

# Saints Cosmas and Damian

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Diocese of Cleveland

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### **Parish Maintenance:**

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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 8 – Weekday Mass**  
8:30am Carol Swartz  
**Tuesday, March 9 – Weekday Mass**  
8:30am John Schiavone  
**Wednesday, March 10 – Weekday Mass**  
8:30am The Souls of All Parishioners  
**Thursday, March 11 – Weekday Mass**  
8:30am Wilfred Ivory  
**Friday, March 12 – Weekday Mass**  
8:30am Dave Kraynak  
**Saturday, March 13 – Fourth Sunday of Lent (Vigil)**  
4:00pm Elaine Harris  
**Sunday, March 14 – Fourth Sunday of Lent**  
9:00am Tom Serio  
11:00am Stanley Kiec

**Does 8:30am Daily Mass not work with your schedule? Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish in Macedonia has Mass during the week at Noon on Tuesdays on Thursdays.**

**Scripture Readings March 8 – March 14**

**Monday** Saint John of God, religious  
2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4, R. see Ps 42:3; Lk 4:24-30

**Tuesday** Saint Frances of Rome, religious  
Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 & 7bc, 8-9, R. v.6a; Mt 18:21-35

**Wednesday** Wednesday of the Third Week of Lent  
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** Friday of the Third Week of Lent  
Hos 14:2-10;  
Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 & 17, R. see v. 11 & 9a;  
Mk 12:28-34

**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  
2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23; Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6, R. v.6ab;  
Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21

***“Labor without stopping; do all the good works you can while you still have the time.”***  
**-St. John of God (Feast Day 3/8)**

**Dear Parishioners,**

Who is God? In the Greek philosophical approach, God is all-powerful, all-knowing, all-loving, and all-good. There is a great truth in this understanding.



However, it does seem to keep God at a distance, unchanging and unaffected by the world. God could seem to be indifferent to our plight.

For some, God seems to be more of an ultimate authority. God designs the plan of creation, brings everything into being, and order the universe according to God's pleasure. Human beings, having sinned, are seen as merely a disturbance to the beautiful balance God intended, as if we were a contamination in the harmony of the environment. With this understanding, God is a Judge constantly correcting and punishing us for our wickedness. While there is a truth to this perspective, I am grateful to say that it is not the fullness of who God is.

In the Person of Jesus Christ, God reveals His truest identity. The secrets of the Divine Heart is unveiled. To understand it fully, we will need to be eternal, like Him. In Jesus, the Timeless enters time and the Infinite becomes a creature. Jesus describes God as a Father, a Shepherd, or as a Bridegroom. Jesus shows us that God cares for us, endures our suffering with us, believes in our goodness, lays down His life for us, respects our free will, and desires to be with us for all eternity. This is not the cold, calculating, disappointed god we feared. This is a God of Love!

As St. Augustine would say, “Anything I could claim to know about God must be inaccurate, but I dare not say nothing.” We continually unpack the mystery of the divine until we are face to face with the Alpha-and-Omega. It is worth contemplating deeply the Beatific Vision that awaits His beloved.

To guide us in our Lenten Journey toward Easter, our parish has invited Jim Hogan to lead our Parish Mission on March 11, 12, and 13 at 7:00 PM each evening. His topic is, “God is Love.” Though the topic is deceptively simple, the message is astonishingly profound. Jim Hogan is an enthusiastic speaker and theologian who is sure to enlighten and enflame our hearts. Please join us as we dare to plunge into the depths of the question, “Who is God?”

In Christ,

*Father Michael J. Stalla*

## Third Sunday of Lent

### Offertory (includes EFT):

February 27 & 28 \$ 13,049.00

### Capital Campaign:

Capital Campaign Pledges: \$ 1,502,310.00

Capital Campaign Money Received: \$ 1,170,135.00

### Capital Projects:

Mortgage Balance \$ 452,897.00

The Loaves and Fishes Prayer Teams will not be praying with people after Mass at this time. If you would like to pray over the phone with someone please call Michele Poletti at (330)524-3931

