Saint Joseph Catholic Church
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OFFICE HOURS
Monday, Wednesday, Friday—9:00 until Noon
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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 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

October is Respect Life Month
Intentions

Sat  28  5:00 pm  For Our Parish
Sun  29  7:30 am  For Pope Francis
         9:30 am  For FJ Teens
Mon  30  7:00 pm  Prayer Service
Tues  01  7:00 pm  Loretta & Lawrence Fischer
Wed  02  7:30 am  For Souls in Purgatory
Thurs  03  7:00 pm  Bob & Alma Good
   04  FIRST FRIDAY
      7:55 am  For the Sacred Heart of Jesus that
                  Bleeds Each time we Sin
              ~ Exposition after Mass with Closing at Noon ~
Sat  05  7:00 am Exposition
         8:00 am  Mass for the Immaculate
                  Heart of Mary
         5:00 pm  For Respect for all Life from
                  Conception to Natural Death
Sun  06  7:30 am Bob Heitmeyer
         9:30 am John Gerker
                Jerry & Carol Meyer

THIS WEEK’S READINGS
Mon 09/30 St. Jerome, Priest
    Zec 8:1-8  Lk 9:46-50
Tues 10/01 St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin
    Zec 8:20-23  Lk 9:51-56
Wed 10/02 The Holy Guardian Angels
     Neh 2:1-8  Mt 18:1-5, 10
Thu 10/03 Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12  Lk 10:1-12
Fri 10/04 Saint Francis of Assisi
     Bar 1:15-22  Lk 10:13-16
Sat 10/05 Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest
     Bar 4:5-12, 27-29  Lk 10:17-24

WEEKDAY SERVERS
Tuesday, October 1 & Friday, October 4
Calvin Menke, Ryan Aldrich, Madalynn Anspach

Thursday, October 3 & Saturday, October 5
Chase German, Anna Menke, Sidney Ricker

LITURGICAL MINISTERS -  October 5 & 6:

SERVERS:
   5:00pm  Eric Wieging, Lydia Will, Eli Zehnder
   7:30 am  Derek & Danielle Weyrauch, Abby Koester
   9:30 am  Jared Liebrecht, Haven Knippen,
            Gabby Martz

OFFERTORY GIFTS:
   5:00 pm  Volunteers Needed
   7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
   9:30 am  Family of John Gerker

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:
   5:00 pm  Nancy Wiechart, Rita Beining,
            Don Bonifas, Amy Eickholt
            Karen & Jessie Young
   7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
   9:30 am  Doris Horstman, Mike & Jill Knippen,
            Rachael Luersman, Tim Luersman,
            Marilyn Metzger

LECTORS:
   5:00 pm  Dave Luersman
   7:30 am  Volunteers Needed
   9:30 am  Phil Wurst

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

Please Pray for the Sick:
       Tracey Lucke

BATTLE OF THE YOUTH is here this year, we
encourage your 9-12th grade child to put together a 10
member team (5 boys & 5 girls, if you cannot find
enough boys; you may have as many girls as you want
but no more than 5 boys).  Oct. 6th, 1-6 p.m. dinner
included. Theme is “Battle of the Holidays”. It’s an
afternoon filled with games, fellowship & fun.

BAKED GOODS NEEDED for Battle of the Youth
for dessert for our “Holiday Meal”. Please, bring your
baked items to the church basement by 7 pm
Saturday, October 5th. Cookies, brownies or anything
you think the high school students would enjoy.

ANNointing of the Sick Mass
Sunday, October 13th at 11:00 a.m.

September 22, 2019

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YTD as of Sept. 22, 2019 = $ 46,843.37
YTD Under Budget = $ - 1,156.63

Thank you for your continued generosity.

5th Grade SERVER TRAINING will be on October
12th from 10 am to approximately 11 am in church.
**CINEMA NIGHT at ST. JOSEPH**
Come and join us for a FREE showing of “Unplanned”.

