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: No Mass
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

February 24, 2019

Intentions

Sat  23  5:00 pm  Victims of Human Trafficking
Sun  24  7:30 am  For Souls in Purgatory
         9:30 am  For Those with Depression
Mon  25  7:00 pm  Prayer Service
Tues 26  7:00 pm  Betty Hooks
         Gerald Saum
Wed  27  7:30 am  For Parishioners with Cancer
Thur 28  7:00 pm  In Thanksgiving to God
Fri 01  FIRST FRIDAY
         7:55 am for the healing of the Sacred
         Heart of Jesus, our own sins and
         the sins of the world.

~Exposition after Mass with Closing at Noon~

Sat  02  FIRST SATURDAY
         7:00 am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
         8:00 am For the Immaculate Heart of Mary
         5:00 pm Richard “Dick” German
Sun  03  7:30 am  For Souls in Purgatory
         9:30 am  For Emergency Responders
         Leona Schimmoeller

This Week’s Readings

Mon 02/25 Sir 1:1-10  Mk 9:14-29
Tues 02/26 Sir 2:1-11  Mk 9:30-37
Wed 02/27 Sir 4:11-19  Mk 9:38-40
Thu 02/28 Sir 5:1-8  Mk 9:41-50
Fri 03/01 Sir 6:5-17  Mk 10:1-12
Sat 03/02 Sir 17:1-15  Mk 10:13-16

WEEKDAY SERVERS:
Tuesday, February 26 & Friday, March 1
Anna Menke, Sidney Ricker, Andrew Kahle

Thursday, February 27 & Saturday, March 2
Owen Conley, Evan Ellerbrock, Owen Calvelage

LITURGICAL MINISTERS -  March 2 & 3:
SERVERS:
5:00 pm  Noah Wittler, Emilee Calvelage,
         Chloe Fields
7:30 am  Brook Hellman, Evan Hoersten,
         Cody Horstman
9:30 am  Grace Fischbach, Reilly Fitzpatrick,
         Elizabeth Howbert

OFFERTORY GIFTS:
5:00 pm  Family of Dick German
7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
9:30 am  FJ Firefighters

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:
5:00 pm  Christina Gerdeman, Rita Beining,
         Don Bonifas, Amy Eickholt,
         Nick Fields, Deena Walsh
7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
9:30 am  Matt Dube, Deb Dulle, Brad Eickholt,
         Julie Fischbach, Norm & Kathy Fischer

LECTORS:
5:00 pm  Penny Gerdeman
7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
9:30 am  Shirley Hammond

USHERS:
5:00 pm  Rick Horstman, Ralph Knippen
7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
9:30 am  Tom & Pat Liebrecht

Please Pray for the Sick:
Penney Gerdeman & Cheryl Maziers

40 Days Prayer Novena
to the Precious Blood of Jesus Christ

Begins on Monday, March 4th
&
Ends on Friday, April 12th

Every Monday
6:30 pm - Chaplet of Precious Blood
7:00 pm – Precious Blood Mass

February 17, 2019

Envelopes $ 2,643.55
Loose $ 632.00
Maintenance $ 375.00

YTD as of Feb. 17, 2019 = $ 128,700.34
YTD Under Budget = $ - 3,299.66

Thank you for your continued generosity!
LENTEN SPIRITUAL BOOK RECOMMENDATION: As 2019 Lenten Season draws ever nearer, the good Lord is giving us another opportunity to experience once again the holiest time of the year as His people. In view of this, People of God, I passionately as your Pastor ask you to avail yourselves of this singular opportunity to make plans of becoming more prayerful, holy and spiritual; and thus, candidates of the Kingdom of Heaven.

Sequel to this, I sincerely wish to recommend a spiritual book for your Lenten spiritual exercise, reading and reflection which can be purchased at amazon: “An Introduction to Devout Life” by St. Francis de Sales.

- Fr. Charles

SAVE THE DATE – Sunday, March 24th for our next speaker: David Onysko from “Man in the Shroud Ministries”. In 1983, David Onysko earned a Bachelor of Science Degree from Cleveland State University with a master’s in education in 1991. After two decades of teaching, he is turning his full-time attention to Sindonology (the study of the Shroud). David’s interest has led him to many scientific/theological conferences (St. Louis, Rome, Dallas, New York, etc.) Over the years, he has spoken to thousands about the Shroud of Turin, including international audiences. In April 1998, David and a world-wide press corps viewed the Shroud during a private 45-minute showing. In August 2000, David and his family traveled to Turin, Italy to see the image during the Shroud's Jubilee Exposition. He has been presenting the continuing story of the Shroud of Turin since the late 1980s.

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.

St. George Deanery Senior Citizen Prom – March 17 at Kalida KofC Hall doors open at 4:00pm. Dinner at 5:00pm. Wear your green and come enjoy good food, entertainment, games and door prizes during our St. Patrick’s Day themed event. This is a free event for everyone (21-99), sponsored by the Youth Ministers and High School Students of the St. George Deanery. Donations accepted. RSVP by calling the parish office (419-532-3494) by Monday, March 4. High school students from St. Joseph please consider helping at this event, for more information contact Rhonda Liebrecht, Youth Minister 419-796-9044.

