



Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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A member of the St. George Deanery

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday—9:00 until Noon

NORMAL MASS TIMES

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am and 9:30 am

Tuesday: 7:00 pm

Wednesday: 7:00 pm

Thursday: 7:00 pm

Friday: 7:55 am

CONFESSIONS

Tuesdays 6:30 pm

Saturdays 4:30 pm

Anytime by request

BAPTISMS

Baptisms will be celebrated anytime agreeable with Fr. Charles or Deacon Larry. For BAPTISM INSTRUCTION date and time check the bulletin. Please call the parish office to register.

MARRIAGE

Make arrangements at least six months ahead of time by calling the parish office. Do not set wedding date prior to contacting the parish office.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

RCIA classes run from September to May. These classes are for anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith or who wish to join the Church. Call the parish office to register.

FAITH ENRICHMENT

Religious Education Classes for the elementary students from August through May. Classes for the Junior High and High School students run September through March. Adult Enrichment: Bible Study, Spiritual development, missions and retreats. Check the bulletin for details.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND ELDERLY

Visitation and Eucharist will be provided by a Eucharistic Minister. A priest is available if needed. Notify the parish office about people in the hospital or shut-ins. If you are, or will be hospitalized because of a surgery or serious illness, contact the pastor to receive the Sacrament of Healing.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new to our St. Joseph Parish Family, please call or visit the parish office to register.

ALL ARE WELCOME HERE

Director of Music & Liturgy Chairperson

Mrs. Joyce Gasser 419-286-2989

Sacristans

Ms. Mary Luersman 419-286-2306

Mr. Dave Luersman 419-286-2489

Youth Minister

Mrs. Julie Fischbach 419-905-8472

Finance Council Chairman

Mr. Larry Schimmoeller 419-286-2170

Maintenance Chairman

Mr. Ted Verhoff 419-286-2480

Friends of Hope and Communion to Homebound

Mrs. Norma Maag 419-286-2265

Cemetery

Mr. Alan Calvelage 419-303-0560

Prayer Line

Mrs. Laurie Maag 419-234-6518

Maintenance & Hall Manager

Mr. Tony Recker 419-286-5100

Funeral Luncheon Committee

Mrs. Sue Knippen 419-236-9564





Intentions

Sat	01	5:00 pm	For Our Parish
Sun	02	7:30 am	Souls in Purgatory
		9:30 am	For Our Country
Mon	03		
Tues	04	7:00 pm	NO MASS
Wed	05	7:00 pm	NO MASS
Thurs	06	7:00 pm	Communion Service
Fri	07	7:55 am	Communion Service
Sat	08	5:00 pm	Paul Krietemeyer
Sun	09	7:30 am	Souls in Purgatory
		9:30 am	Bob Geise
			Richard & Dolly Friemoth

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Mon	07/03	Saint Thomas, Apostle	
		Eph 2:19-22	Jn 20:24-29
Tues	07/04	Independence Day	
		Gn 19:15-29	Mt 8:23-27
Wed	07/05	Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Priest	
		Saint Elizabeth of Portugal	
		Gn 21:5, 8-20a	Mt 8:28-34
Thu	07/06	Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin & Martyr	
		Gn 22:1b-19	Mt 9:1-8
Fri	07/07	Gn 23:1-4, 19, 24:1-8, 62-67	
			Mt 9:9-13
Sat	07/08	Gn 27:1-5, 15-20	Mt 9:14-17

2023 Diocesan Celebration of Wedding Anniversaries

Our Lady, Queen of the
Most Holy Rosary Cathedral
October 22, 2023 | 3:00 p.m.

If you are celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary in 2023 – 25, 40, 50, 60, or 60+ years – plan to join Bishop Daniel E. Thomas for the Order of Blessing Married Couples within Holy Mass. Registered couples receive a commemorative certificate and are invited to a reception following mass. To register visit:

www.toledoanniversarymass.org

WEEKDAY SERVERS

Tues, July 4 – 7 pm Connor Leis & Waylon Meyer
Wed July 5 – 7 pm Nolan Dube & Cayden Swick
Thurs, July 6 – 7:55 am Josie Anspach & Caleb Von Sossan

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: **July 8 & 9:**

SERVERS:

5:00 pm Danielle Weyrauch, Hudson Maag,
Jeremy Maag
7:30 am Adam Luersman, Bryce & Wyatt Gasser
9:30 am Owen & Sam Dube, Hannah Grote

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

5:00 pm Nancy Wiechart, Karen Young,
Amy Eickholt, Julie Fischbach,
Deena Walsh
7:30 am Volunteers Needed
9:30 am Tony & Kelly Recker, Teresa Wurst,
Anita Aldrich, Gilbert Burgei,
Brad Eickholt, Eva Hill

