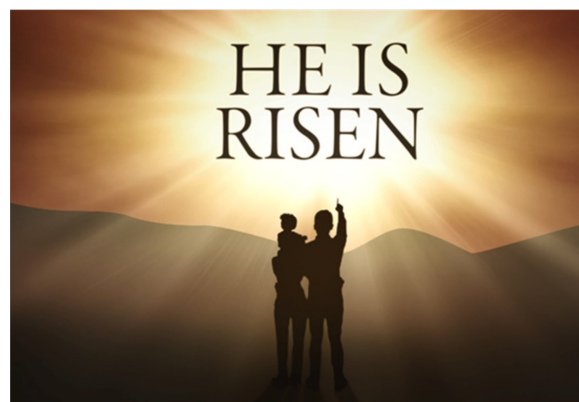




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## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

**APRIL 27, 2025**



**School Visits MLK Monument in Washington DC**

## MISSION OF THE PARISH

We are a welcoming Catholic Parish  
Embracing its African American culture,  
Empowering its members  
And sharing its love of Christ  
Through service to the community.

**10932 ST. CLAIR AVENUE  
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*Please call Parish House to include prayer intentions or announcements in Sunday Liturgy*

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640 Lakeview Road • Cleveland, Ohio 44108

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**Phone:** 216-451-4144

### Pastoral Staff

Sr Mary Jean Raymond OSU..... Parish Life Coordinator  
Fr. Andrew Morkunas.....Presbyteral Moderator  
K Frank Jones.....St. Aloysius School Principal  
Carol Bunn.....Hunger Center Director  
Kim James .....Preschool Director

### Parish Leadership

Gregory Clifford.....Pastoral Council  
Joe Harbert..... Finance Council  
Belinda Sims .....Liturgy-Spiritual Life Committee  
Carol Bunn.....St. Vincent dePaul Society  
Marguerite Strickland.....Choir Representative  
Chris Sledge .....Men's Club President  
Beverly Berry.....Evangelization Committee

### Community Services

Project Hope .....Andrea Wasdovoich-Duffner  
Connecting Seniors to Services.....Carol Bunn

### Eucharistic Celebration

**Sunday Mass:** .....10 am

**Reconciliation:** Before Sunday Mass or by appt.

**Marriages:** Arrangements made at the Parish House at least 6 months prior to the date of the wedding.

**Baptisms:** Contact the Parish House.

**First Communion, First Reconciliation:** Contact the Parish House.

**Anointing of the sick and Hospital Visits:** Contact the Parish House.

**Funerals:** All arrangements must be made at the Parish House before publication in Newspapers.

**Registration:** Everyone should be properly registered in the Parish. New parishioners should contact the Parish House. Those moving in or out of the Parish are asked to notify the Parish House.

# DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



## Remembering Pope Francis

Excerpts from an article by Joshua J. McElwee in the NCR on-line

Elected as pope on March 13, 2013, Francis took the helm of the global church after a period of unexpected and seismic change. Pope Benedict XVI, who had reigned for eight years, had not died but become the first pontiff in at least six centuries *to resign the papacy*.

The new pontiff, born in Argentina in 1936 as Jorge Mario Bergoglio, became the first in history from the Western Hemisphere.

He was also the first Jesuit pope and the first to take the name of St. Francis of Assisi, the Italian *poveretto* who in the 13th century founded a “back to the basics” movement within Christianity: eschewing the church’s late medieval wealth and influence in favor of caring for those in need, taking care of the environment and pursuing dialogue with other religions.

The Argentine pope clearly drew inspiration from his chosen Italian namesake. Early actions from the new leader of the Catholic Church included returning to the hotel he had booked for the conclave of cardinals to pay his bill, *spurning the Vatican’s opulent Apostolic Palace* for a room instead in the city-state’s small guesthouse, and *calling for a church* that was “bruised” and in the streets.

Within months, it was clear this new pope also intended to be a church reformer. He called for a global gathering of Catholic bishops, known as a synod, *to discuss contentious family life issues*, including divorce and remarriage and ministry to LGBTQ people. Asked by journalists about rumors of a gay priest working at the Vatican, *he responded*: “Who am I to judge?” And he would later create the Vatican’s first –ever high-level commissions to respond to clergy sexual abuse and to consider the possibility of women serving in ordained Catholic ministry.

Francis’ first encyclical authored on his own, “*Laudato Si*,” on Care for Our Common Home,” called on the world to take action to combat climate change. With it, he became a global leader on ecological issues and advanced the fledgling ecological *initiatives begun under Benedict* and pushed the church to more fully embrace its own teachings on care for creation.

Newark Cardinal Joseph Tobin, the third of only six Americans Francis elevated to the cardinalate, equated the pope’s efforts at reforming the church to a captain at the rudder of a bulk ore carrier on one of the Great Lakes.

“They’re massive ships, and they can’t turn on a dime,” Tobin told NCR in 2021.

