

# Saints Cosmas and Damian

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Catholic Church  
Diocese of Cleveland

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### **Parish Liturgy Schedule:**

Weekdays: Daily at 8:30 am

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:00 am

**Confession:** Saturdays 3:00-3:30 pm

### **Parish Center Office Hours:**

Monday-Friday 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

### **Perpetual Adoration –**

The Eucharistic Adoration Chapel is open 24/7 for private prayer and adoration. Listings and contacts are available in the Parish Center.

Twinhaven Reception Center 330-425-1616

Emergency Assistance 330-888-0134

For information regarding Baptisms, Marriages, Visitation of the Sick, Funerals or Registering as a Parishioner please call the Parish Center 330-425-8141

### **Mission Statement:**

*To be disciples of Christ,  
Teach the Catholic Faith,  
And serve those in need.*

**Mass Schedule & Intentions For The Week**  
**All Masses will be livestreamed on the**  
**parish's Facebook page.**

**Monday, March 21 – Weekday Mass**  
8:30am The Souls of All Parishioners  
**Tuesday, March 22 – Weekday Mass**  
8:30am Russ Duke  
**Wednesday, March 23 – Weekday Mass**  
8:30am Marlin & Marilyn Rider  
**Thursday, March 24 – Weekday Mass**  
8:30am Stefan Gockowski  
**Friday, March 25 – Weekday Mass**  
8:30am Myron & Loretta Steiner  
**Saturday, March 26 – Fourth Sunday in Lent (Vigil)**  
4:00pm Andy Poshedley  
**Sunday, March 27 – Fourth Sunday in Lent**  
9:00am Serio Family  
11:00am Luis Seguel Guerra



**Dear Parishioners,**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation, or “Confession,” is available during Lent from 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM on Saturdays. In addition, we will invite a number of priests for our Communal Penance Service on Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM. There are no confessions on Holy Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, as we will be preparing for the Easter Vigil.

This past Wednesday, the entire diocese had priests available in every parish for an “Evening of Confessions.” It was advertised on the news, the radio, and even billboards. Many people took advantage of the opportunity, stopping into churches on their way home from work. For many, this was a moment of returning to the Sacrament or to the practice of the Faith for the first time in many years. Welcome home! Jesus said there is more joy in heaven over finding one lost sheep than over ninety-nine sheep that did not need finding. We rejoice with the heavens.

Why confess to a human priest? Why not just confess to God in your heart? If personal, private repentance were sufficient, why did Jesus send His Apostles to forgive sins? Why did Jesus say, “Whose sins you forgive are forgiven; whose sins you retain are retained.”? My short answer is this: There must be a reason God sent me to you.

Perhaps the best approach is to do both: every day, in the silence of our hearts, we ask for forgiveness for our sins. Occasionally, especially when we have gravely sinned, we confess to a priest. At the beginning of Mass, we have the Penitential Rite (Lord have mercy). We believe this prayer sufficiently prepares us for the reception of Holy Communion if we have venial sins. Given the seriousness of mortal sin, we must take more seriously our demonstration of repentance by going to the Sacrament of Reconciliation before receiving Holy Communion.

That being said, it is worthwhile to regularly confess even venial sins for the sake of making progress in avoiding vice and practicing virtue. Monthly, quarterly, or bi-annual confession can be useful in staying focused on becoming the best version of ourselves. Otherwise, we could fall into complacency and believe we are “good enough.” That is not the road to holiness. The world could use a few more saints. Don’t give up on your potential. I believe in you. More importantly, God believes in you, too.

In Christ,

*Father Michael J. Stalla*

The Rosary is prayed every morning in the church beginning at 8am before daily Mass.



**Scripture Readings March 21 – March 27**

**Monday** Monday of the Third Week of Lent  
2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4, R. see Ps 42:3; Lk 4:24-30  
**Tuesday** Tuesday of the Third Week of Lent  
Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 & 7bc, 8-9, R. v.6a; Mt 18:21-35  
**Wednesday** Saint Toribio de Mogrovejo, bishop  
Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20, R. v.12a; Mt 5:17-19  
**Thursday** Thursday of the Third Week of Lent  
Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9, R. v.8; Lk 11:14-23  
**Friday** Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord  
Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11, R. v.8a and 9a;  
Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38  
**Saturday** Saturday of the Third Week of Lent  
Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab, R. see Hos 6:6; Lk 18:9-14  
**Sunday** Fourth Sunday of Lent  
Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, R. v.9a; 2 Cor 5:17-21;  
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**The Emergency Assistance Ministry is currently in need of the following items:**

- Canned Ham, Spam, Tuna
- Pancake Mix
- Pasta Sauce/Canned Tomatoes
- Canned Ravioli, Spaghetti, Beefaroni
- Boxed Cereal
- Canned Fruit
- Mac n’ Cheese

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## Third Sunday in Lent

# Mom's Group

Are you looking to connect with other mothers at our parish? Then this group is just for you!

