

Finance Council

FROM OUR FINANCE COUNCIL

The parishioners of St. Felicitas have had the rare presence of consistent leadership over the last 35 years. When the Pastoral team of Fathers Bober, Kraker and Mehok was appointed in 1973, there are few who could have imagined that we would be blessed to have them for so long. And while many staff members and volunteers have supported our parish, one person – Mary Muehle – was also there for these three decades, helping to build the parish that we all love. There are truly not enough words to express the gratitude that we all feel towards these dedicated servants of God, each of whom have *made St. Felicitas their life*.

Just as everything eventually changes, our parish now has a new administrator. Once again, God has blessed us with a special leader - Fr. Sal - who cares deeply about the people of St. Felicitas, and all of God's children. But in addition to being our Spiritual Leader, the Bishop has entrusted Fr. Sal with the responsibility to make St. Felicitas a vibrant and financially stable parish in the Cleveland Diocese. With the clustering process well underway and the changing economy of Northeast Ohio, this is more important today than ever. Fortunately, Fr. Sal's CPA experience enables him to analyze with a different set of eyes, ears and perspectives. And his leadership style not only has him developing new plans, but he also communicates them well through the many councils, staff members and volunteers helping to support him in leading our parish.

With the pastoral leadership transition, the Diocesan Financial Office also recently conducted a complete audit of our books, which had not been done in quite some time. While the audit found no cash or accounting discrepancies of major concern, they did advise us of policies and procedures that Fr. Sal has been instructed to change and institute.

On a personal note, my father was on the original St. Felicitas Church building team, so my family has seen many great priests helping to guide us to our Spiritual Salvation. In the few short months that Fr. Sal has been here, I can confidently add his name to this very special list. I had the pleasure of serving on the Finance Commission for eleven years when Fr. Bober was our administrator, and I see in Fr. Sal the same overwhelming concern to make decisions that are good for our people and our parish. He is the perfect priest for this time and place, and on behalf of the Finance Council, I ask for your patience and support for the new "Shepherd of our flock."

Thank you and May God Bless You.....Ray Somich, Finance Council Chair



Readings for the Week

Monday: 1 Kgs 17:1-6; Mt 5:1-12
 Tuesday: 1 Kgs 17:7-16; Mt 5:13-16
 Wednesday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3;
 Mt 5:17-19
 Thursday: 1 Kgs 18:41-46; Mt 5:20-26
 Friday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16; Mt 5:27-32
 Saturday: 1 Kgs 19:19-21; Mt 5:33-37
 Sunday: Ex 19:2-6a; Ps 100;
 Rom 5:6-11; Mt 9:36 — 10:8

Parish Mission Statement

Saint Felicitas is called to be a diverse, faith-filled Christian community. Rooted in the Eucharist and Catholic tradition, we are unified in the Spirit of hope and love.

Individually and collectively, we are responsible to fulfill God's will as Jesus did by striving to grow in unconditional respect for, acceptance of, and service to everyone.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FAITH DEVELOPMENT


FR. BOBER MEMORIAL: For several months now we have been working on a Memorial for Fr. Bober to remember his many years of pastoral leadership here at St. Felicitas. His memorial will be part of a larger memorial garden that will be located in front of the former main entrance to the Church. **The dedication is scheduled for Sunday, June 29th following the 11:45 am Mass.** Reserve the date and come and join us in remembering.

