

# DIVINE MERCY

## SS. Edward & Lucy Parish

Clustered with St. Helen Church



### OUR MISSION

*"The vibrant Catholic community of SS. Edward and Lucy teaches, proclaims and lives the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. We do so through the celebration of the Eucharist, the administration of the sacraments and in loving and merciful service to all."*



16150 Center St. Parkman, Ohio



16280 East High St. Middlefield, Ohio

### Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm-St. Edward  
6:30pm-St. Lucy  
Sunday: 8:30am-St. Edward  
10:30am-St. Lucy

### Confession Schedule

Saturday: St. Edward: 4:00-4:45pm

### Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday: 6:00pm-St. Edward Chapel  
Tuesday - Friday: 8:00am-St. Edward Chapel

### Holy Day Mass Schedule

Vigil Mass: 6:30pm-St. Edward  
Holy Day: 9:00am-St. Edward  
Holy Day: 6:30pm-St. Lucy

### Mailing Address

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**Rev. Jacob Bearer, Pastor**

**Rev. John T. Burkley, Pastor Emeritus**  
Cassie Steigerwald, DRE/Youth Minister  
William Steigerwald, Parish Office Coordinator

### Registration

Call the office or download a form at  
[www.ssedwardlucy.com](http://www.ssedwardlucy.com)



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The Resurrection of Jesus Christ remains a present reality and dynamic throughout our lives as Church. The centrality of the Resurrection for Christianity cannot be overstated. If Jesus remained in the tomb, Christianity would not exist. That Jesus rose bodily from the dead, raised by the Father in the power of the Holy Spirit (because all three Persons of the Trinity work in concert), and ascended into heaven, means God nests our humanity within the love of the Trinity. The embodied nature of our humanity does not limit our union with the Trinity. Through the Incarnation of the Word (Jesus Christ) our embodied existence itself is redeemed (Romans 8:23). The Cross is the death of death, the powers of hell that sought to snuff out our lives unleashed their full fury upon Jesus, sin and its bitter fruit was nailed to the cross and buried in the tomb. Death, the powers of darkness, sin, and unbelief remained in the tomb while Jesus, glorified and risen, walked free to die no more. His life is our life. He is the Resurrection and the Life. Faith in Jesus Christ means trust in his faithfulness, accepting his forgiveness as a living and continued grace in the world. Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit upon the apostles - as shared in John's Gospel this weekend - that his mercy would be extended through time and space within the family of faith he established as Church. The sacramental life of the Church marshals the "stuff" of existence, water, word, bread, wine, oil, human persons, etc. as the conduits that celebrate and evince the grace of Jesus through scandalously tangible means; as scandalous as God taking on flesh, being executed, rising, and keeping the marks of his crucifixion in his glorified flesh for Thomas to touch. The sacraments of the Church, the proclaimed word of God through the Scriptures, and our lives of faith all carry forth the power of the Resurrection that speaks to the inbreaking promise of Jesus. Jesus never left us. His rising to new life, ascension and outpouring of the Holy Spirit with the Father means he's more intimately close than we could ever imagine. We do not preserve a "dead" tradition through word and sacrament, but the fiery love of Jesus Christ is our sacred tradition, handed down through the generations, heaping grace upon grace in our lives today. Jesus Christ is truly risen! His mercy remains fresh for you today! He IS risen! And, we can deepen our share in his glory every day anew.

Happy Easter!  
Fr. Jacob Bearer

The Divine Mercy Cenacle will be hosting a Holy Hour and Divine Mercy Devotions this Sunday, April 12th, from 2:30 pm until 3:30 pm at St. Lucy. We hope to see you there.



**KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS PREGNANT? SCARED? NEEDS HELP? CALL 1-800-712-4357 24 HOURS**  
SS. EDWARD & LUCY PRAYER LINE: Call Rebecca 330-389-0728 or email prayer request to [Rebbanne@gmail.com](mailto:Rebbanne@gmail.com).

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

**Saturday, April 11 Saturday Vigil**

5:00pm Dr. Fremio Vargas Family/Alice Molnar  
6:30pm Gina Beris/Beris Family

**Sunday, April 12 Sunday**

8:30am William Kelly/Joe Moore  
10:30am Pro Popolo

**Monday, April 13 Weekday**

6:00pm Ralph Schwendeman/Claire & Kay Zurbuch

**Tuesday, April 14 Weekday**

8:00am Frank & Regina Fritz/Adrienne Fritz

**Wednesday, April 15 Weekday**

8:00am H+B William & Kathy Melega/Families

**Thursday, April 16 Weekday**

8:00am Frank Lesko Sr./Mary Ann Lesko

**Friday, April 17 Weekday**

8:00am Lee Kilmer/Percic Family

**Saturday, April 18 Saturday Vigil**

5:00pm Marlene Collins/Michelle (Daughter)  
6:30pm William R. Fisher/Family

**Sunday, April 19 Sunday**

8:30am Bo Giel/Cheryl  
10:30am Jim Kvoriak/Joan

## WEEKLY OFFERING

3/29	St. Edward	St. Lucy
Saturday Collection	\$2941.00	\$1086.00
Sunday Collection	\$1620.50	\$1531.22
Candles	\$38.00	\$50.00
Restricted	\$615.00	\$190.00
Thank you so much for your generosity!		

