

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 SHUT-INS: 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 p.m. - 11 p.m.

Wednesdays 8 - 9 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
Kevin Gleich
John Harris
Gabriel Kaiser
Betty Stricharczuk
Mary Jane Ward

Rhonda Campbell
David Harris
John High
Zachary Kaiser

Mass Intentions & Readings

The Twenty-fifth Week in Ordinary Time

Monday, September 19

PRV 3:27-34; PS: 15; LK 8:16-18

NO MASS

Tuesday, September 20

Memorial of Sts. Andrew Kim, Priest & Paul Chong Ha-sang,
Companion & Martyrs

PVR: 21:1-6, 10-13; PS: 119; LK 8:19-21

5:30 P.M. People of the Parish

Wednesday, September 21

Feast St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist,
EPH 4:1-7, 11-13; PS: 19; MT: 9-9-13

6:15 p.m. + Rita Blau (Parish)

Thursday, September 22

ECCL 1:2-11; PS: 90; LK 9: 7-9

NO MASS

Friday, September 23

Memorial of St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

ECCL 3:1-11; PS: 144; LK 9:18-22

8 a.m. +Mary Flemming (dod Jan. 1, 1935)

Saturday, September 24

ECCL 11:9-12:8; PS: 90; LK 9: 43b-45

9 a.m. +John Flemming (dod Nov 3, 1935)

4:30 p.m. Sl: Joe & Mary Hofbauer Anniv.

Sunday, September 25

AM 6:1A, 4-7; PS: 146; I TM 6:11-16; LK 16: 19-31

8:30 a.m. Sl: The Crock Family (Crock)

11 a.m. People of the Parish

Calendar

Monday, September 19

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

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Tuesday, September 20

Strength & Stretching 8 a.m.

First Communion Parents Mtg 7 p.m.

Women Aglow 7 p.m.

Wednesday, September 21

Confirmation Parents Mtg 7 p.m.

Thursday, September 22

Choir Practice 7 p.m.

Friday, September 23

Bible Study 9 a.m.

Saturday, September 24

Confessions* 3:30 p.m.

Parish Rosary* 4 p.m.

Sunday, September 25

PSR 7th & 8th Grade 9:40 a.m.

Folk Choir Practice 9:45 a.m.

Youth Group 7 p.m.

* indicates event at the church

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLW) will begin again in October 2, at the 11 a.m. Mass at the PAC. It will be celebrated the first and second Sunday's of each month through May. Children

ages 4-7 (those who have NOT received First Holy Communion are invited to attend).

CLW offers children an appreciation for God's Word at a level they can understand. After the opening prayers of Mass, the celebrant will call forth the children from the congregation and they will be accompanied by two trained ministers for this Liturgy. This is not PSR. Children will listen to the Word of God, sit for a short interactive talk about the readings, pray the Creed and offer petitions for their family and friends. After the Offertory the children will bring the gifts to the Altar and then will reunite with their family for the Eucharist and the conclusion of the Mass.

Announcements

- Please find the envelopes for donations to help the flood victims in Louisiana. Be as generous as you can.
- Please turn in your Youth Conference forms by September 25th. Sign ups are located in the back of the PAC or on the parish website.
- We need volunteers to sign up for October 18 for the 40 Days for Life. This is our parish date to pray for the end to abortions.
- Youth group starts to night at 7 p.m.

Stewardship:

Offertory Collection for September 4, 2016

Envelopes	\$3,517
Loose (Unknown)	\$ 166
Diocesan Tax (6%)	\$ (231)
Total	\$3,452

These numbers do not reflect online giving.

“No servant can serve two masters. He will hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon (wealth).” LUKE 16:13

Is money a “god” that you put before God? Giving money to support the Church and other charity is a pillar of our Faith, just like attending Mass every Sunday and participating in parish ministry. Giving money frees us from being a slave to money and increases our dependence on God and to trust that He will provide all that we need.



Do you know...

What the Word “Catechetical” Means?

The word might be more familiar than you think. Many Catholics have used the word “catechism” for years, and they know it has something to do with the compendium of the Church’s teachings. The root word, “catechesis,” is from a Greek word meaning “to echo, or resound.” Catechesis is the act of resounding or bringing the Church’s teachings to the world. A catechist is one who teaches in the name of the Church.