- Every Thursday
- 9:30am - 11:00am
- Parish Center
- Room 214

You are encouraged to bring your kids too!



For more information contact  
Micaela Udovich (440)319-5547 or  
micaladyson17@tutanota.com

### Baby Bottle Fundraiser For Womankind

Baby bottles will be passed out the weekends of **March 19/20 and 26/27**. This is a fundraiser for **Womankind** which is a **Pregnancy Care Center** for expectant Moms who need help with baby items and doctor's care and counseling services. They provide all their services free of charge for the Mothers who come to them.

Please be generous so Womankind can continue to help these expectant Moms. **We ask that the bottles be returned to the baskets in the Church vestibule anytime but no later than April 24.**



If you have any questions, please call the church office.

### Rescheduled Taize and Stations of the Cross

**Mark your calendars for  
Sunday March, 27th at 3pm!**

If you would like to learn more about the Taize community and hear some of their music you can check out their website at [Taize.fr/en](http://Taize.fr/en)

Brought to you by the Couples Ministry, contact Millie Prebel for more info (440)241-5760

## Hope Blooms

A Virtual Retreat for Catholic Women  
Healing from Betrayal Trauma

April 22-23, 2022



This virtual retreat is for women seeking healing from betrayal trauma, that is, discovering a spouse's or significant other's pornography use, infidelity, and/or sex addiction. Gather with us this Divine Mercy weekend as we lay our pain, our sorrow and our betrayals at the Lord's feet. With expectant faith, let us open our hands and our hearts to receive His merciful outpouring. Join us for this powerful virtual retreat experience. Talk topics include: Uprooting Shame and Guilt, Understanding Trauma and its impacts on body, mind and spirit, Freedom through Forgiveness and more. Retreat also includes small group healing prayer and Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Retreat leaders are Father Allen Hoffa, Laura Ercolino of Hope's Garden, De Yarrison of You Are Made New Ministry, Bonnie West and Marian West Veilleux.

Find the full schedule and register at: [hopesgarden.com/hope-blooms-virtual-healing-retreats](http://hopesgarden.com/hope-blooms-virtual-healing-retreats) or email De: [de@youaremadenew.com](mailto:de@youaremadenew.com)

*Hope is always blooming!*

**Offertory (includes EFT):**

March 12 & 13 **Numbers not available at time of printing**

**Capital Campaign:**

Capital Campaign Pledges	\$	1,502,310.00
Capital Campaign Money Received	\$	1,328,106.47

**Capital Projects:**

Mortgage Balance	\$	324,449.00
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Caron Soltis	Ron Withers
Linda Braun	Pearl Rubino
Leo Roble	George Malaczewski
Jonathan Sedor	Karen Lukas
Lisa Weiler	Fran Caroll
Donna Czynski	Paul Studer
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Laura Ercolino	William Yako
Mark Magda	Laverne Grobowski
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Mike Milano	Donna Withers Randolph
Larry Harris	Nicole Miller
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Bonnie Withers	

*We Pray to the Lord...*

***This Week in the Parish***

**Sunday, March 20: Third Sunday in Lent**

9:00am—**Mass**  
9:30am—Faith Formation in the Parish Center  
11:00am—**Mass**  
3:00pm—Parish Mission in Church  
7:00pm—Charismatic Prayer Group in Church

**Monday, March 21:**

8:30am—**Morning Mass**  
9:15am—TEA Bible Study in Twinhaven  
7:00pm—Parish Mission in Church

**Tuesday, March 22:**

8:30am—**Morning Mass**  
7:00pm—Parish Mission

**Wednesday, March 23:**

8:30am—**Mass**  
9:00am—Pro-Life Rosary in Church  
6:30pm—Cub Scouts in Parish Center Upstairs  
7:00pm—Journey of Faith in 114

**Thursday, March 24:**

8:30am—**Morning Mass**  
9:30am—Book Club in Twinhaven  
9:30am—Mom's Group in 214  
7:00pm—Choir Practice in Church

**Friday, March 25:**

8:30am—**Morning Mass**  
5:00pm—Fish Fry in Twinhaven  
6:00pm—Adult Confirmation Conclusion in 114  
6:30pm—Nine Square Night in MPR  
7:00pm—Stations of the Cross in Church

**Saturday, March 26: Fourth Sunday in Lent (Vigil)**

8:00am—Women's Day of Reflection in Twinhaven  
3:00pm—Confessions in Church  
4:00pm—**Mass**

**Sunday, March 27: Fourth Sunday in Lent**

9:00am—**Mass**  
9:30am—Faith Formation in the Parish Center  
11:00am—**Mass**  
3:00pm—Taize & Stations  
7:00pm—Charismatic Prayer Group in Church

**ADORATION OPENINGS**

We are in need of a few more people to fill Adoration hours. Can you make the sacrifice and sign up for one of these hours weekly or twice a month?

