



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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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 September: For the cry of the earth. We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and of climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.

LITURGY SCHEDULE

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

Monday, September 16 - Ss. Cornelius & Cyprian

8:30 AM Mass @ St. Mark

Tuesday, September 17 - St. Robert Bellarmine; St. Hildegard of Bingen

6:45 AM Mass.....All Soul's Day Intentions

Wednesday, September 18 -

10:00 AM Rosary

Thursday, September 19 - St. Januarius

8:30 AM Mass @ St. Mark

Friday, September 20 - Ss. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions

6:45 AM Mass.....All Soul's Day Intentions

Saturday, September 21 - St. Matthew

3:00 PM Confessions @ St. Mark

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4:00 PM Mass @ St. Mark

4:30 PM Mass.....Fred Berila

Sunday, September 22 - Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 AM Mass.....St. Mel Parishioners & St. Mark Parishioners

8:30 AM Mass @ St. Mark

10:00 AM Mass.....Hortencia Feliciano

11:30 AM Mass @ St. Mark

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

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| 2024 | Offertory \$3474 | 2023: | Offertory \$2875 |
| | Monthly \$95 | | Monthly \$80 |
| Repairs/Maintenance (Extra Ordinary) | \$95 | Repairs/Maintenance (Extra Ordinary) | \$230 |

DIOCESE DAILY PRAYERS

"My Daily Prayers" is a FREE daily recording of prayers led by the bishops and priests of the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland, delivered each day directly to your email. "My Daily Prayers" invites you to spend about 10 minutes in prayer and reflection each day and offers encouragement to enter into a deeper relationship with our Lord. Sign up at dioceseofcleveland.org/MyDailyPrayers.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Come and join us Sunday September 22 from 7:30 AM to 12:00 PM in the St. Mel Church Hall for a pancake breakfast put on by our Wednesday Rosary Group. Adults are \$6.00 and Children 10 and under are \$3.00. All are welcome and we hope to see you there!

ST. MEL ROSARY RALLY

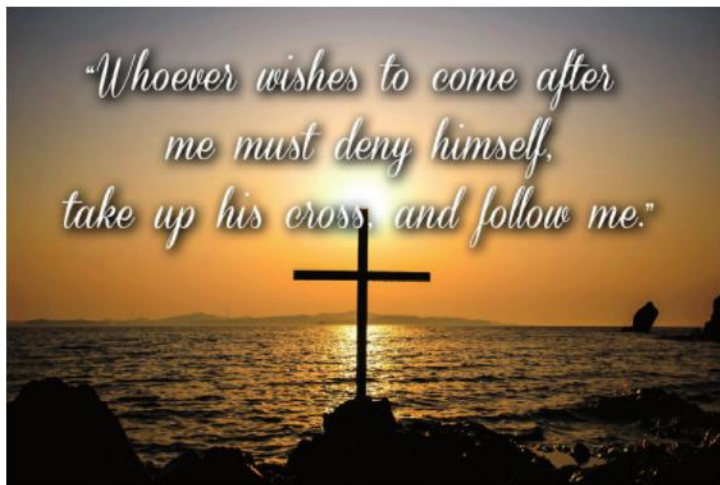
We are inviting all to join with fellow friends and parishioners in prayer for a Rosary Rally Saturday October 12 at 12 PM at the shrine of Our Lady between the church building and the school. The Blessed Mother is a great intercessor and the Rosary is one of our most powerful and meaningful ways to pray and ask for God's help in our world. Please feel free to bring a lawn chair if you need one and for any questions please contact Pat Kerrigan at 440-223-2995.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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| Judy Collins | Dave Corrigan |
| Olga Corrigan | Noreen Dlouhy |
| Emily Finazzo | Shiela Henson |
| Ken K. | Gretchen Lane |
| Eileen Mangan-Stull | Jan Retzer |
| Anthony Prosovski | Sue Solenne |
| Mark Struhar | Matthew Struhar |
| 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.



PARISH CALENDAR

Wed. 18 Rosary: 10:00 AM
 Sat. 21 Confession: 3:00 - 4:00 PM
 Sun. 22 Pancake Breakfast: 7:30AM– Noon

**DEAN’S GREENHOUSE IN-STORE
 FALL FUNDRAISER**

Looking for autumn floral and gardening supplies? Visit Dean’s Greenhouse from September 1 through October 15 and mention St. Mark/ St. Mel when you shop, and Dean’s will donate 20% of the sales to the St. Mark/St. Mel Faith Build. Dean’s Greenhouse is located at 3984 Porter Road, Westlake, 44145. www.deansgreenhouse.com; 440-871-2050

Spaces are still available for the last Faith Build Day – Thursday, September 19. Sign up today! <https://clevelandhabitat.volunteerhub.com/vv2/> Questions? Email Amy Asseff at aasseff@aol.com

