



Yours are the hands
with which He blesses
all the world.



**Catholic
Charities**
DIOCESE OF CLEVELAND

2026 Appeal

February 15, 2026

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil	4:30 PM
Sunday	9:30 AM, 11:30 AM, 5:00PM
Monday - Thursday	12:00 Noon
Holy Days	7:00 PM (Vigil) 12:00 Noon

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday: 3:00 - 4:00 PM
or by appointment

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 12:45 pm
1:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Friday - CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED

Phone: 330-722-6633 Fax: 330-725-2193

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Ash Wednesday

February 18, 2026

Masses at Noon and 7:00 PM

Journeying Through Lent

Lent is a special time in our liturgical year

The following are traditional Lenten disciplines:

Fasting & Abstinence: Catholics of age 14 and older *abstain from meat* on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent. In addition, on Ash Wednesday and Good Fridays, Catholics from age 18-59 *fast*, limiting themselves to one full meal and two smaller meals each day.

Prayer: Catholics are encouraged to pray more during Lent, especially with Scripture. Lent is also an ideal time to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation in preparation for the celebration of Christ's Passion, Death and Resurrection.

Almsgiving: Moved by the sacrifice of Christ, many Christians combine almsgiving with fasting, giving to the poor the money they saved by eating, drinking or buying less as they rely more upon God's abundant grace.

Holy Martyrs Reconciliation Schedule during Lent Beginning February 19, 2026

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 12:30 to 1:00 PM



Thursdays: 6:00 to 7:30 PM

Saturdays: 3:00 to 4:00 PM

Thursdays during Lent
6-7:30pm in the Chapel

Parish Staff

Father Stephen J. Dohner
Pastor

Amy Incorvati-Aloisi
HMKids Coordinator

Brandon Woods
Life Teen Coordinator

Father Robert F. Pfeiffer
Pastor Emeritus

Janet Payton
Pastoral Associate

Skip McQuate
SPIRIT Coordinator

Christopher Ilg
Director of Music

Father Mark Ott
Weekend Priest

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<i>Mass Intentions</i> February 14 - February 22			<i>This Week at Holy Martyrs</i>		
Sat	4:30 PM	Elizabeth Peyton Shire	Sun 02/15	Choir Rehearsal Mass Time Travelers Journey Catechumenate Journey Inquiry: Adults Journey Inquiry: Teens Mass Journey for Teens: Catechumenate Contemporary Mass Spirit Life Teen	8:30 AM Pfeiffer Hall A 9:30 AM Worship Space 9:30 AM Rooms 203-204 10:00 AM Lounge Room 105 10:00 AM Clarke Room 10:30 AM Conf Room 101 11:30 AM Worship Space 3:30 PM Kazel Room 5:00 PM Worship Space 6:00 PM Pfeiffer Hall 6:00 PM Martyrs Hall
Sun	9:30 AM	Parishioners	Mon 02/16	Daily Mass	Noon Worship Space
	11:30 AM	Edward Orzel	Tues 02/17	Glory Bees Daily Mass CONNECT Tuesday Evening	7:30 AM Worship Space Noon Worship Space 6:30 PM Clarke Room
Mon	Noon	Addie Wisniewski	Wed 02/18	Ash Wednesday Mass CONNECT Wednesday Afternoon Ash Wednesday Eve Mass Choir Practice	Noon Worship Space 2:00 PM Clarke Room 7:00 PM Worship Space 8:00 PM Worship Space
Tues	Noon	Lynn Machen	Thurs 02/19	Daily Mass Eucharistic Adoration Reconciliation Parish Council Meeting	Noon Worship Space 12:30 PM Worship Space 6:00 PM Worship Space 7:30 PM Room 103
Wed	Noon	Robert Meyer	Fri 02/20	Prayer in the Chapel Stations of the Cross	8:00 AM Chapel 7:00 PM Worship Space
	7:00 PM	Parishioners	Sat 02/21	Reconciliation Vigil Mass	3:00 PM Chapel 4:30 PM Worship Space
Thurs	Noon	JoAnn Arnold	Sun 02/22	Choir Rehearsal Mass Time Travelers Journey Inquiry: Teens Mass Contemporary Mass Spirit Life Teen CONNECT Sunday	8:30 AM Pfeiffer Hall A 9:30 AM Worship Space 9:30 AM Rooms 203-204 10:30 AM Conf Room 101 11:30 AM Worship Space 5:00 PM Worship Space 6:00 PM Pfeiffer Hall 6:00 PM Martyrs Hall 6:00 PM Kazel Room
Sat	4:30 PM	John Bauer			
Sun	9:30 AM	Dorothy Wasniak			
	11:30 AM	Anthony Belletti			
	5:00 PM	Parishioners			

Friday Morning Prayer



Join Skip McQuate
Fridays @ 8:00am
Oscar Romero Chapel


Daily Mass




MONDAY - THURSDAY
12:00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

JOIN US FOR
ADORATION AFTER
MASS THURSDAY
AFTERNOONS!

Mass 12:00pm
Adoration 12:30-1pm



Parish News



If you need a friend or know someone who does, ask if a Stephen Minister can help. For more information, call Janet Payton or Skip McQuate at 330-722-6633.



Sacrament of Anointing

Please notify the church office in advance of a surgery or scheduled hospital stay so that you may receive the **Sacrament of Anointing**.

The Church has always prayed for the sick to be freed from pain and restored to health.

To schedule, please call the church office at 330-722-6633

If you would like a prayers shawl at the time of your anointing, please let us know when you schedule the anointing and one will be provided to you.



Holy Martyrs Prayer Shawl Ministry

The prayer shawl gives someone a tangible example of God's love and care. The maker of the shawl prays before, during, and after they work on the shawl.