SPOT-LIGHT ON... ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY MINISTRY: When asked why are you still involved in the St. Vincent de Paul ministry? The answer would be about 29 years ago I attended Mass here at St. Felicitas, met the pastoral team, and realized I had found my home. I became involved in a number of ministries, but felt a strong calling to a new ministry that was just starting called St. Vincent de Paul Society. For some reason I felt this was where I should be, and after many years and many wonderful memories, I knew I had made the right choice. As the group grew to a dozen Vincentians we became good friends and shared the friendship of one another in helping those in need. I was blest with the friendship of a number of members and even though they are no longer here, I have a special place in my hearts for my friends. I found not only the privilege of helping those in need, but I was given the gift of sharing this ministry with many kind and thoughtful men and women at St. Felicitas. Two incidents, which I will share with you, have always stayed with me concerning my ministry. One happened several years ago just a few days before Christmas. A bag of unclaimed Christmas toys was in the corner of the garage and it appeared they would have to be delivered after Christmas. Early evening on the 23rd of December, a young man knocked on the Parish Office door asking if we had any toys we could give him for his children as he had nothing to put under the tree. We did and the joy he displayed was a miracle to see. That young man went on his knees in the garage and thanked us and the Lord


for the gifts he had received. He then proceeded to take the bag of toys, throw it over his shoulders, and walk down the snow-covered hill. The other incident involved a homeless man who came to our door and asked for food. We didn't have much, but he accepted a jar of peanut butter and crackers and went on his way. We later saw him praying at the shrine with the peanut butter and crackers by his side. Without the help of all the children, the donations of our parishioners, and the many volunteers that have helped at Christmas, Lent and whenever there was need, this ministry would not have been able to give help to those in need. If you feel this is where you would like to be and would like to be part of this ministry, please contact the Parish Office and we will call you and give you more information. *"God loves those who love the poor."* (St. Vincent de Paul)
Peace.....Barbara Grauel

FIRST FRIDAY MASS/ANOINTING OF THE SICK-JUNE 6TH: Has been rescheduled to June 13th due to our Eighth Grade Graduation on June 6th at 7:00pm. Thank you for your understanding.

CLUSTER RESPONSE FORMS are due back in the office this week. If you were at the Townhall Meeting and have not yet returned your form, please do so. We need your input.

 **8:00 AM Mass begins at the Shrine: Sunday, June 1st (weather-permitting)**
Shrine
Mass

ST. ANTHONY NOVENA will conclude on Tuesday until June 10th. The Novena is held in conjunction with the 7:00 pm Mass.

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY 

Delores Anderson, Millie Branisel, Tony Brodnick, Rosemary Conrad, Wilbur Davis, Krum Dimitrov, Charlotte Farinacci, Andrew Jarm, Ruth Lamm, Dottie Maher, Joan Raddell, Justin Raddell, Christopher, Norma & William Sedar, Milton Taisey, Ken Wisniewski, and Catherine Yert
Please notify the Parish Office when a name can be removed from this list.



**ST. FELICITAS
PRAYER NETWORK HOTLINE
216-289-6456**

Call and leave a short message regarding your request. Let us know when your request has been answered, we can offer prayers of thanksgiving.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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| MONDAY | Weekday | June 9 |
| | 8:15 a.m. Mary Fuerst | |
| | 7:00 p.m. Mary Kosuth | |
| TUESDAY | Weekday | June 10 |
| | 8:15 a.m. Minka Kmetich | |
| | 7:00 p.m. Albert Popovich | |
| WEDNESDAY | Barnabas, apostle | June 11 |
| | 8:15 a.m. Mike Rielly | |
| | 7:00 p.m. Joseph & Mary Kinkopf | |
| THURSDAY | Weekday | June 12 |
| | 8:15 a.m. Edward & Connie Meyers | |
| | 7:00 p.m. Margaret Veluches | |
| FRIDAY | Anthony of Padua, priest and doctor | June 13 |
| | 8:15 a.m. Tom O'Toole | |
| | 7:00 p.m. Chuck Pophal | |
| SATURDAY | Weekday | June 14 |
| | 8:15 a.m. Francis & Mary Holaus | |
| | 4:00 p.m. Victor Kmetich (<i>Fr. John</i>) | |
| SUNDAY | 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time | June 15 |
| | 8:00 a.m. Anthony & Ann Modic (<i>Fr. John</i>) | |
| | 9:45 a.m. Anton & Sylvia Milavec (<i>Fr. Mehok</i>) | |
| | 11:45 a.m. Joseph Radachy & Victor Urankar (<i>Fr. John</i>) | |
| | 7:00 p.m. Elizabeth Teague (<i>Fr. Mehok</i>) | |

