

WELCOME TO SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH



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St. Joseph Catholic Church,
Plain City, Ohio



Scan here to go to our website. From the website, click on the mail icon to receive the latest news via email.

Are you new to Saint Joseph Parish?

Welcome!

Are you new to St. Joseph's? We invite you to please introduce yourself before or after Mass, or stop by the parish office.



**THIS
IS THE
JUBILEE
YEAR OF
MERCY**

MASSES

Weekday Masses are at the church

Tuesday, 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday 5:30 p.m.
Friday 8 a.m.
Saturday 9 a.m.

Weekend at the church:

Saturday 4:30 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 a.m.

At the PAC:

Sunday 11 a.m.

ADORATION

M - Th 6 -11 a.m.
& 6 -11 p.m.
Friday: 6-8 a.m.
& 6-11 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

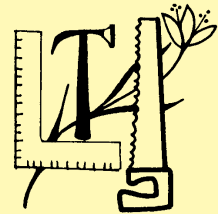
AT CHURCH:
Saturday after
9 a.m. Mass
and 3:30 p.m.
Also by
appointment.



Parish Activity Center and Parish Office

670 W. Main Street
Plain City, OH 43064

ARE YOU NEW TO SAINT JOSEPH PARISH? Please stop by the office to register you and your family or call 614-873-8850.



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. To have a name added to the bulletin prayer list please send to: bulletin@saintjosephplaincity.com

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. For more information please contact the parish office. We welcome you!

OFFERTORY: You may make your offertory weekly or monthly by visiting our website at www.saintjosephplaincity.com and registering with ONLINE GIVING.



Adoration angels are needed as follows:

Evenings: **Tuesdays** 10 - 11 p.m.

Wednesdays 8 - 9 p.m. **Thursdays** 10 - 11 p.m.

Fridays 6 - 7 p.m., 10 - 11 p.m.

Please contact Elaine Bonacci to sign up. Thank you!

Please pray for our military:

2LT Denis R. Aurelius USAF
SGT Michael S. Bertorello, USA
1SGT Kevin R. Gleich, USA
Logan Hill,
LTC Patrick Parsons, USAF
MASN Todd Thieken Jr., USN
Lt. Cmdr. Matt Wood, USN



Please pray for who all who are ill and healing:

Patricia Ann Allen
Rhonda Campbell
Kevin Gleich
John Harris
Gabriel Kaiser
Betty Stricharczuk

Gloria Butler
Josie Campbell
David Harris
John High
Zachary Kaiser
Mary Jane Ward

Mass Intentions & Readings
The Twenty-ninth Week in Ordinary Time

Monday, October 17

Memorial of St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr
EPH 2:1-10, PS: 100; LK 12:13-21

NO MASS

Tuesday, October 18

Feast of St. Luke, Evangelist
2 TM 4:10-17B; PS: 145; LK 10:1-9

5:30 p.m. NO MASS

Wednesday, October 19

Memorials of Sts. John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues, Priests & Companions, Martyrs
EPH 3:2-12; PS: IS 12; LK 12: 39-48

5:30 p.m. NO MASS

Thursday, October 20

EPH 3:14-21; PS: 33; LK 12: 49-53

NO MASS

Friday, October 21

EPH 4:1-6; PS: 24; LK 12: 54-59

8 a.m. NO MASS

Saturday, October 22

EPH: 4:7-16; PS: 122; LK 13:1-9

9 a.m. NO MASS

4:30 p.m. Steve McGonigle

Sunday, October 23

SIR 35: 12-14, 16-18; PS: 34; 2 TM 4:6-8, 16-18;
LK 18: 9-14

8:30 a.m. + Mary Mapes (S. Arata)

11 a.m. + Helen Grywalski (Parish)

Calendar

Monday, October 17

PSR 1st - 6th grades 4:30 p.m.

PSR 1st - 6th grades 6:30 p.m.

No Adoration at Church

Tuesday, October 18

Strength & Stretching 8 a.m.

Women Aglow 7 p.m.

St. Joe's Day at Womens Clinic 8 am-7 pm

Wednesday, October 19

Thursday, October 20

Drop off Cookies For Kairos 9 - 2 p.m.

