the following members of our Parish community: the following members of our Parish community: Don Dahlhausen, Mary Harter, Larry Piechowiak, John Halasz, Trista McConaha, Tyler McConaha, JoAnn Reddinger, Patty Doyle, Nick Liotta, Marie, Robin Pretzlaff, Baby Ryan Martin, Sheila Sillasen, Richard Rosberil, Theresa Grimshaw, Karen Styler, Stephen Rapsik, Sarah Burket and Mark Pennington. The names will remain in the bulletin for two weeks. Please call the Parish office for more information. If you have a special intention you would like remembered in prayer, please call Lillian Nep-tune @ 216.662.5464.

Our sincere sympathy and prayers are extended to the family and friends of Josephine Stoltz, Dolores Johnson, Jeanne Ska-pura and Margaret Simoncic who were buried this past week. May they and all our dearly departed, rest in peace.

Thursday, May 25th is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation. The Ascension Of The Lord will be observed on Sun-day, May 28th.

Collection of the Rice Bowls is ending. If you have not re-turned your Rice Bowl please do so. They can be returned to Church or the Parish Office. Thank you for your generosity.

St. Therese & Ss. Peter & Paul New Mass Schedule:
Saturday – Ss. P&P - 4:00pm St. Therese - 5:30pm
Sunday – Ss. P&P - 8:30am St. Therese- 10:30am

Religion Question of the Week
What is the USCCB?

Did You Know?
Did you know that the corpus on the cross over the Sanctuary was hand carved from Linden wood and is leafed with 24 k gold?

One Liner
“Best vitamin for a Catholic is B-1”.

Answer to the Religion question of the week located on page 4 of this bulletin, under the collections.

Lady of Fatima Memorial Bricks
St. Monica Holy Name Society will be sell-ing Memorial Bricks to be placed in front of the Our Lady of Fatima Shrine. The sale of the bricks will help finance the restoration of the shrine area between the rectory and school. A new walkway, landscaping and an area in front of the shrine will be installed for parishioners to help memorial-ize family and friends in a special place on the grounds of St. Monica Church. Extra order forms are available on the Parish Website and at the Parish Office. Thanks for your support!

Catholic Charities
The follow-up In-Pew Appeal in May has proven to be a critical part of the Catholic Charities Ap-peal’s success over the past several years. Last year, we col-lectively raised more than $700,00 from over 7,000 donors during this follow-up Appeal which included gifts from nearly 800 donors who had never given to Catholic Charities be-fore. The focus of this year’s follow-up will be the Hungry and Homeless programs operating throughout the Diocese. As in last year’s follow-up Appeal, every gift made next weekend will be matched dollar for dollar up to $100,000.

Congratulations – St. Benedict Catholic School
Recently St. Benedict Catholic School received some wonderful news. They received the official Accreditation from the Ohio Conference of Catholic Schools. This involved a two year process with our Principal, Mrs. Lisa Oritz, and all the school faculty. This accreditation is required by the State of Ohio Education Office once every five years for certification of a School. We are proud of our school staff for receiving the important recogni-tion. We thank all of our parishioners, and the parishioners of St. Martin of Tours parish, for their continued support of St. Benedict Catholic School.
Pastoral Scene

On the threshold of Summer: 6th Sunday in Easter

The work of Catholic education is every baptized Catholic’s commission. No matter how old or young we are, we continue to learn and grow in the knowledge of God. It is even more important now than in former times to have a firm grasp of our Catholic faith.

Some of the basic teachings are often taught by action rather than words. The attendance at Sunday Mass is an example of living the Faith, this is especially true during the summer time. There cannot be a "vacation" from being a Catholic Christian. It is the foundation to the formal religious studies which is proclaimed through the scriptures at each Mass.

The attitude of prayer in our home and the religious symbols present in our houses bespeak what is held in your heart. We are sometimes unable to attend Mass as a family but it is important to attend Mass to be nourished by the Word and Sacrament that is celebrated and return home to be lived.

As we all know, the first teachers of the faith are the parents. With the help of others in education, they can broaden their knowledge and understanding and social interchange. What has been taught during the school year continues during the summer. The upcoming feast of the Ascension celebrated next Sunday is a command to live the message of Christ by word and deed. It is a command to, not hide who we are but, to live the faith openly in the joy of the risen and ascended Lord, Jesus.

Fr. Ted Marszal

Samaritan Ministry: Addiction Awareness Workshop

The Samaritan Ministry of St. Malachi Parish will again offer a FREE one-day ADDICTION AWARENESS WORKSHOP in St. Malachi Center (behind the church), West 25th & Detroit, Cleveland, OH 44113, on Saturday, June 24, 2017, from 9 AM to 4 PM. PB&J sandwiches, snacks and beverages will be provided. Donations welcome.

Relevant topics will include: addiction/alcoholism as a brain disease; effects of drinking/using on others; treatment options; 12-Step programs of recovery; resources in the community.

For information/to register: visit us at www.stmalachi.org/samaritan-ministry-2017 or contact Judy Stowe (440/250-9959) judystowe@gmail.com or St. Malachi Rectory (216/861-5343).

Come and Spend an Evening with us!

There are seven of them and we pray for them all the time. What are they? They are the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and St. Martin of Tours is inviting you to join Msgr. Richard Antall on May 30th, the Tuesday before Pentecost. Please join us for 6:30 pm Mass and Msgr. Antall’s talk on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. During the week right before Pentecost is the perfect time for this reminder. Please join us! Light refreshments will be served.

