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: 7:55 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

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Mrs. Kathy Fischer 419-286-2003
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Mrs. Rhonda Liebrecht 419-286-2019
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Mr. Larry Schimmoeller 419-286-2170
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Mr. Ted Verhoff 419-286-2480
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Mrs. Norma Maag 419-286-2265
Cemetery
Mr. Alan Calvelage 419-303-0560
Prayer Line
Mrs. Laurie Maag 419-234-6518
Maintenance & Hall Manager
Mr. Tony Recker 419-286-5100
Funeral Luncheon Committee
Mrs. Mary Menke 419-286-2504
Mrs. Sue Knippen 419-286-2429
St. Joseph Catholic Church, Fort Jennings, Ohio

August 30, 2020

Mass Schedule

Intentions

Sat  29  5:00 pm  Ed & Liz Siebeneck
Sun  30  7:30 am  Theodore “Ted” Wieging
       8:30 am  NO MASS
       9:30 am  George Krietemeyer
Mon  31
Tues 01  7:00 pm  For the Catholic Church
Wed  02  7:00 pm  For all Clergy
Thurs 03  7:00 pm  For Peace in our Country
Fri  04  7:55 am  For a Great School Year
Sat  05  5:00 pm  Todd Gengler
Sun  06  7:30 am  For Souls in Purgatory
       8:30 am  NO MASS
       9:30 am  Shirley Mesker
       Leonard Bruskotter
       Francis & Jeanette Fischer

THIS WEEK’S READINGS

Mon 08/31  1 Cor 2:1-5  Lk 4:16-30
Tues 09/01  1 Cor 2:10b-16  Lk 4:31-37
Wed 09/02  1 Cor 3:1-9  Lk 4:38-44
Thu 09/03  Saint Gregory the Great, Pope
        1 Cor 3:18-23  Lk 5:1-11
Fri 09/04  1 Cor 4:1-5  Lk 5:33-39
Sat 09/05  Saint Teresa of Calcutta
        1 Cor 4:6b-15  Lk 6:1-5

FRIDAY MORNING MASS will return to 7:55 a.m.
beginning Friday, September 4th.
Elementary Religious Education begins
Monday, August 31st.

NO 8:30 a.m. MASSES on Sundays. We are
returning to our normal weekend schedule of
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.; Sunday 7:30 & 9:30 a.m.

PARENTS: Have you sent in your
Religious Education Enrollment 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.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS -  September 5 & 6:
SERVERS:
      5:00pm  Taylor Liebrecht
      7:30 am  Haven Knippen
      9:30 am  Brook Hellman

Eucharistic Ministers:
      5:00 pm  Carla Norbeck, Becky Uphaus,
                 Rose Ann Vetter
      7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
      9:30 am  Tim Luersman, Marilyn Metzger,
                 Karan Maenle

LECTORS:
      5:00 pm  Dave Luersman
      7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
      9:30 am  Denny Osting

USHERS:
      5:00 pm  Rick Maag, Dan Krietemeyer
      7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
      9:30 am  Tony & Chad Recker

Please pray for the sick:  Cherie Luersman

August 23, 2020:

Envelopes  $   1,792.00
Loose        $  274.00
Maintenance  $    250.00

YTD as of August 23 = $ 24,908.00
YTD Under Budget = $  -7,092.00
Thank you for your continued generosity.

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!
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2020 St. Joseph Festival Net Income

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Past Income:
- 2019 $37,428.84
- 2018 $33,953.19
- 2017 $35,433.13

Again, we give many “thanks” to the chairpersons, organizers, workers, donors and all those who purchased tickets & meals. This year was a huge success even under trying circumstances. God bless you for your hard work and generosity to keep our parish going strong!

BAPTIZED as a new member of the Catholic Church: BLAKE ELIZABETH RECKER, daughter of Chad and Andrea (Ricker) Recker. May the Holy Spirit guide these parents as they share the faith with Blake. Best wishes from the Catholic Community in Fort Jennings.

