



SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH



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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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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

MASS READINGS & INTENTIONS

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 21

JON 3:1-5, 10; PS 25; 1 COR 7:29-31; MK 1:14-20
8:30 am*: Barbara Sievers (R. Sievers)
11:00 am: George Reising (J. & C. Buckley)

Monday, January 22 – Day of Prayer and Fasting for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

2 SM 5:1-7, 10; PS 89; MK 3:22-30
5:30 pm*: For the Respect of Life and Healing of Those Affected by Abortion

Tuesday, January 23

2 SM 6:12B-15, 17-19; PS 24; MK 3:31-35
5:30 pm*: John Henry Trapp

Wednesday, January 24 – Mem of St Francis de Sales

2 SM 7:4-17; PS 89; MK 4:1-20
5:30 pm*: Bishop Francis Howard

Thursday, January 25 – Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul

ACTS 22:3-16; PS 117; MK 16:15-18

Friday, January 26 – Mem of Saints Timothy and Titus

2 TM 1:1-8; PS 96; MK 4:26-34
8:00 am*: Intentions of Priests

Saturday, January 27

2 SM 12:1-7A, 10-17; PS 51; MK 4:35-41
9:00 am*: All Souls in Purgatory
4:30 pm*: Special Intention (L. Giardina)

Sunday, January 28

DT 18:15-20; PS 95; 1 COR 7:32-35; MK 1:21-28
8:30 am*: James Klepcyk (Dcn. Tony Bonacci)
11:00 am: Tom Bir (Ann 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*

Chili Cook-Off on Saturday, February 10

The family-favorite annual Chili Cook-off returns! Join fellow parishioners in the selection of the parish's favorite pot of chili. Registration opens at 4:00pm (so you can drop off your pot of chili before 4:30pm Vigil Mass) and eating/voting opens at 5:30pm on February 10th at the PAC. Bring your appetite, dessert or cornbread and a pot of your favorite chili to share with the crowd. Board games are welcome! Register at stjosephpc.org/chili-cook-off



Thank You for your Generous Donations!

The Plain City Food Pantry would like to thank everyone who participated in the food drive over the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holiday. We received a great variety of food items. Our shelves were full over the holiday season to help those in need. Thank you again for your generosity and prayers.



JANUARY 27-28

Saturday, 4:30 pm at the Church

Ushers: Karen Fritter & Mark Needham
 Lector: Paula Carter
 Eucharistic Minister: Gregory Wayton, Mindy LoBello, Jeff Fisher



Sunday, 8:30 am at the Church

Ushers: Jim & Theresa Schwope
 Lector: Mike Balmert
 Eucharistic Minister: Jeff Pieper, Deacon Tony Bonacci, Doug Heindel

Sunday, 11:00 am at the PAC

Ushers: Michael Peck, Barb Seciliot
 Lector: Dan Fugazzi
 Eucharistic Minister: Jodi Hanna, Gene & Debbie Duran

PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE ILL AND HEALING

Kelsey Chapman Karen Klump
 Lou Ciminello Roberta Benner Scott
 Oralía Duran 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

Gifts for Life

During this Christmas Season, St. Joseph Parish in conjuncture with the Knights of Columbus Council #12772, continue our tradition of following the Magi and their gifts for the new born King. In many European countries, parishes collect baby items beginning December 26 (Feast of St. Stephen) through February 2 (Candlemas) and leave them at the manger scene.



In keeping with this tradition, we are asking you to take a tote bag we are providing and fill it up with suggested supplies that will be noted on the bag and return it to the manger scenes in the church and the PAC by February 4, 2024. All items collected will go to a local, Catholic new mother's support organization. This project will also coincide with the Forty Days For Life national campaign. We thank you for your generous hearts and hope it will continue to be a strong addition to our St. Joseph Ministries.

