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Bulletin #15

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**We celebrate Eucharist and evangelize via Catholic doctrine.**



### ***Palm Sunday***

- \***Weekend Masses:** Saturday evening at 4:00 p.m. [Rosary & Litany start 20 minutes before Mass]  
Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. [Rosary & Litany start 20 minutes before Mass]
- \***Weekday Masses:** Monday and Friday No Mass  
Tuesday thru Thursday at 12:05 p.m. [Rosary before Mass]
- \***Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament:** First Saturday of the month at 3:30 p.m.  
First Sunday of the month after 10:30 a.m. Mass
- \***Confession:** Saturday: 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. or any other time by appointment
- \***Baptism:** Please call the Pastor as soon as baby is born; at least one Godparent must be Catholic
- \***Weddings:** Please make arrangements at least six months in advance before any other plans are made
- \***Sick Calls & Anointing of the Sick:** Please notify the Pastor at 304-233-1688
- \***Parish Council:** Lou Khourey, Mike Linton, Rita Strawn, P.J. Lenz, Mary Stees
- \***Choir Members:** Earl Duffy, Lou Khourey, Robert Harris, Shelly Hancher, Ted Olinski, Natalie Horner
- \***Bulletin Coordinator:** Thomasina Geimer
- \***Sacristan:** Mike Linton
- \***Altar Boys:** Dalton Haas, Shaun Hancher, Christopher AlKhouri & Luke Lenz
- \***Cedar Club:** Linda Duffy, President
- \***Women's Society:** Carol Dougherty, President



- \***Bulletin Announcements:** Submit all Bulletin Information to Msgr. Bakhos by Noon on Tuesday every week
- \***New Parishioners:** We welcome you with great joy & invite you to officially register as one of our parishioners
- \***Cedar Hall Rental Fees:** Call the Church Office at 304-233-1688 or 304-639-1372
- \***Parking adjacent to church** is for parishioners and visitors all the time.
- \***Remember the Church in your Last Will & Testament:** Her prayers will accompany you to heaven

## ***Palm Sunday***

Readings: Phil 1:1-13 and Jn 12:12-22

### ***“Many spread their garments”***

“Instead of our garments, let us spread our hearts before him.” (Methodius).

### ***“Others spread leafy branches”***

And others cut boughs... and strewed them in the way. They cut branches from the fruit bearing trees with which the Mount of Olives was planted, and spread them in the way; so as to make the crooked ways straight, and the rough ways smooth, that Christ the conqueror of sin might walk straightly and safely into the hearts of the faithful... And when they had done all that was to be done by their hands, they offered also the tribute of their voices; and going before and following after they cry, not in a brief and wordless confession, but with all their might: *“Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord”* (Jerome).

### ***Why Hosanna!***

The boys in the Gospel raised aloft their branches as the Savior entered Jerusalem. They kept on crying: *“Hosanna.”*... They borrowed these vesicles from Psalm 117. *Hosanna*, moreover, is the Hebrew for *“O Lord, grant salvation!”* (Jerome)

## ***Divine Liturgy Schedule***

### ***This Weekend, April 13-14: Palm Sunday***

#### **Saturday April 13 at 4:00 p.m.: Procession with Palms during Mass**

✠ Steve & Margaret Schlog (Birthday & Anniversary) by Fran Saseen

✠ Sandra Dusick by Mike & Steve Linton

✠ Special Intention

#### **Sunday, April 14 at 10:30 a.m.: Procession with Palms during Mass**

✠ Nancy Ferris Coffield (Anniversary) by Mary Zaid Stees and Libby G. Magnone

✠ Intentions of Joe & Nikki Popovich (Birthday) by Dalton Haas

### ***Passion Week Mass Schedule***

#### **Monday April 15 at 5:30 p.m.:** Rite of the coming to the Harbor & Mass (No Stations of the Cross)

✠ Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, & her son Mark by her last will

