

WELCOME TO SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH



140 West Avenue, Plain City Ohio

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 to register, meet Father Trapp and become part of our parish family.

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St. Joseph Catholic Church,
Plain City, Ohio



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MASSES

Weekday Masses are at the church

Tuesday 5:30 pm
Wednesday 5:30 pm
Friday 8 am
Saturday 9 am

Weekend at the church:

Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 8:30 am

At the PAC:

Sunday 11 am

ADORATION

M - Th 6 -11 am & 6 -11 pm
Friday: 6-8 am & 6-11 pm

Confessions at church:
Saturday after 9 am Mass and 3:30 pm 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.

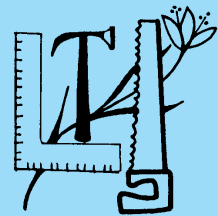
SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance of intended date. A marriage preparation program is required. Please contact Father Trapp.

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

EUCHARIST 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 NEEDED:

Mondays: 10 - 11 pm

Tuesdays: 7 - 8 am, 9 - 10 pm, 10 - 11 pm

Wednesdays: 8 - 9 pm

Thursdays: 9 - 10 pm - every 4th week

Fridays: 10 - 11 pm

Please contact Lori Crock to sign up.

Subs needed also. Thank you!



PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY:

2LT Denis R. Aurelius USAF

SFC Michael S. Bertorello, USA

SGT Justin Edwards, ANG

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

George Geruntino

David Harris

Zachary Kaiser

Rhonda Campbell

Kevin Gleich

John Harris

Betty Stricharczuk

Shannon Eckman

Elfriede Gregel

John High

Mary Jane Ward

Joe Elias

Florine Hamlin

Gabriel Kaiser

To have your loved one added to the prayer list, please email: bulletin@saintjosephplaincity.com

MINISTRY SCHEDULE:

4:30 pm AT THE CHURCH

Nov 11

Usher: S. Thobe, D. Rowley

Lector: B. Seciliot, T. Thobe

EM: M. & D. Brickner, J. Fisher

Servers: E. & R. Rice

8:30 AM AT THE CHURCH

Nov 12

Usher: D. & J. Foster

Lector: G. Hamlin, A. Crock

EM: Dcn. T. Bonacci, L. Crock, (sub needed)

Servers: L. & T. Schaughnessy

11 AM AT THE PAC

Nov 12

Usher: please volunteer now

Lector: please volunteer now

EM: please volunteer now

Servers: please volunteer now

HOMEBOUND:

K. Schilling

COLLECTION COUNTING:

NOV 13 Team St. Anthony

NOV 20 Team St. Barbara

NOV 27 Team St. Cunegundes

DEC 4 Team St. Diego



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

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS:

Monday, NOV 6

ROM 11:29-36; PS: 69; LK 14: 12-14
No Mass

Tuesday, NOV 7

ROM 12: 5-16ab; PS: 131; LK 14: 15-24
5:30 pm: Frank Uhl (S. Shue)

Wednesday, Nov. 8

ROM 13:8-10; PS: 112; LK 14: 25-33
5:30 pm: Hofbauer & Gackowski Families (G. Graber)

Thursday, Nov. 9

Feast of the dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome
 EZ 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12; PS:46; JN 2: 13-22
No Mass

Friday, Nov. 10

Memorial of St. Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church
 ROM 15:14-21; PS: 98; LK 16: 1-8
8 am Judy Billman (S. Block)

Saturday, Nov. 11

Memorial of St. Martin of Tours, Bishop
 ROM 16: 3-9, 16, 22-27; PS: 145; LK 16: 9-15
9 am: Dale Kinsley (Kinsley Family)
4:30 pm: People of the Parish

Sunday, Nov. 12

WIS 6:12-16; PS: 63; 1THES 4:13-18; MT 25: 1-13
8 am: Kate Benson (Dcn. & E. Bonacci)
11am: Helen Grywalski (Grywalski Family)

HAPPENING THIS WEEK: TIME:

MONDAY, NOV. 6

PSR Grades 1 - 6 4:30 pm
 PSR Grades 1 - 6 6:30 pm

TUESDAY, NOV. 7

Protecting God's Children Class 6 pm

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 8

RCIA 7 pm
 Walking With Purpose 7:30 pm

THURSDAY, NOV. 9

Choir Practice 7 pm

FRIDAY, NOV. 10

Office Closed - Veteran's Day Observance
 NO Bible Study 9 am
 Corks, Caps, & Cuisine 7 pm

SATURDAY, NOV. 11

That Man Is You! 7:30 am
 Youth Group Service @ PC Food Pantry 9:30 am
 Confessions 3:30 pm
 Rosary 4 pm

SUNDAY, NOV. 12

PSR Grades 7 - 8 9:40 am
 Children's Liturgy of the Word 11 am
 WWP table leaders meeting 12 pm
 Retrouvaille 1:30 pm
 YDisciple - Youth Group 7 pm

**Denotes event takes place at the Church*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The Protecting God's Children class will be held this Tuesday at 6pm at the PAC for all PSR volunteers who have not completed it.
- The office will be closed this Friday in honor of Veteran's Day.
- That Man Is You! continues Saturday, Nov. 11. Please join us.

