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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil 4:30 pm at the Church
 Sunday 8:30 am at the Church
 Sunday 11:00 am at the Parish Activity Center
 Daily Mass Schedule inside

ADORATION:

Mon – Thurs: 6 am – 11 am and 6 pm – 9 pm
 Fri: 6 am – 8 am, 9 am – 11 am and 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm

CONFESSIONS: 3:30 pm Saturdays and by appointment

WELCOME VISITORS & NEW PARISHIONERS

ARE YOU NEW TO SAINT JOSEPH PARISH? We invite you to introduce yourself before or after Mass, or stop by the parish office to register, meet Father Trapp and become part of our parish family. Registration forms are available at the resource bulletin board at the Church, PAC and on the website.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Preparation is required for the reception of the sacrament. Parents are encouraged to contact the office for an appointment *prior* to the birth of their child.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance of intended date. A marriage preparation program is required. Please contact Father Trapp.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Please call the office for emergencies and notify the office for calls to the sick or visits to the hospital. Email please media@stjosephpc.org to have a name added to the bulletin prayer list.

EUCCHARIST FOR THE HOMEBOUND: Please call the office to be added to the weekly Communion list.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): Are you thinking about becoming Catholic? RCIA is a process that provides time for inquiry, instruction, prayer and discernment. Please contact the parish office for more information. We welcome you!

OFFERTORY: Your offertory gift can be made weekly or monthly. Visit our website stjosephpc.org and register with ONLINE GIVING.

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Parish Activity Center and Parish Office
 670 W. Main St Plain City, OH 43064

MASS READINGS & INTENTIONS

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 3
 IS 63:16B-17, 19B; 64:2-7; PS 80; 1 COR 1:3-9; MK 13:33-37
8:30 am*: Monnin Family (C. Monnin)
11:00 am: Pat Thomas (P. Thomas)

Monday, December 4
 IS 2:1-5; PS 122; MT 8:5-11
5:30 pm*: Stephan & Ellen King and Kenneth Stewart
 (W & N Stewart)

Tuesday, December 5
 IS 11:1-10; PS 72; LK 10:21-24
5:30 pm*: Jennifer Carr (C. Carr)

Wednesday, December 6
 IS 25:6-10A; PS 23; MT 15:29-37
5:30 pm*: For the Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, December 7 – Memorial of Saint Ambrose
 IS 26:1-6; PS 118; MT 7:21, 24-27
6:30 pm: Barbara Sievers (R. Sievers)

Friday, December 8 – Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 GN 3:9-15, 20; PS 98; EPH 1:3-6, 11-12; LK 1:26-38
12:00 pm: Catherine Purdin
6:30 pm: Gerri Piper (J. Piper)

Saturday, December 9
 IS 30:19-21, 23-26; PS 147; MT 9:35–10:1, 5A, 6-8
9:00 am*: Katie LaTour (S. Block)
4:30 pm*: June H. Feldtz (G. Graber)

Sunday, December 10
 IS 40:1-5, 9-11; PS 85; 2 PT 3:8-14; MK 1:1-8
8:30 am*: Barbara Sievers (R. Sievers)
11:00 am: Larry Lambert (A. Walter)

**Denotes Mass at the Church. Please contact the office to offer a Mass for your special intention or the soul of a dearly departed family member or friend. Customary donation is \$10. Online requests can be made at: stjosephpc.org/mass-intentions*

Join the Saint Joseph Parish Choir

We would love to have you as a part of our choir! The choir practices on Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:45am at the PAC. Age 14+ is welcome to join. music@stjosephpc.org

Advent Wreath Lighting at Mass

We need families at every Mass during Advent to light the wreath at the beginning of Mass. There are sign-up sheets at the Church and the PAC. Each family will proceed with Father up the aisle and light the candles as required. Thank you for being part of this holy season of preparation for our Lord's birth.



Advent Candles Available to Purchase

A deluxe set of 5 Advent wreath candles are available for purchase at the PAC, including 3 purple, 1 pink and 1 white tall, tapered candles. Please include your \$7 payment for each set in an envelope provided. *Thank you!*



DECEMBER 9 – 10

Saturday, 4:30 pm at the Church
 Ushers: Mark & Diane Needham
 Lector: Terri Schurman
 Eucharistic Minister: Gregory Wayton



Please sign-up for Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Masses.