### Weekly Schedule of Events:

Monday: 10:00 am - 6:00 pm Adoration E  
6:00 pm Mass & Rosary Devotion E  
7:00 pm High School Small Group E  
7:15 pm Confraternity of Penitents E

Tuesday: 8:30 am Rosary Group in Chapel E  
6:30 pm OCIA E  
7:00 pm Brothers in Christ E

Wednesday: 6:30 pm Youth Group E  
7:00 pm Bible Study E

Thursday: 10:00 am Rosary Makers E  
1:00 pm - 6:00 pm Adoration E  
2:00 pm Divine Mercy Cenacle L  
6:00 pm Tea Party Meeting E

Saturday: 9:00 am Jesus Day Retreat L

Sunday: 9:30 am Gathering After Mass E  
10:00 am Rosary Before Mass L  
11:30 am Gathering After Mass L

### Youth Group

All 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students are invited to join us on Monday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, from 7 to 8pm at St. Edward for our High School Small Group.

Our youth group will be meeting this Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30 to 8pm at St. Edward in Parkman. All 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students are welcome to attend!

### OCIA

OCIA will be meeting this Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup> for our final meeting to discuss the Easter Vigil and tips for practicing the Catholic faith. We will meet from 6:30 to 7:30pm at St. Edward. See you then!

### Sacramental Classes

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students have their Jesus Day Retreat next Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. Please pray for them as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of First Communion!

All First Communion students have class this Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 10:30am at St. Lucy in Middlefield.

### Vacation Bible School

Registration is open for Vacation Bible School! Registration forms for Vacation Bible School are located on our parish website or near the doors at both Churches. All current Preschool through 5th grade students are welcome to join us for Vacation Bible School the week of July 27-31 from 9am to Noon at St. Lucy. Students older than 5th grade and adults are welcome to help us with this wonderful week! Volunteer forms can also be found on our parish website or near the doors at both Churches.

Interested in donating to help out with our Vacation Bible School supplies? We have an Amazon Wishlist posted under the Vacation Bible School tab on our website. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



SS. Edward & Lucy Parish will be hosting Rainforest Falls Vacation Bible School the week of July 27-31 at St. Lucy in Middlefield!

A 5-week couples book study



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St. Mary Avon 7pm-8:30pm Starting Wed 4/15	St. Basil Brecksville 7pm-8:30pm Starting Mon 4/20	St. Mary Hudson 7pm-8:30pm Starting Thu 4/23
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Includes 2 books

For more info or to buy tickets, visit [tobcle.org](http://tobcle.org)  
Questions? Email [rlewis@tobcle.org](mailto:rlewis@tobcle.org)

**The To the Heights Retreat** is a father-son retreat (any father-son-like relationship) designed specifically for adult and teen men in the spirit of St. Pier Giorgio Frassati.

The retreat will be held at the Center for Pastoral Leadership in Wickliffe on Sunday, April 26th from 11am to 4pm.

The keynote speaker for this year's event is Elvis Grbac, former NFL quarterback and Cleveland native. The day will also include adoration, outdoor activities (weather permitting), and fraternal fellowship. Visit [tobcle.org](http://tobcle.org) to RSVP!

**The Catholic Cemeteries Association**

The Catholic Cemeteries Association's next Sunday Grief Support Group will be Sunday April 19th. In-person will meet at 3pm, virtual at 5pm. In a welcoming and supportive setting, find fellowship among others who share their experiences and understand the pain of loss. Meetings are being held on the 3rd Sunday of the month, at no charge to you. Please join us for an hour of listening, healing, and finding comfort with others who understand. For details, call Renee at 216-930-4866 or visit: [www.clecem.org/Events](http://www.clecem.org/Events)

**In-Person Locations:**

- All Saints, Northfield | 480 W. Highland Road
  - All Souls, Chardon | 10366 Chardon Road
  - Holy Cross, Akron | 100 E Waterloo Road
  - Holy Cross, Brook Park | 14609 Brookpark Road
  - St. Joseph, Avon | 32789 Detroit Road
- Virtual – Please register at <https://clecem.org/Information/Bereavement.aspx>