This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday today, September 18, 2016 and will focus on the theme **“Prayer: The Faith Prayed.”** Those who the Community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.



The Friends of the Poor Walk is scheduled for Saturday, September 24, at St. Francis de Sales High School Stadium, 4212 Karl Rd, Columbus, 9 a.m to Noon. Come

and walk in the shoes of the poor. Walkers are invited to walk the route as many time as they like. Money raised will support the efforts of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Visit the SVDP website www.vincentianvoice.org for more details.

Creating a Prayer Environment for any Age

Group by Jamin Herold

"In addition to their participation in communal prayer, Christ's followers deepen their relationship with God through private prayer, which flows from the liturgy." (Built of Living Stones [BLS], 43) One of the greatest responsibilities catechists might have is creating an environment of prayer externally and internally for their students. For "when catechesis is permeated by a climate of prayer, the assimilation of the entire Christian life reaches its summit." (General Directory of Catechesis [GDC], 85). This can start with a creation of a space of prayer within the classroom.



Creating a prayer space for your students is an opportunity to bring the true, the beautiful, and the good to their lives. When we do this, we are bringing the very life of God into their lives. For centuries, the art and space of our parishes have been the means through which the knowledge, the truth, and the very life of God were transmitted to the faithful. As the faithful gathered together for opportunities of prayer and worship, they would be enveloped with beautiful artwork depicting the truths of the Scriptures, the lives of the saints, and the grace of God being transmitted to humanity. "Authentic art is integral to the Church at prayer because these objects and actions are 'signs and symbols of the supernatural world' and expressions of the divine presence" (BLS 146). Almost through osmosis, the wisdom of God was ingrained within the very minds and lives of the faithful. Even today, when my own family enters some of the majestic and beautiful churches, my children will sit in awe, as if taken to another location, to the very height of heaven, engrossed with the knowledge of God they see. As we sit in the pews awaiting the beginning of the heavenly Liturgy, they will turn to me and point out the knowledge they are gaining, talking about the saints, the life of Christ, or the Scripture stories they see depicted. The space itself has become a means not only of catechesis, but also an entrance into another space and time of worship. The sacred spaces we create in our classrooms can truly be an opportunity to elicit the same reactions within our students.

- The Cross must be central to any space of worship (BLS 144).
- Utilize beautiful works of art, either in pictures or prayer cards.
- All items used within a prayer space should be of genuine, beautiful materials.
- The layout of the prayer space should draw the attention of the students toward elements of prayer. Their eyes should be naturally drawn to the Cross, an image, the name of Jesus, or something sacred.
- Images, cloths, colors, etc. should be traded out as necessary to reflect the seasons of worship in the Church.

In order for our students to be able to enter another space and time, to enter into a life of prayer and worship, prayer spaces cannot be reduced to placeholders. If we become content to establish a corner table in our rooms with a colored tablecloth, a candle, and a simple picture of Jesus, we may be selling our students short. This does not mean that huge amounts of money must be invested into the space, but we do need to take this space just as seriously as the books we choose, the lesson plans we create, the crafts we partake in, or any other important aspect of our classrooms. The space must be usable by the students, both communally and individually; it must be substantial to the space they are studying in, yet set apart; and it must become a place of peace and a time of communion with God and the saints.

- Prayer spaces need to be set aside and should consist of more than just a piece of furniture. Consider setting aside an entire corner of a room.
- Prayer spaces need to be a focus during communal times of prayer. Students may all face the area and concentrate on a piece of art, or might even gather around the space. Consider doing actions like taking off your shoes as you approach the space, to signify the area as different.
- Prayer spaces need to be able to be utilized individually as necessary. Students ought to have an opportunity to pray quietly in or near the area before, after, or even at times during the class.

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The prayer space must contain truth, it must be beautiful, and it must elicit the good of the students. As part of the space, we must also look toward the very prayer we utilize in the space. Part of the environment of prayer is the very prayer itself. If we rush through a prayer, if we say it in a meaningless fashion, or if we place it as a distraction to the rest of what we do, we do not set forth an environment conducive to prayer. The prayer we choose for our classrooms needs to elicit an age-appropriate response to God's love. Simple, memorized prayers work for communal recitation; yet, our prayer time with the students ought to utilize those memorized prayers as a springboard into a deeper and more relational experience of prayer. "Thus, the life of prayer is the habit of being in the presence of the thrice-holy God and in communion with him" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2565). Utilizing the depth of prayer found in liturgy, in Lectio Divina, in contemplating the face of Jesus, or in meditative prayers such as the Rosary or chaplets, will strengthen the depth of the prayer life of each of our students, enabling them to know God in a relational way that will make all of our teaching more fruitful.