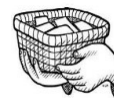
LECTORS:

5:00 pm Lisa Kaverman
7:30 am Volunteer Needed
9:30 am Phil Wurst

USHERS:

5:00 pm Kevin & Mandi Kahle
7:30 am Volunteers Needed
9:30 am Bryan & Shelley Hoersten

Please, Pray for the Sick of our Parish: Chloe
Wiegung, Annette Landwehr, Boston & Layla Korte



June 25, 2023

Envelopes	\$	2,493.25
Loose	\$	919.01
Maintenance	\$	270.00

YTD as of June 25, 2023 = \$ 195,056.39

YTD **Under** budget = \$ - 4,943.61

Sign up for Electronic Funds Transfer to have your contributions deducted directly from your bank account. Forms on our parish website or contact the parish office.

THANK YOU for your continued support.

BAPTISMS: To arrange a baptism please
Call the Parish Office or Deacon Larry (cell)
(419) 302-2532 or by email larry@fjsb.com.

BAPTISM CLASSES

Contact the Parish Office

**Attend a Pre-Marriage Preparation Class
before your marriage.**

Find Marriage Prep Classes at
<http://ToledoMarriagePrep.org>

Bulletin submissions deadline:
Wednesdays at 10 a.m.

BAPTIZED as new members of the Catholic Faith:
JACE JAMES & JOSIE CLAIRE LOOSER, children
of Christopher & Kara (Vennekotter) Looser. May the
Holy Spirit guide these parents as they share the faith
with Jace & Josie. Best wishes from the Catholic
community in Fort Jennings.

**Come join your fellow community
members** to help clean up, fix up, and update your
community. We will be meeting at the FJ Park at 7
pm on Wednesday July 6 & July 20. We will have
projects in the park and around the community to
complete. This is a community event, so all are
welcome to attend and help. If you have any
questions, contact Zach Liebrecht 419-796-9044.

St. Barbara Parish Festival, Cloverdale
on Sunday, July 9th. BBQ Chicken/Pork Dinners
(served 10:30 am-5:00 pm). Carry-outs available. Big
Ticket Grand Prize-\$1,000 (drawing-6:00 pm). Lunch
Stand, Beer Tent, Kid's Games, Raffle Booth, Bingo, Cash
Drawings, Bicycle Drawings & More.

Ottoville Rosary Altar Society **Bus Trip to Holmes
County**. Wednesday, September 13. Cost is \$100
which includes several shopping places such as Berlin
Antique Mall, Berlin Craft Mall, Tis the Season of
Christmas Shop, David Warthen's wood carving shop
and museum, and Ohio's market in Berlin. Lunch is at
the Berlin Farmstead restaurant (the buffet). Also, the
world's largest cuckoo clock. Reservation deadline is
August 31. Please call Sharon Meyer at 419-453-
3789 or Diane Bendele at 815-4551-0454.

Bishop Robert Barron's DVD Series on "THE MASS"
TUESDAYS JULY 11, 18, 25, 2023 at
ST. JOHN'S PARISH CENTER, 7:00 - 8:30 PM
109 N Main St. Glandorf, OH.

Walk through the Liturgy with Bishop Barron and be
transformed through insights on this most privileged
and intimate encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ. See
how the Mass brings us out of the fallen world and into
the heavenly realm, how it resonates with a call from
God and a response from his people, the Church, and
most importantly, how we are intimately joined with the
Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus through the
Holy Eucharist.

"THE MASS" will help you understand how to fully,
consciously, and actively participate in the source and
summit of the Christian life.

Come and Bring a Friend. Informational materials will
be available for Eucharistic Revival.

Women Invited to 'Learn, Pray, Share, Celebrate'