**Our Lady of Mt. Carmel's Mt. Carmel Society** is celebrating 100 Years! They are having their Italian Dinner Sunday, April 26, 2026. NOON until Carry out will be available after 11 AM. Buffet served from Noon – 4 PM. Cavatelli, Meatballs, Salad, Bread & Butter, and Dessert. Adults \$15, Seniors – 60 and over \$12, Children 5-12 yrs \$8, and 4 and under Free. 50/50 Raffle. Mt. Carmel Community Center, 29850 Euclid Ave., Wickliffe, Ohio 44092.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**\$108,000 IN CASH PRIZES!**

Council Ticket Chairman: **John Wolfram** Contact Information: **(440) 785-8345**

<b>1st Prize ... \$49,680</b> Payable \$414/month for 10 years!	<b>2nd Prize ... \$18,780</b> Payable \$313/month for 5 years!	<b>3rd Prize ... \$12,720</b> Payable \$212/month for 5 years!
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Plus 22 More Prizes 2026 Charity Tickets

**PENTECOST Vigil**

Receive the Holy Spirit and join us to celebrate the holy feast of Pentecost with confession, adoration, individual prayer, and an extended vigil Mass!

**Saturday, 23 May**

**4:00pm – 8:00pm**

St. Edward Parish  
16150 Center St.  
Parkman, OH 44080

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Confession, adoration, praise and worship	5:00 pm - 6:30 pm Extended Pentecost Vigil Mass	6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Praise & worship, adoration, individual prayer offered
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## For the Week of April 12, 2026

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Sunday of Divine Mercy</b> Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31
<b>Monday</b>	Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9; Jn 3:1-8
<b>Tuesday</b>	Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
<b>Wednesday</b>	Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 3:16-21
<b>Thursday</b>	Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20; Jn 3:31-36
<b>Friday</b>	Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
<b>Saturday</b>	Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Third Sunday of Easter</b> Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

### X-treme Christians

You may notice that Acts of the Apostles is the source of the first readings during the Easter season. This book describes how Christianity grew from a handful of disciples to a major religion. Today's reading about an ideal Christian community is meant to show ordinary believers how to be extraordinary, using three examples I call power, property, and prayer.

Power means the "signs and wonders" (Acts 2:43) performed by the disciples through the power of the Holy Spirit. This should be named last, because it takes a lot of faith to heal the sick. If you had the same faith as the apostles, you just might be able to cure the sick. Or you might study to become a doctor and cure them with medical skills. As long as you acknowledge that God gave you the brains and the talent to become a doctor, you are doing God's work.

By property, I mean sharing what you have with those in need. Many disciples were moved to sell their goods and share them with the poor, and word of that must have spread. If you are not called to sell all your goods and become a monk or a nun, you can still tithe to your church or the poor. You can donate time as well, perhaps tutoring disadvantaged kids, helping build or repair houses in poor areas, or bringing meals to shut-ins. The point is that followers of Christ are not just individual do-gooders. They are a community of believers who care about each other and also care about the non-believers who need help of any kind.

So where did these first disciples get the faith to cure the sick and the love to help the needy? The answer is the third example—prayer. Twice in the first reading we hear how "they devoted themselves . . . to the breaking of the bread" (Acts 2:42, 46). Breaking bread was their name for the Eucharist. They also went to the temple to pray, because at that time most disciples were Jewish Christians. As they heard the Hebrew scriptures, they saw how God's promises were fulfilled in Christ. Later, they added reading from the letters of Paul and preaching about Jesus' works and teachings. All of these practices helped unite them to Christ and to each other.

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

One of the great Easter traditions is "mystagogy," an ancient word meaning "reflection on the mysteries." It is a style of catechesis, or passing on the faith. People who have shared an experience, in this case those who have been baptized at Easter, are urged to recall their experience, reflect on its meaning, and apply their insights to their new way of life.

There is an aspect of an experience that is simply not available until you've had it. For example, you may think you know weddings inside out; you've been to dozens, seen hundreds in the movies or on television, but until you've said "I do" to another, there is a certain knowledge unavailable to you. Those who go down into the waters of baptism as adults have similar experiences; they have all taken baths before, but not like this one! Mystagogy helps such persons to uncover the deep meaning of the experience, their sense of a new beginning, of God's abundant love, of forgiveness, of community.

It takes time for the power of the Easter Vigil to work its wonders for us. Those who are newly baptized are called "neophytes," meaning "newly planted." The tender buds of spring need care and nurturing, and our new brothers and sisters need your prayer and your faithful example.—Rev. James Field