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Richmond Hts. Hospital-Wed. Jun.11;
Thomas-Greaves
 Grande Pointe-Sun. Jun.15.....Audrey & William

BANNS OF MARRIAGE 

II. John Gliha & Janet Charske

COUNTERS

Counters for Sun. Jun.15....."B" Team
 Counters for Mon. Jun.16....."F" Team

MINISTERS SCHEDULE — JUNE 14-15, 2008						
MASS	HOSPITALITY	LECTOR 1	LECTOR 2	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	SERVERS	MANNA
Sat. 4:00pm	T. Zallnick M.L. Bertsch	P. Mayer	K. Sullivan	B. Pophal, D. Abreo, M. Monger, J. Barni, C. Barni, J. Borkey, T. Brokamp, M. Malta	C. Malta J. Monger	M. Lekan M. Hiti
Sun. 8:00am	K. Stih H. Drozin	W. Nalepka	L. Miller	M. Gricar, J. Kirchmeir, K. Gamber	R. Corbo S. Rosace	S. Glavic S. Muehle
Sun. 9:45am	J. Yeckley L. Gorshe	J. Miozzi	T. Bernardo	L. Fulton, L. Yama, R. Plavac, N. Somich, A. Busch, L. Cooke, S. Dreyer, E. Dulaney	E. Doering W. Fistek	A. Koballa J. Dreyer
Sun. 11:45am	C. Knox C. Knox	T. Hlabse	J. Bretz	I. Klemens, J. Berquist, J. Vajda, K. Wetzel, J. Radachy, S. Johnson, K. Triskett, L. Grosel	J. Mello M. Thomas-Greaves	A. Molnar L. Black
Sun. 7:00pm	A. Barteld M. Chinchar	T. Isabella	J. Linsky	S. Calderone, J. Linsky, L. Bochenek, J. Schmidt, C. deHaas, D. Baioni, W. Knox, M. Luboski	J. Bryda A. Isabella	D. Bryda T. Kern

GOOD NEWS "ON THE HILL"

INTENTION CARDS: The number of cards returned continues to rise. This week we can report 397 households who have carefully and prayerfully completed and returned their cards. The thoughtfulness of these households is commendable. Thank you for your show of support for St. Felicitas Parish. For those who have not yet returned their cards, please be sure to make this a priority. We should never put off until tomorrow what we need to do today. Making a commitment to support our parish financially is a beautiful expression of your **faith** in the Lord, your **hope** in His promises, and your **love** for Him and His Church.

VACATION BIBLE: This year's VBS is "Rainforest Adventure: A Tree Top Bible Blast". Come join us from July 7th-11th as we swing through the rainforest learning Bible stories, sing, make crafts, and make new friends. VBS is from 9am until Noon and is for children 4yrs old to 12. If you are interested, there are registration forms in the kiosk in the Gathering Area of the Church. Registration deadline is JUNE 9th! We are also in need of student helpers (good for service hours!) or adults to help with the children, teach, serve refreshments, etc. Also, if anyone would like to donate Rainforest decorations (ex: green material, old sheets to dye, party decorations, vines, etc.) please let me know. If you have any questions or would like to help please call Rhonda Dulaney at 440-953-0403.

FALL SPORTS: It's not too early to start thinking about Fall Sports! Volleyball is offered to all girls grades 4-8 for \$75. If you are interested, contact Kim Wetzel at 440-223-5090 with your name/address/phone number/grade level/and uniform size. Cross Country is offered to all boys and girls in grades 1-8 for \$35. If you are interested, contact Connie Pallante at 216-402-5583. Please note that a current CYO physical for must be on file and the fee paid before practices begin in early August!