**Sunday, September 29th - 6:00 PM**
(in the basement of church)
The film tells the true story of Abby Johnson, one of Planned Parenthood’s top employees and youngest clinic director in their history, who experiences a life-changing realization, leading her to become one of the foremost pro-life advocates of today. This event is open to all! Come and watch this gripping, realistic film that is sure to make a lasting impression and inspire all viewers to do more in building the pro-life movement. (Note: This film is 1 hour, 50 minutes and rated R for some disturbing images.)

BAPTIZED as new members of the Catholic Church on September 21st: Conner Cletus Brinkman, son of Perry & Deanna (Schnipke) Brinkman. May the power of the Holy Spirit guide these parents in sharing the faith with Conner. Best wishes from the Catholic Community in Fort Jennings.

OUR SYMPATHY goes out to the Family & Friends of REBECCA “BECKY” CLAY; to her children, Logan (Julie), Bret & Hannah Clay, to her two grandchildren, to Jeff Clay, the Father of her children. Becky passed away September 23rd at the age of 52. May the Lord grant Becky eternal rest and life in the Kingdom.

Sunday School classes for 2019/20 will begin on Sunday, Nov. 3rd through Palm Sunday, April 5th. Classes are held during the 9:30 am Sunday mass, all children ages 3-PreK are welcome. Enrollment forms are available at all church entrances. Please fill out the form and return by Oct. 20th. For info. or if interested in helping teach, contact Laura Tenwalde at 419-286-2142 or lauratenwalde@gmail.com.

First **TEEN MASS** of the year – Sunday, October 13th at 6 p.m. All are invited to attend, homilies geared toward the High School age youth. Following Teen Masses will be the second Sunday of every month throughout the school year.

**40 Days Prayer** will begin on Monday, Oct. 7th and end Friday, Nov. 15th at our Parish. Mark your calendars, Father Charles encourages you strongly to attend.

**Hurricane Dorian Collection This Past Weekend** - If you were unable to donate at Mass - Checks should be made out to Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, with a Bahamas Recovery OR United States Recovery notation; Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, 1933 Spielbusch Ave., Toledo, OH 43604.

**FUNDRAISER FOR FREEDOM SQUARE - Bourbon on the Auglaize a High-End Tasting Event** on October 5, 2019. Doors open at 6 p.m. This is a private prohibition theme event at Whiskey, Wine & Roses (Password needed to enter, will be emailed). Tickets at Whiskey, Wine & Roses, Reflections Hair Care or call Stacey Warnecke at 419-302-7870. 1920 Prohibition era dress is highly recommended. Jazz band, heavy hors d’oeuvres & silent auction. Extremely Limited Tickets! Visit the Freedom Square Facebook page for info.

**D.E.E.P. on Fire** – Adoration, Youth Praise & Worship Music, Preaching, Silent Prayer & Benediction at St Peter & Paul, Ottawa; Sunday, Oct. 13th in church from 5-6 pm. All families are invited to join, everyone is invited for food & fellowship in the school cafeteria after Adoration, supper will be provided for all. For supper please RSVP to Cherie Compton by call/text – 419-523-4109. (Donations will be accepted for food) *Led by high school youth ministry.

**Ottoville Immaculate Conception Parish** is hosting Dr. Ray Guarendi on Wed., Oct. 30th in the Parish Center gym from 7:00pm-8:00pm with a Q&A session following. Dr. Ray is a Catholic father of ten adopted children, a clinical psychologist, author, EWTN radio & TV host with his show “Living Right with Dr. Ray” airing in 140 countries. His presentation of “Back to Family” is a result of a three-year study. It reveals characteristics most common to strong families as well as the struggles most families face. The results will reinforce some traditional ideas about family life while offering some reassuring surprises, consistent with our Building Strong Catholic Family mission in our Deanery! Dr. Ray's presentation is packed with humor & real-life examples. You will leave laughing, feeling emotionally upbeat & more self-confident. There will be practical ideas offered for children & parents of all ages! This is open to the public.
Mark your calendars for Thursday Oct. 17, from 4pm to 8pm and for our 7th Annual Dinner! For every meal purchased at the Old Barn Out Back, a percentage of your bill will be donated to West Central Ohio Paralysis Foundation. Please, clear your schedule and come on over, we would love your support. - Cory

CASINO TRIP to Firekeepers Casino, on Nov. 3. Meet at FJ Legion. Bus arrives at 7:30 a.m., leaves at 8:00. Cost is $35. Call Betty 419-286-2335 or 419-516-2375; or call the legion at 419-286-2100.