✠ Sandra Dusick by Mike & Steve Linton

#### **Tuesday April 16 at 5:30 p.m.:** Rite of the Coming to the Harbor & Mass (No Stations of the Cross)

✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Will

✠ Sandra Dusick by Mike & Steve Linton

#### **Wednesday April 17 at 5:30 p.m.:** Rite of the Lamp & Mass (No Stations of the Cross)

✠ Sue, Frances and Joe Linton by Mike & Steve Linton

✠ Sandra Dusick by Mike & Steve Linton

#### **Thursday of the Mysteries, April 18 at 5:30 p.m.:**

Mass of the Lord's Supper & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

✠ Sandra Dusick by Mike & Steve Linton

#### **Good Friday, April 19:**

##### **No Morning or Evening Mass Today in All Catholic Churches**

10:30 a.m.: Anaphora of the Signing of the Chalice (**No Mass**)

6:00 p.m.: Solemn Burial of the Lord followed by a complimentary Meatless Community Dinner sponsored by the Cedar Club.

## *Next Weekend, April 20-21: Easter Sunday*

### **Saturday of the Light, April 20:**

10:30 a.m.: Prayer of Forgiveness & Communal Reconciliation (No Mass)

4:00 p.m. NO Mass

7:00 p.m.: Easter Vigil Mass & "Rite of Peace"

✠ Sandra Dusick by Mary Seabright Lish

### **Easter Sunday, April 21:**

10:30 a.m.: Easter Day Mass & "Rite of Peace."

✠ Eileen Marion Hatty (90<sup>th</sup> Birthday) and her son and daughters by Hon. Michael Hatty (MI)

✠ Helen Fielding by her husband Don (FL)

✠ Deceased of the Breiding, Hassan and Nassar Families by Dalton Haas

## *Calendar of Parish Events*

<b>Palm Sunday Brunch</b>	<i>Sunday, April 14 after 10:30 a.m. Mass</i>
<b>Baby Fair (Sponsored by the Cedar Club)</b>	<i>Gently used &amp; new boy or girl items ( Newborn to size 2) Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.</i>
<b>Bake Sale</b>	<i>Orders due by Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup> Baking days: Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> &amp; Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, Pick up days: Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, &amp; Thursday May 9<sup>th</sup>.</i>
<b>May Procession</b>	<i>Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> after Mass</i>
<b>Mahrajan (Festival)</b>	<i>Saturday &amp; Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup> &amp; 11<sup>th</sup>.</i>

### *Palm Sunday Brunch* (Sunday, April 14)

The Cedar Club and the Women Society are hosting a complimentary breakfast brunch on Palm Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup> after the 10:30 am Mass. All are welcome to attend and celebrate.

### *First Communion and May Procession* (Sunday, May 12)

Parents and grandparents, Please let us know what children will be participating in the May Procession on the second Sunday of May. The 2019 May Queen is Eden DeMuth. We need the number so we know how many flowers to order. --Carol

## *Easter Lilies*

*A bouquet of yellow roses will decorate the altar of the Blessed Mother in Memory of Helen Fielding by her husband Donald of Florida*

These Easter Lilies to decorate the church and the tomb of Christ are sponsored by the following generous parishioners in memory of their beloved:

✠ Gladys Howard & Louise N. Khourey, Sr., by Lou & Charlotte Khourey & Family

✠ Mary K. Ferris by Tom & Denise Ferris

✠ Msgr. Bakhos' parents Adib & Sadie, brother Nadim & sister Mona

✠ LaVerne Thomas & Evelyn Hall by Dr. Adel, Diane, Andreah & Justin Frenn

✠ Elias & Siham Frenn by Dr Adel, Diane, Andreah & Justin Frenn

✠ The Rohana & Rahi Families by Alicia Peklinsky

✠ Don & Emily Vince & Patricia Gompers by Matt & Vicki Gompers

✠ Ralph & Mary J. Shipley & Robby Hunter by Thomasina Geimer

✠ Deceased of the Saseen & Schlog Families by Fran Saseen

✠ Deceased of the Strawn & Thomas Families by Rex & Rita Strawn

✠ Deceased of the Nolte & Shutler Families by Janet Shutler

✠ Deceased of the Mushet & Harris Families by Veronica Mushet

- ✠ *Deceased of the Montalbano & Popovich Families by Joe & Nikki Popovich*
- ✠ *Msgr. Bakhos' parents Adib & Sadie, brother Nadim & sister Mona by Steve & Mike Linton*
- ✠ *Suzanne Linton by her husband Mike*
- ✠ *Frances & Joseph Linton by their sons Steve & Mike*
- ✠ *Deceased of our Parish by Steve & Mike Linton*
- ✠ *Deceased members of the Bine & Gaudio Families by Shirley Bine*
- ✠ *Bob Sengewalt by Dave & Debbie Sengewalt and Family*
- ✠ *Deceased of the Habdo & Dougherty Families by Bill & Carol Dougherty*
- ✠ *Nimon & Mariam Joseph Family by the Joseph & Weisner Families*
- ✠ *Danny & Millie Manners by Nini Miller*
- ✠ *Shirley Elias Nickerson, Nicholas & Amelia Elias, Mary, Rose, Madeline, Jean, Helen & Margaret by their loving Family: Tammy, Robbie, Don, Lori, Emma and Elijah*
- ✠ *Abdoo & Dorothy Saseen by Jim & Pat Saseen Connell*
- ✠ *Parents, sons, sisters and brothers of Lucille Gibbons by Lucille Coury Gibbons and Family*
- ✠ *Shiben and McFarland Families by John & Dee Shiben*

## ***Diocesan Appeal***

**All parishioners will receive after Ash Monday from the church a letter about their Easter Obligation. Many Thanks for those who fulfilled earlier their Easter Obligation for this year. May God reward you manyfolds and bless your fasting.**

Msgr. Bakhos Chidiac, Lou & Charlotte Khourey, Millet & Susie Fadoul, Dave & Debbie Sengewalt, Anonymous, Dalton Haas, Lucille Gibbons, Garry & Pauline Ferrell, Marjorie C. John, Maryann Carl, Mark & Debbie Huffman, M/M Myron Law, Angele Mansor, Earl & Linda Duffy, Bill & Carol Dougherty, Mary Beth Weisner, Bob & Nikki Popovich, Ron & Susan Burns, Frank & Anna Marie Duymich, Fran Saseen, Thomasina Geimer, George & Jean Weisner, Kenny & Nancy Joseph, Larry & Lillian Siebieda, Tom & Judy Brock, Cathy Goodson, John & Dee Shiben, Sue Jochum, Catherine Gaudio, Mark & Barb McLaughlin, Mike & Nicole Breit, Mike & Judy Sofka, George & Patty Fahey, Nettie Seidler, Rex & Rita Strawn, (anonymous), Linda Hostutler, Denise & Tom Ferris, George & Claire Shia (TX), Chris & Jeannette Wakim, Mark Schroeder, Carol Burkhart, Dr. Adel & Diane Frenn, NiNi Miller, Dennis Albaugh, John & Kathleen Kazour (LA), Patrick & Laurie Henry, Dr. MaryAnn Cater and Dr. Robert Vawter, Mary Rose Kukula, Latif B. Thomas (NC), Ron Weisner, Nick & Judy Bedway, Gerry McGlumphy, Mr. & Mrs. A.D.Ghaphery, M.D., Mary Seabright Lish,

