

# 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.

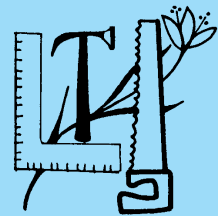
**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:** Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance of intended date. A marriage preparation program is required. Please contact Father Trapp.

**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](mailto: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](http://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	Shannon Eckman	Joe Elias	George Geruntino
	Kevin Gleich	Florine Hamlin	David Harris	John Harris
	Sam Herriot	John High	Gabriel Kaiser	Zachary Kaiser
	Barbara Sievers	Mary Jane Ward		
	To have your loved one added to the prayer list, please email: <a href="mailto:bulletin@saintjosephplaincity.com">bulletin@saintjosephplaincity.com</a>			

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE:**


**4:30 pm AT THE CHURCH Nov 18**  
 Usher: M. & K. Walden  
 Lector: L. Davis, D. Duran  
 EM: C. Corbitt, (open), K. Kaminski  
 Servers: B. & D. Corbitt

**8:30 AM AT THE CHURCH Nov 19**  
 Usher: A. Wilson, J. Trombley  
 Lector: E. Bonacci, T. Schwoppe  
 EM: Dcn. T. Bonacci, J. & R. Dvorsky  
 Servers: A. Dendis, J. O'Connell

**11 AM AT THE PAC Nov 19**  
 Usher: P. Thomas, D. Rowley  
 Lector: J. Ciuca, C. Grywalski  
 EM: M. Thiergartner, (open), A. Schimmoeller  
 Servers: C. Miller, D. Tobe

**HOMEBOUND:** D. & M. Needham

**COLLECTION COUNTING:**  
 NOV 20 Team St. Barbara  
 NOV 27 Team St. Cunegundes  
 DEC 4 Team St. Diego  
 DEC 11 Team St. Anthony



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 13**

Memorial of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin  
 WIS 1:1-7; PS: 139; LK 17: 1-6  
**No Mass**

**Tuesday, NOV 14**

WIS 2: 23-3:9; PS: 34; LK 17: 7-10  
**5:30 pm:** Mary Woolf (A. & L. Crock)

**Wednesday, Nov. 15**

WIS 6: 1-11; PS: 82; LK 17: 11-19  
**5:30 pm:** Mary Woolf (L. Giardino)

**Thursday, Nov. 16**

WIS 7: 22B-8:1; PS: 119; LK 17: 20-25  
**No Mass**

**Friday, Nov. 17**

Memorial of St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious  
 WIS 13:1-9; PS: 19; LK 17: 26-27  
**8 am:** Pat Welsh (J. & C. O'Connell)

**Saturday, Nov. 18**

WIS 18: 14-16, 19:6-9; PS: 105; LK 18: 1-8  
**9 am:** Robert Blum (P. Welsh)  
**4:30 pm:** Michele Poydence (G. & A. Walter)

**Sunday, Nov. 19**

PRV 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; PS: 128; 1THES 5:1-6;  
 MT 25: 14-30  
**8 am:** Connie Fatseas (Dcn. T. & E. Bonacci)  
**11am:** People of the Parish

**HAPPENING THIS WEEK: TIME:**

**MONDAY, NOV. 13**

Tag Cutting for Giving Trees 10 am  
 PSR Grades 1 - 6 4:30 pm  
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**TUESDAY, NOV. 14**

Bereavement Support 3 pm

**WEDNESDAY, NOV. 15**

RCIA 7 pm  
 Walking With Purpose 7:30 pm

**THURSDAY, NOV. 16**

Choir Practice 7 pm

**FRIDAY, NOV. 17**

Bible Study 9 am

**SATURDAY, NOV. 18**

That Man Is You! 7:30 am  
 Confessions\* 3:30 pm  
 Rosary\* 4 pm

**SUNDAY, NOV. 19**

PSR Grades 7 - 8 9:40 am  
 Folk Choir Practice 9:45 am  
 Children's Liturgy of the Word 11 am  
 Retrouvaille 1:30 pm  
 YDisciple - Youth Group 7 pm

*\*Denotes event takes place at the Church*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Tag making for the Giving Trees will be this Tuesday, Nov. 13 at 10am at the PAC.
- We are approximately \$5,800 over our BAA goal. Thank you!
- The Knights Breakfast with St. Nicholas will be Saturday, Dec. 9 at the PAC. Come early!