STEWARDSHIP:

Offertory Collection for October 22, 2017

Envelopes	\$2,115
Loose* (Unknown)	\$ 352
Diocesan Tax (6%)	<u>\$ (148)</u>
Total	\$2,319*

*These numbers do not reflect on-line Giving

"Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

- MATTHEW 23:12



Jesus gave His life to serve, not to be served. Putting other's needs before our own needs is a sign of becoming a mature disciple, of following Jesus' example. Humility is really a sign of a strength. By putting other's

needs first we declare to the world that we are putting our complete trust in God. When we align our thoughts and actions with God's plan for us, the result is Joy and Peace.

The Challenge of Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship



Part II of II: Making Moral Choices and Applying Our Principles

This brief document is Part II of a summary of the US bishops' reflection, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, which complements the teaching of bishops in dioceses and states.

Part I of the summary of the US bishops' reflection, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, considered the core principles that underlie Catholic engagement in the political realm. Part II is a consideration of the process by which these principles are applied to the act of voting and taking positions on policy issues. It begins with the general consideration of the nature of conscience and the role of prudence. The application of prudential judgment does not mean that all choices are equally valid or that the bishops' guidance and that of other church leaders is just another political opinion or policy preference among many others. Rather, Catholics are urged to listen carefully to the Church's teachers when they apply Catholic social teaching to specific proposals and situations.

How Does the Church Help the Catholic Faithful to Speak About Political and Social Questions?

A Well-Formed Conscience

The Church equips its members to address political questions by helping them develop well-formed consciences. "Conscience is a judgment of reason whereby the human person recognizes the moral quality of a concrete act. . . . [Every person] is obliged to follow faithfully what he [or she] knows to be just and right" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1778). We Catholics have a lifelong obligation to form our consciences in accord with human reason, enlightened by the teaching of Christ as it comes to us through the Church.

The Virtue of Prudence

The Church also encourages Catholics to develop the virtue of prudence, which enables us "to discern our true good in every circumstance and to choose the right means of achieving it" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, no. 1806). Prudence shapes and informs our ability to deliberate over available alternatives, to determine what is most fitting to a specific context, and to act. Prudence must be accompanied by courage, which calls us to act. As Catholics seek to advance the common good, we must carefully discern which public policies are morally sound. At times, Catholics may choose different ways to respond to social problems, but we cannot differ on our obligation to protect human life and dignity and help build, through moral means, a more just and peaceful world.



Doing Good and Avoiding Evil

There are some things we must never do, as individuals or as a society, because they are always incompatible with love of God and neighbor. These intrinsically evil acts must always be rejected and never supported. A preeminent example is the intentional taking of innocent human life, as in abortion. Similarly, human cloning, destructive research on human embryos, and other acts that directly violate the sanctity and dignity of human life including genocide, torture, and the targeting of noncombatants in acts of terror or war, can never be justified. Nor can violations of human dignity, such as acts of racism, treating workers as mere means to an end, deliberately subjecting workers to subhuman living conditions, treating the poor as disposable, or redefining marriage to deny its essential meaning, ever be justified.

Opposition to intrinsically evil acts also prompts us to recognize our positive duty to contribute to the common good and act in solidarity with those in need. Both opposing evil and doing good are essential. As St. John Paul II said, "The fact that only the negative commandments oblige always and under all circumstances does not mean that in the moral life prohibitions are more important than the obligation to do good indicated by the positive commandment."¹ The basic right to life implies and is linked to other human rights such as a right to the goods that every person needs to live and thrive—including food, shelter, health care, education, and meaningful work.

Avoiding Two Temptations

Two temptations in public life can distort the Church's defense of human life and dignity: The first is a moral equivalence that makes no ethical distinctions between different kinds of issues involving human life and dignity. The direct and intentional destruction of innocent human life from the moment of conception until natural death is always wrong and is not just one issue among many. It must always be opposed. The second is the misuse of these necessary moral distinctions as a way of dismissing or ignoring other serious threats to human life and dignity. Racism and other unjust discrimination, the use of the death penalty, resorting to unjust war, environmental degradation, the use of torture, war crimes, the failure to respond to those who are suffering from hunger or a lack of health care or housing, pornography, human trafficking, redefining civil marriage, compromising religious liberty,

or unjust immigration policies are all serious moral issues that challenge our consciences and require us to act.

