

Saint Joseph Catholic Church

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Masses

Readings

Intentions

Saturday, December 19

4:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 20

8:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m. (PAC)

Monday, December 21

5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 22

5:30 p.m.

7p.m. Confession at church

Wednesday, December 23

5:30 p.m.

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Mi 5:1-4a;

Ps 80;

Heb 10:5-10;

Lk 1:39-45

Sg 2:8-14;

Ps 33; Lk 1:39-45

1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Samuel 2;

Lk 1:46-56

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Ps 25;

Lk 1:57-66

+Mary Steggeman

+People of the Parish

+Lindy Dizicowski

+Open

+Open

+Open

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Calendar

Monday, December 21

Zumba 9 a.m.

Youth Choir 5:40 p.m.

Choir Practice 7 p.m.

Wednesday, December 23

Office Closed

Zumba 8:30 a.m.

Knights of Columbus Officer Mtg. 7 p.m.*

December 24 thru December 28

Office Closed

Tuesday, December 29

Folk Choir 7 p.m.

Thursday, December 31

Office Closes at noon

Friday, January 1

Office Closed

Saturday, January 2

Parish Rosary 4 p.m.*

Sunday, January 3

Children's Liturgy of the Word 10:30 a.m.

*indicates event at church

Adoration~

There is no scheduled Adoration from December 21 through January 1. However, the church is always open for prayer.

Adorers are needed for the following times: Mondays from 9 to 10 p.m., Fridays from 6 to 7 p.m., and Fridays from 10 to 11 p.m.

Is God calling you to make a special New Year's resolution?

Is He calling you to spend time with Him?

Please email or call Elaine Bonacci (page 6) or call the parish office.

"How to find Christmas peace in a world of unrest? You cannot find peace on the outside but you can find peace on the inside, by letting God do to your soul what Mary let Him do to her body, namely, let Christ be formed in you...as Mary kneaded the dough and swept the floor, she was conscious that Christ was in her; that she was a living Ciborium, a monstrance of the Divine Eucharist, a Gate of Heaven through which a Creator would peer upon creation...

As He was physically formed in her, so He wills to be spiritually formed in you...If you knew that He wants to use your mind, your will, your fingers, and your heart, how different you would be. If half the world did this there would be no war!"

~ Bishop Fulton J. Sheen



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CHRISTMAS AND THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

Masses	Readings	Intentions
Thursday, December 24 8:30 a.m. (last Mass of Advent) 12 p.m Confession at church	2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89; Lk 1:67-79	+The Deceased of the Crane and Trapp Families.
4 p.m. Children's pageant Mass at the PAC (Fr. Trapp)	<i>Vigil Masses</i> Is 62:1-5; Ps 89; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25;	+For Joseph and Elizabeth M. Trapp and Elizabeth Ann (Betty) Trapp
4 p.m. At the church (Fr. Pat)	Mt 1:1-25	+Special Intention of Erin Bradshaw
6 p.m. At the PAC		+Open
Friday, December 25 12 a.m. Midnight Mass at the church.	<i>Christmas</i> Is 9:1-6; Ps 96; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:10-11	+Harry Grzeskowiak
10 a.m. At the church	Is 52:7-10; Ps 98; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18	+Open
Saturday, December 26 4:30 p.m.	<i>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</i> Sir 3:2-6, 12-14;	+Deceased of the Hofbauer Family
Sunday, December 27 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. (PAC)	Ps 128; Col 3:12-21; Lk 2:41-52	+People of the Parish +Charles Vostatek
Monday, December 28 5:30 p.m.	<i>Feast of the Holy Innocents, Martyrs</i> 1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Ps 124; Mt 2:13-18	+Open
Tuesday, December 29 5:30 p.m.	1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96; Lk 2:22-35	+Jim Neff
Wednesday, December 30 5:30 p.m.	1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96; Lk 2:36-40	+Cliff Glowacki
Thursday, December 31 6:30 p.m. (Vigil)	<i>Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God</i> Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67;	+Fr. Ted Hessburg
Friday, January 1 10 a.m.	Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21;	+Fr. Jim Riehle
Saturday, January 2 4:30 p.m.	<i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i> Is 60:1-9;	+56th Anniversary of Jim & Deedee Bradley
Sunday, January 3 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. (PAC)	Ps 72; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12	+People of the Parish +Jim Neff

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Saints Alive!

Pray for our sick & healing

Joe Achtner
 Patricia Ann Allen
 Rhonda Campbell
 Ben Grywalski
 Joe Hofbauer
 Gabriel Kaiser
 Zachary Kaiser

Betty Lisk
 Martey Masterson
 Tony Mouhanna
 Corolyn Neff
 Roger Roush
 Donna Ryder

Pray for our military

S.Sgt. Michael S. Bertorello, USA
 Col. Robert C. Bramlish, USARNG
 1st Sgt. Kevin R. Gleich, USA
 Lt. Col. Patrick Parsons, USAF
 Sgt. Jeffrey Sands, USA
 MASN Todd Thieken Jr., USN
 Lt. Cmdr. Matt Wood, USN

If you would like to submit a name to be added to our prayer list, please send your request to: bulletin@saintjosephplaincity.com



Announcements

- Please join us for the Christmas and Holy Day Masses. See previous page for detailed listing. Also note the additional confession times offered on December 22 and 24.
- The parish office will be closed from December 23 through December 28. It will also close at noon on December 31 and be closed for January 1.
- Please check the website for the latest Ministry Schedules. Use link in header menu or find it under "Get Involved, Mass Ministry" in the main menu.