Well it is finally here! and available for ALL St. Joseph parishioners to use and watch. The Toledo Diocese has purchased this program for every parish in the diocese for 2 years, as a way to help families stay connected to and nourish their faith. This is like a Netflix type format, with Catholic content and teachings. To sign up you can use your computer, iPad or phone. Go to FORMED.ORG Click “sign up”. Click “I belong to Parish or Organization”. Create an new account. Search our parish by typing in our zip code 45844- click “St Joseph OH 45844”. Click “next” then type in your name and email address and click “sign up”. It is that easy and from there you watch, learn and listen to whatever you like. There is so much on here from kids shows, movies, pod cast and much more. If you have any questions you can reach out to Rhonda Liebrecht.

We are SO CLOSE! Our parishioners have donated $13,440.50 of our $14,000 goal. We are currently at 96% of our goal with donations from 135 parish families. 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.

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS!!

Religious Education classes for this year begin Monday, Aug. 31. Please make sure your child is signed up for this, so we know who is supposed to be getting off the bus. Town kids & drop off kids should be dropped off between 7:45-7:55 AM. If you need a registration form please contact Rhonda Liebrecht, 419-796-9044.

Sept. 4th we will begin our Friday morning Children Masses. Please reserve all the front pews on all sides for the children. Adults and other parishioners please stay to the back of the pews on the sides for this Mass.

PARKING for Friday morning Masses: Parishioners please do NOT park alongside the church in the parking lot, this will need to be used for buses. Parishioners please use the East side of the church for parking or the spots closest to the street in the parking lot. Thank you all for your cooperation and understanding.

Let’s pray for a safe and healthy school year!

A day of Fasting and Prayer for Healing Wounds of Racism to Promote the Human Dignity of Every Person
Join Bishop Daniel Thomas on Tuesday, September 1st, 2020 and all the faithful of the Diocese of Toledo to spend the day in prayer and fasting for the intention of an end to the sin of racism.
Bishop Daniel Thomas will celebrate a Eucharistic Holy Hour at 7 pm at St. Thomas More University Parish in Bowling Green. For more information, email Peter Range, Director of the Office for Life and Justice, at prange@toledodiocese.org or call 419-214-4933.
St. Mary School, Van Wert is looking for Substitute Teachers. Requirements are: Bachelor’s Degree, FBI/BCI Background checks within the last calendar year and completion of the Virtus Training Program through the Diocese of Toledo. Please call the school office at (419) 943-2801 for more information. Many times, we know our need in advance! Thank you.

In marriage, communication is more than just talking. At some point, did you stop sharing about the things that were important to you? Did your spouse? Improving a marriage takes time and a conscious effort to learn about your spouse. Growing closer in a marriage does not happen automatically. Retrouvaille is a marriage program dedicated to helping couples grow closer and develop a stronger bond. You give your heart and soul to everything you do, between your work and your family. Are you giving your heart and soul to your marriage? Sometimes the distance between a husband and a wife can seem so wide that it cannot be repaired. Retrouvaille is a marriage program designed to bring couples closer together. The next weekend in our area is September 25-27, 2020.

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.

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 Krane, Michael Boehmer, Austin Kehres, Matt Schramm, Andy and Adam Kleman

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.

Are you or someone you know hurting from a past abortion? Contact Project Rachel for confidential help in starting your healing journey. God’s mercy is abundant and waiting for you.

Spiritually adopt an unborn child & pray this for 9 months:

Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
I love you very much.
I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby
that I have spiritually adopted
who is in danger of abortion.”

~ Venerable Fulton J. Sheen

Pope’s Monthly Prayer Intentions:
September:

Respect for the Planet’s Resources
We pray that the planet’s resources will not be plundered but shared in a just and respectful manner.

Are you grieving from a miscarriage or stillbirth? Are you, or someone you know, in need of prayer support, resources, or someone to listen who has been there before? We would love to “comfort you with the comfort we have received.” (2 Cor. 1:4) We know this deep pain that many do not understand. We would love to send you a free care package of helpful resources, meaningful connections and a special gift in memory of your little one. Email us at zelieministry@gmail.com The Zelie Ministry is a miscarriage ministry sponsored by Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo. Zelie references St. Zelie Martin who lived in France 1831 - 1877 and lost 4 of her 12 children before the age of 5.