All Juniors and Seniors please consider participating in a weekend experience with other teens. TEC - Teens Encounter Christ it is a dynamic life-giving experience based on Pascal Mystery: the life, death, resurrection, and mission of Jesus Christ.

TEC schedule for 2019:
#445 Ladies Mar. 2-4
#446 Gentlemen Mar. 23-25
#448 Gentlemen Apr. 27-29

For more information contact Rhonda Liebrecht or look online at http://TEC.DioceseOfToledo.org

St. John The Baptist, Glandorf LENTEN MISSION, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20. Carol & Kristen Kurivial of Luminous Ministries Presents “The Demands of Love - Through Mary’s Eyes” Mass 6:00pm: Presentation starts at 6:40pm in St. John’s Church Come experience, Mary’s life as never seen before, from her YES to JESUS death. Bring the whole family to this Energizing, Prayerful Experience.
First Friday Latin Mass - Latin Mass will be celebrated March 1st at 7:00 pm at Domus Angelorum Retreat House, located at 21706 State Route 114, Cloverdale, OH. All are welcome.

WARNING: Email Scam... the parish office received an email from “Father Charles Obinwa” from the email address obinwacm@tjennings.org this week with the subject line as “Assist” The body of the email states; “How are you? Could you please email back to me? I need a favor from you and it's something personal between us.” This is NOT an email from Father Charles, if you get such an email. Delete it and DO NOT RESPOND, it is a scam. Just wanted to make our parishioners aware in case some of you received the same email.

What would you say if asked, "Why are you Catholic?" Unsure because you've always been Catholic? Come join other young adults aged 22-39 for the "Choosing to be Catholic Retreat" with Charis ministries on March 23-24 at the Parish Center in Ottoville. Hear young adults share what being Catholic. This retreat is for any young adult in the diocese. For information send a message to CharisDioceseOfToledo@gmail.com.

How are you planning to dive in and get the most out of our Lent? Consider letting a religious Sister or Brother be your faith sharing partner. You don't need to go anywhere special. Just commit to connecting with your partner 3-4 times during Lent by means of Facetime, Whatsapp, Video Instant Messenger or by telephone. Share what it is stirring in your heart as you pray the Lenten Scripture readings. This opportunity is available for those age 20-39, male or female, single or married. Register at 1on1Sharing@snd1.org by Feb. 27

CATHOLIC PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION 2019-2020-Glandorf St. John’s Catholic Preschool registration will be March 27 at 7 PM at St. John’s Parish Center. Registration forms are available at http://stjohn glandorf.org or at 419 538 6264.

Join us April 6th on a trip to LaComedia Dinner Theater to see “Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat”. The story of Joseph from Genesis Ch 37. Cost is $90 per person, includes coach bus, buffet dinner & show. Contact Don Rall to reserve your seat 419.969.0521 drall323@gmail.com

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church located at 2200 Elm St., Lima, presents “Restoration Mission” with Josh Blakesley. Josh will be ministering at the Mission on Sunday & Monday, March 10 & 11 at 7:00 PM-9:00 PM. Admission is free. For more information, contact Angie Soules at 419.228.7635, soulesa@stcharleslima.org.

Vicki Doty and Jerry Bunn, retired teachers from Ottawa-Glandorf and Col. Grove, are organizing a tour of the heart of Spain, March 19-30, 2020, through GoAhead Tours. We will visit Barcelona, La Sagrada Familia, Gaudi’s “House of Bones”, the 1992 Olympic site, and the Placa d’Espanya, Madrid, Cordoba, Seville & Costa Del Sol on the Mediterranean Sea. Cost of the tour, depending on how many sign up, will be under $4,000. Trip includes high speed train rides in Spain. For more details: http://www.grouptoursite.com/tours/spainwithjerrybunn or Jerry Bunn 419-957-3430 or Vicki Doty 419-233-4234.

Knights of Columbus Informational Seminars: Using the New 2018 Tax Brackets to your advantage; Determining Optimum annual IRA Distribution Amounts and Best Age to begin Social Security Benefits. Seminars open to the public. Meals provided. Please RSVP to 419-538-6438 at least one day in advance.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD CALENDAR

Tuesday February 26 Schnipke Inn 9-10am
Tuesday February 26 Ottawa KofC Hall 6-7pm
Wednesday February 27 Hoyt's, Kalida 9-10am
Wednesday February 27 Ottoville Parish Center Family Room 6-7pm
Tuesday March 5 St. Anthony's Church Basement 6-7pm

You are invited to join the Lenten Religious Retreat Pilgrimage to Alabama. Visit 3 shrines, a successful rehab center, 5 beautiful churches and EWTN. You will be able to attend daily Mass, as well as opportunities for the rosary, Penance, and private prayer. This 6 day/5-night pilgrimage costs $650 per person with 2 people in a room. Need a roommate, let me know. For details and registration

ASH WEDNESDAY FISH DINNER at FJ Legion on Wednesday, March 6th from 4-6:30. 3 pieces of Fish, French Fries & Cole Slaw for $6.95. Breakfast & Lunch available from 6 am to 1 pm.

All You Can Eat FISH FRY and sides will begin on Friday, March 8th at the FJ Legion and continues every Friday during Lent. $9.00. Carry-outs available for $9. 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.