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 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                                             February 16, 2020

Sat  15  5:00 pm  Leonard & Mickie Ricker  Diane Carder  George Donaldson
Sun  16  7:30 am  Urban & Marguerite Wieging  Hessling & Schimmoeller  Families
Mon  17  7:00 pm  Prayer Service
Tues 18  7:00 pm  For Souls in Purgatory that have no one to pray for them
Wed  19  7:30 am  For Catholics that have fallen away from the church
Thurs 20  7:00 pm  For Troubled Marriages
Fri  21  7:55 am  For Fort Jennings Students
Sat  22  5:00 pm  Paul Menke
Sun  23  7:30 am  For Our Parish  9:30 am  Bob Heitmeyer

**THIS WEEK’S READINGS**

Mon 02/17  The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order  Jas 1:1-11  Mk 8:11-13
Tues 02/18  Jas 1:12-19  Mk 8:14-21
Wed 02/19  Jas 1:19-27  Mk 8:22-26
Thu 02/20  Jas 2:1-9  Mk 8:27-33
Fri 02/21  Saint Peter Damian, Bishop  Jas 2:14-24, 26  Mk 8:34-9:1
Sat 02/22  The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle  1 Pt 5:1-4  Mt 16:13-19

**WEEKDAY SERVERS**

Tuesday, Feb. 18, Thursday, Feb. 20 & Friday, Feb. 21  
Owen Conley, Evan Ellerbrock, Sam Dube

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS - ** February 22 & 23:

**SERVERS:**

5:00pm  Abigail Koester, Brayden Calvelage, Isabella Conley
7:30 am  Elizabeth Howbert, Emily Luersman, Trent Siefker
9:30 am  Chase Neidert, Taylor Liebrecht, Madison Tumlinson

**OFFERTORY GIFTS:**

5:00 pm  Family of Paul Menke
7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
9:30 am  Volunteers Needed

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

5:00 pm  Shelly Knippen, Sue Knippen, Kathy Luersman, Kristen Luersman, Kathy Lucas, Alaina Maag
7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
9:30 am  Mike Knippen, Jackie Kohls, Roger Luersman, Julie Fischbach, Rachael Luersman, Tim Luersman

**LECTORS:**

5:00 pm  Melissa Wurst
7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
9:30 am  Matt Dube

**USHERS:**

5:00 pm  Jerry Vetter, Roger Trentman
7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
9:30 am  Darren Beining, Charlie Gerdeman

Pray for the Sick:  Please call to add a parishioner

**SAVEx THE DATE!!**

**Parish Mission**

**March 22, 23, & 24**  
(6 – 8 p.m. each evening)

**Our parish will be holding a parish mission.** The speaker will be Rich Curran. Rich is known by his titles...father, husband, disciple, trainer, author & itinerant preacher. By occupation, he is a national Catholic speaker & ministry coach who addresses over 50,000 youth and adults each year. He is the Author of We Lack for Nothing, numerous magazine articles & blogs. Rich receives invitations from dioceses, parishes, & schools across the United States to inspire, teach & train their members. He is a regular presenter at national, regional & diocesan Catholic conferences, school assemblies, parish missions & staff leadership days. This is sure to be an informative & exciting event you won’t want to miss.

**February 9, 2020:**

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**YTD as of February 9, 2020 = $ 133,627.58**

**YTD Over Budget = $ 7,627.58**

Thank you for your continued generosity!
SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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
Next Baptismal Class will be in March. 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.

RECENT OBITUARIES

OUR SYMPATHY goes out to the Family and Friends of Leonard “Kitty” Bruskotter; to his wife, Leona (Gasser) to his children Dale (Joan) Bruskotter and Sandy (Mike) Gerdeman. He died February 4 at the age of 91. May the Lord grant Kitty eternal rest and life in the Kingdom.

BAPTIZED as a new member of the of Catholic Faith: BROOKS RICHARD WARNEMENT, son of Jay & Molly (Venderley) Warnement. May the Holy Spirit guide these parents as they share the faith with Brooks. Best Wishes from the Catholic Community in Fort Jennings.

CRHP Women’s Retreat is February 29 – There are registrations forms on the table by the elevator in the Narthex. Make sure to return any tag items from the Giving Tree by February 25th. There is a tote in the narthex marked “CHRP Donations”. Thank You!

We want to express our sincere thanks and gratitude to Fr. Charles for his numerous visits and the beautiful Mass. Thanks to Joyce Gasser and the choir for an outstanding job. To the Friends of Hope... you are truly angels of God – thank you. Thank you to the ladies of the Funeral Luncheon for the preparation of the meal, it was delicious. Thanks to everyone for their donations, kind words & support. - Leo Bruskotter Family

THANK YOU to Fr. Charles and all the parishioners who came to the viewing, attended the funeral, sent gifts, gave donations, sent cards (especially the elementary religion students), brought food and said prayers at the passing of my dad, Ken Okuley. Also, a special thank you to Elaine Wehri for playing organ at the funeral. The prayers and support of this wonderful community continues to provide comfort and peace at a very difficult time. ~ Kelly, Charlie & Lexie Stant

A big THANK YOU to the Fort Jennings Lion’s Club for donating ½ a hog to the St. Joseph Food Pantry!! Your very generous donation will feed many local residents in need.

