



Angelus Letter
20 October 2022
LETTER #194
St. Paul of the Cross

Dear Parish Family,

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW FOR THIS WEEKEND

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

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

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

SEMINARIAN NEWS

Messrs. Joe Ho and Cameron Ferrell, seminarians who were in residence at St. Sebastian Parish off and on over the past few years, are being installed tomorrow night into the ministry of Lector. Also, a young man from our parish and another who is not a member here, but who occasionally serves in our sanctuary are visiting the seminary this week to discuss further discernment. Please keep them all in our prayers.

SOME UPCOMING EVENTS:

EUCHRE PLAYERS! Parish Euchre night at Forest Lodge tomorrow night (Friday, October 21) at 7PM. A \$5 entry fee per person covers snacks and prize money.

MEN'S BREAKFAST: The next breakfast is Saturday, October 29th in Zwisler Hall immediately following the Saturday morning Mass. This event is free and welcomes all men of our parish.

ORGAN CONCERT: Two Men and a Bench will be performing in our church on Friday, November 4th at 7:30PM. This event is free and open to the public.

THEOLOGY ON TAP: The next TAP will be on November 11th. For more information as it comes out go [HERE](#).

LADIES CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE: Sunday, November 13th at Portage Country Club from 10AM to 3PM. Cost is \$35. See bulletin for details.

THEOLOGY ON THE ROCKS: The next TOR is on November 21st with Fr. David Stavarz. See more [HERE](#).

SPEAKER COMING TO ST. SEBASTIAN

If you would like to order and read the book by Dawn Eden Goldstein that will be launched with a free talk in the church on December 2nd at 7PM, here is a link to order: <https://www.amazon.com/Father-Ed-Story-Spiritual-Sponsor/dp/1626984867>

ST. SEBASTIAN MAKES DIOCESAN SPORTS HISTORY

6th-8th grade cross-country runners from across the parish came home victorious after a monumental weekend last week. For the first time ever, a girls cross country team won from Summit County. And in addition, this is the first time in the Cleveland Diocese CYO history that a boys and girls team from the same parish both were declared champions! That is a win that can never be superseded! Congratulations athletes, coaches and parents. St. Sebastian, patron saint of athletes, pray for us.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

The construction crew has been taking the shingles off our two bells towers in preparation for replacing the roof. One roof is over 60 years old and the other is nearing 100 years old. Despite the many years of direct abuse in northeast Ohio weather, the roofing decks were in fine condition!

The re-bricking of the drives off of Elmdale has been postponed due to some difficulties on the installer's side. Work should begin closer to the beginning of the new year.

Also, Keep Akron Beautiful, Akron's Finest Mulch and St. Sebastian Parish and other interested individuals are teaming up to make improvements to the center of the Mull/Hawkins circle. The hope is to raise the center, and the light and add a local art piece that will not only beautify but also make safer the circle particularly at night for unfamiliar drivers.

Mr. Thomas LaRose, for whom we recently had a funeral Mass and who was a mere two months older than the parish, was a founding board member of Akron's Keep Akron Beautiful. So, it is a fitting tribute that KAB is now helping beautify the circle as it will help make the St. Sebastian Parish neighborhood even a greater place to be.





The first picture is of the workmen removing the tile from the church bell tower.

Next is the same process taking place at the school bell tower followed by a picture of the tower with its new roof.

The last picture is a dog that was found on our playground during recess. Edsel, the German Shepherd that was

staying at the rectory, went to his new home with the newly wedded Klamerts. This dog immediately took his place but has since been reclaimed by his owner.

FROM THE FORGOTTEN CABINET

If there was ever a question as to why we need more men to step up to be Catholic chaplains in the military, this letter would be a fitting answer.

U.S.S. YORKTOWN

MARCH 21, 1945

Dear Mrs. Lueck,

You have already received word that your son Robert was killed on board this ship as a result of enemy action. I was with him from the time he was wounded and can assure you that everything possible was done to save his life. He was perfectly conscious for several hours, and during this time, I heard his confession, administered Holy Communion, and gave him the last sacraments. He remarked at the time that he was greatly consoled by the presence of Jesus Christ and regretted that he had not been more faithful in the practice of his religion. We talked on at some length about you and home, and finally he said: "Father, why are you spending so much time with me?" During the hours of consciousness, he was never in great pain as the doctors made him as comfortable as possible. His one great desire was to talk, and his thoughts and expressions were truly beautiful: in fact, I said afterward that he had preached to me a more effective sermon than I could ever hear in church. He never complained and made no reference to his injuries. During the course of the night, he lapsed into unconsciousness, and died peacefully in the grace of the Lord, with the corpsmen and myself offering the prayers for the departed.

My association with Robert was short, as he had not been with us for a long time. But he won my lasting respect, and I can assure you that he was highly regarded by his officers and shipmates. We buried him at sea yesterday with full military honors, and with a Catholic service of commitment, and then offered a Memorial Mass for his soul. No one could have gone to his Maker better prepared. I pray that this knowledge may lighten your burden and sorrow, and that God might give you the same strength to accept His will. In a time like this, we must turn to the words of Christ: "He who believes in Me, although he shall be dead shall live; and everyone that lives and believes in Me, shall not die forever."

Sincerely,

Fr. J. V. Moody
Catholic Chaplain

For more information on vocation in the Archdiocese of the Military, go [HERE](#).

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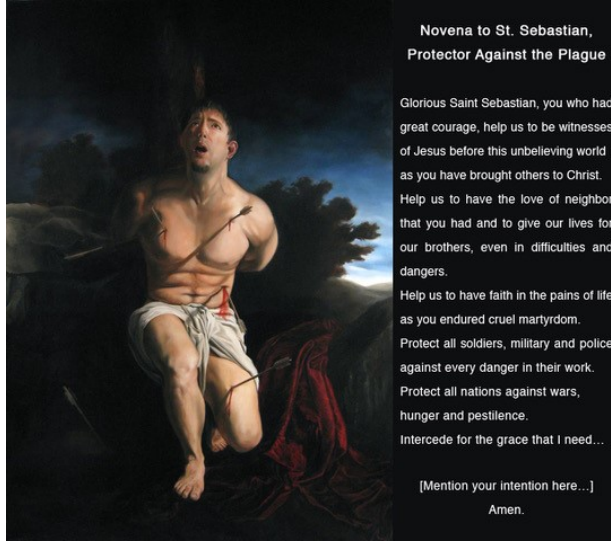
PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

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, 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.
St. Paul of the Cross, pray for us.



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