



# SACRED HEART of JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

❧ Bethlehem • Founded 1833 ❧

**May 31, 2026**  
**Most Holy Trinity**

5742 State Route 61 S.  
Shelby, Ohio 44875  
(419) 683-1697

## *Intentions*

### Tuesday

**6:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart**

*Mass Intention: John Young*

### Wednesday

**8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart**

*Mass Intention: Margaret Kromer*

### Thursday

**5:30 pm - Confession at St. Joseph**

**6:30 pm - Mass at St. Joseph**

*Mass Intention: For the Souls in Purgatory*

### Friday

**8:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph**

*Mass Intention: For Peace among all Nations*

**7:30 pm - Adoration at St. Joseph**

**Most Holy Body & Blood  
of Christ**

### Saturday

**3:30 pm - Confession at SHJ**

**4:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart**

*Mass Intention: Rodney Cole, Deceased of the Clarence Studer Family*

### Sunday

**7:00 am - Mass at St. Joseph**

*Mass Intentions: Archie Hagy Family; Lindsey & Lisa Anatra*

**8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart**

*Mass Intention: Richard Vogt, Bob & Charlie Niese*

**10:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph**

*Mass Intention: For the People of St. Joseph and Sacred Heart Parishes*

**Greetings Parishioners,**

In June 2026, as part of the 250th anniversary celebration of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. bishops will consecrate the United States of America to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. To mark this beautiful moment, I am challenging our two parishes—Sacred Heart and St. Joseph—to collectively offer 250 Hours of Adoration in honor of the Sacred Heart!

To help us reach this goal, we will be offering 4 Holy Hours leading up to July 4th. These Holy Hours will be devoted to praying for “a greater respect for human life” in the presence of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Now, 250 hours may sound like a lot—but remember: every person present for one hour counts as an hour offered! If 50 people attend one Holy Hour, that counts as 50 hours of prayer. While reaching 250 may be ambitious, every moment spent with Jesus is precious and adored by our Lord! Do not fret if we do not make goal, but I will also count any time spent in prayer before Jesus in the tabernacle at either parish toward our goal.

Will we make it? I hope so! So far, a few parishioners and I have made 19 holy hours already. But whether we reach 250 or not, any time spent with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament will be a gift offered in love and lovingly accepted by Our Lord's Sacred Heart. During each of these Holy Hours, we will include special prayers for the respect and dignity of all human life.

**Scheduled Holy Hours:**

1.) Friday, June 5 – St. Joseph

★ 7:30–8:30 p.m. Adoration ★

2.) Wednesday, June 10 – Men's Group Meeting

8:00–9:30 p.m.