Friday, October 21

Saturday, October 22

Confessions* 3:30 p.m.

Parish Rosary* 4 p.m.

St. Martin de Porres Collection all Masses

Sunday, October 23

Folk Choir Practice 9:45 a.m.

"Sleep-in" Mass for YG* 5:30 p.m.

Youth Group 7 p.m.

St. Martin de Porres Collection all Masses

* indicates event at the church

Father Trapp will be out of the office this week until Saturday, October 22.

There will be no daily Masses.

Please contact the office or Deacon Tony at 614-873-8850 or for any urgent ministerial needs. Please offer your prayers for Father while he is on retreat that he may be renewed and rested. Thank you.

TEEN'S "SLEEP-IN" MASS, OCTOBER 23



Go ahead and get a little extra sleep next Sunday and join St. Joseph Youth Group for 5:30 p.m. Mass at the church. This Mass will have contemporary music as part of our liturgical celebration. After we will have pizza and games for all high school students. We hope to see you there.

Announcements

- The K of C are collecting personal items for veterans this month. Boxes are available at the PAC & the church.
- Cookies for Kairos are due this Thursday at the PAC. Please drop them off between 9 am and 2 p.m.
- Tickets for Corks, Caps & Cuisine will go on sale NEXT weekend. See page 7 for details
- Thank you to all who signed up to pray outside Founders clinic this Tuesday, Oct. 18. There are hours still available.

Stewardship:

Offertory Collection for Oct 9, 2016

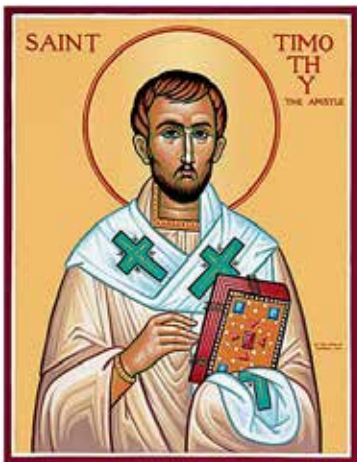
Envelopes	\$3,697
Loose (Unknown)	\$ 284
Diocesan Tax (6%)	\$(239)
Total	\$3,742

These numbers do not reflect on-line giving.

“...be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient...”

2 Timothy 4:2

It is not always convenient to be a good steward, especially when all the temptations of our busy and materialistic world get in the way. Now add our own pride and ego into



the equation and living a stewardship lifestyle may be downright uncomfortable! Remember, God didn't call us to be comfortable. He called us to be faithful.

To Be a Christian Steward



“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace” (1 Pt 4:10).

What identifies a steward? Safeguarding material and human resources and using them responsibly are one answer; so is generous giving of time, talent, and treasure. But being a Christian steward means more. As Christian stewards, we receive God's gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them lovingly in justice with others, and return them with increase to the Lord.

Here are many of the Parish groups that need your faithful stewardship. Please sign up on the boards at the PAC & church.

Lectors, Altar Servers, Ushers/Greeters, and Extraordinary Ministers

Musicians & Singers

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Youth Group

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Martin de Porres Society

Knights of Columbus

55+

Parish Life / Social Committee

Parish School of Religion

Please prayerfully consider joining one or more of these vital groups. The parish depends on your participation. It is our faithful obligation to give of our time, talents and treasure.



CARING FOR LOVED ONES AT LIFE'S END

An old Irish proverb says, "It is in the shelter of each other that the people live." Indeed, we are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering. But when family members or friends approach life's end, we may not know how best to "shelter" them. Here are some concrete ways we can compassionately care for them.