**No long-term commitment is necessary.**

**Sign up to try an hour for just 30 days!**

**Mondays 3am**

**Thursdays 4am**

**Saturdays 9pm**

**Sundays 1am, 2pm, 3pm, 5pm**

**Please contact Carol Twigger at 330-425-7688**



Come and pray with us for life. God's greatest gift to each of us is...life! **We pray the Rosary each Wednesday at 9am after the 8:30am Mass.** We use Father Frank Pavone's Rosary meditations for the life of the unborn child. Join us to help bring about the Culture of Life in our country and world!

**Pro-Life Rosary**



We are looking for couples who are interested in being apart of a "Baptism Preparation" Team. The purpose of this team is to help prepare other couples for the Baptism of their first child.

For more information about what exactly this entails please join us for a meeting in the church on **Sunday, March 27th after the 11am Mass.**

Bella Catering, the caterers who work out of Twinhaven, are looking for people who are in the 9th grade and up to work for them as servers or setting up for events. For more information please contact Patrick at (216)854-0023

## Third Sunday in Lent

New flyer with updates!

Ss. Cosmas and Damian Women's Group  
Day of Reflection

# Mary's Journey of Faith

During the Season of Lent, all women are invited to join us for a day of prayer, fellowship, and spiritual enrichment. We are pleased to announce that our inspirational speakers will be Fr. Michael Stalla, Cindy Russo, and Laura Ercolino.

Breakfast and a delicious boxed lunch will be provided.

**Ss. Cosmas & Damian Church (In Twinhaven)**

**Saturday March, 26th 2022; 9am - 2pm**

**Pre-payment of \$20 is due by March, 20th**

All checks payable to: Ss. Cosmas & Damian Women's Group

Please mail to:

Ss. Cosmas & Damian Church Attn: Gloria Yohman

10419 Ravenna Rd. Twinsburg, OH 44087

For more information, please call Jackie Ritter (239)777-1656

### Liturgical Minsters—March 26 & 27 Fourth Sunday in Lent

	Lectors	E.M.H.C.	Altar Servers
<b>Saturday March 26, 4:00pm</b>	Elizabeth Innocenzi	Jim Szymanski, Laurel DeFranco, Darryl Innoncenzi, Virginia Trimmer	Zach Witkiewicz, <b>Volunteer Needed</b>
<b>Sunday March 27, 9:00am</b>	Bob Onder	Linda Chernick, Maureen Ashdown, John Bartolovich, Donna Bartolovich	Lisa Thomas, Maria Thomas
<b>Sunday March 27, 11:00am</b>	Jackie D'Isidoro	Colleen Tomasek, Al Falcione, Frank Chickos, Kelly Chickos	Jason Chernick, Sarah Nana

## Ss. Cosmas & Damian—Third Sunday in Lent; March 20, 2022

### First Reading

Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15

Moses was tending the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian. Leading the flock across the desert, he came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There an angel of the Lord appeared to Moses in fire flaming out of a bush. As he looked on, he was surprised to see that the bush, though on fire, was not consumed. So Moses decided, "I must go over to look at this remarkable sight, and see why the bush is not burned." When the Lord saw him coming over to look at it more closely, God called out to him from the bush, "Moses! Moses!" He answered, "Here I am." God said, "Come no nearer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place where you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your fathers," he continued, "the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob." Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. But the Lord said, "I have witnessed the affliction of my people in Egypt and have heard their cry of complaint against their slave drivers, so I know well what they are suffering. Therefore I have come down to rescue them from the hands of the Egyptians and lead them out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey." Moses said to God, "But when I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' if they ask me, 'What is his name?' what am I to tell them?" God replied, "I am who am." Then he added, "This is what you shall tell the Israelites: I AM sent me to you." God spoke further to Moses, "Thus shall you say to the Israelites: The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. 'This is my name forever; thus am I to be remembered through all generations.