Making Moral Choices

The bishops do not tell Catholics how to vote; the responsibility to make political choices rests with each person and his or her properly formed conscience, aided by prudence. This exercise of conscience begins with always opposing policies that violate human life or weaken its protection.

When morally flawed laws already exist, prudential judgment is needed to determine how to do what is possible to restore justice—even if partially or gradually—without ever abandoning a moral commitment to full protection for all human life from conception to natural death (see St. John Paul II, *Evangelium Vitae*, no. 73).

Prudential judgment is also needed to determine the best way to promote the common good in areas such as housing, health care, and immigration. When church leaders make judgments about how to apply Catholic teaching to specific policies, this may not carry the same binding authority as universal moral principles but cannot be dismissed as one political opinion among others. These moral applications should inform the consciences and guide the actions of Catholics.

As Catholics we are not single-issue voters. A candidate's position on a single issue is not sufficient to guarantee a voter's support. Yet a candidate's position on a single issue that involves an intrinsic evil, such as support for legal abortion or the promotion of racism, may legitimately lead a voter to disqualify a candidate from receiving support.¹

What Public Policies Should Concern Catholics Most?

As Catholics, we are led to raise questions about political life other than those that concentrate on individual, material well-being. We focus more broadly on what protects or threatens the dignity of every human life. Catholic teaching challenges voters and candidates, citizens and elected officials, to consider the moral and ethical dimensions of public policy issues. In light of ethical principles, we bishops offer the following policy goals that we hope will guide Catholics as they form their consciences and reflect on the moral dimensions of their public choices:

- Address the preeminent requirement to protect **human life**—by restricting and bringing to an end the destruction of unborn children through abortion and providing women in crisis pregnancies with the supports they need. End the following practices: the use of euthanasia and assisted suicide to deal with the burdens of illness and disability; the destruction of human embryos in the name of research; the use of the death penalty to combat crime; and the imprudent resort to war to address international disputes.
- Protect the fundamental understanding of **marriage** as the life-long and faithful union of one man and one woman

as the central institution of society; promote the complementarity of the sexes and reject false “gender” ideologies; provide better support for family life morally, socially, and economically, so that our nation helps parents raise their children with respect for life, sound moral values, and an ethic of stewardship and responsibility.

- Achieve comprehensive **immigration** reform that offers a path to citizenship, treats immigrant workers fairly, prevents the separation of families, maintains the integrity of our borders, respects the rule of law, and addresses the factors that compel people to leave their own countries.
- Help families and children overcome **poverty** and ensure access to and choice in **education**, as well as decent work at fair, living wages and adequate assistance for the vulnerable in our nation, while also helping to overcome widespread hunger and poverty around the world, especially in the policy areas of development assistance, debt relief, and international trade.
- Ensure full conscience protection and **religious freedom** for individuals and groups to meet social needs, and so enable families, community groups, economic structures, and government to work together to overcome poverty, pursue the common good, and care for creation.
- Provide **health care** while respecting human life, human dignity, and religious freedom in our health care system.
- Continue to oppose policies that reflect racism, hostility toward immigrants, religious bigotry, and other forms of **unjust discrimination**.
- Establish and comply with moral limits on the use of **military force**—examining for what purposes it may be used, under what authority, and at what human cost—with a special view to seeking a responsible and effective response for ending the persecution of Christians and other religious minorities in the Middle East and other parts of the world.
- Join with others **around the world** to pursue peace, protect human rights and religious liberty, and advance economic justice and care for creation.

Notes

1. *Veritatis Splendor*, no. 52.

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PARISH ACTIVITIES / VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

Monday, Nov. 13, 10 am: Tag Making:



Join us at the PAC to trace, cut and attach yarn to the tags used on the Giving Trees this Advent Season. Snacks & Coffee provided. We need hundred's of tags...many hands make light work. Bring scissors please. Thank you!

November: Community Christmas Basket:

Adopt a family in the Jonathan Alder District. Please contact Bonnie Chuha for more details at 614-873-8566.

December: Children's Christmas Pageant:

We are in the planning stages of practicing for the Children's Christmas Vigil. Parents are needed to help prepare the children and their roles, costumes and props. Please contact Meredith Kleman at 614-403-5521. Details coming soon.

Christmas Poinsettia Flower Donations

If you would like to make a cash donation for a potted flower in honor of, or in memory of a loved one please use the form below and turn it in with your check. Checks should be payable to St. Joseph Church. A list of honorees will be printed in the Christmas Day bulletin. Deadline for inclusion in that bulletin is December 11, 2017.

Christmas Flower Remembrance

In Honor Of / In Memory of:

Three horizontal lines for writing names.