- As much time should be spent preparing a meaningful prayer space as lesson planning.
- Lectio Divina is a good way to pray with the Scriptures; it can be adapted for any age such as adjusting the length of the readings, the length of time in each section of Lectio, or even the use of guided meditation.
- Silence is a necessary aspect of prayer at all ages, allowing God to speak to each student. Make sure to keep the length of the time of silence appropriate to the age of the students praying.

The whole environment of prayer (the space, the internal reflection of the student, and the prayer itself) should be replicable. Students need to be able to take the ideas, the images, and the space to their own homes. They ought to feel encouraged to introduce this space to their parents, and be able to find a location within their own homes to utilize as a prayer space. These spaces will enable the continuation of the life of prayer beyond the walls of our classrooms and the confines of the Church. Parents, too, will be encouraged through these spaces to strengthen their own prayer lives, to pray with their children, and to grow in union with God as a family. Often, we find families who experience "alienation from the Church, or at least diffidence in her regard. . . . Often this reflects lack of spiritual and moral support in the family and weaknesses in the catechesis which they have received. On the other hand, many of them are driven by a strong impetus to find meaning, solidarity, social commitment and even religious experience" (GDC 182). The replicability of the environment of prayer established in our classrooms can bring many to the religious experiences they are seeking.

- Coloring sheets of the artwork utilized within the prayer space can be used during class, or sent home to use in a replicable space at home.
- If an image of a saint is utilized in the prayer space, prayer cards may be sent home.
- Copies of the prayers used in class can be given to the parents to continue with at home.
- Parents should be taught how to pray Lectio Divina and other meditative prayers at home.
- Do not give too much all at once to the parents. Building the life of prayer within the children and the family in bite-sized chunks will aid in the development of a life of prayer.
- Parents can be invited to witness the prayer life of the class.

The underlying theme of the entire idea of creating a prayer environment is to truly create a space of prayer within the lives of the students. An inner change takes place through the external space that has been created within our rooms. The hearts of the students, and hopefully those of their families, will grow in union with the very heart of Jesus. To view prayer as a serious component in the life of catechesis is to take seriously the call of Christ to make disciples of all nations. By establishing an environment that is true, good, and beautiful, we can hope to establish both an internal and external openness to the very life of God within our classrooms, our students, and their families.

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Returning by Poplular Demand!!!!
Save the Date
Friday, November 18th
7 p.m - 10 p.m.@ the PAC



A wine tasting and beer sampling event!!
Enjoy 3 separate tables of food from Italy, USA and S. America while taking part in our PSR Spin to Win Table, our Family Fun Table and of course our famous Silent Auction including custom designed wine bottles, glasses, lamps & more!
All happening in our "Beer & Wine Garden"

LIMITED TICKETS WILL BE SOLD - STAY TUNED!!!

Thank you to all of our bulletin sponsors on the back page. It is because of their generosity that we are able to have the weekly bulletin printed at no additional cost to the parish. Please be sure to patronize their businesses. Thank you!



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), or Ordo Initiationis Christianae Adultorum (OICA)

is a process developed by the Catholic Church for prospective converts to Catholicism who are above the age of infant baptism. Candidates are gradually introduced to aspects of Catholic beliefs and practices. If you or a

loved one is ready to take this extraordinary faith journey, please contact Father Trapp or the office to make arrangements for the new class starting October 5. God's blessings on you and your family.



Please help by donating to the Emergency Fund to aid the Louisiana flood victims. Designated envelopes are available. Thank you!

As the leaves begin to turn to the bright golds, reds and yellows of Autumn we take time to thank the Lord for a



bountiful growing season. We ask the Lord to watch over us during the shortening daylight and cooling temperatures. May we keep the love of Jesus growing in our hearts all year-round. Amen.



