OFFICE HOURS
Monday, Wednesday, Friday—9:00 until Noon
E-mail address: stjoeparishofc@bright.net

NORMAL MASS TIMES
Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am and 9:30 am
Monday: 7:00 pm (Prayer Service)
Tuesday: 7:00 pm
Wednesday: 7:30 am
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 will be 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
St. Joseph Catholic Church, Fort Jennings, Ohio  

Jan 5, 2019

Mass Schedule

**Intentions**

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**THIS WEEK’S READINGS**

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**WEEKDAY SERVERS**

Owen Conley, Evan Ellerbrock, Sam Dube

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS - January 11 & 12:**

**SERVERS:**
- 5:00 pm Alex & Lexi Kahle, Madison Tumlinson
- 7:30 am Trent Siefker, Andrew Aldrich, Bryce Gasser
- 9:30 am Mason German, Hannah Grote, Leah Kazee

**OFFERTORY GIFTS:**
- 5:00 pm Volunteers Needed
- 7:30 am Volunteers Needed
- 9:30 am Volunteers Needed

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**
- 5:00 pm Jessica & Karen Young, Rita Beining, Don Bonifas, Amy Eickholt, Chloe Fields
- 9:30 am Volunteers Needed
- 7:30 am Don & Christy Good, Cassie Horstman, Mike Knippen, Jackie Kohls, Roger Luersman

**LECTORS:**
- 5:00 pm Shelly Knippen
- 7:30 am Volunteers Needed
- 9:30 am Karan Maenle

**USHERS:**
- 5:00 pm Todd, Jodi & Reese Von Sossan
- 7:30 am Volunteers Needed
- 9:30 am Tony & Chad Recker

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**THANK YOU** to those of you who donated to the Nigerian Mission. Once again, there was an overwhelming response for my plea to help the poor in my home country.

What you have done for these people cannot be measured. You have provided life for some by making it possible for them to have shelter, food, health care and education.

There is no way I can adequately express my gratitude to each of you. You have helped the poorest of the poor. May God Bless you for your generous hearts.

– Father Charles

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**December 29, 2019:**

- Envelopes: $2,077.00
- Loose: $862.00
- Maintenance: $1,065.00
- Dec. EFT Offertory: $1,950.00
- Dec. EFT Maintenance: $445.00
- Christmas Envelopes: $930.00
- Holy Day Envelopes: $15.00
- Initial Offering: $7.00
- Human Development: $10.00

YTD as of December 29, 2019 = $105,998.90
YTD Over Budget = $5,998.90

Thank you for your continued generosity!
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
Baptismal Class will be in January
Please attend instructions before the birth of the child.
**Call the Parish Office to register for class**
Attend a Pre-Marriage Preparation Class before your marriage.
Find Marriage Prep Classes at http://ToledoMarriagePrep.org
Bulletin submissions deadline: Wednesdays at Noon.

BAPTIZED as a New Member of the Catholic Faith on December 28, 2019:
Daniel Julius Neidert, son of Tyler and Eden (Schlagbaum) Neidert.

BAPTIZED as a New Member of the Catholic Faith on December 29, 2019:
Kailey Michelle Wannemacher, daughter of Nathan and Michelle (Knippen) Wannemacher.

May the Holy Spirit guide these parents as they share the Faith with Daniel and Kailey. Best wishes from the Catholic Community of Fort Jennings.

Effective 1-01-2020 the price of funeral meals will increase to $5 per plate. This is the first increase in price since the parish began preparing funeral lunches in the church basement. Due to increased costs for supplies we must increase the price per plate.

Holy Communion for the Sick at St. Rita’s – Visiting the sick is one of the corporal works of mercy and bringing Holy Communion to people in the hospital is a great way to practice this. St. Rita’s Medical Center is looking for volunteer Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist to share in the sacrament with patients. The Medical Center would provide orientation and training. If you are interested in service the sick, please contact Matt Etzkorn, Spiritual Care Director at 419-226-9531. Thank you!
~ Fr. Charles & Matt Etzkorn

Interested in leading the Rosary at 9:30 Mass one Sunday a month? If so, contact the parish office.

Diocese of Toledo Safe Environment Program in Full Compliance with USCCB Norms. Each year, the Diocese of Toledo is required to undergo an audit to ensure that it is in compliance with the articles of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. Bishop Daniel Thomas is pleased to announce that, for the fiscal year 2018-2019, the Diocese was found to be in full compliance with the requirements in the Charter.

The Diocese of Toledo remains committed to ensuring the protection of children and providing a safe environment for all young people. If you have any knowledge of abuse that has been committed by a cleric, or any employee or volunteer of the Catholic Church, please report the abuse to your local police department, Child Protection Services, and Mr. Frank DiLallo, Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator. Mr. DiLallo can be reached at (419) 214-4880 or by mail at 1933 Spielbusch Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43604

Come be our guest for mass, dinner and a talk on January 9 at 5:45PM at Lima Central Catholic High School. Maha Zehery will be speaking on her work as Changing Seasons Community Liaison. The evening is sponsored by The Serra Club of The Lima Area, which exists to promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life. To make a reservation, please call Kathy McGraw at 419-303-0339.

Would you like to eat your favorite foods while you learn how to lose weight? “Light Weigh One King” is a Bible study-DVD series without weigh-ins that gets you healthy physically and spiritually. A Light Weigh One King group will be meeting at St John’s Parish Center in Glandorf on Monday January 13 from 7:00-8:30 pm. This is a 12-week Catholic Bible Study DVD program recommended by priests, doctors, nurses & Prevention Magazine for weight-loss and health. View the Light Weigh Orientation video at: www.lightweigh.com. If you are interested in joining, please call Sue Leopold (419-538-6914) by Friday January 3 to order your program materials and join this life changing program!

Putnam County Right to Life will be meeting on Tuesday, January 7 at 7:30 pm in the home of Mary Jane Stechschulte (next to Kalida fire station). All are welcome. Also, our Rally for Life will be held on Sunday, January 12 at 2:00 pm at the American Legion hall in Ottawa.
A HUGE thank you to Christy Good and her volunteer elves that decorated our Church for the Christmas Season. We have the most beautiful Church in the area!! The many trees in the Narthex, around the walls of Church and the HUGE tree in front, not to mention the decorations on each windowsill, flowers behind the altar, the Nativity and poinsettias, the church looks AMAZING!! You do so much hard work to make God’s house a beautiful place to worship and it is so greatly appreciated!! Thank you from Father Charles and each and every parishioner for doing all of this.

There were many, many more on the decorating team but they must not have been as photogenic as Don & Jim. Thank you to each and every single person who decorated!