Donated by: _____

Horizontal line for writing address or contact info.



Veteran's Day Prayer:



Though it began as Armistice Day in 1919 (celebrating the end of World War I), November 11 has been celebrated as Veterans Day in the United States since 1954. Many people observe the day with ceremonies and parades that honor the sacrifice and dedication of those who have served in the armed forces of the United States.

There may be no better way to honor a veteran than in prayer. Whether it is offered in a religious service, or privately, or silently as a parade passes by, or in a personal card or note, prayer can connect you, a veteran and God in a meaningful and productive way.

Dear Lord God, Almighty Father, creator of mankind and author of peace, as we are ever mindful of the cost paid for the liberty we possess, we ask you to bless the members of our armed forces and veterans.

Give them courage, hope and strength. May they ever experience your firm support, gentle love and compassionate healing. Be their power and protector, leading them from darkness to light. To you be all glory, honor and praise, now and forever. Amen

Source: Guideposts & USCCB

Cum Christo Weekends:

Dates for 2018 Cum Christo weekends have been announced. The weekend begins on Thursday evening and continues until Sunday evening:

Spring, 2018

- Men's 160th - March 8-11, 2018
Women's 158th - April 19-22, 2018

Fall, 2018

- Men's 161st - September 20-23, 2018
Women's 159th - October 18-21, 2018

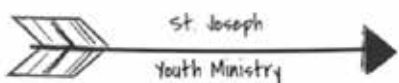
Cum Christo is a short course in Christian living that equips God's people with tools to bring faith alive where they live and work. Pamphlets providing more information are available in the vestibule of the church and PAC; or go to www.cumchristo.org or see Deacon Tony or Elaine Bonacci.



POPE FRANCIS' GENERAL AUDIENCE: *Place Your Trust in Him*

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

In this, the last of our catecheses on Christian hope, I would like to speak of hope's fulfilment in heaven. On Calvary, Jesus assures the Good Thief that he will be with him that very day in heaven. The Lord's solidarity with us sinners culminates on the cross; there, as one of his final acts, he opens the gates of heaven to a repentant criminal. The Good Thief's humble plea for mercy was sufficient to touch the heart of Jesus. His humility reminds us that, like the publican in the Temple, or the prodigal Son, we can only trust in God's mercy, and, at every hour of our life, turn to him with hope in his promises. Jesus died on the cross to redeem our sins, our mistakes and our failings, and to bring us with him to the house of the Father. He desires that nothing be lost of what he has redeemed. No one, then, should despair, for his grace is always present to those who put their trust in him. The hour of our death need hold no fear for us if, like the Good Thief, we can turn to the Lord and pray in confident hope: "Jesus, remember me" (cf. Lk 23:42).



YOUTH GROUP

YDisciple: Session 5- The Cost

The cost of discipleship often seems high, but what is its true *value* to our lives? In this session, we'll look candidly at the fears teens have about committing to Christ and what it means to sacrifice and to move forward in the Faith. Jesus told his disciples to "count the cost." What happens with our discipleship when we do? Presented by Fr. Mike Schmitz.

Whether its your 5th or 1st time, join us for YDisciple Sunday 7-8 at the PAC.

Want to catch up on YDisciple? Go to www.formed.org, use parish code **RFTRYF**, and watch the Follow Me series.

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1. Go to formed.org/register
2. Enter Access Code: **RFTRYF**
3. Enter your email and create a password (you need this to login later)
4. Enjoy and share with others in our local community!



Service Saturday:

Nov 11th.

9:30-12:00 @ Plain City

Food Pantry

YDisciple:

November 5th, 19th

December 3rd, 10th

7-8 @the PAC



Father Thomas J. Cadden Scholarship Plaques

Have you seen the Father Thomas J. Cadden Scholarship plaques at the P.A.C.?

We can be very proud of our Knights of Columbus' efforts to raise funds and award these scholarships over the years to dozens of our worthy students pursuing their college education.

For any parishioners who didn't know him, Father Tom Cadden was a long time friend of the parish (and special friend of Father Pat) who celebrated our 8:30 a.m. Mass at the church every Sunday. Sadly, Father Tom died in a car accident while on the way to Saint Joseph on Sunday, March 7, 2004. May he rest in peace as we continue to honor him with this named scholarship...Deacon Tony

Protecting God's Children Required Class

This Tuesday, November 7, from 6 pm - 9pm the *Protecting God's Children* course will be held at the PAC. All are welcome to attend but **MUST** pre-register on the virtue website: www.virtus.org
Also, all catechists, teacher aides, and hall monitors must get a form from Maria Vonada to initiate the background check if you are volunteering with any programs that involved children at St. Joseph. This is a diocesan requirement.