**STEWARDSHIP:**

**Offertory Collection for October 29, 2017**

Envelopes	\$3,477
Loose* (Unknown)	\$ 222
Diocesan Tax (6%)	<u>\$ (222)</u>
Total	\$3,477*

\*These numbers do not reflect on-line Giving

**The BAA total pledges to date total \$44,950.90.**  
**Thank you!**

***"Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour." - MATTHEW 25:13***



Many of us have put off doing something because we think we are too busy. We've all said, "I'll do it later when I have time." Unfortunately, too

many of us apply this attitude to our Faith. Jesus' call is urgent, in the here and now, in your current circumstances. Don't delay, how is God calling you to use your gifts today?

**A Brief History of Advent**



Advent is latin for “Adventus”, which means “coming”. It is the beginning of a new liturgical year in Western churches, and begins the fourth Sunday before Christmas. Advent is identified with a deep purple color.

It is a preparatory season as we look forward to something greater: not only the anniversary of the birth of our Lord, but also when Christ will come again.

As the Faithful, during this time we are asked to:

- prepare ourselves worthily to celebrate the anniversary of the Lord’s coming into the world as the incarnate of God’s love
- To make our souls fitting abodes for the Redeemer coming to us in Holy Communion and through grace
- And thereby, making ourselves ready for His final coming as judge at death and the end of the world.

The exact date of the beginning of Advent practices is not known, but earliest evidence regards the latter part of the 4th Century as the time when the Nativity of our Lord was established. During the 8th - 10th centuries Advent was celebrated on 5 Sundays; it was Pope Gregory VII during his papacy from 1073-1085 that shortened it to 4 Sundays.

Themes and sacred traditions have changed over the centuries and include an Advent Wreath, a Jesse Tree, and Advent Calendars. Stay tuned next week for details on how you can incorporate these traditions in your family.

excerpts from [www.aquinasandmore.com](http://www.aquinasandmore.com)

**Adopt-a-Family for the Community Christmas Basket**

Please consider adopting a family for Christmas through the Presbyterian Church here in Plain City. It is anonymous though you can choose the family size you wish to help. Generally, donors spend about \$25 - \$30 per child plus a \$30 donation for a grocery gift card. Each family will also receive a box of food prepared by the Presbyterian Church. The church usually prepares between 175 - 200 boxes for the occasion. This is for the benefit of Jonathan Alder families with children under 18 years of age. Please call Bonnie Chuha at 614-873-8566 if you would like to help or make a donation or if you know of a family in need.



**Canned Food Drive & Thanksgiving Day Mass**

St. Joseph will be holding a canned food drive through

Thanksgiving Day to benefit the Plain City Food Pantry. Please bring your non-perishable food item to the PAC or the church.

**Mass on Thanksgiving Day will be at 9 am at the church.**

Also, you may bring a food item for blessing to share at your Thanksgiving table. Traditionally, items to bless are breads, wines and salt.

**Be an Advent Family**

Sign up to light the Advent Candles at each Mass beginning December 3, 2017 at each Mass. Sign up sheets will be at the church and the PAC. Be a part of this special Christmas season preparation.



**Breakfast With St. Nicholas**

The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring their annual Breakfast with St. Nicholas on Saturday, December 9, 8am - 11 am.

The pancake and sausage breakfast includes drinks and a special appearance by that jolly elf in red.

Costs: Age 12 - adult is \$6 Age 4-11 is \$4 Under 4 is free with a \$20 cap per family.



Photos with St. Nick are \$3.00, extra prints \$2 ea, and for a \$5 donation the digital photo will be emailed to you. Ho! Ho! Ho! - Come join the fun!

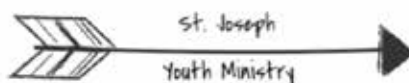
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Black Friday is just a couple weeks away - for all of your Amazon shopping this season, be sure to use the web address: **smile.amazon.com/ch/31-1304285** to complete your purchase. This extra step can make a difference to our parish. Thank you!



# Youth Group

## Dodgeball and Ninja Attack



Don't miss out on upcoming events!

**Service Saturday:**

**Nov 11th.**

**9:30-12:00 @ Plain City**

**Food Pantry**

**YDisciple:**

**November 5th, 19th**

**December 3rd, 10th 7-8 @the PAC**

**Ignite: December 17th**

**7:00-8:30 Party with a Purpose.**

Want to catch up on YDisciple? Go to [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org), use parish code **RFTRYF**, and watch the Follow Me series.



### Knights of Columbus Memorial Mass, 2017



Today, our Knights of Columbus, chapter 12772, honored five brother Knights at Mass today who have gone on to their eternal reward. We remember them with love and pray for their souls:

- Ed Chuha
- Wally Cooper
- Joe Hofbauer
- Dale Kinsley
- Tony Mouhanna

Our deceased Brothers ....



Wally Cooper    Ed Chuha    Tony Mouhanna    Joe Hofbauer    Dale Kinsley

### 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. Practices will be at 5:30, in between PSR sessions on the following Mondays: Dec. 4, Dec. 11, and Dec 18.

