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: 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
March 17, 2019

Intentsions
Sat  16  5:00 pm  Mary Jane & Charles Landwehr
17    7:30 am  For Souls in Purgatory
9:30 am  FJ Girl Scouts
12:00 pm  Anointing of the Sick Mass
Mon  18   6:30 pm  Chaplet of Precious Blood
7:00 pm  Precious Blood Mass
Tues  19  6:30 pm  Stations of the Cross
7:00 pm  Gerald Saum
      Jim, Rita & Gary Knott
Wed  20    7:55 am  In Repentance for Our Sins
Thur  21    7:00 pm  James Brockman
Fri  22    7:55 am  Special Intention
Sat  23    5:00 pm  Herman & Vickie Luersman
      Forrest Hasselschwert
Sun  24    7:30 am  Donald Ostendorf
      9:30 am  For Souls in Purgatory

THIS WEEK’S READINGS
Mon 03/18  Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop
      Dn 9:4b-10  Lk 6:36-38
Tues 03/19  Saint Joseph, Spouse of the
            Blessed Virgin Mary
      2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16  Rom 4:13, 16-18
            Mt 1:16, 18-21
Wed  03/20  Jer 18:18-20  Mt 20:17-28
Thu  03/21  Jer 17:5-10  Lk 16:19-31
Fri  03/22  Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a
            Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Sat  03/23  Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo
      Mi 7:14-15, 18-20  Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

WEEKDAY SERVERS:
   Tues. March 19, Thurs. March 21 & Fri. March 2
   Morgan Siefker, Jarron Swick, Alison Uphaus

LITURGICAL MINISTERS -  March 23 & 24:

SERVERS:
   5:00pm  Alex & Lexi Kahle, Carley Von Sossan
   7:30 am  Bryce Gasser, Mason German,
            Hannah Grote
   9:30 am  Madison Tumlinson, Andrew Aldrich,
            Leah Kazee

OFFERTORY GIFTS:
   5:00 pm  Herman & Vickie Luersman Family
   7:30 am  Donald Ostendorf Family
   9:30 am  Volunteers Needed

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:
   5:00 pm  Jodi Von Sossan, Eva Von Sossan,
            Lexie Stant, Alice Swick,
            Becky Uphaus, Rose Ann Vetter
   7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
   9:30 am  Roger Luersman, Rachael Luersman,
            Tim Luersman, Marilyn Metzger,
            Jennifer Mc Elroy, Karan Maenle

LECTORS:
   5:00 pm  Lisa Kaverman
   7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
   9:30 am  Mike Knippen

USHERS:
   5:00 pm  Rick Maag, Dan Krietemeyer
   7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
   9:30 am  Pat & Tom Liebrecht

Please Pray for the Sick:
   Penney Gerdeman & Cheryl Maziers

40 Days Prayer Novena
to the Precious Blood of
Jesus Christ

Every Monday

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

   Ends on Friday, April 12th
   With Chaplet at 6:30 p.m. and
   Mass at 7 pm. that evening.

March 10, 2019

Envelopes  $  2,491.00
Loose        $   820.00
Maintenance  $  1,074.00
Black & Indian Mission  $    97.00
Eastern Europe Mission $   189.00
Ash Wednesday $   298.00

YTD as of March 10, 2019 = $  140,831.34
YTD Under Budget = $ - 3,168.66

Thank you for your continued generosity!

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS and FAMILIES:
   Baccalaureate Mass will be on
   Thursday, May 2nd at 7 p.m.
Baptized as a member of the Catholic Church on Saturday, March 9th:
BRANSON EDWARD FREY, son of Dustin & Heather (Langenkamp) Frey. May the Holy Spirit guide these parents as they share the Catholic faith with Branson. Best wishes from the Catholic Community in Fort Jennings.

SAVE THE DATE – Sunday, March 24th
for our next speaker: David Onysko from “Man in the Shroud Ministries”. Over the years, he has spoken to thousands about the Shroud of Turin. 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. During Lent we are asked to do extra… let this speaker but part of your “More”.

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

Perfect way to grow this Lent – new titles available. These books and CDs are priced $5 or less and they’re meant to listen to yourself and then share with someone. Featuring “Could God Love Somebody Like Me” Fr. Mike Schmitz, one of the leading presenters in the church today speaks powerfully about the sacrament of reconciliation. He wants us all to know that Christ loves us deeply and wants to encounter us in our imperfections. Fr. Mike also debunks the lies we are not good enough.

It’s CHiRP (Christ Renews His Parish) Women’s Retreat time! If you would like to help, take a cardinal off of the giving tree in the Narthex. Return your item by Tuesday, March 26th. Retreat is March 30th & 31st. Registrations to attend CHiRP are in the Narthex.