St. Joseph Parish will be participating in the 40 Days for Life (40DFL) program this Fall. 40DFL is a coordinated, national campaign to bring continuous prayer to local abortion clinics in more than 500 cities across the world. In

Columbus, the program is sponsored by Greater Columbus Right to Life. **This Fall, the vigil will be held at Founders' Women's Health Care (1243 E Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43205).**

St. Joseph has adopted Tuesday, October 18, 2016, from 7a.m. until 7p.m. We are asking for a minimum of two volunteers to sign up to pray at the clinic for each hour-long shift. A sign-up sheet is located at the church and the PAC. Each volunteer must also sign a "Statement of Peace". Please fill out this short form when you sign up for a volunteer hour.

If you cannot pray on our adopted day, you are still welcome to volunteer for another time during the 40 Days at www.40DaysforLife.com/local-campaigns/columbus. Thank you!

We strongly urge all parishioners to register, to become informed on key issues, and to vote. The Church does not support or oppose any candidate, but seeks to focus attention on the moral and human dimensions of issues. We do not authorize the distribution of partisan political materials on parish property.

To verify your voters registration status, please visit: www.sos.state.oh.us/voterlookup



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High School Youth Group

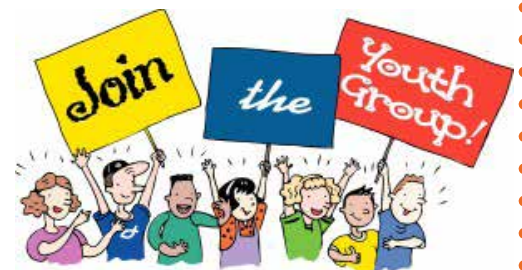
Youth Group starts tonight! All High School students- join us from 7:00-8:30 at the PAC for life size hungry hippos, kanjam, pizza, smores, and a chance to win Chipotle and BW3's gift cards!

Come learn about the St. Joseph's mission:

KNOW, LOVE, SERVE

while hanging out with friends.

Please consider staying after the 11:00 Mass today to help move chairs in the PAC for our Youth Group meeting tonight. Thank you!





THE JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

General Audience:

“God did not send his Son to punish sinners and crush the wicked. Rather he came to invite them to conversion, so that they too could turn back to God”



Dear Brothers and Sisters:

In our Gospel passage this morning, John the Baptist sends his disciples to ask Jesus if he is the Messiah (cf. Mt 11:2-6), since Jesus' ministry was not what John anticipated; it did not correspond to his expectation of God's justice. Jesus responds by telling the disciples to report what they see and hear: the blind see, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the Gospel is proclaimed to the poor. Jesus shows himself to be the instrument of God's mercy; he manifests God's justice by bringing his consolation and salvation to all. God did not send his Son to punish sinners and crush the wicked. Rather he came to invite them to conversion, so that they too could turn back to God. Jesus then says to John's disciples: "Blessed is he who takes no offense at me" (Mt 11:6), who does not see in me any obstacle. This happens when we have a false image of the Messiah, when we construct our own image of God, which prevents us from experiencing his real presence among us. Every time we reduce him to our ideas and whims, use his name to justify our interests, seek him only in times of difficulty, then we also lose sight of the fact that faith calls us beyond ourselves to be his missionaries in the world. Let us renew our commitment to remove every obstacle that prevents us from experiencing the merciful works of our Father, and let us ask him for an ever deeper faith so that we may be signs and instruments of his mercy.

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Picture courtesy Fr. Joseph Trapp

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

4:30 P.M. AT THE CHURCH	SEPTEMBER 24	10:30 A.M. AT THE PAC	SEPTEMBER 25
Usher	M. & K. Walden	Usher	J. & D. Foster (sub rqstd)
Lector	L. Davis	Lector	M. Thiergartner
EM	M. & T. Schurmann, D. Grose	EM	C. Haaser, A. Powers, A. Schimmoeller
Serve	E. & M. Hessick	Serve	A. & C. Miller

8:30 A.M. AT THE CHURCH	SEPTEMBER 25	HOMEBOUND	D. Bezusko
Usher	J. & P. Trombley		
Lector	D. Bezusko	COLLECTION COUNTING	
EM	E. Chervenak, E. & S. Costello	Monday, Sept 26	Team St. Barbara
Serve	D. Costello, J. O'Connell	Monday, Oct 3	Team St. Cunegundes
		Monday, Oct 10	Team St. Diego
		Monday, Oct 17	Team St. Anthony

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