Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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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
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 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

November 24, 2019

Intentions

Sat 23  5:00 pm Dick German
FJ Class of 1969
Carl & Millie Metzger Family
Kent Staup

Sun 24  7:30 am For Families in Turmoil
9:30 am For Holy Souls in Purgatory

Mon 25  7:00 pm Prayer Service

Tues 26  7:00 pm Bob & Alma Good
George & Carol Hellman
~ 66th Wedding Anniversary

Wed 27  7:30 am NO MASS
7:00 pm In Thanksgiving to God
Bob Calvelage
John & Hilda Pohl

Thurs 28  Happy Thanksgiving
No Mass on Thanksgiving Day

Fri 29  7:55 am For those Suffering Chronic Pain

Sat 30  5:00 pm Carol Meyer

Sun 01  7:30 am Don Herman
9:30 am Tom & Mid Stechschulte
Alan Schroeder

WEEKDAY SERVERS
Tuesday November 26, and Friday November 29,
Owen Conley, Adelynn Myers, and Bailey Hile

LITURGICAL MINISTERS - Nov. 30 & Dec. 1:
SERVERS:
5:00pm  Taylor Liebrecht, Carley Von Sossan,
Rachael Von Sossan
7:30 am Derek & Danielle Weyrauch,
Elizabeth Meyer
9:30 am Madison Tumlinson, Andrew Aldrich,
Emily Luersman

OFFERTORY GIFTS:
5:00 pm  Carol Meyer Family
7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
9:30 am  Dan & Alice Stechschulte

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:
5:00 pm Jessica Young, Rita Beining,
Amy Eickholt, Chloe Fields,
Deena Walsh, Sharon Kleman
7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
9:30 am  Doug Sickels, Logan Sickels,
Denise Sukup, Lisa Wisner,
Teresa Wurst, Nicole Wrasman

LECTORS:
5:00 pm  Dave Luersman
7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
9:30 am  Andrea Recker

USHERS:
5:00 pm  Dan & Alice Stechschulte
7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
9:30 am  Karl Schimmoeller, Collin Sickels

THIS WEEK’S READINGS

Mon 11/25  Saint Catherine of Alexandria,
Virgin & Martyr
Dn 1:1-6, 8-20  Lk 21:1-4

Tues 11/26  Dn 2:31-45  Lk 21:5-11

Wed 11/27  Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28
Lk 21:12-19

Thu 11/28  Thanksgiving Day
Dn 6:12-28  Lk 21:20-28

Fri 11/29  Dn 7:2-14  Lk 21:28-33

Sat 11/30  Saint Andrew, Apostle
Rom 10:9-18  Mt 4:18-22

SANTA IS COMING!
Saturday, November 30
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Memorial Hall
Bring Santa your list!!
Sponsored by FJ Women’s Club

November 16 & 17, 2019
Envelopes  $ 2,664.20
Loose  $ 1,058.25
Maintenance  $ 35.00
Cemetery Donation  $ 130.00
Pew Rent  $ 423.00
Priest Retirement  $ 10.00
All Saint’s Day  $ 20.00
Human Development  $ 10.00
Christmas Flowers  $ 400.00

YTD as of November 17, 2019 = $79,779.63
YTD Under Budget = $ -220.37

Serves Needed for a Wedding on November 30th. If you would like to serve, please contact the Parish Office to volunteers. Good way to get Confirmation Service Hours.
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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
Baptsimal 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

PARISH OFFICE will be CLOSED, Wednesday, Nov. 27 & Friday, Nov. 29. Will be open Monday, Nov. 25. Bulletin item deadline for next week is Monday, Nov. 25 at 10 a.m.

BAPTIZED as a new member of the Catholic Church:
ALLEGRA BERNICE MILLER, daughter of Nicholas & Traci (Hammond) Miller. May the Holy Spirit guide these parents in sharing the faith with Allegra. Best wishes from the Catholic Community in Fort Jennings.

United in Holy Matrimony according to the Rites of the Catholic Church on November 17, 2019:
Tyler Joseph Dray, son of Tim & Mary (Huegel) Dray and MiKenzie Lou Zullo, daughter of Michael & Jennifer Zullo. May the Lord grant Tyler & MiKenzie many happy, holy years together. Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Tyler & MiKenzie Dray.


SAVE THE DATE for the 2020 Welcome (CHRP 2.0) Women’s retreat, which has been scheduled for the weekend of Feb 29-March 1, 2020, here at St Joseph’s.

Glandorf St. John’s, Advent by Candlelight Presents Mary Beth Weisenburger speaking on “Mary, Elizabeth and Friends: The Art (and Science) of Accompaniment”. Sunday, Dec. 1st @ 7:00pm. All WOMEN are invited. If you are interested in hosting a table, or attending or hearing more about this event, please contact/text Jeanette @ 419-890-3724 or email jmschroeder51@gmail.com.

Thanksgiving Mass Drive
Donations can be dropped off in the Narthex prior to Thanksgiving Mass on Wednesday, November 27th at 7:00 p.m. or any time before then. All food items are welcome, you can bring frozen meat to the Mass on Wednesday, Nov. 27, (please do not leave any frozen items in the Narthex prior to Thanksgiving Mass. Need: spaghetti & sauce, rice, noodles, cereal, crackers, hamburger helper, boxed mashed potatoes, boxed scallop potatoes, beans, canned tomatoes, soup, canned corn, canned fruit, peanut butter, toilet paper. Donations will be given to St. Joseph Food Pantry; extra given to the Ottawa Food Pantry. Cash donations always welcome.

Thanksgiving Mass Ministry Schedule
Wednesday, Nov. 27 at 7 p.m.