★ 9:30–10:30 p.m. Adoration ★

3.) Friday, June 12 – Feast of the Sacred Heart – Sacred Heart

6:30–7:00 p.m. Mass

★ 7:00–8:00 p.m. Adoration ★

4.) Friday, July 3 – St. Joseph

★ 7:30–8:30 p.m. Adoration ★

**In Christ,  
Fr. Jeff**

**COLLECTION:**

May 24, 2026  
\$ 4,254.67

Reg. Offertory  
(Incl. Online)  
\$ 4,064.67

Ascension  
\$ 15.00  
Gen Maintenance  
\$ 50.00  
Cemetery  
\$ 125.00



Heart of Bethlehem  
\$ 125.00

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

8:30 am: Lector: Carrie Kemerer Server: Declan Milligan

**Saturday, June 6th.**

**MUSIC MINISTER**

Kevin Willis

**SERVERS**

Aubrey Timmons  
Veronica Rietschlin

**OFFERTORY**

Jacob & Annie Gosser Family

**EXTRAORDINARY  
MINISTERS**

Samantha Schroeder, Karen Keiser  
Joanne Claytor

**USHERS**

Jacob Gosser

Need 1

**LECTOR**

Karen Keiser

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

**Sunday, June 7th.**

**MUSIC MINISTER**

Adult Choir

**SERVERS**

Anderson Gwartz  
Charly Milligan

**OFFERTORY**

Greg & Vera Gwartz Family

**EXTRAORDINARY  
MINISTERS**

Laura Nold, Dale Schroeder  
Kim Metzger

**USHERS**

Greg Gwartz & Jeff Vogt

**LECTOR**

JoAnn Krausman

**COUNTERS**

Laura Nold, Linda Schroeder  
Crystal Metzger

**Bible Readings for the Week of May 31, 2026**

- Monday** 2Pt 1:2-7, Ps 91:1-2, 14-16, Mk 12:1-12
- Tuesday** 2Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18, Ps 90:2-4, 10, 14, 16, Mk 12:13-17
- Wednesday** 2Tm 1:1-3, 6-12, Ps 123:1b-2, Mk 12:18-27
- Thursday** 2Tm 2:8-15, Ps 25:4-5b, 8-10, 14, Mk 12:28-34
- Friday** 2Tm 3:10-17, Ps 119:157, 160-161, 165-166, 168, Mk 12:35-37
- Saturday** 2Tm 4:1-8, Ps 71:8-9, 14-15b, 16-17, 22, Mk 12:28-44
- Sunday** Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a, Ps 147:12-15, 19-20, 1Cor 10:16-17, Jn 6:51-58



**BULLETIN SPONSORS OF THE WEEK:**

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## Prayer for Vocations



God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen

**Please contact the parish office through the school # 419-683-1697 to sign up for the monthly vocations cross! Need volunteers for June and beyond!**

**Thank you!**

### Annual Catholic Appeal Update:

The Toledo diocese has reached 80% of our goal for the Annual Catholic Appeal — thank you for the tremendous effort and generosity across the Diocese. Every gift moves us closer to fully supporting the ministries and services that impact lives throughout our Diocese. Let's keep the momentum going strong!

Sacred Heart is "stuck" at 66.80% of goal. We still need \$5,596.00 to fulfill our obligation. No gift is too small!

Thank you!

### With gratitude from Becky Kromer,

As I transition into retirement, I am full of gratitude for this amazing parish family. Thank you for the cards, thoughtful well-wishes and for celebrating with me at my retirement party. Dave and I feel blessed to be a part of this faith community and look forward to discovering other ways to serve. Thank you for your support and friendship over the last 10 years. God Bless.

### Shelby Help Line

Free Lunches for Children 18 and Younger who are Shelby & Tiro Residents. Child must be present.  
Monday - Friday June 1st. - August 14th.  
39 Walnut St., Shelby (Back of building)



Shelby Christian Outreach can receive monetary donations by cash, check, online or by scanning the QR code. Thank you!



### The Most Holy Trinity

At the heart of the Catholic faith lies a profound mystery: the belief in One God in Three Persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. This is the doctrine of the Holy Trinity, the central and most foundational truth of Christianity. While the Trinity is a mystery beyond full human understanding, it is not a contradiction. Catholics do not believe in three Gods, but in one God who eternally exists as three distinct persons united in nature and perfectly equal in glory, majesty and power.

\*Credit to My Catholic Journey

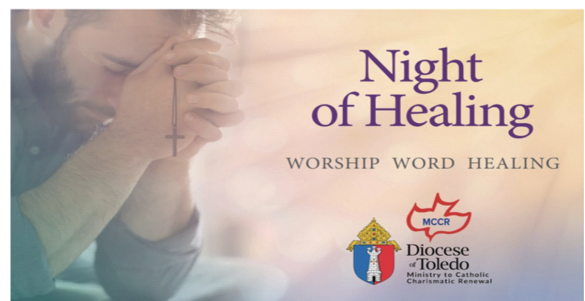
**Thank you** to everyone who dropped off metal for recycling at St. Joseph's event. They raised \$225.95 for their school.

### St. Joseph Garage Sale: June 11 - 13

Accepting donations: June 8-10 9:00 - 3:00pm

No clothing or exercise equipment please! Please price all donated items. Contact Cyril Cochran with any questions 419-632-3166.

All proceeds go to St. Joseph School.



TUESDAY

JUNE 16 *New Date*

7:00 - 8:30 pm

**St Peter, Mansfield**

104 W. 1st St., Mansfield, OH 44902

Fr. John Miller  
Fr. Kishore Kottana  
Fr. James Brown

ADORATION WITNESS RECONCILIATION

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# PARISHIONER TAYLOR GWIRTZ

BETHLEHEM – The proud parents of three children, Evan and Taylor Gwirtz have been together since sophomore year at Buckeye Central High School.