UPCOMING EVENTS



STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Collection for January 7, 2024

Envelopes	\$ 3,429
Loose (Unknown)	\$ 492
Diocesan Tax (8%)	<u>\$ (314)</u>
*does not include Online Giving	\$ *3,607



JANUARY

- 21st Second Collection for Propagation of the Faith
- 22nd Day of Fasting and Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

FEBRUARY

- 2nd No Weekday Mass
- 4th Gifts for Life donations are due
- 5th-10th No Weekday Masses
- 10th Chili Cook-Off from 5:30pm-7:30pm at the PAC
- 12th No Weekday Mass
- 14th **Ash Wednesday.** Masses at the PAC at 12 Noon and 6:30pm
- 16th KoC Friday Fish Fry at the PAC. Every Friday evening through March 22
- 18th/19th No PSR for President's Day Holiday



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

“Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.” (Mark 1:17)

Jesus’ call to “follow me” is a call to all Christians! The call is in the here and now, in our present circumstances, not when we think we are “ready” or have everything in order. Good stewardship of our God-given gifts means that things aren’t always going to go according to our schedule, but that God has a much better plan in store for each of us.

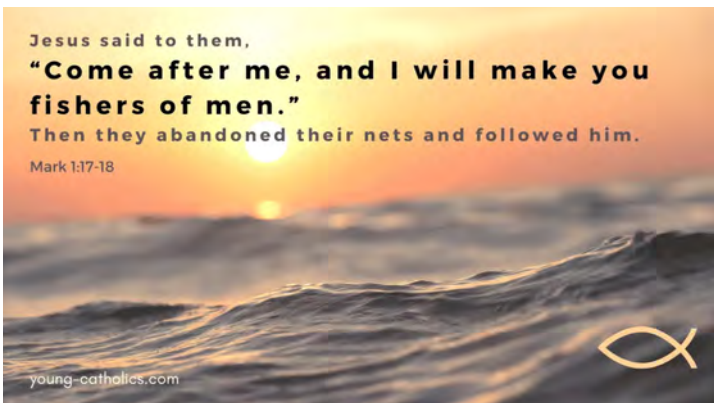
Thank You for your Generous Donations!

The 2023 GIVING TREE program was once again a huge success in our parish! Carpenter Hall began to fill up and by Distribution Night, it was a joyour thought to know that the poor and needy groups who receive these gifts from us, would have resources to assist those in need throughout the upcoming winter months.

Heartfelt thanks to every parishioner who so generously donated the hundreds of products plus more than \$2500 in gift cards for everything from groceries, gas and hardware stores, to pharmacies and places to eat. The gift cards were divided up and presented to the charities from the parishioners of St. Joseph. From there they go directly to families and individuals for their personal needs. A homeless man, who was standing in the parking lot watched, from a distance, as I walked toward the building with the cards. I stopped and handed him a McDonalds gift card. He replied with a surprised look, "thank you mam, I haven't eaten in two days."

Huge thanks to all the faithful who came together on Distribution Night to sort, box and deliver everything in a very timely manner. The work went fast with the many volunteers and the fellowship was wonderful.

As we delivered the gifts to the charities, the Directors were all extremely grateful. At JOIN, where families and individuals



go for hands-on help from the Diocese, we were told that 2023 was a year when many groups cut back their support and giving, due to the economy. They cried with joy as they unloaded our van, and placed the ordinary household items on many empty shelves. We told them that we would try to never let them down, because Jesus never lets us down and that is exactly what He ask of us..... to always care for those in need. Our hearts are full of love for our parish family and the generosity and spirit that permeates this Holy place.

For all those who help with every big and small task presented at St. Joseph, may your burdens be light and your blessings be many in 2024.

There are so many ways to help at St. Joseph Church. We encourage you, through your Time, Talent and Treasure, to make this New Year your best one ever, by discovering the ways YOU can make a difference in helping others. God Bless one and all. ~ Jim and Gloria

Propagation of the Faith Second Collection

Through the offerings of Catholics worldwide, the Propagation of the Faith provides ongoing support for the pastoral and evangelizing programs of the Catholic Church in Africa, Asia, the Islands of the Pacific and remote regions of Latin America. This includes aid for the education and support of seminarians, Religious novices and lay catechists; for the work of Religious Communities in education, health care and social services; for communication and transportation needs, and for disaster and emergency relief when necessary. Please give the weekend of January 20-21.



St Joseph Youth Group
Spring Schedule

Jan 21 - The Search Begins [Episode 2]
Jan 28 - The Search Begins [Episode 3]

Feb 4 - Ignite - Craft Night
Feb 11 - Lent and penance
Feb 18 - Love and relationships
Feb 25 - Off



COLUMBUS CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE
February 17, 2024 • 8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Ohio Expo Center – Kasich Hall

Speakers:


Fr. John Burns


Heather Khym


Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio, J.C.D.