## ***Deceased Mother Day Masses*** *(From Sat., May 11 till Thu. May 16)*

**Please remember your mothers on Mother's Day by offering Masses for their souls.**

- ✠ Julian H. McGlumphy (Anniversary) by Jerry McGlumphy and Children
- ✠ Cecilia Murad by her daughter Luane Frazier
- ✠ Margaret Simonetti and Stella Ryncarz by Richard & Mary Ryncarz
- ✠ Patricia Gompers by Matt, Vicky & Christine Gompers
- ✠ Emily Vince by her children and grandchildren
- ✠ Catherine Arthur by her daughter Carole Burkhart
- ✠ Louise N. Khourey & Gladys Howard by children Lou & Charlotte & grandchildren Emmalena & Louie
- ✠ Emma Nader & Nabiha "Lena" Khourey by Lou, Charlotte, Emmalena & Louie Khourey
- ✠ Minnie Church Riggs & Cassandra "Cassie" Howard by Lou, Charlotte, Emmalena & Louie Khourey
- ✠ Frances Linton by her sons Steve & Mike
- ✠ Helen Fielding by her husband Don Fielding (FL)
- ✠ Rosella Saseen, parents Nancepe & Helen, grandparents Shikrey & Helen Saseen by her Will
- ✠ Sylvia Long, her husband Arthur, & her son Mark by her last will
- ✠ Deceased Mothers of the Thomas, Splatt & Nutter Families by John & Kathy Thomas (MN)
- ✠ Cecilia John by her Children: David, Tom, Greg, Maryann, Susan and their Families

- ✠ Our mothers and grandmothers by Bill & Carol Dougherty
- ✠ Millie Reynolds by her Family
- ✠ Beloved mother Elizabeth Gaudio by her daughter Shirley Bine
- ✠ Dolores Palotay by the Palotay Family
- ✠ Shirley Elias Nickerson and Amelia Elias by their Loving Family
- ✠ Margaret Schlog by Fran Saseen
- ✠ Anna, Ginny, and Martha Shia by the Family
- ✠ Freda Josephs (MN) by Shawn & Cyndi Josephs-Tobias (MN)
- ✠ Pearl Shutler (mother) and Clara Shutler (grandmother) by Janet D. Shutler
- ✠ Charlotte George (MN) by her Family
- ✠ Elizabeth Machel and Theresa Sofka by Mike & Judy Sofka
- ✠ Mary K. Ferris by Tom & Denise Ferris

***Living Mother Day Masses*** (From Sat., May 11 till Thu. May 16)

- ✠ Charlotte Khourey by her children Emmalena & Louie
- ✠ Joyce Josephs (MN) by Shawn & Cyndi Josephs-Tobias (MN)
- ✠ All the Children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of the George Family (MN) by Margaret George

***Mahrajan Updates*** (Saturday and Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>)

**--Mahrajan Sponsors**

The Mahrajan Committee decided that all Mahrajan Sponsors will be recognized on five levels in many advertisement spots.

<b>Presenting Sponsor: \$2,500</b>	--????????????????
<b>Platinum Sponsor: \$1,000</b>	--Wheeling Convention & Visitors Bureau by Frank O'Brien (\$1,500.00) --Anna Marie Bris Bougher (\$1000.00)
<b>Gold Sponsor: \$500</b>	--Main Street Bank by Rich Lucas (\$500.00)
<b>Silver Sponsor: \$250</b>	
<b>Bronze Sponsor: \$100</b>	--J.C.Mensore Distributor Inc. by John Mensore (\$100.00) --Bernie Glenn Insurance by Bernie Glenn (\$100.00) --Gold, Khourey & Turak (\$150.00) --Myron & Cynthia Law (OH) (\$150.00) --Jan Thomas (OH) (\$200.00)

Please consider making a donation at one of these levels to support the Mahrajan, to help defray its expenses (approx. \$25,000) and to insure its continuation for future generations. --Msgr. Bakhos

***Birthdays' Wishes in the Coming Month:***

- April 14: Mark McLaughlin, Lori DeMuth
- April 20: Angela Petros, Craig Haas
- April 28: Ann Marie Weisner Serafin
- April 29: Linda Hostutler, Jeannette Wakim
- May 5: Mark Thomas, Eden DeMuth
- May 6: Nikki Lenz
- May 7: Laura Lee Hunter
- May 9: Mark Thomas