ST. FELICITAS PRESCHOOL: still has openings in the 3 & 4 year old programs for the upcoming school year. Call 216-732-9116 for information.

MANNA NEWS: We welcome the following cards to our Manna Program: Applebee's, CVS, and Walgreens. Did you know that Longhorn gift cards can also be used towards Olive Garden, Red Lobster and Bahama Breeze? We will be selling Manna after all Masses next weekend.

YOUTH CORNER

June 8th	Youth Mass	7:00pm Mass with open gym until 9:00pm
June 27 & 28th	Garage Sale	More info to follow
July 12th	Relay for Life	Please join our team at the website/ registration forms in kiosk
Aug. 3rd	THE FEST	Save the date; Noon-8:00pm with Mass & fireworks

We are always welcoming new members, think about bringing a friend to the next event. If you have any questions, please call Jeff Linsky at 440-585-3238 or email linsclub@adelphia.net.

MORE GOOD NEWS "ON THE HILL"

WANT TO GET RID OF YOUR JUNK?: St. Felicitas Youth Group will take your donations for our garage sale to benefit our Relay for Life fund. Our garage sale is going to be Jun.27&28th. Please call Jeff Linsky at 440-585-3238 to arrange a pickup time. We thank you in advance for helping us.

INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK

IHN is a "count your blessings experience" as our more than two dozen St. Felicitas volunteers will tell you. Our next time to host Cleveland area homeless families is the week of July 13. Won't you join with us to support IHN? Monetary donations by parishioners are most appreciated. If you would like to help defray the costs of our hosting week, please include an envelope marked IHN in the Sunday offering. Make checks payable to St. Felicitas and write IHN in the memo section. Thank you for supporting families less fortunate than yours.



RAFFLE PROFIT: A sincere thank you to all who supported our School through the tuition raffle, our proceeds were \$5,825.00! Thanks again!!

“SHARE THE VISION, SHAPE THE FUTURE”

PLEDGE UPDATE

Pledge Total	\$1,541,753.67
Campaign Goal	\$1,700,000.00
Percent of Goal	91%
Cash Total	\$1,551,752.64
No. of Pledges	546
Average Pledge	\$2,823.73

Thank you for your generosity!

COLLECTIONS

Envelopes & Loose Change Jun.1st.....	\$15,190.73
Children’s Envelopes.....	<u>\$30.25</u>
Total Donations Received.....	\$15,220.98
Total Needed to cover Parish Weekly	
Operating Expenses.....	\$15,737.00
Excess/(Deficit).....	<u>(\$516.02)</u>
Collection same time period last year	\$9,409.50
Increase/(Decrease) over last year.....	\$5,811.48

Thank you for your generosity.
Your support is needed and greatly appreciated.

- C-Church
- S-School
- MR1-Meeting Room #1
- MR2-Meeting Room #2
- P-Parish Office



LOOKING AHEAD

WEEK OF JUNE 9TH:

MONDAY-JUNE 9th

TUESDAY-JUNE 10th

7:00pm(C) St. Anthony Novena

7:30pm(MR1) Legion of Mary

WEDNESDAY-JUNE 11th

7:00pm(MR1) Craft Show Meeting

THURSDAY-JUNE 12th

6:45pm(S) Bingo-Team #2

FRIDAY-JUNE 13th

SATURDAY-JUNE 14th

7:00-8:30am Men’s Prayer Group

Manna sold after 4:00pm Mass

6:45pm(S) Bingo-Team A

SUNDAY-JUNE 15th *Father’s Day*

Manna sold after all Masses today

WEEK OF JUNE 16TH:

MONDAY-JUNE 16th

TUESDAY-JUNE 17th

7:30pm(MR1) Legion of Mary

WEDNESDAY-JUNE 18th

THURSDAY-JUNE 19th

6:45pm Bingo-Team #3

FRIDAY-JUNE 20th

SATURDAY-JUNE 21st

8:30-9:30am(S) Market Day Pick Up

SUNDAY-JUNE 22nd