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:
Tuesday: 7:00 pm
Wednesday: 7:00 pm
Thursday: 7:00 pm
Friday: 7:00 pm

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
**Intentions**

**Sat** 15  5:00 pm  For Peace & Unity in our Country
Sun 16  7:30 am  For Souls in Purgatory
     8:30 am  **NO MASS**
     9:30 am  Living & Deceased of the FJ Class of 1970
               Steve Kerner
               Dan Schimmoeller

**Mon** 17
**Tues** 18  7:00 pm  The Sick of the Parish
**Wed** 19  7:00 pm  Pope Francis
**Thurs** 20  7:00 pm  Bishop Daniel Thomas
**Fri** 21  5:00 pm  Theodore Wieging
**Sat** 22  7:30 am  For Souls in Purgatory
     8:30 am  **NO MASS**
     9:30 am  Walt Hoersten

**THIS WEEK’S READINGS**

**Mon** 08/17  Ez 24:15-24  Mt 19:16-22
**Tues** 08/18  Ez 28:1-10  Mt 19:23-30
**Wed** 08/19  Saint John Eudes, Priest  
               Ez 34:1-11  Mt 20:1-16
**Thu** 08/20  Saint Bernard, Abbot  
               Mt 22:1-14  Mt 22:1-14
**Fri** 08/21  Saint Pius X, Pope  
               Ez 37:1-14  Mt 22:34-40
**Sat** 08/22  The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
               Ez 43:1-7ab  Mt 23:1-12

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

**SERVERS:**
5:00pm  Allison Uphaus
7:30 am  Maggie Pothast
9:30 am  Leah Kazee

**Eucharistic Ministers:**
5:00 pm  Sue Knippen, Kathy & Kristen Luersman
7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
9:30 am  Doug & Logan Sickels, Rhonda Liebrecht

**LECTORS:**
5:00 pm  Lisa Kaverman
7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
9:30 am  Denise Sukup

**USHERS:**
5:00 pm  Kevin & Mandi Kahle
7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
9:30 am  Bryan & Shelley Hoersten

Please pray for the sick: Call to be added to the bulletin

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMS** have been mailed. If you have a child/children in K-12 wishing to attend Religious Education classes make sure to send in your registration form. **It is essential that we receive a registration for ALL students attending class.** If you did not receive a registration form, contact Rhonda Liebrecht, Director of Religious Education by email at stjoereled@bright.net or 419-796-9044.

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**RCIA** will begin in September!! RCIA is for those discerning a call to enter the Catholic Church as well as for Catholics who, for whatever reason, have not yet received their First Communion and/or Confirmation. If you are interested in joining RCIA, please contact Karan Maenle at 419-286-2877.

Have you ever wondered what the Catholic Church really teaches about the Bible, Mary, the Communion of Saints, Eucharist, Baptism, Marriage, Papal Authority, Confession, Purgatory, the End times, etc.? If so, this inquiry class, known as RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) may be for you!
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 Classes are temporarily discontinued due to COVID-19.

Attend a Pre-Marriage Preparation Class before your marriage.
Find Marriage Prep Classes at http://ToledoMarriagePrep.org

Bulletin submissions deadline:
Wednesdays at 10 a.m.

BAPTIZED AS NEW MEMBERS OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH:
SELENE NICOLE NORBECK, daughter of Austin & Kari (Beining) Norbeck.
PATRICK JAMES NICHOLS, son of Christopher & Abby (Trenkamp) Nichols.

May the Holy Spirit guide these parents as they share the faith with Selene & Patrick. Best Wishes from the Catholic Community in Fort Jennings.

UNITED in HOLY MATRIMONY on August 8th in our Parish Church:
TYLER WIEDEMAN & ELAINA MAAG
Tyler, son of Sheryl (Bowsher) and the late Russ Wiedeman; Elaina, daughter of Richard & Laurie (Vorst) Maag. We congratulate Tyler & Elaina on their marriage and pray that God will grant them many happy, holy years together. Best wishes from the Catholic Community in Fort Jennings.

OUR SYMPATHY goes out to the family and friends of DENNIS R. GASSER; to his daughter Missy (Ryan) Wurst and grandchildren Nick & Jake Wurst. Dennis died August 8th at the age of 73. May the Lord grant Dennis eternal rest and life in the Kingdom.

The family of Dennis Gasser would like to say a heartfelt thank you to all that have helped us through this difficult time. Thank you to Father Charles, Joyce Gasser, Lori Menke, and Adam Hoersten for their parts in the Mass. Thank you to the Friends of Hope, especially Shirley Hammond, Roseanne Vetter, and Norma Maag for coordinating all the details. Thank you to all who have offered condolences, support, and prayers; we are so deeply grateful and blessed to be part of this community.

A big THANK YOU to all who worked at, donated to and supported the “scaled down” 2020 Festival. We had a fantastic turn out for meals, we even ran out of food! The initial numbers for the raffles and the online country store look very good. This is due to our parishioners overwhelming generosity, donating to the country store, purchasing online raffle tickets, purchasing tickets for both raffles and sharing the country store online. Even though the festival was smaller this year it was a lot of work and we truly appreciate those of you that put in the time and effort to organize it. THANK YOU!!

95.1%... We are at 95.1% of our Annual Catholic Appeal Goal. Our parishioners have donated $13,315.50 of our $14,000 goal. If you have not yet donated, PLEASE do so today. Our parish consistently meets our goal and that is something to very proud of! Envelopes for the ACA can be found around church or for more information, visit the Diocesan website at Toledodiocese.org/ACA.

2020 Diocesan Celebration of Wedding Anniversaries
Limited to the first 100 couples registering!!
Congratulations on your milestone wedding anniversary! The Diocese of Toledo will honor you and other couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60-plus years of marriage at a mass celebrated by Bishop Daniel E. Thomas on Sunday, October 25th, at 3:00 pm, at Rosary Cathedral, 2535 Collingwood Blvd, Toledo. Every registering couple is guaranteed an anniversary certificate. For more information regarding this event and to register please visit www.toledoanniversarymass.org or contact Alice Jacobs ajacobs@toledodiocese.org 419-214-4978.

Immaculate Conception has an opening for a part-time Musician. Candidates must have experience playing keyboard and/or organ. Must be good with children and pass background checks. Candidate should be available for weekday morning and Saturday masses as well as for other special occasions and special masses. Send resume to: immac@bright.net or contact the Parish Office at (419) 453-3513.

Chicken BBQ Drive Thru Dinner on September 2nd from 3:30-6:30. Presale only $8. For tickets, please stop in or contact The Meadows of Kalida at (419) 532-2961.

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

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