- 1. Invite God In:** Pope Francis has said that "praying in difficult situations is like opening the door to the Lord, in order that he might enter."¹ The dying process is a sacred time—a final season to seek closure in this life and prepare for the next in the hope of sharing in Christ's Resurrection. As you enter into this season with your friend or family member, ask God to accompany both of you.
- 2. Listen:** Try to discover your loved one's values and how best to honor his or her wishes. This requires true empathy. It can be hard not to assume he or she wants the same thing you *think* you would want if you were in the same situation. Listen with a non-judgmental ear so your loved one feels free to speak openly.
- 3. Inform Yourself:** Be aware that wishes for refusing ordinary or proportionate treatment²—or for pursuing assisted suicide—are usually rooted in fears of dependency, helplessness, or pain. Make yourself available to discuss these or any concerns. Know that hospice care focuses on alleviating pain and other symptoms, meeting basic needs, and providing comfort. Seek to understand the Catholic Church's teaching on end-of-life care, which can help you provide authentically loving support that respects life.³
- 4. Be Steadfast in Compassion:** As Pope Francis reminds us, "Compassion means 'suffer with,'"⁴ Your friend or family member will likely face ups and downs. Recognize these as part of a natural process. Surround him or her with love, support, and companionship that are "anchored in unconditional respect for their human dignity, beginning with respect for the inherent value of their lives."⁵ The patient's suffering can be alleviated by your empathy, as well as by quality hospice care by medical personnel.
- 5. Help Them Achieve Closure:** Help your family member or friend define the unfinished personal projects, financial concerns, unresolved relationships, or other matters that occupy his or her mind. Due to changing circumstances, some goals may need to be reframed. Creating and accomplishing this list of unfinished business can help the person discover a sense of purpose and feel more at peace.
- 6. Provide Opportunities for Resolution:** Ira Byock, a hospice medical director, illustrates in his book *The 4 Most Important Things*⁶ how saying "I love you," "I'm sorry," "I forgive you," and "Thank you" can promote much-needed healing during the dying process. You can help ensure a peaceful transition for your loved one by facilitating opportunities for reconciliation with others and for mutual expressions of love and gratitude. Consider offering to invite a priest to hear his or her confession and to administer the Eucharist as viaticum and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, all of which heal the soul and prepare us to meet the Lord.
- 7. Reminisce:** Our appetites diminish as our bodies experience a decreased need for food and fluids when we near life's end. Provide smaller amounts of your family member or friend's favorite foods. Even if unable to eat them, he or she may still enjoy the aromas and reminisce with you about special memories they evoke.

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8. Provide a Peaceful Presence: There comes a time of natural withdrawal from surroundings when dying persons may lose interest in many activities that used to be enjoyable. Your own quiet, patient presence can provide important support as your loved one prepares emotionally and spiritually for his or her passing. Hearing can become very acute, so placing the phone in another room, playing favorite music, reading a favorite passage, praying together, or simply sitting quietly with him or her can all be very soothing.

9. Show Tenderness: Those who are dying remain in need of the tenderness of personal human contact. Ask if you might gently brush your loved one’s hair, apply lotion to her hands or feet, or simply hold his hand. Tell stories, laugh, and share memories to reassure the person he or she is a cherished gift, not a burden in any way.

10. Bear Their Transition Patiently: Transition, the time immediately preceding death, may bring rapid physical changes, such as in breathing patterns, as well as changes in mental or emotional states. Try to be patient, and allow the “how” and “when” of death to be between God and your loved one. Ask God for the wisdom to know what final words to say—if any—and when. As you are able, give your loved one permission to make the transition. For example, you might say, “I love you. It’s okay to go home now.”

Accompanying a loved one in his or her last days is enormously important work, but we do not need to fear our own limitations. Pope Francis tells us, “[God] comes to assist us in our weakness. And his help consists in helping us accept his presence and closeness to us. Day after day, touched by his compassion, we also can become compassionate towards others.”⁸

⁸As our bishops teach, “Respect for life does not demand that we attempt to prolong life by using medical treatments that are ineffective or unduly burdensome.”¹⁶ At the same time, intentionally hastening death—whether through drugs or deliberate neglect of basic care—offends our God-given dignity and is never morally permissible. **More information:** www.usccb.org/ToLiveEachDay

¹⁶References do not indicate endorsement.

¹Pope Francis, *Morning Meditation in the Chapel of the Domus Sanctae Marthae: Choosing the Better Part*, 8 October 2013, (Vatican City: Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 2013).

²More information: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services*, 5th ed. (Washington, DC: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2009). United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *To Live Each Day with Dignity: A Statement on Physician-Assisted Suicide* (Washington, DC: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2011).