# SS. COSMAS & DAMIAN

## LENTEN FISH FRY

### FISH DINNERS

2 Cod Fillets with Fries \$6.00  
and Cole Slaw

6 Shrimp with Fries and \$6.00  
Cole Slaw

### SIDES

French Fries \$2.00

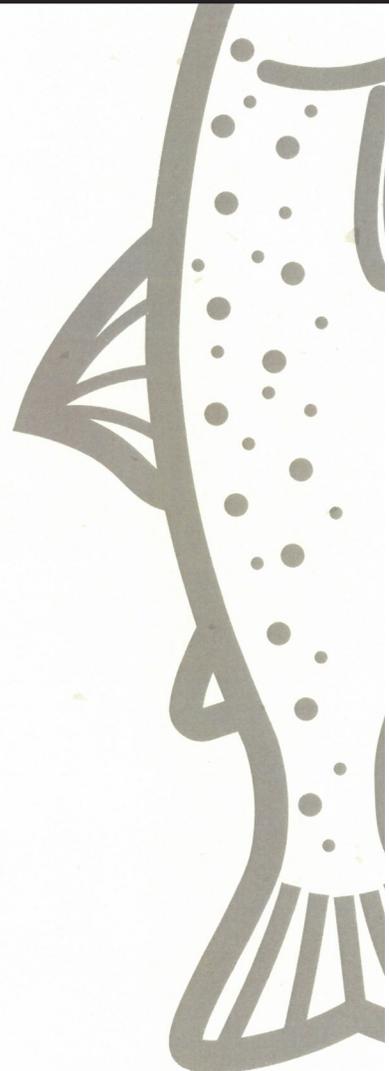
Mac n Cheese \$4.00

## Fridays in Lent 5-7pm

All Meals will be prepared by certified cooks and placed in to go containers. You can place your order by walking in or by calling (330)425-8141. You are welcome to stay and enjoy your meal at a table with people from your household.

\*There won't be any beverages provided this year. You are welcome to bring your own if you plan to stay and eat.

Due to popular demand we will be continuing our Fish Frys throughout the rest of Lent. Thank you so much for your support! We look forward to seeing you at the next Fish Fry!





## A GROUP FOR WOMEN

We hope that you will join us for some faith and fellowship as we chat and pray about what we can offer to the women of our parish, from social gathering to book studies, come and share your thoughts!

March 15 | 7pm | Twinhaven

Bring wine and a glass, or another beverage. We'll have snacks available, and will be socially distanced!

## Feminine Genius

THROUGH PRAYER AND DISCERNMENT, WE FELT THE CALL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT FOR A WOMEN'S RENEWAL DEDICATED TO GROWING AS WOMEN IN TODAY'S WORLD. COME JOIN US!

"Thank you, every woman, for the simple fact of being a woman! Through the insight which is so much a part of your womanhood you enrich the world's understanding and help to make human relations more honest and authentic."

- St. John Paul II



## FORMED®

PICK OF THE WEEK

March 7, 2021

### EVERYDAY HEROES

Heroism isn't restricted to decorated soldiers or persecuted saints. It's something achievable for all of us even in our ordinary lives. In this documentary, see how the Knights of Columbus have embodied this everyday heroism!

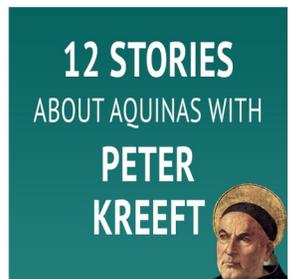


### LECTIO: THE CASE FOR JESUS

In nine sessions, Dr. Brant Pitre answers the key question of faith: Who is Jesus? Dr. Pitre presents evidence from early Christian and non-Christian writings that attest to the authenticity of the Gospels. Timed to lead up to the Triduum, Dr. Pitre looks in-depth at the accounts of Jesus's Crucifixion and Resurrection and his proclamation of divinity.

### 12 STORIES ABOUT AQUINAS WITH PETER KREEFT

St. Thomas Aquinas wrote the equivalent of 500 books, all with a quill pen! Join Dr. Peter Kreeft, an influential teacher of Catholic thought, as he shares some entertaining anecdotes from the life of this genius saint!



To set up your free account visit [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup) and select our parish.

## Third Sunday of Lent

Anyone thinking of ordering a brick for our Marian Grotto, please know that we will be placing an order **at the end of March**. Please, fill out the form that can be found on our parish website.

The Emergency Assistance is in need of the following items:

Thank You!

**Pancake mix  
Maple Syrup  
Canned Spam**



Thank you for your generosity!

**The Spring session of Centering Prayer will begin on Tuesday, March 16th.** After the first meeting, the following meetings will be held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, from April through June. They will be scheduled from 6pm—7pm and will be held in a Zoom format due to the COVID virus. All are welcome to participate for an hour of contemplative prayer. For more details please contact Deborah Brainard at [dbrainard5@gmail.com](mailto:dbrainard5@gmail.com) or (330)310-4045

Caron Soltis  
Linda Braun  
John Pfeifer Sr.  
Jonathan Sedor  
Maxine Barr  
Bill Rabatin  
Ralph Sickle  
Laura Ercolino  
Sally Raymont  
Jane Smejkal  
John Virgili  
Paul Studer  
Fran Carroll  
Jennifer Hunt