Sunday, 8:30 am at the Church
 Ushers: Bob Sievers & **Sub Requested**
 Lector: Mike Balmert
 Eucharistic Minister: Tricia Hemker

Sunday, 11:00 am at the PAC
 Ushers: Matt & Wendy Brown
 Lector: Cyndi High
 Eucharistic Minister: Diana Rowley

PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE ILL AND HEALING

Kelsey Chapman Jennifer Holmes
 Lou Ciminello Karen Klump
 Oralia Duran Roberta Benner Scott
 Jim Elias Bob Timmons
 Sharon Elias

Almighty and merciful Father, by the power of your command, drive away from them all forms of sickness and disease. Amen

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

CPT Denis R. Aurelius USAF
 SGTFC, Justin Edwards, USA
 CPT Buck "Indy" Horn, USAF
 PVT Daniel O'Neill; USA
 SR Edward Rice, USN
 MASN Todd Thieken Jr., USN
 CDR Matt Wood, USN
God Bless our troops & their families.

Lord, please hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless act they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

- Dec 7** 6:30pm Children's Vigil Mass at the PAC
- Dec 8** **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**
 12:00pm Noon Mass at the PAC
 6:30pm Mass at the PAC
- Dec 20** **Parish Penance Service**
 6:30pm at the PAC with additional priests
- Dec 24** **Christmas Eve Masses**
 4:00pm Children's Vigil Mass at the PAC
 4:00pm Vigil Mass at the Church
 7:00pm Vigil Mass at the PAC
- Dec 25** **Christmas Day Masses**
 12:00am Midnight Mass at the Church
 9:00am Mass at the Church

UPCOMING EVENTS



DECEMBER

- 7th Children's Vigil Holy Day Mass of the Immaculate Conception at 6:30pm at the PAC
- 8th Holy Day Mass of the Immaculate Conception at 12 Noon and 6:30pm at the PAC
- 17th Jr. High Choir Christmas Carols at 10:30am. Live Nativity and Family Event at the PAC from 4pm to 6pm. Giving Tree gifts are due
- 19th Giving Tree distribution night from 6:30pm-9pm at the PAC. Please RSVP to Gloria
- 20th Advent Parish Penance Service at the PAC from 6:30pm-8:30pm with additional priests
- 24th **Christmas Eve Masses**
4:00pm Children's Vigil Mass at the PAC
4:00pm Vigil Mass at the Church
7:00pm Vigil Mass at the PAC
- 25th **Christmas Day Masses**
12:00am Midnight Mass at the Church
9:00am Mass at the Church
- 26th No 5:30pm Mass
- 30th No 9:00am Life & Mercy Mass
- 31st 9:00am Sunday Mass only

JANUARY

- 1st 9:00am New Year's Day Mass
- 2nd No 5:30pm Mass

NET RETREAT for Religious Education Students

Our Religious Education team is getting ready for our NET RETREAT for the 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grades. This Retreat will be on Friday, January 19th from 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm at the PAC. We have been hosting this for 7 years. This is a required attendance for the 6-8 graders.

The Confirmation 8th graders are required to attend on Saturday from 9:00 am – 6:00 pm with Mass included. We need to have our 8th graders read at the Mass. Parents and their families are encouraged to attend the Mass also.

We are looking for host families for the NET Team for January 19 – 20. Each host family serves them breakfast and transports them to and from the PAC. St. Joseph will serve them dinner on Friday and if they stay overnight on Saturday, we also serve them dinner. Please contact Maria at ReligiousEd@stjosephpc.org to sign-up or questions.

STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Collection for Nov. 19, 2023

Envelopes	\$ 7,665
Loose (Unknown)	\$ 354
Diocesan Tax (8%)	\$ (642)
*does not include Online Giving	\$ *7,377



Online Giving

To set-up your account for online giving please scan this QR code with your smart phone or text-to-give at 614-858-8850. You can also visit stjosephpc.org/giving for more information.

Weekly Bible Reflections

“Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come.” (Mark 13:33)

We all take things for granted. In particular, we take time for granted. We make our lives too busy. We plan our days, weeks, months, even years in advance. Remember, our time on earth is a gift. None of us knows how long we will be here. Start today and begin thanking God for each and every day. Take time in silence, every day, and listen to how God is calling you right now to help build His kingdom on earth.



