

Community of God's Love Bulletin

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Scheduled Events

Sunday Praise and Worship (Invite guests!)

5:00 pm At Sycamore Center 301 N. 4th St.
April 7 May 5 June 9 (Pentecost)
April 14 May 19
 May 26

PICNIC Saturday, July 13, Aracoma Park

Council Meetings: TBD

Please note: Mail should be sent **ONLY** to:
COGL, PO Box 806, Steubenville, OH 43952
The Lover's Lane address should not be used for COGL mail.
Also, mail is **not** received at the Sycamore Center. Thank you.

Thank You for praying for the intentions listed in the Bulletin.

Pope Francis' April Prayer intention

Doctors and their Collaborators in War Zones
For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.

HEARTS OF FIRE

Small Groups: Meetings are on Fridays this semester:

Girls at Scotts Guys at Brooks **4:00 to 5:00 PM**
April 12

Lord's Day and Festival of Praise

Lord's Day meal at the Hostetler's home 5:00 PM, car pool to FOP 7:00-9:00 PM (Plan your ride home after the FOP.)

Please call by the preceding Wednesday if you are coming.
April 6 May 4

Reflection from Sunday March 24, Third Sunday of Lent

So why did the Church use the Gospel from Lk 13:1-9 last Sunday? I heard a wonderful homily from Fr. Dane the pastor of St. Thomas by the Sea in Alabama that I want to share with you. He has a parish of about 700 people 12 months a year but during the vacation seasons, his 10 AM Mass swelled to over 900 people last Sunday. Amazing! And when he asked his parishioners to stand, only about 25 people got up....talk about serving the Body of Christ.

Fr. Dane spoke about the first part of the reading as Jesus reminding the people to repent, and to do it now because we never know when it will be our last day, like those Galileans who were killed or the people of Siloam when the tower fell on them. They had no idea, and neither do we. So Lent provides us with the opportunities to repent, today, right now!

Secondly, what about that fig tree and the gardener? Fr. Dane believes that the gardener was actually the Holy Spirit who carefully waters, prunes, and fertilizes us so that the Father can see what kind of fruit we produce. Do we produce good, healthy fruit or rotten fruit? We have purchased lots of fruit that we picked up and although it looked good, tasted awful. So what fruit are we producing? Love, joy, peace, patience, chastity, and many others or their opposite the rotten fruit? Lent allows us to reflect on what we are producing with our lives and if it is not so good to repent and change and create habits that are truly good fruit.

Let's continue to persevere in our Lenten practices so that we insure that by Easter we can celebrate with good fruits in our lives!
J. Loizzo

Bulletin Announcements

The current deadline for Bulletin announcements is Wednesday at Noon for weeks in which there is a Community Gathering on the upcoming Sunday. Next Bulletin deadline: April 10, 2019

PENTECOST Prayer Campaign with CHARIS

In order to prepare for this new Pentecost, CHARIS is launching a big prayer campaign from the beginning of March. This campaign is simple and accessible to everyone. Each month (March, April, May) an address will be given by Father Raniero Cantalamessa, the Ecclesiastical Assistant to CHARIS, who will prepare us to open our hearts for a new outpouring of the Spirit.

Here is the link with the first teaching of this campaign:

<https://goo.gl/CXmNSC>

THERE IS POWER IN PRAYER INTERCESSORY PRAYER REQUESTS:

YOUR PRAYER REQUESTS WILL BE INCLUDED HERE. JUST SUBMIT THEM TO THE OFFICE BY EMAIL BY NOON WEDNESDAY.

-Community members who cannot attend the meetings due to health or being away from the area.

-ChristLife to bear much fruit

-Lent will be a time of surrender to Jesus Christ and growing in grace by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Franciscan University Positions Available

- Nursing-clinical Instructor
- Temp. Admin. Asst. MarCom from 7-1 to 9-20(approx)
- Director of Athletics
- Secretary for Humanities and Social Sciences
- Front End Developer (for website)
- Residence Directors-Male & Female (3 positions)
- Youth Programming Coordinator (part time)
- Title IX Investigator
- Advocate (2 part time positions)
- Student Success Coordinator
- Admissions Counselor
- Admin. Asst. to Vice Pres. of Student Life
- Customer Service Representative(Bookstore)
- Coordinator of Pilgrimages
- On line Enrollment Counselor
- Head Women's Basketball Coach
- Head Rugby Coach

For more information look at the Franciscan University website or call Mary Lynn Lewis (740-283-6398)

Colossians 3: 12-13

Because you are God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with heartfelt mercy, with kindness, humility, meekness, and patience.

Bear with one another; forgive whatever grievances you have against one another. Forgive as the Lord has forgiven you.

Invitations

-FUS Theater presents Shakespeare's A Comedy of Errors April 5, 6, 12, and 13 at 7:00 p.m., and April 7 and 14 at 2:00 p.m. in Anathan Theatre

-FUS Friday Academic Lecture Series 3 PM in the Gentile Gallery-free and open to the public.
April 12 "The Confusion of American Catholicism"
Ross Douthat, New York Times Columnist

April 26 "The World Within the Word: Maritain and the Poet" Dr. Sam Hazo, Duquesne University

-Project Rachel-Healing after Abortion
Please call or text 740-275-7038 for information
April 5-7 Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

-Hilltop Communities Block Party will be held on Saturday, April 6, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Tower of Power Church parking lot, 1310 Maryland Avenue, Steubenville

-Consider attending the movie Unplanned, the story of Abby Johnson's leaving Planned Parenthood to work in Pro-Life. Check theaters for times and cost.