Fr. Timothy Anastos


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Super Sunday Weekend
February 10–11 Knights of Columbus Sub Sale

9" Ham, Salami, Cheese & Lettuce sub for only \$6 each.

Pre-sale orders MUST be placed by Wednesday, February 7 before pickup weekend of February 10-11 by calling / texting Ed Stransky at 614-565-7888 or via email at edstransky25@gmail.com. Orders can be placed online at StJosephPC.org/sub-sale or scanning the QR code.



Number of Subs: _____ @ \$6.00 Each for a Total of: _____

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Circle Pickup Time: 10:00 am Saturday 4:30 pm Saturday 8:30 am Sunday 11:00 am Sunday

NEWS FROM NEIGHBORING PARISHES AND AROUND THE DIOCESE

Respect Life Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral

Monday, January 22, 2024, at 10:30 a.m.
 Respect Life Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral, 212 E. Broad St

On this day of the anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court Roe v. Wade decision, our diocese will join all dioceses of the United States in observing a Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. Principal celebrant and homilist is Bishop Earl K. Fernandes. All are invited. There also will be a Roe Remembrance at the Ohio Statehouse following the Mass at Noon. For more information, contact the Office for Social Concerns at socmailbox@columbuscatholic.org or 614-241-2540.

Dr. Alan Mostrom Presentation on January 25

On Thursday, January 25 at 6pm, Our Lady of Peace Parish at 20 E. Dominion Blvd., Columbus will be hosting Dr. Alan Mostrom. Dr. Mostrom will present a talk as part of the parish's Eucharistic Revival Speaker Series. The talk is titled: The Presence of God in the Soul, and the Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. Dr. Mostrom currently teaches Christian anthropology, Christology, Ecclesiology, Fundamental Dogma and Evangelization at the seminary in Cincinnati. For more information, please contact Katy Wyatt at kwyatt@olp-parish.org.



St. Charles Spaghetti Dinner on February 4

St. Charles Preparatory School will host its annual Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, February 4, from 1:00- 6:30 p.m., in the school's Walter Student Commons. Dinner will be prepared by the Susi Family and its staff from Berwick Manor. Entertainment will be provided by the SC Concert & Jazz Band, which will perform at 2:15 and 4:00 p.m. Guests will enjoy a bountiful meal of spaghetti with meatball, salad, rolls, ice cream, and a beverage. \$14.00 for Adults; \$10.00 for Senior Citizens; \$7.00 for Children 4-12 (3 and under are free). There is also a \$55 Family rate (dine-in, up to six immediate family members). Carry out orders will be available.

Jonah, initially reluctant, finally obeys God's command to go to Nineveh. His message is stark and uncompromising: the city faces destruction unless its people repent. Remarkably, from the greatest to the least, the inhabitants of Nineveh heed Jonah's warning, demonstrating a profound collective conversion. This passage challenges us to reflect on our own response to God's call for repentance. In our lives, moments of grace often come disguised as challenges or calls to change our ways. The Ninevites' response is a testament to the power of genuine repentance and a reminder that no person or community is beyond the reach of God's transforming love. Jonah's experience also speaks to us about obedience and trust in God's plan. Often, we might feel reluctant or unqualified to undertake the tasks God sets before us. Jonah's journey reminds us that our willingness to listen and respond to God, even amidst fear and hesitation, can lead to incredible outcomes beyond our imagination.

Reflection Questions for the Week

In what areas of my life is God calling me to conversion and repentance, and how can I be more open to change?
 How have I experienced God's mercy and forgiveness in my life, and in what ways can I extend that to others?

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

Give the gift of time to each other this year. Experience a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones and focus only on each other. Make 2024 the best year of your marriage by applying today! The next weekend is February 9-11 2024 in the Central Ohio area. For more information or to apply, visit our website at WWMEcolumbus.org or contact Paul & Marilou Clouse at 614-834-6880. Early registration is highly recommended.



START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT!

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Steubenville Youth Conference

"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." – John 1:5 Catholic Conferences to bring high schoolers into a life-changing encounter with Jesus Christ

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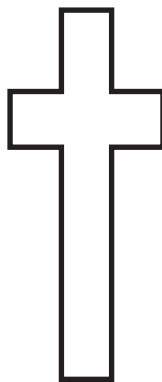
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