If you are interested in obtaining a prayer shawl or would like more information on joining this ministry, please contact Nancy Mayes at 330-607-2320.

GLORY BEES—HELP NEEDED



We are in need of a few more people willing to help vacuum the Worship Space on Tuesday mornings.

If you are interested in helping, please call the Church Office at 330-722-6633.

Thank you to all who have volunteered their time.

You are all very much appreciated.



Catholic Charities In Pew Appeal February 14—February 15, 2026

The 2026 Catholic Charities Appeal is underway with an in-pew commitment process taking place this weekend. This is not a special collection; rather, the Catholic Charities Appeal represents the chance for all Catholics to make a significant pledge, payable in installments, to Catholic Charities, Diocese of Cleveland in order to support its mission of a society that stands united in its support of the "least among us."

Many parishioners have received a letter from Bishop Malesic requesting their support. If you have not received this letter, please respond to the in-pew commitment process today! If you have received the mailing, please respond to it. There is a box on the in-pew envelope to indicate that you have responded by mail.

Yours are the hands... Your support of the 2026 Catholic Charities Appeal helps us to carry out the mission that Jesus entrusted to us: 'I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Please consider a generous gift that will change the lives of those who are served each year in Northeast Ohio.

Please pray for the success of the Appeal, which provides for essential programs and services in need throughout all eight counties of the Diocese of Cleveland.

TO GIVE ONLINE:

Visit www.catholiccommunity.org/2026InPew

TEXT TO GIVE:

Text CCHOPE to 216.223.9372

Holy Martyrs Cafe Ministry Needs You!

We do more than serve Coffee & Donuts 😊

❤️ We offer a warm, friendly atmosphere that builds community among our parishioners.

If you enjoy hospitality and serving; if you are looking for a Ministry with a flexible schedule; if you want to connect with others; if you want a fun way to get your steps in - check out our Cafe, it may be a good fit for you!



We're looking for more smiles! Stop by the Welcome Center and pick up a flyer.



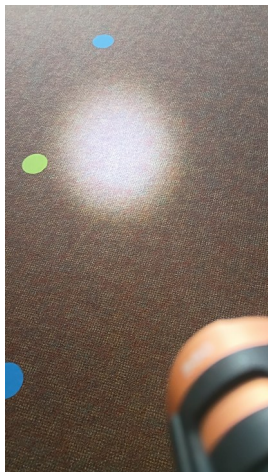
Faith Formation

Time Travelers

Time Travelers used a flashlight to represent the light of Christ - the lamp on a stand. We talked about how we need to share his light with others through our kindness and generosity.

But if we put it under a bowl, it doesn't do any good, so we must not keep that light to ourselves.

The light can also be a guide for us in dark times.



Empowering God's Children

During the week of Feb 2nd HM Kids in grades 3-6 learned the importance of understanding their own safety, boundaries and rights when it comes to their own bodies. They came up with their own safety phrases to use when they feel afraid, uncomfortable, or confused when their safety boundaries are breached. Their safety phrases were quick and loud, which is really important.

They also learned that sometimes they might not be able to say anything and to use their body to get away. They also learned that secrets are never safe to keep, but surprises can be okay to keep (like a surprise birthday party, or new baby on the way). They learned about safe adults in their lives and that safe adults never ask them to keep secrets.

These lessons were taught in conjunction with the Diocesan initiative through Virtus training to Empower God's Children.

The Diocese of Cleveland requires that these skills be taught every year to children in grades 1-8. **SPIRIT** students (grades 7 and 8) will receive this training as well.

This training for children is the "other arm of **Virtus**", which educates adults about what to watch for when they see adults interacting with children.

VIRTUS has always championed taking measures to ensure that children are safer in person, and online. In addition, **WePROTECT** has echoed these steps, and provided additional ones,⁵ in order to provide the best possible opportunity to protect children during this time.

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Spirit at Holy Martyrs

UNFOLDED:
A God-filled Life: How do you see God in your life today?

SPiRiT, our 7th and 8th grade youth group, met on Sunday, Feb 8, 2026. Our topic was "Dive In" and we talked about how we come to understand God as our Father, who welcomes them to be a member of his family through the sacraments of the Catholic Church. We will meet again on Sunday, February 15, 2026 and our topic will be "Sonar".



Spirit is on Facebook, Instagram and the Holy Martyrs website.



Life Teen will meet on Sunday, February 15, 2026 following the 5:00 PM Contemporary Mass.



Retreat is right around the corner! Be sure to get registered for our annual retreat taking place February 27 - March 1st.

You can find out more at Life Teen this Sunday and by going to our parish website under "Events"



Pray ✦ Grow ✦ Serve ✦ Give ✦ Share

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A Disciple Gives with Gratitude

Your Sunday Offering **E-Giving**

Ditch the envelope and give digitally

go to:

<https://onrealm.org/HolyMartyrsChur/-/form/give/now>

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Grateful Giving

January, 2026

\$15,749

Needed: \$18,000

Thank you to all those who generously donated

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First Friday Club of Greater Akron



Our Lady of Cedars
507 South Cleveland Massillon Rd.
Fairlawn, OH 44333
March 6, 2026 at Noon

Featuring the Annual

Panel of High School Students
from ARCHBISHOP HOBAN High School,
OUR LADY OF THE ELMS High School,
ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY High School and
WALSH JESUIT High School

speaking on the topic,
How God Has Walked with Me Through High School

The cost of the luncheon program is \$25.00. Doors open at 11:00 AM; the program begins at noon, and ends promptly at 1:00 PM

Reservations can be made by **sending a check to:**

The First Friday Club of Greater Akron
PO Box 13291, Fairlawn, OH 44334

by **calling the office at 330-535-7668**

or by registering at: www.firstfridayclubofgreaterakron.org

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