***Please Pray for Those on Our Prayer List***

(Note: Please call Msgr. Bakhos if you need your name added to our Prayer List. HIPPA regulations)  
Robert Hunter (son-in-law of Thomasina Geimer), Denny Albaugh, Lillian Siebieda, Patty Fahey, Bill Dougherty, Brian Logan (son-in-law of Larry Siebieda), Robert A. Nader, (uncle of Lou Khourey), Phil Geimer, Debbie Crumpler (sister of Nini Miller), Shirley & Jim George, Justin Frenn, John Shiben

## ***Your Church Support Last Week***

\$1,953.00	Sunday Collection
80.00	Bake Sale
31.00	Candles
9.00	Coffee hour
93.00	St. Maron Dinner sales
900.00	Mahrajan
35.00	Parking
20.00	Easter Lillies
657.00	Utilities
35.00	Donation to the poor
\$3,813.00	<b>Total Deposits:</b> <i>May God reward you abundantly for supporting your spiritual home!</i> The Finance Committee: Lou Khourey, Mary Stees, Linda Duffy & Mike Linton



## ***Story***

Carl was a quiet man. He didn't talk much. He would always greet you with a big smile and a firm handshake. Even after living in our neighborhood for over 50 years, no one could really say they knew him very well.

Before his retirement, he took the bus to work each morning. The lone sight of him walking down the street often worried us. He had a slight limp from a bullet wound received in WWII. Watching him, we worried that although he had survived WWII, he may not make it through our changing uptown neighborhood with its ever-increasing random violence, gangs, and drug activity.

When he saw the flyer at our local church asking for volunteers for caring for the gardens behind the minister's residence, he responded in his characteristically unassuming manner. Without fanfare, he just signed up. He was well into his 87th year when the very thing we had always feared finally happened. He was just finishing his watering for the day when three gang members approached him. Ignoring their attempt to intimidate him, he simply asked, "Would you like a drink from the hose?" The tallest and toughest-looking of the three said, "Yeah, sure," with a malevolent little smile. As Carl offered the hose to him, the other two grabbed Carl's arm, throwing him down. As the hose snaked crazily over the ground, dousing everything in its way, Carl's assailants stole his retirement watch and his wallet, and then fled.

Carl tried to get himself up, but he had been thrown down on his bad leg. He lay there trying to gather himself as the minister came running to help him. Although the minister had witnessed the attack from his window, he couldn't get there fast enough to stop it. "Carl, are you okay? Are you hurt?" the minister kept asking as he helped Carl to his feet. Carl just passed a hand over his brow and sighed, shaking his head. "Just some punk kids. I hope they'll wise-up someday."

His wet clothes clung to his slight frame as he bent to pick up the hose. He adjusted the nozzle again and started to water. Confused and a little concerned, the minister asked, "Carl, what are you doing?" "I've got to finish my watering. It's been very dry lately," came the calm reply. Satisfying himself that Carl really was all right, the minister could only marvel. Carl was a man from a different time and place. A few weeks later the three returned. Just as before their threat was unchallenged. Carl again offered them a drink from his hose. This time they didn't rob him. They wrenched the hose from his hand and drenched him head to foot in the icy water. When they had finished their humiliation of him, they sauntered off down the street, throwing catcalls and curses, falling over one another laughing at the hilarity of what they had just done.

Carl just watched them. Then he turned toward the warmth giving sun, picked up his hose, and went on with his watering. The summer was quickly fading into fall. Carl was doing some tilling when he was startled by the sudden approach of someone behind him. He stumbled and fell into some evergreen branches. As he struggled to regain his footing, he turned to see the tall leader of his summer tormentors reaching down for him. He braced himself for the expected attack. "Don't worry old man, I'm not gonna hurt you this time." The young man spoke softly, still offering the tattooed and scarred hand to Carl. As he helped Carl get up, the man pulled a crumpled bag from his pocket and handed it to Carl. "What's this?" Carl asked.

"It's your stuff," the man explained. "It's your stuff back. Even the money in your wallet." "I don't understand," Carl said. "Why would you help me now?" The man shifted his feet, seeming embarrassed and ill at ease. "I learned something from you," he said. "I ran with that gang and hurt people like you. We picked you because you were old and we knew we could do it.