"We got married in 2014," Taylor said. "We had Anderson, in 2016; Oakland in 2017 and Quinn in 2020 – 2 weeks into COVID shutdown."

Taylor was born and raised at Mother of Sorrows Chapel in North Auburn. "I went to Mother of Sorrows School and St. Bernard's," noted Taylor, graduating in 2005.

Raised in the faith, Taylor wears many hats. Her biggest hobbies? Gardening and canning.

"Just keeping up with the family and the home while Evan is busy with farming and his business," said Taylor. She serves as an adviser for the Settlement Settlers 4-H Club.

Ministering at Sacred Heart Church, "I am on the funeral committee and the flower committee," she added.

The couple noted a few 'God moments' in their life.

One month before the COVID shutdown, Evan had left his full-time job and started his own business. "Then we had our third child," Taylor shared. Submitting to His will, "OK God, we're following You; this is crazy, but we really think this is what You want us to be doing, so we're doing it."

Little did they know the scariest event of Taylor's life was coming in September 2022 with what she thought were intense migraines.

"I was 32 years old. One morning, I got the boys off to school, and I was folding laundry. I just went numb. I had no control over the right side of my body. Evan was across the road working, so when I was able to get some functioning, I called him," Taylor recalled.

Evan's mother, Karen Keiser, was already on her way. She is also a nurse by profession and once she arrived, "she's like, 'you need to go to the emergency room,'" Taylor said.

Taylor is profoundly grateful to the staff at OhioHealth Shelby Hospital. Within minutes, they had her on the screen with a doctor from OhioHealth Riverside Methodist Hospital and Emergency Department and he was going through their stroke protocol due to her signs and symptoms. He ordered CAT scans.

"Evan was right there with me the whole time," Taylor said. The doctor told her she had a hole in an artery. She was taken to Riverside immediately.

The next morning, the doctor explained that Taylor had a stroke. "Hearing that at 32-years-old – what?" said Taylor.

Taylor has since learned she has a genetic disease called fibromuscular dysplasia (FMD) that causes weakening of the arteries. She goes to Cleveland Clinic once a year. "I get CAT scans listening to my arteries to make sure there aren't any weak spots," Taylor said.

Another God moment? "Anderson being breached," noted Evan.

"There was no flipping him," Taylor added. "I was going to have a C-section."

Taylor explained that with FMD, "Your arteries are weakened – It's very likely" that she wouldn't have survived a typical birth.

Taylor maintains her optimism.

"My doctor has been happy with how things are looking. I try to take good care of myself. There is a 5% chance that I could have a stroke again from this condition. But 5% – I can deal with that," she said.

The Settlement stepped up when she needed folks the most.

"You can really feel the prayers," Taylor shared. "We are so lucky to live where we live."

Taylor stresses that we need to listen to our bodies. "Don't feel bad for going to get it checked out because I just shrugged it off as a headache."

"God was there the entire time," she emphasized. "Through it all, between Evan and Karen, my parents and my close group of friends, they really helped. But there's no doubt that I couldn't have gotten through all that without Mary, St. Therese and St. Michael.

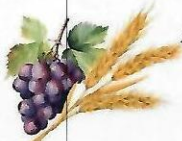
"I've always been drawn to those three," noted Taylor.

Notably, the day she learned she had a stroke was St. Therese's feast day; the day she came home was St. Michael's feast day.

"A couple days later," Taylor added, "I had this deep sensation that I needed to pray the rosary every day and it was gonna be okay. I have no explanation as to why I connected with those three out of all the saints. It was a God thing that led me to them and they were there through the toughest time of my life."



Photo submitted by Taylor Gwirtz | Settlement Spotlight



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### **3rd & 4th Grade Full-Time Teacher Opening Sacred Heart School – Shelby, Ohio 2026–2027 Academic Year**

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#### **Application Process:**

Interested candidates are encouraged to submit a resume and salary expectations via email to [Lmyers@shelbysacredheart.org](mailto:Lmyers@shelbysacredheart.org).

Applications may also be delivered in person to:  
Sacred Heart School Office

Office hours for drop-off: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
For additional information, please call **419-683-1697**.

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