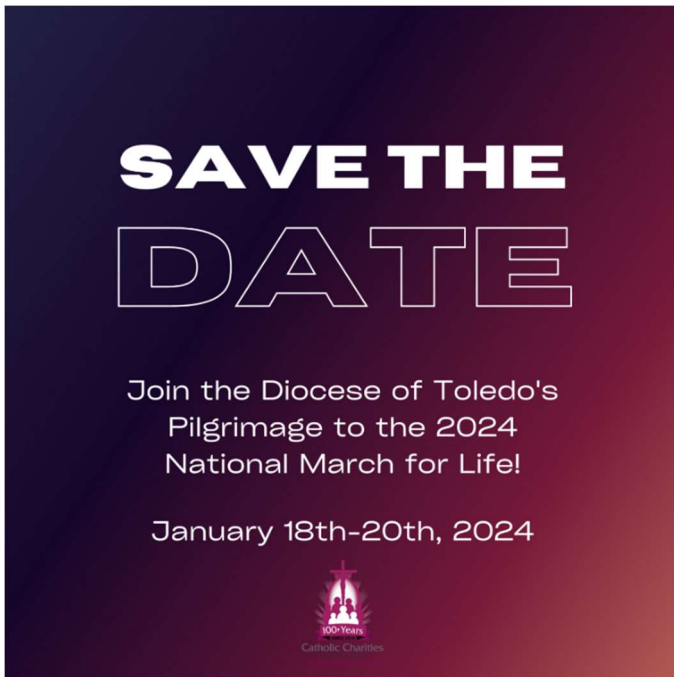
Are you a woman aged 19 or older considering God's call
for your life? If so, the Adrian Dominican Sisters invite
you to a special event to "Learn, Pray, Share, and
Celebrate" as you learn more about vowed Dominican life
or association with us.

Begins with lunch on Monday, August 7, & concludes at
about 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 8, 2023, the Feast of
St. Dominic. Participants have the opportunity to: engage
with St. Dominic's ways of prayer and with the early
women of the Order; celebrate the Feast of St. Dominic
with the Adrian Dominican Sisters through common
prayer and Eucharistic Liturgy. Visit with Sisters & other
women who are discerning a call for their lives.

This special event is hosted at Weber Retreat and
Conference Center on the Adrian Dominican Motherhouse
Campus, 1257 E. Siena Heights Drive, Adrian, Michigan,
and is offered at no charge. Please register online at
<https://tinyurl.com/ADSDiscern>.

For more information, email Sister Katherine Frazier, OP,
at kfrazier@adriandominicans.org or call or text her at
260-229-3045.

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Private Directed Retreat Offers Time for Prayer, Silence, Reflection, and Guidance

Do you need some quiet time with God and away from your busy life? Weber Retreat and Conference Center offers you the opportunity for this special time away from 2:00 p.m. Monday, July 10, 2023, through 1:00 p.m. Friday, July 14, 2023. The retreat gives participants ample time for prayer, quiet reflection, participation in campus liturgies, and a daily meeting with a spiritual director of their choice. Information on each is available on the Weber Center website, www.webercenter.org, under Programs.

The cost – which includes all meals for overnight guests and lunch for commuters – is \$260 for commuters, \$325 per person double occupancy, and \$450 single occupancy.

Registration is required and is available at www.webercenter.org; click on “programs.” Registrations may also be made by calling 517-266-4000 or emailing webercenter@adriandominicans.org. Limited scholarships are available.

Weber Center is on the campus of the Adrian Dominican Sisters’ Motherhouse, Adrian, Michigan. Traveling east on Siena Heights Drive, pass the Adrian Rea Literacy Center and turn left just before the solar panel-covered parking lot. Follow the signs to Weber Center. For information, call the Weber Center at 517-266-4000.

Truth & Light Town Hall Be Prepared to Defeat Ohio’s Pro-Abortion Constitutional Amendment.

Wednesday, July 19 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Knights of Columbus Hall, Kalida

Protect the Sanctity of Every Human Life

Come and find out what this extreme abortion amendment says.

What it means to us as Ohioans.

How it will affect parental rights.

How it will expand abortions in all nine months.

How it will hurt the health and safety of women and children and what will happen to our existing laws to protect life.

We need to defeat this amendment in the November election.

Also, come and find out why we need to support Issue 1 which raises the threshold to pass a constitutional amendment in Ohio from the present simple majority of 50% plus one to 60%.

Vote for Issue 1 on August 8.

Free of charge. A free-will offering will be received.

ITALY with Fr. Eric Mueller. November 6 - 17, 2023 \$4969 per person from Detroit Join Fr. Mueller on a pilgrimage to Italy! Walk in the footsteps of Sts. Francis and Claire in Assisi, St. (Padre) Pio in San Giovanni Rotondo, Sts. Benedict and Scholastica in Norcia and Montecassino. Stand in awe before the Eucharistic miracle of Lanciano and visit a cave in which St. Michael the Archangel appeared. Visit a Benedictine Monastery in Norcia. Tour the major basilicas in Rome, attend a papal audience, and tour some of the most ancient sites in Rome. Fr. Mueller will offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass daily. Reserve your spot by contacting Maggie at 419-290-8782 or maggie@catholicfaithjourneys.com. For more info, visit CatholicFaithJourneys.com/Italy23

Fort Fest giveaway - The thirteenth \$300 winner for the week of 6/26 is Ron Schimmoeller.