Save the Date! Annual Parish Festival on Sunday, August 9th Preparations for the festival will begin soon. We would love to hear from you if you have suggestions or feedback that we can take into consideration in order to continue to make our festival a fun weekend of fellowship for all of you. We're always looking for workers at our booths as well as individuals who are willing to step up and manage individual booths. Please, reach out to us via email with your ideas and/or willingness to serve. StJosephParishFestival@gmail.com ~ St. Joseph's Festival Committee

The second issue of Graceful Living, the Diocese of Toledo’s magazine, is here! Copies are at the church exits. You can also see the magazine online! Visit toledodiocese.org.

FJ FIREMEN’S BREAKFAST THIS WEEKEND, Sunday, February 16th, 8:00 - 11 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall. Dine & carry-outs. Pancakes, sausage, eggs, juice & coffee for $5.00, preschool and under free. Come support those who keep us safe!!
FISH DINNER at FJ Legion Restaurant on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 26th from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. 3 pcs of fish, French fries, coleslaw & roll for $7.50. Carry-Outs available. All you can eat FISH FRY every Friday during Lent starting February 28th.

Change in Hours at the FJ Legion Restaurant: Starting Friday, Feb. 21st the restaurant will be open on Fridays. Sundays: 6-1 & 4-7:30, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 6 am-1pm.

The FJHS Class of 1970 will be celebrating their 50th Class Reunion with a dinner at WW&R on Saturday, August 15, 2020. Current contact information is needed for all classmates. Please email information to Karen (Lause) Mustard at mustard.karen@yahoo.com or to 4264 Stream Bank Lane, Hilliard OH 43026.

All-You-Can-Eat Fish & Chicken Fry, Sunday, February 23rd from 4:00-7:00 p.m. in the Cloverdale St. Barbara Parish Center. Adults-$8.00, Children (12 & under)-$4.00. Carry-outs available. In case of inclement weather, it will be held the following Sunday, March 1st. All are welcome!

Homemade Soup and Sandwich Supper on Sunday, March 8 from 3:30 – 7:00 PM at Landeck, St. John. Homemade Chili, Potato, Chicken Noodle and German Cabbage Soup, Venedocia Lions Sausage Sandwich, Shredded Chicken Sandwich, veggies, and Homemade ice cream. Carry Outs available. Freewill Offering Event. Venedocia bulk sausage (2lb. pkg) for $8.00 available for purchase and Homemade ice cream in quart size for $4.00.

The Lima Chapter of Magnificat, a Ministry for Catholic Women, will be held on March 7, at the Old Barn out Back. Our speaker will be Sharree Brenneman-Reehling, Coordinator of the Lima Chapter of Magnificat, & a member of Delphos St. John’s Catholic Church. Registration 9:30 a.m. Please call Kay Smith at 419-339-8971 by March 4, 2020. Cost is $10.00

Putnam County Right to Life Garage & Bake Sale: Wednesday, March 18th from 9 - 7; Thursday, March 19th from 9 - 3; at the Ottawa KofC Hall (10759 Road H). Bring baked goods and gently used items to the hall on Tuesday, March 17th from 9 am to 6 pm.

Please pray for those from Fort Jennings currently serving in the Military: Jeremy Neidert, Justin Tumlinson, Ryan Kraner, Michael Boehmer, Alan Fischbach, Austin Weyrauch, Austin Kehres, Matt Schramm

A letter from Bishop Thomas was sent out asking for your gift and/or pledge to support the ministries of the Diocese of Toledo. This letter gives all registered parishioners an opportunity to contribute to the Appeal, especially those who are unable to attend Mass. The Annual Catholic Appeal will be unbelievably successful if every member of our parish carefully considers their circumstances and truly strives to give a significant gift. Please give prayerful consideration to your level of support to help fund the essential ministries and services supported by the Appeal. To learn more about the appeal visit Toledodiocese.org/ACA.

2020 Fort Jennings Park 10K Giveaway
$20.00 Per Ticket Donation. Twenty- $300.00 Weekly Winners starting March 30, 2020. (Winning ticket number must match the Monday evening Ohio Lottery 3-Digit number). Five - $200.00 Cash Prize Winners August 14, 2020 (Winners must be present) $3,000.00 Grand Prize Winner ($1,500.00 if not present). Drawing Friday, August 14, 2020; 9:00 pm at Fort Fest. Visit the Fort Jennings Park Facebook Page for more information. As always, we THANK YOU for your continued support!

40 Days for Life Campaign begins February 26
Catholic Charities is hosting the ecumenical 40 Days for Life campaign in Northwest Ohio from February 26 – April 5. You can participate in three ways: prayer and fasting, community outreach and peaceful vigil. We invite you to pray for an hour in front of Capital Care of Toledo, located at 1160 W. Sylvania Avenue. To learn more to sign up for daily prayer intentions, hours of prayer and information on upcoming events visit: www.40daysforlife.com/toledo.

Your Life was Meant to have a Purpose Retreat for high school sophomores, juniors & seniors. Boys Feb 21-23, Girls Feb. 28 – Mar. 1, go to the website www.PurposeToledo.com for more information