



Angelus Letter
29 September 2022
LETTER #191
Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael

Dear Parish Family,

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW FOR THIS WEEKEND

Friday Mass at 8AM with Fr. Valencheck
Friday Confessions at 4PM

Saturday Mass at 8AM with Fr. Valencheck
Saturday Confessions at 9:30AM
Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:30PM with Fr. Bozek

Sunday Mass at 9AM with Fr. Valencheck
Sunday Mass at 11AM with Fr. Bozek
Sunday Mass at 1PM with Fr. Justin OSB

PRIEST CONVOCATION THIS WEEK!

This coming week all the priests of the diocese will be meeting with our Bishop over a four-day span. Not only does that mean that your priests will not be available, but that there will be a disruption in the liturgy schedule. There is a more detailed service schedule in the bulletin, but here is a simpler reference for you:

Tuesday Mass at 8AM with Fr. Valencheck
Tuesday - **NO CONFESSIONS at 7PM**
Tuesday Compline at 7:40PM with Servers

Wednesday Communion Service at 8AM with Seminarian - Mr. Lindholm
(Wednesday Mass at St. Paul) at 8:30AM

Thursday Mass at 8AM with Fr. Miller

Friday Communion Service at 8AM with Seminarian - Mr. Lindholm
(Friday Mass at St. Paul) at 8:30AM
Friday Confessions at 4PM

AWARDS FOR ST. SEBASTIAN PARISH SCHOOL!

BEST PRE-SCHOOL: The St. Sebastian Center for Early Learning Center was voted the best preschool in the Akron Beacon Journal **Best of the Best Awards!** Congratulations to Mr. Rohr and our Beringer Early Learning Center faculty and staff!

EXCELLENCE IN STEM EDUCATION AND RESEARCH: Along with religion, art and character development, St. Sebastian Parish School strives for excellence in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. This year, once again, St. Sebastian Parish School was awarded the **Ohio Academy of Science's Governor's Thomas Edison Award for Excellence in STEM Education and Student Research**. (There's a mouthful!) Our school was recognized as one of only 45 in the state and one of the very few elementary schools in the greater Akron area. The OAS was founded in 1891 to foster curiosity, discovery, and innovation and to unite all who value education, science, engineering, technology, or their applications for the benefit of society.

TEACHERS RECOGNIZED: In addition to the school, some of our faculty were specifically recognized by the OAS: Alan Rose, Anne Riede, Cassie Laube, Christina Friedl, Debra Landis, Jennifer Bradley, Jennifer Slegus, Jennifer Smee, Maggi Blischak, Megan Sanford, Michelle Antochow, Robert Dedinsky and Sally Weakland. Congratulations to you all! For more information on this award go [HERE](#).

St. Sebastian Parish School is regularly ranked as both a high growth and high achieving school. Well done to all at the school and to you for supporting quality, Catholic education. Please keep our school in your prayers.

IN DEPTH CURRENT INFORMATION CONCERNING MULL AVENUE

The work on Mull Avenue is scheduled to begin the last week of this October as Kenmore Construction begins attending to the sanitary, storm and water lines under the road.

The first stage will be the refurbishing of the sanitary lines. These pipes run underneath Mull Avenue on the side closest to the parish. The work on these pipes, which are 66" to 72" in diameter will not require the tearing up the street and it is expected that traffic will be maintained. It is anticipated that the work will take place after school hours and through the evening. Large trucks will be parked at the manholes to insert a liner into the pipe. Once it is in place, the pipe is filled with hot water to cure the new lining in place. This process costs about \$600 per foot and is expected to last fifty years.

Then, the second stage will begin in November. Either a robot or a person will be sent into the storm sewer to spray the inside of the pipe to give greater integrity to the pipe. Once again, disruption on Mull Avenue should be minimal. This portion of the project will last well into the first of the New Year.

The final stage will be the laying of a new water line beginning in January. The new line will run under the north side of the road (closest to Forest Lodge) and will require the tearing up of the road in 30' sections and take about a month to complete. As each section is completed, Mull Avenue will be given a temporary hard surface of stone or cement until the replacement of the brick surface begins.

Road replacement will begin in April between with the eastern end of the project (the far side of the "Y" at Schneider Park) to Greenwood Avenue. The section of road along St. Sebastian Square should remain open until the end of the school year (Wednesday, June 1st.) As that date approaches we will be working with the City and Kenmore Construction to keep you informed and to make access to the church as easy as possible.

