologyontherockswest.com. Doors open at 6:30pm.**



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2025-2026

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“Prayer can truly change your life, for it turns your attention away from yourself and directs your mind and your heart towards the Lord. If we look only at ourselves, with our own limitations and sins, we quickly give way to sadness and discouragement. But if we keep our eyes fixed on the Lord, then our hearts are filled with hope, our minds are washed in the light of truth, and we come to know the fullness of the Gospel with all its promise and life.”

-Pope John Paul, II
From his “*Address to the Young People of New Orleans*”
(September 12, 1987).



The Mass Intention Book for 2027 will be available beginning, Thursday, May 7th at 8am in the Parish Office.

- *Two masses will be permitted, one weekday and one weekend.*
- *Mass Intentions remain: \$10.00 each. (Cash or check made out to St. Basil the Great)*



JUNE UPCOMING events.

04 JUN
Food Truck Night

05 JUN
Couple's Night Out

07 JUN
Parish Picnic

Save the Dates!
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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED AT MARYMOUNT HOSPITAL: SHARE CHRIST'S PRESENCE

Do you feel called to extend your ministry beyond the walls of the parish? We are seeking **commissioned Eucharistic Ministers** to bring Holy Communion to patients at Marymount Hospital in Garfield Heights. In this meaningful ministry, you will offer the Eucharist to the patients in the hospital, along with providing prayer, comfort, and your compassionate presence. Your service is a powerful reminder that Christ is near, especially in times of vulnerability. If you are already commissioned in your parish and feel called to serve in this way, we would love to hear from you.

Please Contact: Andrea Whinnery
Director of Pastoral Care, Marymount Hospital
216-296-2939, whinne4@ccf.org



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CHIEF

Dear Ms. Robin Youngs,

On behalf of the officers of the Second District, I would like to extend our sincere gratitude for your generous donation of Easter baskets to our community.

Thanks to your kindness and thoughtfulness, our officers have had the privilege of distributing these baskets to families throughout the district. Your support has helped bring joy, comfort, and a sense of celebration to many individuals who truly appreciate this gesture during the Easter season.

It is partnerships like yours that strengthen the bond between our department and the community we proudly serve. Your compassion and commitment to helping others do not go unnoticed, and we are honored to assist in delivering your generosity directly to those in need.

Thank you again for your continued support and for making a meaningful difference in the lives of our residents.

Wishing you a blessed and joyful Easter season.

Respectfully,

Commander Timothy Maffo-Judd
Cleveland Police Second District

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DISABILITY MINISTRY TRAINING

May 7-8, 2026 | 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

St. Ambrose Parish

929 Pearl Rd, Brunswick, OH 44212

Catholic Charities Disability Services and Ministries is hosting a **FREE** two-day disability ministry training, in partnership with the National Catholic Partnership on Disability, for clergy, parish, and diocesan staff, and ministry volunteers.

Join us and gain foundational knowledge about disabilities and mental health:

- Day One will cover parish accessibility, adaptive catechesis, resource utilization, language guidelines, and conducting parish assessments.
- Day Two will address mental health topics, including accompaniment, stigma, trauma-informed care, and suicide.

This **FREE** two-day workshop includes continental breakfast and lunch, and is available in both English and Spanish. Attendees can register for one or both days.

Scan the QR codes below to complete registration.



Scan to register



Scan to register

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Join us for Sandwich Saturday!
9:00-10:00 am in the Parish Center
Spread the love!



Upcoming Sandwich Saturdays
May 16
June 6

Bring peanut butter and jelly, bread,
bag of fruit, sandwich baggies, and a
breakfast treat to share.
Sandwiches are taken to local shelters
to help those in need.



St Basil Church is equipped with a Hearing Loop that by switching your Hearing Aid to its T-Coil program enables you to hear every word directly to your hearing aids.

***There was recently a problem with the system which has hopefully been resolved. Should you have any problems or questions please contact: Amy Hudak at: (440) 590-2522.



There will be two trucks in the parking lot next to the Annex from 8am to 6pm or until the trucks are full. Please do not leave anything the night before or after the trucks have left.



Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) during the Sunday 9:00 am

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JOIN US ON

**Saturday,
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Live Christian Music

End the day with a beautiful outdoor Mass at 8:00 pm with Bishop Malesic followed by a spectacular American Fireworks display.

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THE FEST | AUGUST 15, 2026
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Prayer for Spiritual Communion

You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. *Amen*



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, immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior. Also, please contact the Diocesan Response Service Office at: 216-334-2999 or via email at: response_services@dioceseofcleveland.org.



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