THE LIVING BREAD RADIO NETWORK

The Living Bread Radio Network Benefit Dinner is an annual fundraiser event that benefits the work of your local Catholic Radio - a 501(c)3 non-profit, planting seeds of faith, hope and love by creating Christ-centered communities for families. In honor of their 20-year anniversary will be hosting **Bishop Joseph Strickland and Jesse Romero** at Guy’s Party Center on **Tuesday, October 15, 2024**. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. with a cash bar, and Dinner will begin at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are just \$25 per person. For a personal invitation, or more information call **330-966-2903**, or email Molly at mromano@livingbreadradio.com

**LITURGY & IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY:
 MASS & IGNATIAN REFLECTIONS IN OCTOBER**

Jesuit Retreat Center, 5629 State Rd, Parma, OH 44134. <https://www.jesuitretreatcenter.org> Tuesdays, 8:00 - 8:45am. October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29. On Tuesdays, the Jesuit Retreat Center offers Mass in the Main Chapel followed by a brief reflection on Ignatian Spirituality. Free will offering (registration is not necessary).



Growing in FAITH

Discovering **hope** and **joy** in the Catholic faith

MISTAKES CAN BE BLESSINGS

Do you dread making mistakes and feel remorse when you do? Instead, realize that mistakes are simply outcomes we didn’t expect and can lead to growth. **Start by admitting your mistake.** You can only learn from a mistake if you admit you made one. Acknowledging the error takes the focus away from assigning blame and moves it toward understanding a future course of action.

Enlist help. Talking to someone else about what happened gives you the benefit of another’s experience. He or she may have made a similar mistake or know of a solid solution. Plus, describing the event forces you to think it through and may even help you see opportunities you didn’t know were there.

Decide on change. Ask, “What will I do better next time?” Real growth and change happen when you see possibilities for improvement.

Benefit from mistakes. If you can learn from the current error, you may be able to avoid a future one. Remember, God is the only one you know who doesn’t make mistakes.

**HOW CAN I GET BETTER AT
 DEFENDING MY BELIEFS**

One good way to be sure you can explain what you believe is to have solid information at your fingertips.

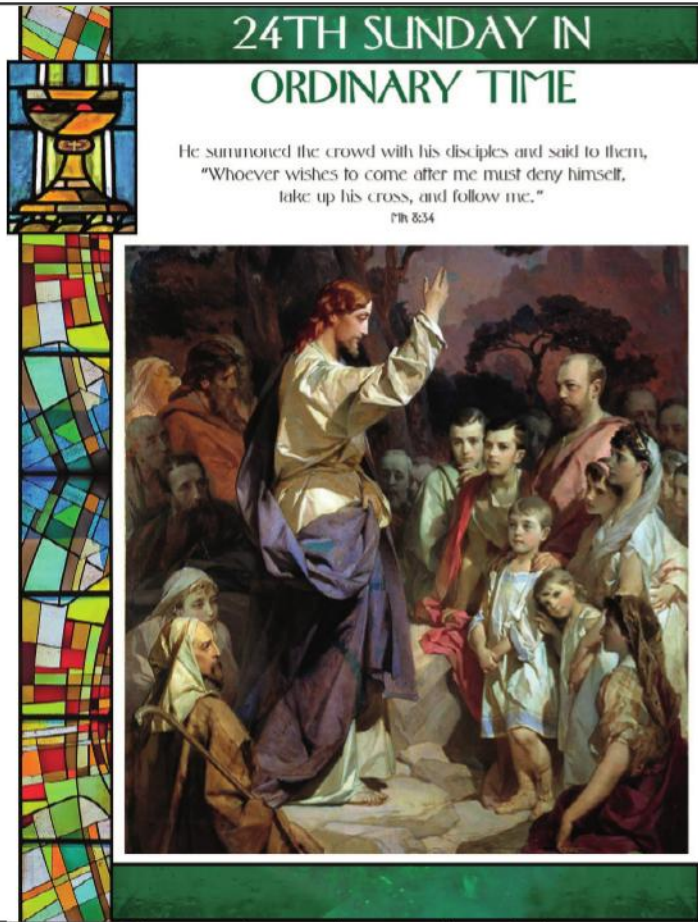
To start, keep a copy of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* handy. It summarizes what we believe and why, with an excellent glossary to help navigate. Your library may have one or you can buy it from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (www.usccb.org, 800-235-8722).

Read some common questions and answers about Catholic faith and practices by Church experts. For example, a helpful resource, *Catholic Answers to Catholic Questions*, by Paul Thigpen, Ph.D., is available at Our Sunday Visitor books (www.osv.com, 800-348-2440). Or, ask your priest for a Church-approved recommendation.

Know the common misconceptions. There are many misunderstandings about the Catholic Faith. Knowing what the Church actually teaches on topics like the Eucharist, Mary, the Saints, and salvation will prepare you to clarify these points.

Don’t forget to ask for help from the Holy Spirit. In fact, just let the Spirit do the talking.

**THIS WEEK’S FEATURED ADVERTISER
 FRAME’S PEST & WILDLIFE CONTROL**



24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me."
Mt 8:34



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