



Angelus Letter  
28 April 2022  
*LETTER #169*  
*St. Peter Chanel*  
*St. Louis Grignion*

Dear Parish Family,

#### WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW FOR THIS WEEKEND

**Friday Mass at 8AM with Fr. Bozek**

**Friday Confessions at 4PM**

**Saturday Mass at 8AM with Fr. Bozek**

**Saturday Confessions at 9:30AM are CANCELLED\***

**Saturday Vigil Mass at 4:30PM with Fr. Valencheck**

**Sunday Mass at 9AM with Fr. Bozek**

**Sunday Mass at 11AM with Fr. Valencheck**

**Sunday Mass at 1PM with Fr. Justin OSB**

\* *There are no Saturday 9:30AM confessions this week due to the Couple's Day Out Retreat.*

#### GOINGS ON AROUND THE PARISH:

Apart from the regular activities at the parish this weekend, there are a number of special events about which you may want to be aware:

**Friday: Night at the Races** - Tickets are available at [www.BidPal.net/NightAtTheRaces](http://www.BidPal.net/NightAtTheRaces)

**Saturday: Couples Day Out Retreat\*** - Tickets are available at <http://BidPal.net/couplesdayout>

**Saturday: Chesterton School Gala** - [akronchestertonacademy.org](http://akronchestertonacademy.org)

**Sunday: Eucharistic Procession\*\*** - Meet at Our Lady of the Elms Chapel at 3PM.

\* West Side Catholic Couples is presenting this year's Couple's Day Out on April 30, 2022 from 9:00AM to 1:00PM at St. Sebastian Parish and will feature talks by Fr. Patrick Schultz, Fr. Ryan Mann, along with Kevin and Georgianne Clark. There will be opportunities for prayer, confession, fellowship and snacks! Tickets are \$25.00 per person and can be purchased online.

\*\* There will be a Eucharistic Procession from Our Lady of the Elms to St. Sebastian Parish (0.8 miles) beginning at 3PM at Our Lady of the Elms Chapel on Sunday, May 1st. Benediction to follow at St. Sebastian Parish Church.

#### SUMMER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Thank you to everybody who stepped up over the winter months to volunteer for various needed positions to help keep our parish community strong. There is now a specific need for summer volunteers!

**Grounds Crew:** One thing that non-parishioners always mention about the parish is our beautiful grounds and it is always a point of pride for me to say that it is done by our amazing parishioners. If you can help out, they meet on Thursday mornings behind the school at 8:30AM. Just show up! Also, there are occasional Saturday mornings. Call the rectory for specific dates. Also! Keep an eye out in the bulletin for MULCH DAY! It would be great to have some additional strong backs and people to spread the mulch.

**Cutting Garden:** The Cutting Garden is looking for more summer volunteers to help keep up the garden that supplies flowers for our sanctuary for much of the year. Call Karen Spangler at (330) 620-5849

**Camera Crew:** As summer vacations hit, we will need a few extra camera operators to help live-stream Mass. It really is not that difficult! Please call the rectory office at (330) 836-2233 if you can help.

**Make phone calls from home!** Looking for a short-term ministry for the parish that you can do from home? The rectory office is looking for volunteers to help make census and wellness calls to all of our fellow parishioners. If you are interested, please call Cathy Sivec at (330) 836-2233 or stop by the rectory.

**Servers:** We are beginning to train new servers for Mass. A couple of you have said that your children are still in school during the times we are training. We will accommodate! Please call Keith Johnson at (330) 836-2233 Ext. 134

### **SURVEY CONCERNING CHILDREN WITH DEVELOPMENTAL CHALLENGES**

If you or someone you know has a child with significant developmental challenges, that is, a student who would not be adequately served by the parish school, the parish school of religion or the Julie Billiart School, please take the following survey especially if their needs are keeping them (or you!) from receiving the sacraments:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdAJ8h7ocv1j4zdU3r3bbOcdtlqmHPQ8SHhSuCUGEqSH8duPA/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdAJ8h7ocv1j4zdU3r3bbOcdtlqmHPQ8SHhSuCUGEqSH8duPA/viewform?usp=sf_link)

### **VISITING PRIEST IN RECTORY**

If all goes according to plan, by the time you read this, Fr. Chima Nwamadi from Nigeria should be installed in a room at the rectory. Some of you may remember that he lived here for a spell while he attended classes at The University of Akron when Fr. Karg was the pastor.