BINGO FOR DESIGNER BAGS - Saturday, Nov. 9, 2019, in the St. Anthony Church basement, Columbus Grove. Opens at 6:00 p.m. bingo begins at 7:00. Tickets are $30; includes 20 bingo games & light hors d’oeuvres. There will be drinks available, 50/50, and raffle items. Must be 18. Contact Kate Morman at 419-303-1198.

40 Days for Life Campaign Began September 25 runs until November 3. You can participate in three ways: prayer and fasting, community outreach and peaceful vigil. in front of Capital Care Network, the Toledo abortion clinic. To learn more or to sign up for daily prayer intentions, hours of prayer and information on upcoming events visit: www.40daysforlife.com/toledo.

Federal Government is looking for CENSUS TAKERS. Apply online at 2020census.gov/jobs for more info call 1-855-JOB-2020 (1-855-562-2020). This is great job for students, retirees, or someone who would like temporary work. Pay rate is $16/hr. Results of the 2020 Census will help determine each state’s representation in Congress & how certain funds are spent for schools, hospitals, roads, etc. This is your chance to play a part in history & ensure that everyone in your community is counted!

Landec St. John the Baptist Catholic Church breakfast on Sunday, Sept. 29, from 9 - 1 in the Church basement.

A three-day bus trip to the National Shrine of the Divine Mercy, Stockbridge, MA; Nov. 11 – 13, 2019. Fr. Ron Schock of St. Alphonsus, Peru and St. Joseph, Monroeville leading this pilgrimage. The bus leaves from Findlay, St. Michael's at 6:30 am on Nov. 11. Costs $330 per person for double occupancy, includes 3 meals, 2 breakfasts, 2 nights hotel, & bus transportation. Contact Rita Borgelt at 532-3637 (leave message) for info & registration forms. Deadline is October 15, 2019.

Project Rachel Entering Canaan Day of Prayer and Healing, on Sat. Oct. 19, 2019 – 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., for women suffering from a past abortion. Cost $25. For more info and reservations, contact Clarissa, at 1-888-456-HOPE or projectrachel@toledodiocese.org.

Putnam County Right to Life will be meeting on Tuesday, October 1 at 7:30 pm in the home of Mary Jane Stechschulte (next to Kalida fire station). All are welcome.

First Friday Mass October 4th 7:00 pm at Domus Angelorum Retreat House, 21706 St Rte. 114, Cloverdale, at 7:00 pm. All are welcome.

Retreat at Domus Angelorum Retreat Center, 21706 St Rte114 Cloverdale, topic “If you love me you will keep my commandments” John 14:15 on Sat. Oct. 12th. Mass at 8:30 AM with registration & Adoration following Mass. Concludes with Confession & Benedictions at 3:00 pm. Retreat leader is Father Herman Scherger. Costs is $ 10.00. Please, bring a packed lunch. All are welcome.

Travel with Fr. Charles!
June 3rd – 13th, 2020
Portugal (Tour of the city of Lisbon, Our Lady of Fatima); France (Our Lady of Lourdes); Switzerland (Tour of the city of Geneva; St. John Vianney place at Ars-Sur-Formans) & Poland (Auschwitz Concentration Camps & Holocaust Memorial; Lagiewniki: Shrine of Divine Mercy, St. Faustina’s convent; Wadowice: Birthplace of Pope John Paul II; Visit to Our Lady of Czestochowa, Poland’s greatest pilgrimage shrine).

Cost is $4,699.00. For more information and registration, contact: Jennifer Wadsworth at 612-730-2890. Email jennifer@procatholictours.com. Website: www.procatholictours.com.