Taylor Prebel  
Pearl Rubino  
Rochelle Menezes  
Michael Menta  
Victoria Pang  
Frank Drago  
Don Swallow  
Theodore Gerycz  
Mark Magda  
Maureen DeCaro  
Jimmy Marn  
Michael Szugye  
Bill Soltis

*We Pray to the Lord...*

*May the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace.*

**Johanna Conner  
Mary Rose Szugye  
Charles Kuhn Sr.**

Our Love  
& Prayers

ARE WITH  
You & Your  
Family

**Adoration is open 24/7 to those scheduled except from 9am to 8pm on Saturdays**

### **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  
Tuesdays 1am  
Wednesdays 3am, 11pm  
Thursdays 12am  
Fridays 2am, 3am  
Saturdays 10pm (alt weeks)  
Sundays 1am**



Please contact Carol Twigger at 330-425-7688

### **Parish Mission**

Our Parish Mission will be taking place on the evenings of **March 11, 12, & 13, at 7:00pm**. Our presenter will be Jim Hogan. The theme for the three nights is "God is Love". With the specific topics for each night being as follows:

March 11 — "God is Real"  
March 12 — "The Trinity: God is Love"  
March 13 — "Jesus: God's Love Incarnate"

All three nights will be livestreamed through our Facebook page as well. We hope you'll join us for all three nights!

### **Attention Adorers!**

Please note that the Adoration Chapel will be closed beginning on Holy Thursday (4/1) at 7pm until 9am on Easter Monday (4/5).

**All prayers and responses will be RECITED**

**Entrance Antiphon**

My eyes are always on the Lord,  
for he rescues my feet from the snare.  
Turn to me and have mercy on me,  
for I am alone and poor.

**First Reading**

Exodus 20:1-17

In those days, God delivered all these commandments:  
“I, the Lord, am your God,  
who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of  
slavery. You shall not have other gods besides me.  
You shall not carve idols for yourselves  
in the shape of anything in the sky above  
or on the earth below or in the waters beneath the earth;  
you shall not bow down before them or worship them.  
For I, the Lord, your God am a jealous God, inflicting  
punishment for their fathers’ wickedness  
on the children of those who hate me,  
down to the third and fourth generation;  
but bestowing mercy down to the thousandth generation  
on the children of those who love me and keep my  
commandments.

“You shall not take the name of the Lord, your God, in  
vain. For the Lord will not leave unpunished  
the one who takes his name in vain.

“Remember to keep holy the sabbath day.  
Six days you may labor and do all your work,  
but the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord, your God.  
No work may be done then either by you, or your son or  
daughter, or your male or female slave, or your beast,  
or by the alien who lives with you.  
In six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth,  
the sea and all that is in them;  
but on the seventh day he rested.  
That is why the Lord has blessed the sabbath day and  
made it holy.

“Honor your father and your mother,  
that you may have a long life in the land  
which the Lord, your God, is giving you.  
You shall not kill.  
You shall not commit adultery.  
You shall not steal.  
You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.  
You shall not covet your neighbor’s house.  
You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife,  
nor his male or female slave, nor his ox or ass,  
nor anything else that belongs to him.”

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

**Responsorial Psalm**

*Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.*

The law of the Lord is perfect,  
refreshing the soul;  
The decree of the Lord is trustworthy,  
giving wisdom to the simple.

The precepts of the Lord are right,  
rejoicing the heart;  
the command of the Lord is clear,  
enlightening the eye.

The fear of the Lord is pure,  
enduring forever;  
the ordinances of the Lord are true,  
all of them just.

They are more precious than gold,  
than a heap of purest gold;  
sweeter than syrup  
or honey from the comb.

*Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.*

**Second Reading**

1 Corinthians 1:22-25

Brothers and sisters:  
Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but  
we proclaim Christ crucified,  
a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles,  
but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike,  
Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.  
For the foolishness of God is wiser than human  
wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than  
human strength.

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



## Gospel

John 2:13-25

Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables, and to those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, *Zeal for your house will consume me.* At this the Jews answered and said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking about the temple of his body. Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he has said this, and they came to believe the Scripture and the word Jesus had spoken. While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, many began to believe in his name when they saw the signs he was doing. But Jesus would not trust himself to them because he knew them all, and did not need anyone to testify about human nature. He himself understood it well.

The Gospel of the Lord

All Reply: 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 God 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

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## *Altar Flowers*

**Altar Flowers are on hold for the Lenten Season. They will resume again during the Easter Season.**

To find out more about and get your request on the schedule, please call Elizabeth Innocenzi at 216-533-0515



Its not too late to get signed up to have your picture taken for our photo directory. You can register online by following the directions on our website or by contacting Rachel Pollack at [Rachel@sscosmas-damian.org](mailto:Rachel@sscosmas-damian.org)

or

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