He was very fond of Fr. Karg and desired to return to Akron for his vacation to remember him and enjoy the parish and city that hosted him. He will be staying with us for about a month.

### **MYSTERY PERSON(S)**

Just out of curiosity, who has been so cleverly decorating what looks like a dead tree in the cutting garden? Supposedly that plant is supposed to come back to life in the spring (here we are) but I am having my doubts. Thank you for making it less of an eyesore.

### **FROM THE FORGOTTEN CABINET**

In the file "Parishioner Correspondences" are many letters explaining that parishioners might not be seen for a spell due to summer vacations, often including a mention of a check to make up for their support for the parish while traveling. There are also many letters about people moving in to the parish:

June 20, 1957

Dear Msgr. Zwisler,

Having completed medical school this month, and returning once again to live in Akron, I am happy to report that we are now living within the limits of St. Sebastian Parish as before. Since that time (almost two years ago) you officiated at our marriage, we have added one little one to our family, David Joseph Estes, born December 3 1956.

As a new, fledgling doctor, I will spend the coming year as an intern at Akron General Hospital. I hope you see fit to add our names once again to your list of parishioners.

May I add a brief note of congratulations on your recent appointment - a much deserved recognition.

Devotedly yours,

Robert T. Estes M.D. (Class of 1945)  
Mary Jo (Tucker) Estes  
and David Joseph Estes

### **The Pope Speaks**

This was not a typical letter:

February 16, 1954

A very close friend of mine and former associate in the General Tire & Rubber Company has undertaken a new venture in the publication of a quarterly magazine, "The Pope Speaks." You may have seen announcements of this new magazine in the Catholic Press.

There has been no circularizing of priests generally on this new magazine, but because of my friendship with John O'Neil, I asked him for some of the promotional materials so that I could send it to a number of my friends in the clergy. Even though you may not be interested in a subscription, I know that you will be interested in hearing about the new magazine.

Sincerely yours,

(Fr. V. writing) Speaking of the General Tire & Rubber Company, many of you know that it was founded in Akron by a St. Sebastianite. You may read more about that here: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/General\\_Tire](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/General_Tire)

This letter was found in the archives:

**THE GENERAL TIRE & RUBBER COMPANY  
AKRON, OHIO**

**Office of the President**

Dear Father Zwisler,

I certainly appreciate your very kind cable in Southampton when my European trip was interrupted. Such support and helpfulness from back home means a lot under such circumstances.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

W. O'Neil

(Fr. V. writing) As an aside to the letter above, did you know that the house at the top of our street is known as the O'Neil House. This was his home. You can read more about it here: <https://www.oneilhouse.com/the-house/>

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

**TO GIVE TO THE PARISH:** <https://www.stsebastian.org/donate>

**TO GIVE TO THE FOUNDATION:** <https://www.stsebastian.org/foundation/donate>

**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, Rita Cummings, Anthony D'Attoma, Linda Davis, Marjorie DeLuca, Mary Pat Doorley, Rita Buhalak Gossford, Robert Hickey, Phil Hochstetler, John and Terry Hogan, Ann Hubiak, Carolyn Jeske, Janet Kendrick, Jenny Kerrigan, Jean Labate, Dr. Dan Lehnhoff, Ann Loftus, John Marckel, Myrna Marple, Don Matis, Ken Minrovic, Betty O'Hara, Keith Pecek, Beverly & Mike Preston, Mary Ricks, Nancy Ropchock, Aaron Salisbury, Ann Sandwick, Michael Schnetzer, John Schultz, Cory Schulz, Tom Smith, Steve Watral and Ann Zsembik.

God bless you,

Fr. Valencheck

St. Sebastian, pray for us.

St. Peter Chanel, pray for us.

St. Louis Grignion, pray for us.