*The Word of the Lord—All Reply: Thanks be to God*

### Responsorial Psalm

*The Lord is kind and merciful.*

Bless the Lord, O my soul;  
and all my being, bless his holy name.  
Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and forget not all his benefits.—*Refrain*

He pardons all your iniquities,  
heals all your ills,  
He redeems your life from destruction,  
crowns you with kindness and compassion.—*Refrain*

The Lord secures justice  
and the rights of all the oppressed.  
He has made known his ways to Moses,  
and his deeds to the children of Israel.—*Refrain*

Merciful and gracious is the Lord,  
slow to anger and abounding in kindness.  
For as the heavens are high above the earth,  
so surpassing is his kindness toward those who fear him.—  
*Refrain*



### Second Reading

1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud and all passed through the sea, and all of them were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea. All ate the same spiritual food, and all drank from a spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was the Christ. Yet God was not pleased with most of them, for they were struck down in the desert. These things happened as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil things, as they did. Do not grumble as some of them did, and suffered death by the destroyer. These things happened to them as an example, and they have been written down as a warning to us, upon whom the end of the ages has come. Therefore, whoever thinks he is standing secure should take care not to fall.

*The Word of the Lord—All Reply: Thanks be to God*

### Gospel

Luke 13:1-9

Some people told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with the blood of their sacrifices. Jesus said to them in reply, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were greater sinners than all other Galileans? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did! Or those eighteen people who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think they were more guilty than everyone else who lived in Jerusalem? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!" And he told them this parable: "There once was a person who had a fig tree planted in his orchard, and when he came in search of fruit on it but found none, he said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none. So cut it down. Why should it exhaust the soil?' He said to him in reply, 'Sir, leave it for this year also, and I shall cultivate the ground around it and fertilize it; it may bear fruit in the future. If not you can cut it down.'"

*The Gospel of the Lord—Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ*

### The Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (*At the words that follow, up to and including, 'and became man', all bow.*) And by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

# Music for 11am Mass on March 20th; Third Sunday in Lent

## Opening: Confidence

Verse 1

I'm not a warrior  
I'm too afraid to lose  
I feel unqualified for what You're calling me to  
But Lord with Your strength  
I've got no excuse  
'Cause broken people are  
Exactly who You use

Chorus

(So) Give me faith like Daniel in the lion's den  
Give me hope like Moses in the wilderness  
Give me a heart like David Lord be my defense  
So I can face my giants with confidence

Verse 2

You took a shepherd boy  
And made him a King  
So I'm gonna trust You and give You everything  
I'll be a conqueror  
'Cause You fight for me  
I'll be a champion claiming Your victory

Bridge

I'm gonna sing and shout and shake the walls  
I won't stop until I see 'em fall  
Gonna stand up step out when You call

Jesus

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## Offertory: Desert Song

Verse 1

This is my prayer in the desert  
When all that's within me feels dry  
This is my prayer  
in my hunger and need  
My God is the God who provides

Verse 2

This is my prayer in the fire  
In weakness or trial or pain  
There is a faith proved  
of more worth than gold  
So refine me Lord  
through the flame

Chorus

I will bring praise  
I will bring praise  
No weapon formed  
against me shall remain  
I will rejoice  
I will declare  
God is my victory  
and He is here

Verse 3

This is my prayer in the battle  
When triumph is still on its way  
I am a conqueror  
and co-heir with Christ  
So firm on His promise I'll stand

Bridge

All of my life in ev'ry season  
You are still God  
I have a reason to sing  
I have a reason to worship

Verse 4

This is my prayer in the harvest  
When favour and providence flow  
I know I'm filled  
to be emptied again  
The seed I've received  
I will sow

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## Closing: Let Everything That Has Breath

Chorus

Let ev'rything that  
Ev'rything that  
Ev'rything that has breath  
Praise the Lord  
Let ev'rything that  
Ev'rything that  
Ev'rything that has breath  
Praise the Lord

Verse 1

Praise You in the morning  
Praise You in the evening  
Praise You when I'm young  
And when I'm old  
Praise You when I'm laughing  
Praise You when I'm grieving  
Praise You ev'ry  
season of the soul

Bridge

If we (they) could see  
How much You're worth  
Your pow'r Your might  
Your endless love  
Then surely we would  
Never cease to praise

Verse 2

Praise You in the heavens  
Joining with the angels  
Praising You forever  
and a day  
Praise You on the earth now  
Joining with creation  
Calling all the nations  
to Your praise

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## Reflection: Oh Lord You're Beautiful

Verse 1

Oh Lord You're beautiful  
Your face is all I seek  
And when Your eyes are on this child  
Your grace abounds to me

Bridge

I want to take Your Word  
And shine it all around  
First help me just to live it Lord  
And when I'm doing well  
Help me to never seek a crown  
For my reward is giving glory to You

Verse 2

Oh Lord please light the fire  
That once burned bright and clear  
Replace the lamp of my first love  
That burns with holy fear

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## Communion: Come to the Water

#584 in the Gather Hymnal