Servers: Alex & Lexi Kahle, Christine Hubert

Eucharistic Ministers:
Rose Ann Vetter, Jodi Von Sossan, Eva Von Sossan, Derek Weyrauch, Nancy Wiechart, Becky Uphaus

Lector: Shelly Knippen

Narrative of Offertory: Kristen Luersman
Candle: Kayleigh Meyer
Family Picture: Cal Menke & Family
Textbook: Sam Dube
Flag: Travis Tenwalde
Offertory Gifts: McElroy Family
Food Basket: Uphaus Family
Litany of Thanks: Lydia Mormon

FJ School News

Native American Exhibit - On November 26th from 1:30-2:30 the 5th grade students at Fort Jennings’ Elementary will be showcasing their Native American Projects in the Auditeria. Please come and experience the hard work and creativity of our students while they present the wide variety of American Indian cultures they have discovered. Students will be displaying their projects as well as presenting facts about the different tribes they have studied.
For the past 3 weeks we asked our St. Josephs Jr. High & high school students to bring in money to help support an organization in our St. George Deanery, called Saint Catherine’s Embrace. Our students brought in a total of $133.31, Great job! This organization is for local families who have lost a baby through miscarriage or stillbirth. They offer helpful educational materials, companionsing & prayer support and compassionate resources. Every year in October there is a healing Memorial Mass. Every parish in our Deanery has a trained volunteer ready to assist those in need. Contact your parish for outreach needs. For sponsorship or other questions contact Mary Beth Weisenburger (419) 980-8065.

Annual American Legion Flag Burning will be held Saturday November 30th. At 11 am. at the Legion Post. Bring tattered and torn and faded flags to Legion prior to Nov. 30th. There is a drop off Box at the Legion on the East side for your convenience.

Ft Jennings American Legion Thanksgiving Day Buffet - Thursday, Nov. 28th from 10:30 -1:30, in the main hall, plenty of room for large groups. Menu includes: Roast Turkey, Roast Pork, Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Sweet Potatoes, Noodles, Dressing, Corn, Green Beans, Side Salad, Homemade bread, Rolls, & Dessert Bar. Beverages Extra. Adults $12.95, Children 10 & under $6.50 Age 2 and under free. For Reservations call 419-286-2100 during restaurant hours Tues, Wed, Thurs 6-1 and Sundays 6-1 and 4-7; Open Thanksgiving 6am – 1:30. OPEN TO PUBLIC DURING RESTAURANT HOURS

EVERY DONATION Parishioners make Reduces the Amount the Parish is Mandated to Pay. Your gift benefits our retired diocesan priests and your Parish. Once a priest retires, he is responsible for his own personal expenses: medical, housing, car, clothing and food. All funds contributed before December 31, 2019 help reduce the amount the parish contributes. Envelopes are in the pews and on the back table. A gift of cash or check can be sent to Perpetuate the Gift, PO Box 954, Toledo, OH 43697 or placed in the parish collection. A gift may also be made online at www.toledodiocese.org.

Lima Chapter of Magnificat Breakfast - The Lima Chapter of Magnificat, a Ministry to Catholic Women, will be held on December 7, at the Old Barn Out Back. Our speaker will be Joan Nunnery, from Port Clinton, Ohio. Registration 9:30 a.m. Please call Kay Smith at 419-339-8971 by December 4. Cost is $10.00 (which includes: breakfast, speaker, and handouts)

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES
Tuesday, Dec. 3 at 4 & 7 p.m. in Glandorf
Wednesday, Dec. 4 at 7 p.m. in Miller City
Thursday, Dec. 5 at 7 p.m. in Leipsic
Sunday, Dec. 8 at 2 p.m. in Ottoville
Tuesday, Dec. 10 at 4 & 7 p.m. in Kalida
Wednesday, Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. in Fort Jennings
Thursday, Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. in Columbus Grove
Monday, Dec. 16 at 4 & 7 p.m. in Ottawa

FLYING SOUTH FOR THE WINTER?? Would you like to ensure that your parish is taken care of in your absence? Winter months are when our expenses are higher due to heating costs and it's important, we have the support of our parishioners. We now offer Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) offertory service that can be taken directly out of your bank account bi-weekly or monthly on the date you choose. Want the ease of not having to remember your envelope each week at Mass? Then this service is for you! EFT forms can be found on the parish website, at church exits or by contacting the parish office.

CLC Members - The Christmas party will be on Wednesday, Dec.11 with Kalida CLC in the Kalida church basement. Doors open at 5:30, eat at 6. Cost is $5 payable at the door. Please call Shelley Hoersten to make your reservations. 419-286-2383 Deadline is December 5. See you there!!

FISH FRY at the FJ Legion, Dec. 13, 4:30-6:30 pm. All you can eat, while it lasts. $9 Dine in, $8 Carry-out.

First Friday Mass will be celebrated December 6th 7:00 pm at Domus Angelorum Retreat House, located at 21706 State Route 114, Cloverdale at 7:00 pm. All are welcome.

Retreat at Domus Angelorum Retreat Center will be conducting a retreat on the topic “Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her”. John 8:7 on Saturday, Dec. 14th. The day begins with Mass at 8:30 am, registration & Adoration following. The day concludes with Confession and Benedictions at 3:00 pm. Retreat leader will be Father Herman Scherger. Costs is $10 per person, bring a packed lunch. All are welcome.

“CHRISTMAS IN THE COUNTY” Craft Show & Bake Sale on Sunday, Nov. 24 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, New Bavaria. St. Rt. 108 North of Miller City to Henry County Road Y. Free Admission, Hourly Door Prizes, Baked Goods, Crafters, Raffles. Lunch served all day.