



SACRED HEART of JESUS
CATHOLIC CHURCH
❧ Bethlehem • Founded 1833 ❧

May 4, 2025

Third Sunday of Easter

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A Sister Parish with St. Joseph, Crestline.
 Member of St. Juan Diego Deanery

Intentions

Tuesday

6:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart
Mass Intention: Pope Francis

Wednesday

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart
Mass Intention: Roger Broach; Mark Rietschlin

Thursday

5:30 pm - Confession at St. Joseph
6:30 pm - Mass at St. Joseph
Mass Intention: For the People of Sacred Heart & St. Joseph Parishes

Friday

8:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph
Mass Intention: Pope Francis

Saturday

3:30 pm - Confession at SHJ
4:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart
Mass Intention: Rodney Cole; Ron & Barb Finnegan

Sunday

7:00 am - Mass at St. Joseph
Mass Intentions: Josephine Irene Cipriani

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart
Mass Intention: For All Mothers and those Fulfilling that Role; Francis, Marie & Joe Biglin

10:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph
Mass Intention: Deacon Wm. Rall

Dear Parishioners,

Here at Sacred Heart Community, we are reminded time and time again that God is good all the time. We have many individuals that give their time, talent and treasures at many different activities at Sacred Heart Parish and School!

One of the many groups at Sacred Heart Parish and School that has a vision for the future of our Sacred Heart Community is The Heart of Bethlehem! To recap, this group was formed to help ensure that a strong Catholic Education will continue to be provided at Sacred Heart School for many generations to come.

The Heart of Bethlehem members consist of parishioners from many different stages of life, with different skill sets and a wide variety of life experiences. We wanted THOB to be a true representation of our Sacred Heart Community.

As with any project we can't do this alone! For The Heart of Bethlehem to be successful we are going to ask Sacred Heart parishioners and school families for their time, talent and treasures. As you know Sacred Heart Parish and School are closely intertwined. The reality of The Heart of Bethlehem is not only strengthening our school, we are strengthening our parish and overall strengthening the Sacred Heart Community for current and future generations!

As of May 2025, the overall projects completed were mostly maintenance projects that needed attention! The projects completed were: new flooring in gym, school hallway and entry ways, painted basketball gym floor, new front and back doors of our school, electronic remote entry on back door and the main gym door, new windows in the whole school (minus the 5th/6th grade classroom), painted gym interior and school hallways, new basketball backboards, new gym mats, new projector system in gym, kitchen remodel, dishwasher, closed circuit camera system, all lights converted to LED, new electrical sub panel in school mechanical room, sealed and tucked pointed school exterior and rocks and concrete curb around our playground.

I am pleased to announce that all these projects have all been paid in full and we still have money for future projects in The Heart of Bethlehem Fund! Our members understand that we need to ensure we are good stewards of our resources!

What is next for The Heart of Bethlehem? We are in the process of getting approval from the Diocese on a total campus water renovation. The campus water renovation has been approved by both our Parish and Finance Council! Due to the scope and cost of this project we are required to have Diocesan approval. Father Jeff has submitted the necessary documentation to start the process of Diocesan approval. If approved by the Diocese we do have funding secured to complete this project. We will keep you updated as we get more information.

Thank you for giving your time, talents and treasures to our Sacred Heart Community!

In Christ, Lisa Myers, principal

COLLECTION:

April 27 2025
\$ 3,547.00

Reg. Offertory
\$ 2,979.00

Easter
\$ 490.00
Holy Land
\$ 10.00
Catholic Home Missions
\$ 18.00
Gen. Maintenance
\$ 50.00



Online
\$ 545.00
Heart of Bethlehem
\$ 135.00

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Wednesday, May 7
School Mass

Saturday, May 10

Sunday, May 11

MUSIC MINISTER

N/A

SERVERS

Gus Metzger
Adam Keller

OFFERTORY

Ric & Kathi Biglin

**EXTRAORDINARY
MINISTERS**

Kelsey Keller, Need 1
Jake Rietschlin

USHERS

Jamie Picou
Shannon Finnegan

LECTOR

Jo Ann Krauseman

MUSIC MINISTER

Folk Group

SERVERS

Evan & Noah
Metzger

OFFERTORY

Greg & Vera Gwartz Family

**EXTRAORDINARY
MINISTERS**

Deacon Steve Vogt
Stan Cain, Laura Nold

USHERS

Lance Biglin & Jeff Vogt

LECTOR

Diane Metzger

COUNTERS

Laura Nold, Darla Studer
Crystal Metzger

(Please check Ministry Scheduler Pro
for the most up to date assignments)

Bible Readings for the Week of May 4, 2025

- Monday Acts 6:8-15, Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30, Jn 6:22-29
- Tuesday Acts 7:51-8:1a, Ps 31:3cd-4, 6ab, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab, Jn 6:30-35
- Wednesday Acts 8:1b-8, Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a, Jn 6:35-40
- Thursday Acts 8:26-40, Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20, Jn 6:44-51
- Friday Acts 9:1-20, Ps 117:1b-2, Jn 6:52-59
- Saturday Acts 9:31-42, Ps 116:12-17, Jn 6:60-69
- Sunday Acts 13:14, 43-52, Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5, Rv 7:9, 14b-17, Jn 10:27-30



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the FAITHFUL DEPARTED,
THROUGH the MERCY
of GOD, REST IN PEACE.