But every time we came and did something to you, instead of yelling and fighting back, you tried to give us a drink. You didn't hate us for hating you. You kept showing love against our hate." He stopped for a moment. "I couldn't sleep after we stole your stuff, so here it is back." He paused for another awkward moment, not knowing what more there was to say. "That bag's my way of saying thanks for straightening me out, I guess." And with that, he walked off down the street. Carl looked down at the sack in his hands and gingerly opened it. He took out his retirement watch and put it back on his wrist. Opening his wallet, he checked for his wedding photo. He gazed for a moment at the young bride that still smiled back at him from all those years ago. He died one cold day after Christmas that winter. Many people attended his funeral in spite of the weather. In particular the minister noticed a tall young man that he didn't know sitting quietly in a distant corner of the church. The minister spoke of Carl's garden as a lesson in life. In a voice made thick with unshed tears, he said, "Do your best and make your garden as beautiful as you can. We will never forget Carl and his garden."

The following spring another flyer went up. It read: "Person needed to care for Carl's garden." The flyer went unnoticed by the busy parishioners until one day when a knock was heard at the minister's office door. Opening the door, the minister saw a pair of scarred and tattooed hands holding the flyer. "I believe this is my job, if you'll have me," the young man said. The minister recognized him as the same young man who had returned the stolen watch and wallet to Carl. He knew that Carl's kindness had turned this young man's life around. As the minister handed him the keys to the garden shed, he said, "Yes, go take care of Carl's garden and honor him."

The man went to work and, over the next several years, he tended the flowers and vegetables just as Carl had done. In that time, he went to college, got married, and became a prominent member of the community. But he never forgot his promise to Carl's memory and kept the garden as beautiful as he thought Carl would have kept it.

One day he approached the new minister and told him that he couldn't care for the garden any longer. He explained with a shy and happy smile, "My wife just had a baby boy last night, and she's bringing him home on Saturday." "Well, congratulations!" said the minister, as he was handed the garden shed keys. "That's wonderful! What's the baby's name?" "Carl," he replied.

That's the whole gospel message simply stated.

## *A Time to Laugh (405)*

### *Cat Scan*

A woman brought a very limp duck into a veterinary surgeon. As she laid her beloved pet on the table, the vet pulled out his stethoscope and listened to the bird's chest. After a moment or two, the vet shook his head sadly and said, "I'm so sorry, your pet has passed away."

The distressed owner wailed, "Are you sure?" Yes, I'm sure.

The duck is dead," he replied.

"How can you be so sure," she protested. "I mean, you haven't done any testing on him or anything. He might just be in a coma or something."

The vet rolled his eyes, turned around and left the room. He returned a few moments later with a black Labrador Retriever. As the duck's owner looked on in amazement, the dog stood on his hind legs, put his front paws on the examination table and sniffed the duck from top to bottom. He then looked at the vet with sad eyes and shook his head.

The vet patted the dog and took it out and returned a few moments later with a beautiful cat. The cat jumped up on the table and also sniffed the bird from its peak to its tail and back again. The cat sat back on its haunches, shook its head, meowed softly, jumped down and strolled out of the room.

The vet looked at the woman and said, "I'm sorry, but as I said, this is most definitely, 100% certifiably, a dead duck." Then the vet turned to his computer terminal, hit a few keys and produced a bill, which he handed to the

woman. The duck's owner, still in shock, took the bill.

"\$150!" she cried. "\$150 just to tell me my duck is dead?!"

The vet shrugged. "I'm sorry. If you'd taken my word for it, the bill would have been \$20. But what with the Lab Report and the Cat Scan, it all adds up.

## ***Abel***

Question: What caused Abel to feel neglected?

Answer: His parents were raising Cain.

## ***Absalom***

Question: What did David think of the behavior of his son Absalom?

Answer: He thought it was revolting.

## ***Active***

Visitor: Pastor, how many of your members are active?

Pastor: They all are! Some are active for the Lord, and some are active for the devil!