WE ARE THE
CLAY AND YOU
THE POTTER.
WE ARE ALL THE
WORK OF YOUR
HANDS.
ISAIAH 64:7

young-catholics.com

Christmas Liturgical Mass Ministers

Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Servers, & Ushers: Please sign up in MinistryPro for your choice of Christmas Masses to ensure coverage and that you get the Mass you prefer. *Thank you!*



ST. JOSEPH YOUTH GROUP AUTUMN Schedule

DEC 3 - CATHOLICISM IN MOVIES, BOOKS, AND SHOWS

DEC 10 - HOW TO ADD VARIETY TO YOUR PRAYER LIFE

DEC 17 - CHRISTMAS PARTY! (7-8:30)

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St. Teresa Award Recipient, Lisa Grywalski

Lisa Grywalski was one of 30 women presented the Saint Teresa of Calcutta Recognition Award for Charity, Compassion and Service by Bishop Fernandes on November 5th at Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

"Lisa is a reflection of St. Teresa of Calcutta just by the natural way she follows the Lord in her everyday life. She was the first person that crossed my mind upon learning of this special recognition. You will see her offering of her time and talents at almost every parish activity or event. Being an active volunteer is just in her nature. She serves as head of the Counting Collections team and has led Walking With Purpose Bible study for years as it has evolved. She serves as an usher for weekend masses and still finds time to volunteer for various community programs and lovingly take care of her family too!!"



iGiveCatholic Thru December

Over the past five years, our parish's participation in Giving Tuesday has made a very big ripple in the Saint Joseph parish "well." The generous response by the parishioners has seen the Parish Endowments increased, special projects of the parish supported and our community outreach maintained. Please return your envelopes now and through the end of December to benefit the endowment funds, St. Martin de Porres, PAC Nativity scene and/or the PAC parking lot. Thank you for your generosity!

With humble acceptance of God's will, we announce the passing of parishioners James "Jim" Elias and Margherita Kinny, and Paul Meyers, uncle of Vince Davis.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Requiescat in pace.



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ST. JOSEPH PARISH ACTIVITY CENTER
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for Religious**

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Retirement Fund for Religious – December 10

The Retirement Fund for Religious helps communities care for their aging members. Many senior religious devoted themselves to serving others while receiving little pay. Across the US, hundreds of religious communities lack financial resources sufficient to meet the retirement and health-care needs of aging members. Your gift will have a direct, meaningful impact on a senior religious. Please donate to next weekend's special collection.

NEWS FROM NEIGHBORING PARISHES AND AROUND THE DIOCESE

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Lead by Dr. Edward Sri

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Save Your Seat:




Saturday, December 9th
7:00p.m.
St. Thomas More Newman Center
64 W. Lane Ave.

St. John Chrysostom Annual Christmas Cookie Sale

St. John Chrysostom (5858 Cleveland Ave in Columbus) is holding their annual Christmas Cookie Sale on December 9 from 10am until 2pm. Trays of 6 dozen assorted cookies for \$50ea; Nut & Poppyseed rolls (sold frozen) for \$15ea; Baklava in an 8”x8” pan for \$25ea; and Gourmet Pirohi for \$7/pkg. Pirohi fillings are – Potato/Cheese, Sauerkraut, Sweet Cheese and Whole Prune, these are sold frozen in pkgs of one dozen per filling. www.byzantinecolumbus.com

As we enter this liturgical season, it’s a time to focus on the anticipation of Christ’s coming. Just as the servants in the parable are tasked with specific roles, each person has unique responsibilities in their life. The call to be alert reminds us to perform our duties diligently, whether in our family life, work, or community engagement, with the conscious intention that our actions should align with the teachings of Christ. The doorkeeper’s role in the parable underscores the importance of readiness. For Catholics, Advent is not just about preparing for the celebration of Jesus’ birth but also for his eventual return. This scripture can prompt a reflection on personal spiritual preparedness. Are we actively engaging in prayer, confession, and acts of charity? The anticipation of Jesus’ second coming should inspire a reflection on the state of one’s soul and how we live out our faith in daily life.

Reflection Questions for the Week

- What specific responsibilities in my life require more attention to detail and conscientiousness?
- How can I improve in performing my daily duties with an awareness that I am serving Christ through them?
- In what ways can I enhance my spiritual preparedness during Advent? What practices might help me to achieve this?

Christmas Poinsettia Flower Donations



If you would like to make a cash donation for a potted poinsettia flower to be used in the Church or PAC as decoration during the Christmas season in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please use the form below and turn it in with your payment. Checks should be payable to St. Joseph Church. A list of honorees will be printed in the Christmas Day bulletin. Deadline for inclusion in the Christmas bulletin is Sunday, December 10, 2023.



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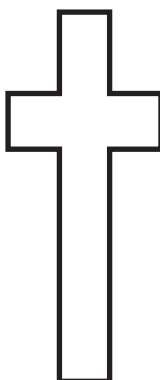
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