³Pope Francis, *General Audience, Wednesday, April 27, 2016*, (Vatican City: Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 2016).

⁴United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *To Live Each Day with Dignity: A Statement on Physician-Assisted Suicide*, 10.

⁵Pope Francis, *Misericordiae vultus*, (Vatican City: Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 2015), no. 14.

⁶United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *To Live Each Day with Dignity: A Statement on Physician-Assisted Suicide*, 10.

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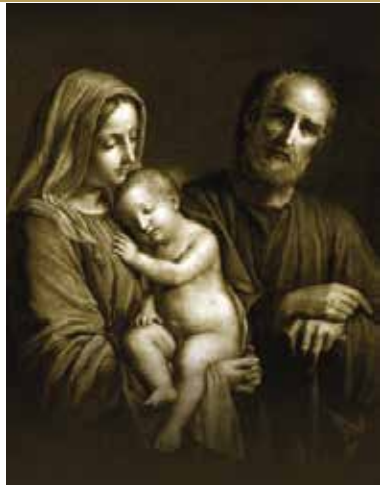
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Holy Family Devotion

Join the Knights of Columbus for each Mass the weekend of October 22 - 23 for the Holy Family Devotion. The 4th Degree Knights will begin with the procession by presenting a special icon of the Holy Family that is

traveling from parish to parish.

Monday evening at 7 p.m. St. Joseph's will host a Holy Hour of prayer for all families at the church. We encourage all to join us for this hour of reflection, prayer and meditation with the Holy Family.

KITCHEN ANGEL COORDINATOR NEEDED



Since the PAC opened, I have served as Coordinator for the PAC Kitchen Committee. Due to health reasons, I need to cut back on a few activities. My

volunteer efforts will continue to be the St. Martin de Porres ministry.

Thanks to many Parish volunteers, keeping the PAC kitchen clean and sanitary is a relatively easy job for the Coordinator. Protocol is established and the dedicated staff of monthly volunteers return year after year, to serve their month.

This position is perfect for a Parish member who likes to work from home, is computer savvy, and can update the list at the beginning of the year, and check on the Kitchen condition periodically.

If you are interested in knowing more about this volunteer opportunity, please contact Gloria Butler at jimgloryb@gmail.com OR 614-581-1240.

Blessings and prayers, Gloria

Looking Ahead:

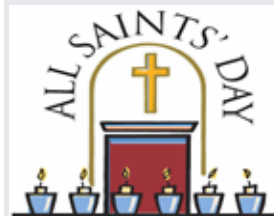
October 22 & 23 will be a special collection for our **St. Martin de Porres Society**. The Christmas season is upon us and St. Martin's needs your generous donations to joyously fulfill the needs of those in our community who might otherwise not be able to afford gifts or a holiday meal for their family. Please be as generous as you can. What a beautiful way to bring the Year of Mercy to a close by offering up your bounty to others.

October 29 & 30 will be our \$5 for 5 special collection to give a boost to our building fund.



Masses for **All Saints Day**,

November 1, will be 5:30 p.m. and 7 p.m., both at the PAC.



Books of Remembrance will be available near the altars at the church and at the PAC. Please stop by after Mass and add the names of your deceased loved ones to the books in preparation for All Souls Day, November 2.



Strengthening the Household of Faith

Jesus asks us to demonstrate our love for Him through our generosity to others. In our everyday lives, He calls us to share our gifts of time, talent and treasure with others. "While we have the opportunity, let us do good to all people - but especially to those of the household of the faith." (Galatians 6:10)



St. Joseph has established several endowment funds at The Catholic Foundation to help strengthen our household of faith. Your gifts of cash, stock, real estate and insurance are needed to make our endowments grow, giving our parish perpetual income. For more information, call The Catholic Foundation at 614-443-8893 or visit catholic-foundation.org.

Sister Edith Fitzgerald Scholarship Endowment Fund: This fund shall provide scholarship assistance to deserving elementary and high school students of St. Joseph and Sacred Heart Parishes in Plain City, Oh.

St. Joseph Parish, Plain City/McGuire Endowment Fund: This fund shall provide for the operating needs of our parish.