The main construction is expected to be completed by the end of August before the opening of school, with landscaping and cleanup in September.

Also, during this time, the Hawkins/Mull traffic circle will be re-marked and signed to become a roundabout, the major difference being that it will change from having stop signs to yield signs. Mull Avenue will be constructed with red bricks, although the crosswalks will be marked with black and white brick. A mid-block crosswalk between Forest Lodge and the Parish will be added. The red brick being used for Mull Avenue will also match the new bricks that will be installed on our back driveways.

This is the project as it has been proposed to us thus far. It may be a challenging few months for us, but we will make it as easy and painless as possible. We are looking forward to that day when we will be very pleased with the results! Please pray for your parish!

MISCELLANEOUS

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING DAY AT BYRIDER HALL: On October 8th from 10AM to 2PM you can bring your electronic devices to the Byrider Hall parking lot to be recycled. There will also be a hard drive shredder. For more information, look for a flyer in this week's bulletin.

EUCHRE NIGHT: October 21st at 7PM at Forest Lodge. Watch the bulletin for more information.



HERE IS THE PICTURE OF "EDSEL" OR EDDIE: I gained 107 pounds this past week by way of a German Shepherd. He is being fostered at the rectory until his new owners are ready to take him to his new home.

UPDATES FROM THE FORGOTTEN CABINET

Before we move on to a new folder, here are some clean-up notes from the last folder. Recently we saw how, in the '30s and '40s, the bishops of Europe were asking for extra Mass stipends to help suffering clergy overseas. This past week we received a similar request from The Very Reverend Mitered Archbishop Visnovsky of the Catholic Byzantine Eparchy of Parma. (FYI - Byzantine Catholic priests are allowed to marry. An Eparchy is our equivalent of a diocese.)

Here are a few lines from the letter:

"The Eparchy recently brought six priests and their families from Europe who are on a very limited income since

their spouses are not allowed to work until they obtain their green card, which is now taking about five years to process."

If we receive any extra stipends (or you just want to request one from them) Cathy Sivec will send them to the eparchy.

Along those lines, since we have been given permission to have the Extraordinary Form Mass through August of 2023, the Mass intentions book is now open to include 1:00PM Masses! If you wish to have an intention at the 1 o'clock Mass, call or stop by the rectory office!

And finally, two weeks ago, there was the story from the forgotten cabinet about a toddler by the name of Robert Seitz who, in the early 1930s, was struck by a car. His mother requested that a Mass be said for him and I asked if anyone might know what ever became of him. Well, a couple of our Angelus readers came through! Apparently, the accident was pretty severe. A car jumped the curb and pinned him to a building. He must have recovered quite well however because there was a report in the newspaper that he was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He married and eventually became known as the "Mini Bus Driver" of Cape Coral. He lived to the age of 73, having passed away in 2008. Thank you for the update!

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PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please keep all of our sick and distressed in your prayers:


Annette Bailey, Marilyn Bohling, Jill Buffa, Regina Buhalak, Dan Canale, Christopher Casey, Emilio Cheuy, Jo Cooney, Nancy Cotter, Anthony D'Attoma, Linda Davis, Marjorie DeLuca, Mary Pat Doorley, Rita Buhalak Gossford, Robert Hickey, Phil Hochstetler, John and Terry Hogan, Ann Hubiak, Carson Hutzell, Carolyn Jeske, Janet Kendrick, Jean Labate, Dr. Dan Lehnhoff, John Marckel, Myrna Marple, Don Matis, Ken Minrovic, Betty O'Hara, Keith Pecek, Beverly & Mike Preston, Mary Ricks, Aaron Salisbury, Ann Sandvick, Michael Schnetzer, John Schultz, Cory Schulz, Tom Smith and Ann Zsembik.

God bless you,

Fr. Valencheck

St. Sebastian, pray for us.

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**Novena to St. Sebastian,
Protector Against the Plague**

Glorious Saint Sebastian, you who had great courage, help us to be witnesses of Jesus before this unbelieving world as you have brought others to Christ. Help us to have the love of neighbor that you had and to give our lives for our brothers, even in difficulties and dangers. Help us to have faith in the pains of life as you endured cruel martyrdom. Protect all soldiers, military and police against every danger in their work. Protect all nations against wars, hunger and pestilence. Intercede for the grace that I need...

[Mention your intention here...]
Amen.

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