## MINISTERS - APRIL 27, 2025

### LECTORS

Lizanne Hudson

Debra Paul

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Belinda Sims  
Deidre Whitted

Annie Easterling  
Sr. Mary Jean Raymond

### COUNTERS

Marguerite Strickland  
Molodian Price

Noel Egensperger

## MASS INTENTIONS APRIL 27 - MAY 4, 2025

Sunday	10:00 am	Pope Francis
Wednesday	11:30 am	People of the Parish
Sunday	10:00 am	Stacey Zak

## PRAYER INTENTIONS

Eben Anderson, Jr., Denise Brewster, Henritta Broadus, Lois Bunker, Angela Comedy, Jerri Evans, Miles Frierson, Drene Gantt, Victoria Harden, Jermaine Harland, Keli Harland, Madelyn Harland, Deborah Howard, Eugene Jones, Marlene Jones, Paulette Jones, Melissa Kennedy, Rosetta MacKey, Mary McCombs, Cleo Nettles, Toni E. Payne, Trudy Payne, Jaxon Peck, Jordyn Peck, Clarice & Reginald Rucker, Michelle Triska, Sterling Uitenham, Ann White, Cezanne, Whittington, Barbara Williams, Vermonte Wright

## HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOMES

Marilyn Anthony, Margaret Atwell, Hollis & Barbar Bridges, Delores Brown, Evelyn Davis, Vyrdy Hopes, Paulette Jones, Everett Matlock, Sr., Rosemary McKeon, Mary Ann Melton, Alvin Payne, Jackie Reese, Etta Reynolds, Vivian Watkins, Lavonia Williams

Of the four popes since the council, O'Malley told NCR in 2021, Francis was “the one who had the best grasp of what the council was trying to do.

“He not only allowed a discussion, but actually promoted a discussion - insisted on a discussion,” O'Malley said. “This was not done by his predecessors ...or, certainly, not in the same way and to the same degree.”

A disappointment for many Catholics was Francis’ relatively slow movement on opening leadership roles for women in the church. Although he made strides later in his papacy - opening all Vatican positions, including top posts, *to women* and allowing lay men and women *to vote at synod meetings* - Francis leaves the Vatican a largely clerical, and male, environment.

## EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday	Apr 27	10:00 a.m. Mass <u>Fr. Andrew's reception</u>
Monday	Apr 28	
Tuesday	Apr 29	5:00-6:00 p.m. Community Meal and food distribution
Wednes- day	Apr 30	11:30 a.m. Mass or Prayer Service
Thursday	May 1	10:00 Staff Meeting
Friday	May 2	9:30 School Mass
Saturday	May 3	
Sunday	May 4	<u>10:00 a.m. Mass</u>

### Voting Calendar - May 2025

**April** - Make sure that you are registered. Many people were purged from the voting rolls. Request a vote by mail ballot application in order to receive a ballot. Phone 216.443.VOTE.

**April 8** - Early in-person voting begins at the Board of Elections

**May 4** - Early In-Person Voting at the Board of Elections Ends at 5:00 p.m.

**May 6** - ELECTION DAY - Voting at the polls 6:30 am - 7:30 pm - Check your registration and polling location.

***Candles can be purchased after  
Mass in the sacristy.  
Cost is \$5.00***

*Now is the time to remember family  
members with intentions at Mass.  
Sunday and Wednesday Mass dates are  
available.  
See Sr. Mary Jean for requests.  
Cost is \$10.00*

## COLLECTION SUMMARY

4/20/25

Offertory \$1,680.00  
Renovations \$69.00  
Special Collections \$1,040.00  
Collection Target \$75,850.00  
Collections Year to Date \$68,014.00

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## SUNDAY READINGS

**1st Reading** - Acts 5:12-16  
Give thanks to the Lord

**2nd Reading** - Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19  
for he is good, his love if everlasting

**Gospel** - Jn 20:19-31  
Let the love of Christ rule in your heart and actions

## WEEKLY SCRIPTURES

Mon Apr 28 - Acts 4:23-31; Jn 3:1-8  
Tue Apr 29 - Acts 4:32-31; Jn 3:1-8  
Wed Apr 30 - Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21  
Thu May 1 - Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36  
Fri May 2 - Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15  
Sat May 3 - 1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 15:6-14

## SCHOOL NEWS

School resumes for all PK-8 scholars on Monday, April 28th. We are looking for a few volunteers to assist us with Field Day events on Tuesday, May 13th from 9:00-1:00pm. If you can help us make this special day possible, please call the Main Office to let us know. Thank you in advance for your help and support of our parish school. **Go Tigers!!**

## St. Aloysius Hunger Center Food Distribution Schedule -

Every Tuesday after community meal between  
5:00-6:00 p.m. -  
Every 4th Saturday from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

## Jubilee 2025

## Pilgrims of Hope

May the grace  
Of the Jubilee  
Reawaken hope in us.  
-Pope Francis-

December 29, 2024 - December 28, 2025