Stewardship

Offertory Collection for November 29, 2015

Parishioner Contributions (60)	\$ 4,449
Loose (Unknown) Contributions	\$ 238
Diocesan Tax (6%)	(\$ 281)
Total	\$ 4,406

The above figures DO NOT reflect Online Giving contributions.

Monthly Summary for November

Budgeted Contributions:	35,845
Offertory- Parishioner Contributions:	18,028
Loose (Unknown) Contributions:	996
Online Giving Contributions:	<u>12,385</u>
Total Contributions for November	31,409
Short From Budgeted:	4,436



Feast of the Holy Family

"See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are." (1 John 3:1)

During this season of giving, let us remember the most important gift we have received – being children of God. As God's children, it's important that we express our love for others as well. Tell your spouse, children and other family members and friends that you love them, frequently.



Parish Life

Parish Job Opportunities:

Parish Secretary:

This position is part-time. Our parish secretary coordinates and facilitates the day-to-day operations of our parish. This position offers the flexibility and opportunity to make use of particular gifts and talents of the individual, such as organizational skills, computer skills, and scheduling of various ministries. The secretary is often the first parish contact to the public, so strong personal communication skills are also important. If you are interested, please submit your resume to the attention of Fr. Trapp through the parish office. Salary is negotiable.



Opportunities for Growth!

Dear friends,

In the coming months, there are several opportunities to grow in your faith and grow closer to the Lord:



1) The Catholic Women's Conference is being held on Saturday, February 20, 2016 at the Ohio Expo Center. It's a one day program with wonderful speakers, exhibits, etc. Car-pooling will be available. Brochures can be found at the church or at the PAC. For more information, see Ali Arend or Elaine Bonacci.

2) The Catholic Men's Conference is also being held at the Ohio Expo Center, on Saturday, February 27, 2016, also offering great speakers, exhibits, etc. Brochures are available at the PAC and at church. Car-pooling available. For more information, see Deacon Tony or Mike Gill.

3) Cum Christo weekends are set for the following dates: Men's weekends: April 7-10, 2016 and Sept. 15-18, 2016. Ladies' weekends: April 28 - May 1, 2016 and Oct. 13-16, 2016. Brochures are available at church and at the PAC. For more information, see Deacon Tony or Elaine.

4) Our Lenten Soup suppers will resume on Tuesdays during Lent, beginning on Tuesday, February 16, 2016. Mark your calendars for these wonderful evenings of fellowship, interesting witness speakers, and great homemade soups! For more information, see Ann Williams.

Blessings to you and yours, Deacon Tony

Christmas Collections

Our Christmas collections provide help for Columbus charities like JOIN. JOIN is an inner city Catholic charity that helps the poorest of the poor. Please give generously!

You can give through special envelopes that you receive in the mail, use the envelopes provided at the PAC and the church, mark the memo field of your check and put it in the Offertory, or use online giving. Thank you!

Christmas Flowers 2015

Donor Name

In Memory Of / In Honor Of

Mark and Ali Arend

Phyllis Arend, Carol Feikle,
and Alice Maher

Mike Balmart

Martha Balmart and Thomas Benson

Deacon Tony and Elaine Bonacci

The Bonnacci, Ridder, Morrison, and Schlicht families

Joe and Connie Buckley

Rick Hainley, Ed Reising, Bob Litfin, and Bud & Vera Reising

Jim and Gloria Butler

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Baby Olivia Thomas

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The Chuha and Lisching families

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Sharron Elias

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Joe and Debbie Foster

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Pope Urges Faithful to Be Embraced by God’s Mercy Which Pardons Everything

“Let’s not be afraid: let us allow ourselves to be embraced by the mercy of God that waits for us and pardons everything. Nothing is sweeter than His mercy. Let’s let ourselves be caressed by God: He is so good, the Lord, and He pardons everything.”

Reflecting on today being the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, Pope Francis reminded those gathered that the Virgin Mary was never contaminated by sin and always full of God, “is Mother of a new humanity. She is mother of a recreated world.”

In imitation of Mary, he exhorted, we are called to become bearers of Christ and witnesses of His love, looking first of all at those who are the privileged ones in Jesus’ eyes: the poor and marginalized.

Today’s feast, Francis said, communicates a specific message to us, namely that in our life, “everything is a gift, everything is mercy.” The Holy Father prayed that Mary helps us rediscover always more that divine mercy is ‘the distinguishing mark’ of a Christian.

The Pontiff noted that mercy is the fundamental feature of Christ’s face, which one sees this in how Jesus went out to encounter everyone, cure the sick, sit at tables with sinners, and “especially when, nailed to the cross, He forgives.” Here, the Pontiff pointed out, “We see the face of Divine Mercy.”

Excerpt from an article by Deborah Castellano Lubov posted at zenit.org on December 8, 2015

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

Church Location	140 West Ave., Plain City
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OFFICE HOURS

Day off is Monday
M, W-F 9-3
M, T & Th 7:30-2:30
T & W 9-12

For after hours emergencies, please contact Father Trapp at 614-873-8850 and choose extension 13.

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If you are new to St. Joseph, WELCOME! You can learn more about us at our website and we invite you to introduce yourself to us. Please contact the office to learn about scheduling weddings, baptisms, and preparing for First Communion and Confirmation.