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Biography of the Holy Father can be found at: <https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/biography/documents/papa-francesco-biografia-bergoglio.html>

A Message from Bishop Thomas:

Together with all the priests, deacons, consecrated religious and lay faithful of the Diocese of Toledo, and united with all Catholics and people of goodwill throughout the world, with deep sadness we mourn the death of Pope Francis, after 12 years as our universal shepherd, 265th successor to Saint Peter. We trust in the promise and saving power flowing from the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ, and we beg the Lord to receive him into the company of Blessed Mary, Saint George and Saint Francis of Assisi his patrons, and all the Saints.

Looking for 2 to 3 strong backs to help a parishioner pack-up a moving truck on the morning of May 10th. Approx 2-3 hrs. beginning at 10:45. Please call the parish office if you can help! Thank you!



Living Christ
Diocese of Toledo

March Disbursement

\$6,244.65

Thank you!

ACA Progress Week 10

Goal: 17,210.99

Met: 8,224.24

Thank you!

May Meeting Dates

Pastoral Council: May 13

School Advisory: May 20

Finance Council: May 27



** Please notify your group moderator if your term is up or if you will be unavailable to serve 2025-2026. Thank you!*

Diocese of Toledo Transitional Diaconate and Priesthood Ordinations

You are invited to attend two joyful celebrations in the Diocese of Toledo this May:

On Saturday, May 17, 2025, at 10:00am at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral, Bishop Daniel E. Thomas will ordain Andrew Messer to the Transitional Diaconate.

On Saturday, May 24, 2025, at 10:00am at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral, Bishop Daniel E. Thomas will ordain Deacons Travis Kahle, Eric Kaufman, and Kevin McGraw to the Priesthood.

The ordinations will also be live-streamed. If you cannot join us in person, watch at toledopriesthood.org. **Please join us in praying for these four men each day!**

Grieving With Great Hope



EVENT CANCELLED!

Mass Intentions:

Since we were able to get nearly all Mass intentions scheduled as requested; there will not be a separate Mother's Day Flyer of intentions. There are a few (mostly weekday) openings for later this year. Should you want to schedule please call the parish office. Thank you.



May 6th.

Crestline Farmers Market

Every Tuesday

3-6:00pm through October
Support Local Business!



PARISHIONER OLIVIA STUDER

BETHLEHEM — Sacred Heart called her home. She enthusiastically answered.

“I was brought up in this church ever since I was a little kid,” Olivia Studer shared. “I had a brief period of time where I was out of state - but then I realized it was time to come back. I’m so glad that I did.”

Nourished by the sacraments, “My relationship with God is the main part of who I am,” she noted. “I wouldn’t have it any other way.”

Parish life requires all hands – and voices. Along with past roles as a Eucharistic Minister and lector, “I was on a couple committees throughout the years, but right now I’m just up in the (folk group) doing my thing,” said Olivia with a smile “That is my heart and my passion – where I really like to be,” she added.

The hands and feet of Jesus are oftentimes sitting right next to you in the pew.

“There’s something about this community – if someone needs help, or someone is just down – people reach out to each other. There is a sense of community here.”

The Settlement is a village and “watching the circle of life through this whole church – it’s beautiful to see,” Olivia reflected.

Former classmates have children now, some with families of their own. “Even the people that we’ve lost – just seeing their memories live on through the church,” she said.

“Along with a full-time job, “I have massage therapy on the side,” said Olivia, “so I don’t have much free time; in the free time that I attempt to have, I hang out with family, friends. I’m very big on the family.”

Another good thing?

Honestly, napping,” she said with a chuckle. “You’re always going to see the Studers sliding in by homily-time – We’re late, but we’re here.”

Christ is in her daily life.

“I try my best to lead by example,” Olivia noted. “Although I’m human and not perfect by any means, I would hope that people see a glimmer of Christ in me.”

“People try to make God complicated, but He’s really not complicated. God wants friends,” Olivia said. “He wants you to absolutely just live for Him – do your best, be a good person, and at the end of the day, share your love for Him through everything.”



Photo Provided by Olivia Studer | Settlement Spotlight



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School News

Graduation Mass

We are having our Graduation Mass on **Sunday, May 18th, 2025 @ our 8:30 am** Mass. High School, Tech School and College graduates are invited to join us for Mass and a blessing. You will have a reserved pew at this Mass. Following Mass we will have our Eighth grade graduation ceremony. All are invited to attend.

Preschool and Kindergarten Graduation

Is **Friday, May 16th @5:30pm**. You are invited to attend. Graduation will take place at Sacred Heart Church.

Outside Mass, Wednesday, May 21st @ 8:30

Please join us for our last school Mass for this school year. We will be celebrating Mass outside, East side of the gym (kickball field). You are welcome to bring lawn chairs or you can sit on the grass. See you there!

May the month of Mary

On **Wednesday, May 7th** you are invited to join us for student May Crowning at our 8:30am Mass. Also on May 7th, 14th and 21st we will be praying a decade of the rosary following Mass.

Preschool Program at Sacred Heart School

I am pleased to announce that both our 3yr and 4yr old preschool are full for the 25/26 school year! Thank you for choosing Sacred Heart School!



132 year tradition!

If you are interested in being a patron sponsor or have an item to donate to the Mega Raffle please call the parish office. Your name will appear as advertising on the back of the tickets.

Thank you for your support!



Many thanks to those who work behind the scenes to ensure our Church and parish grounds look their best for the Easter Season.

You are very much appreciated!