The Catholic bishops of the world are planning to meet in October 2018 for the 15th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops. The theme of this gathering is “Youth, Faith and Vocational Discernment.” In preparation for this major synod on youth, Pope Francis wants to gather input from the Catholic faithful. Consequently, the Diocese of Cleveland has made available a survey questionnaire to gather information on a current state of the young in our diocese that will be included as part of the pre-synod discernment document. The survey can be found on the diocesan website home page, www.dioceseofcleveland.org. All are invited and encouraged to participate by taking this short survey. The bishops of the United States pray that the results of this survey will help them more fully understand the experience of young people in our Church and in our country—their hopes, dreams, and struggles—so that the synod may bear fruit in offering more insight and direction to our ministry with young people.

The Garfield Heights Ward 7 Block Watch will meet Thursday, May 25th at 7:00 PM at St. Monica’s outdoor pavilion.

DUE BY MONDAY MAY 29 - NOON

K of C Wednesday Night Dinner

CLUB 4130 - 10806 Granger Road, Garfield Heights 44125
DATE: Wednesday May 31  TIME: 4 - 7 PM
LEMON CHICKEN PICCATA
Dinner consists of: Dinner will consist of 2 pieces of Chicken, Buttered Noodles, Vegetable, Salad, Rolls & Butter
Cost: Adults - $10 ..... Children Under 12 - $8
ALL DINNERS INCLUDE COFFEE TEA, WATER, AND NON-CARBONATED BEVERAGES
DINNER BY: MAPLE HEIGHTS CATERING
RESERVATIONS REQUIRED: 216-662-2277   mailbox #2

The Isabella Guild will also be selling fresh bakery

Divine Mercy

Please join us for a special hour of adoration and thanksgiving to the Divine Mercy of Jesus this Sunday, May 21st at 2:30 pm in St. Monica Church. There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, and prayers for families, our youth, and our country. All are welcome to join us.
Stewardship

OFFERTORY COLLECTION  May 13th / May 14th
Regular Sunday Envelopes    $  7,848.00
St. Monica Fund      $     645.00
Children's Envelopes     $       13.00
Office of Catechetical Services           $     105.00

Parish Activities

MONDAY, May 22
3:15  CWVA Mtg  (c)

TUESDAY, May 23
7:00  Wake Up Walk With Fr. Ted  (grounds)
5:30  CYO Track Banquet  (p)
6:00  Bible Group  (p.o. kitchen )
6:45  Troop 389 Mtg  (c)

WEDNESDAY, May 24
12:00  Tai Chi  (J)
6:15  Fall Sports Sign-Ups  (J)
7:00  Women's Walking Club  (g)
7:00  MHCC Trustee Mtg.  (cmr)

THURSDAY, May 25
6:00  Dioc. HN  (J)
7:00  Ward 7 Block Watch  (p)

Friday, May 26
9:30  Kindergarten Graduation  (+)

SATURDAY, May 27

SUNDAY, May 28
Feast of the Ascension

Answer to this Week’s Question
What is the USCCB?
Answer: USCCB stands for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops which is attended by all the active Bishops in America on a quarterly basis.

To help build an endowment fund, please consider remembering St. Monica Church in your Will.

St. Benedict Pre-School provides a smooth transition from home to school for children ages three, four, and five. The programs offer children an opportunity to interact with other children and adults in an atmosphere of Christian love and concern.

St. Benedict Pre-School promotes the spiritual, intellectual, social, and physical growth of the young child in a creative learning environment through age-appropriate developmental experiences and activities.

St. Benedict Pre-School is now accepting registration for the 2017-2018 school year. Half-day and full-day options available for ages three, four, and five. Please call 216-475-3633 today to schedule an appointment for a personalized tour with pre-school teacher Mrs. Deb Dereska. The St. Benedict Pre-School is located on the campus of St. Martin of Tours at 14600 Turney Road, Maple Hts.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Group will continue to meet over the summer months. Event information will be advertised through the cluster parish bulletins and REMIND. A special welcome for 5th graders transitioning to 6th grade will be announced soon. Meanwhile there are two fabulous volunteer opportunities available to our high school members. Youth412 teens are invited to join Our Lady of Guadalupe’s youth group for Catholic Heart Work Camp in Oil City PA, July 9-14. Cost of the trip will be covered in full for Youth412 members. We are also looking for teens to help at St Martin of Tour’s Trash and Treasure event June 9-17. Youth412 fundraising credit will be awarded for each shift worked. Please contact the Youth Minister Nancy Heineke if you are interested in either opportunity.

Nancy Heineke, Youth Minister YOUTH412 is a cluster program of St Martin of Tours, St Monica, Saints Peter and Paul and St Therese 13623 Rockside Road, Garfield Hts OH 44125 (216) 662-8685 ext 123

Fall Sports Sign-Ups
St. Benedict is holding its Fall Sports Sign-Ups on Wednesday, May 24th in the lower level of the Parish Office and Thursday, June 1 in the School Gym. Sign – Ups will include Volleyball, Cross Country and Soccer.
Coaches are needed for all sports. If you are unable to attend the sign-ups or are interested in volunteering as a coach, you can register your child on line at: athletics@stbenedictohio.com

Spring has sprung!
## Readings for the Week of May 21, 2017

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**The Perfect Family Fun Day This Summer**

As we celebrate the upcoming Memorial Day and enter into the summer season join thousands from across our region for a day of faith, family and fun (all for FREE) at THE FEST. **Mark your summer calendar for Sunday, August 6, 2017 from noon until 10:00pm at the Pastoral Leadership in Wickliffe-all for FREE.** More details can be found at: www.theFEST.us.