Fr. Edward Fitzgerald St. Joseph Parish Endowment Fund: This fund shall provide for the general needs of St. Joseph Parish, Plain City, OH.



Tickets on sale next week!

Corks, Caps & Cuisine

Friday, November 18, 7 - 10 p.m., at the PAC



Enjoy an evening at our wine & beer garden, sampling wines, beers, and food from around the world. Be sure to peruse our "top rate" *Silent Auction* tables along with our popular *Spin to Win Wine Table!* (guaranteed to walk away with a bottle of wine!) Returning is our *Family Fun Table:* with a \$5 ticket you could win a 43" flat screen TV, a gas chainsaw, or maybe an afternoon shopping spree with lunch. And wait till you see what we have for the kids! Also new this year is our *Game of Growlers.* We are also featuring our *Wines of St. Joseph Raffle Basket:* take a \$5 chance to win a basket filled with wine valued over \$400! Drawing will be the night of the event - Winner does not have to be present.

Come uncork and unwind with us for the evening festivities.

***** Limited tickets are available and are \$25 per person *****

Tickets will be available at all weekend Masses starting October 22, or at the parish office.

All proceeds will benefit our **WELL-BUILT FAITH BUILDING FUND.**



THE JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

General Audience:

This visit to Georgia and Azerbaijan complemented my visit to Armenia in June, and fulfilled my desire to visit all three nations of the Caucasus to confirm the Catholic community and to encourage all the people in their journey toward peace and fraternity.'



Dear Brothers and Sisters:

I thank the Lord for the grace of my recent visit to Georgia and Azerbaijan, and I renew my gratitude to the civil and religious authorities of both countries, in particular to the Patriarch of All Georgia, Ilia II, and to the Sheikh of the Muslims of the Caucasus.

This visit complemented my visit to Armenia in June, and fulfilled my desire to visit all three nations of the Caucasus to confirm the Catholic community and to encourage all the people in their journey toward peace and fraternity. Though Georgia and Azerbaijan enjoy ancient historical, cultural and religious roots, they have only just celebrated twenty-five years of independence, and are experiencing great challenges. The Catholic Church is called to be close to them, especially through works of charity and promoting the good of the human person, in communion with the other Churches and Christian communities, and in dialogue with other religious communities. In Georgia, our cooperation is naturally with our Orthodox brothers and sisters, and so Patriarch Ilia's presence at the airport upon my arrival was a very important sign, as well as our visit to the Patriarchal Cathedral and our meeting which was very moving. Our unity is seen in the blood of so many Christian martyrs of different Christian confessions, especially the Assyrian-Chaldean, with whom we prayed for peace in Syria, Iraq and the whole Middle East. In Azerbaijan, a primarily Muslim country, I was able to participate in an interreligious meeting and to celebrate Mass with the small Catholic community. Our communion of faith inspires us to deepen our encounter and dialogue with all who believe in God, so that together we can build a more just and fraternal world. May God bless Armenia, Georgia and Azerbaijan, and guide his holy people in those countries.

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MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<p>4:30 P.M. AT THE CHURCH</p> <p>Usher Lector EM Serve</p>	<p>OCTOBER 22</p> <p>A. & E. Stransky D. Ridder J. Fritter, D. & M. Brickner B. Corbitt, M. Ridder</p>	<p>11 A.M. AT THE PAC</p> <p>Usher Lector EM Serve</p>	<p>OCTOBER 23</p> <p>C. & L. Wright B. Seciliot (open), C Haaser, D. Bezusko A. & C. Miller</p>
<p>8:30 A.M. AT THE CHURCH</p> <p>Usher Lector EM Serve</p>	<p>OCTOBER 23</p> <p>B. Sievers, P. Trombley M. Valois Dcn. T. Bonacci, E. & S. Costello D. Costello, J. O'Connell</p>	<p>HOMEBOUND</p>	<p>P. Thomas</p>
		<p>COLLECTION COUNTING</p> <p>October 17 Team St. Anthony October 24 Team St. Barbara October 31 Team St. Cunegundes November 7 Team St. Diego</p>	

The schedule listed above may not be the most current ministry schedule.
Please check Ministry Scheduler Pro for the latest schedule.