**Liturgy:** There will be many Masses offered in the month of December for the Immaculate Conception on Dec. 7-8, Christmas Day and New Year's Day and of course, each weekend. We need our lectors, ushers/greeters, EM's and servers to sign up as soon as possible to ensure proper coverage at every Mass. Thank you!

### Pray for our parish family during November

For the month of November we pray for those of our parish that have gone on to their eternal rest and for our parishoners that have lost family members in the past year.

#### **Parishoners:**

Elizabeth Keefer and Kate Benson

#### **Parish family members:**

- Pat Barry                      Paul Dendis
- Barbara Dranschak    Len Dzikowski
- Gladys Kersten            Julia Sally
- Mary Claire Schmitz    Bettie Schwope
- David Williams            Mary Woolf

We pray:

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord  
And may perpetual light shine upon them.  
Amen.*

### **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:**

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#### **Donated by:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**POPE FRANCIS' GENERAL AUDIENCE:*****Heaven, Goal of Our Hope******God is Father, and He waits for our Return up to the End***

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good Morning!

This is the last catechesis on the theme of Christian hope, which has accompanied us from the beginning of this Liturgical Year. And I will conclude speaking of Paradise, as end of our hope.

“Paradise” is one of the last words spoken by Jesus on the cross, addressed to the good thief. Let us pause a moment on that scene. Jesus isn’t alone on the cross. Next to Him, on the right and on the left, are two evildoers. Perhaps, passing before those three crosses raised on Golgotha, someone sighed a sigh of relief, thinking that finally justice was done putting people like this to death.

Next to Jesus there is also a self-confessed criminal: one who recognizes he deserved that terrible torture. We call him the “good thief,” who, opposing the other <thief>, says: we are receiving the due reward for our deeds (Cf. Luke 23:41).

On Calvary, that tragic and holy Friday, Jesus reaches the extreme of His Incarnation, of His solidarity with us sinners. Realized there was what the prophet Isaiah said of the Suffering Servant: “He was numbered with the transgressors” (53:12; Cf. Luke 22:37).

It is there, on Calvary, that Jesus has the last meeting with a sinner, to open to him also the door of His Kingdom. This is interesting: it’s the only time the word “Paradise” appears in the Gospels. Jesus promises it to a “poor devil” who, on the wood of the cross, had the courage to address to Him the most humble request: “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom” (Luke 23:42). He didn’t have good works to assert, but he entrusts himself to Jesus, whom he recognizes as innocent, good, so different from himself (v. 41). That word of humble repentance was enough to touch Jesus’ heart.

The good thief reminds us of our true condition before God: that we are His children, that He has compassion for us, that He is disarmed every time we manifest to Him nostalgia for His love. In the rooms of so many hospitals or in the cells of prisons this miracle is repeated innumerable times: there is no person, no matter how badly he lived, for whom only despair remains and for whom grace is prohibited. We all present ourselves before God with empty hands, somewhat like the publican of the parable who paused to pray in the back of the Temple (Cf. Luke 18:13). And every time that a man, doing the last examination of conscience of his life, discovers that the deficits are greater compared to his good works, he must not be discouraged, but entrust himself to God’s mercy. And this gives us hope; this opens our heart!

God is Father, and He waits for our return up to the end. And to the Prodigal Son who returns, who begins to confess his faults, the father closes his mouth with an embrace (Cf. Luke 15:20). This is God: this is how He loves us!

Paradise is not a dream place or an enchanted garden. Paradise is the embrace with God, infinite Love, and we enter it thanks to Jesus, who died on the cross for us. Where Jesus is, there is mercy and happiness; without Him there is cold and darkness. In the hour of death, a Christian repeats to Jesus: “Remember me.” And if there isn’t any one who remembers us, Jesus is there, next to us. He wants to take us to the most beautiful place that exists. He wants to take us there with the little or the lot of good that was in our life, so that nothing is lost of what He already redeemed. And He will bring to the Father’s House all that is in us that still needs to be redeemed: the failures and mistakes of a whole life. This is the end of our existence: when everything is fulfilled and is transformed in love.

If we believe this, death ceases to make us afraid, and we can also hope to depart from this world serenely and with much trust. Whoever has known Jesus, no longer feels anything. And we can also repeat the words of the elderly Simeon, who was also blessed by his meeting with Christ, after a whole life consumed in waiting: “Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation” (Luke 2:29-30).

And in that instant, finally, we won’t be in need of anything, we will no longer see in a confused way. We won’t cry anymore uselessly, because everything has passed, also the prophecies, also knowledge, but not love, it remains, because “love never ends” (Cf. 1 Corinthians 13:8).

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