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.

CARD SHOWER for Ladonna Ostendorf and Leona Bruskotter, these twin girls will be turning 88 on April 10th. Both reside at Van Crest Assisted Living. Ladonna Ostendorf is in apartment 310 and Leona Bruskotter is in apartment 111, 1425 E. 5th St. Delphos, Ohio 45833. Let us shower these wonderful women with well wishes and love from their parish family.

St. John The Baptist, Glandorf  
FJ School Musical  
Fort Jennings High School will be presenting the musical, “MARY POPPINS JR”, on Friday, March 29th and Saturday, March 30th --7 pm -- in the Auditeria. Pre-sale tickets will be sold Wednesday, March 20th thru Friday, March 29th, 8 am to 1 pm, in the High School Office. Pre-sale prices are $5.00 for adults and students and $4.00 for Senior Citizens (Saturday performance only). ALL tickets at the door will be $5.00.

St. John the Baptist Glandorf, Movie Night  
FJ School Musical
Countless lives are touched by every contribution to the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal.

Children, seminary students, the sick and aged, the needy—they all depend on our generosity. Faith, hope and love come alive through the Annual Catholic Appeal, which in turn fosters the Holy Disciples, Holy Families and Holy Vocations. Thank you for pledging today to help meet our parish goal of $14,000 and assure the continuation of these programs and services. For more information on ministries funded by the appeal visit Toledodiocese.org/ACA. We received a check for $2,184.27 as reimbursement for what was donated last year over our goal.

**Diocesan Jail & Prison Ministry Gathering:** Sat., May 4, in Findlay at St. Michael the Archangel’s Auditorium, 750 Bright Road, Findlay, OH. Event is open to anyone currently involved or interested in volunteering for this Catholic Charities ministry. Keynote speaker Alan Starr, a National Alpha Prison Advisor since 2005, he will share his commitment and experiences, the process, outcomes & benefits of bringing God to inmates through the Alpha program. Two ex-inmates will give witness talks on life in prison and reintegrating into society. Event is from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Cost is $25 and includes morning refreshments and lunch. Please register by Friday, April 26, by contacting Tiera Sanders at 419.214.4915 or tsanders@toledodiocese.org. Make checks out to Catholic Charities Jail & Prison Ministry; mail to: Deacon Ed Irelan, Catholic Charities Justice Ministry Coordinator, 1933 Spielbusch Avenue, Toledo, OH 43604. For more information on, call Deacon Ed at 419.214.4958 or email eirelan@toledodiocese.org.

**BUS TRIP** - 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

**CASINO TRIP to Firekeepers Casino** on March 31st. Ft. Jennings Legion – bus arrives 7:30 a.m. and leaves at 8:00 a.m. Cost is $35. Call Betty at 286-2335 or 419-615-2375 or see Ruth at the Legion 286-2100.

Annunciation Radio Spring Sharathon is April 2nd through 5th - WIN A V.I.P. PILGRIMAGE FOR TWO TO EWTN IN ALABAMA! Every caller during the Sharathon will be entered in the drawing for a 7-day/6-night all-inclusive trip with personalized tour. Call in during the 4 days of the Sharathon, as we “cut in” between segments of our regular programming to ask for your pledges. Do your part in keeping Catholic radio going and growing, reaching souls with the beauty and truth of our Catholic faith throughout the diocese of Toledo. Listen and call the Pledge Line: 888-215-0624 between 7am-6pm Tuesday through Friday, April 2-5. Just for calling, you could be chosen for the exclusive VIP Pilgrimage for two to EWTN! Please support Annunciation Radio. www.annunciationradio.com. Get the free app at the app store!

**2019 Benefit Auction** - Sat. April 27th, 2019: St. John’s All Saints Building - Join us as we travel to the “Wild West”! Doors open at 5:30 pm with dinner from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Raffles start at 7:30 pm. Tickets are $75, includes dinner for two and one Reverse Raffle number. The First Place Cash Prize Winner- $5,000; Second Place- $1,500. Over 100 Oral, Silent and Chinese Auction items available to bid on. Please contact the Ministry Center @ 419-695-4050 for more information and/or to purchase your ticket.

**POPE FRANCIS MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION:**
For the Recognition of the Right of Christian Communities. That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected. Please add this intention to your prayers this month.

**GET YOUR LENT ON!!** At the All You Can Eat FISH FRY and sides at the FJ Legion! Every Friday during Lent. $9.00. Carry-outs available for $9. 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. Menu: deep fried fish, baked fish, potatoes, salads and garlic bread.