



SACRED HEART of JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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March 16, 2025

Second Sunday of Lent & Confirmation

Welcome Bishop Thomas

5742 State Route 61 S.
Shelby, Ohio 44875
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A Sister Parish with St. Joseph, Crestline.

Tuesday

6:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: Rodney Cole; Bob Niese

Wednesday

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart

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

Thursday

5:30 pm - Confession at St. Joseph

6:30 pm - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: For those seeking food and shelter

Friday

8:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: For Pope Francis

2:00 pm - Student Led Stations of the Cross at Sacred Heart

7:00 pm - Stations of the Cross Both Parishes

Saturday

3:30 pm - Confession at SHJ

4:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: Mark Rietschlin; Ron & Barb Finnegan

Third Sunday of Lent

7:00 am - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intentions: Patrick Walker; Mary Alt

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: John Metzger; Bob & Shirley Vogt

10:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: Phil Yochem; Florence Reinhard; John Neumann

Dear St. Joe's and Sacred Heart Parishioners,

This weekend we are thrilled to **Welcome Bishop Daniel Thomas** for the Confirmation of our young people. Many of us do not remember our Baptism where our parents spoke for us concerning our commitment to the faith. But like me I bet you remember your Confirmation day.

I remember that sunny day at St. Mary's Parish in Tiffin and I remember the beautiful liturgy where I welcomed the Holy Spirit with great joy. I imagine you also remember some details from your Confirmation. But do you still realize the effects it has on your life today? If you tend to overlook the actions of the Holy Spirit in your life ... here is a little reminder of some of the graces you received at Confirmation:

- Confirmation brings an increase and deepening of baptismal grace;
- it roots us more deeply in the divine filiation which makes us cry, "Abba! Father!"
- it unites us more firmly to Christ
- it increases the gifts of the Holy Spirit in us
- it renders our bond with the Church more perfect
- it gives us a special strength of the Holy Spirit to spread and defend the faith by word and action as true witnesses of Christ, to confess the name of Christ boldly, and never to be ashamed of the Cross!

Hopefully you notice these things in your life. If not perhaps it may be wise to take part in the sacrament of Reconciliation. I was glad to host our deanery Advent Reconciliation service but for Lent our deanery Reconciliation service will take place at Galion St. Joe's. Please join other deanery parishioners for our deanery penance service on **Thursday April 3rd at 6pm at St. Joseph Galion.**

Keep striving for holiness this Lent!

**In Christ,
Fr. Jeff**

COLLECTION:

March 9, 2025
\$ 3,237.00

Reg. Offertory
\$ 3,212.00

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\$ 25.00



Thank you!

Online
\$ 685.00
Heart of Bethlehem
\$ 50.00

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Wednesday, March 19
School Mass

Saturday, March 22

Sunday, March 23

MUSIC MINISTER

Kevin & Becky Rall

SERVERS

*Bridget & Finnegan
Belcik*

OFFERTORY

Olivia Hoffman Family

EXTRAORDINARY
MINISTERS

*Samantha Schroeder
Kelsey Keller, Laurie Metzger*

USHERS

*Shannon Finnegan
Nick Fike*

LECTOR

Molly Belcik

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

MUSIC MINISTER

Children's Choir

SERVERS

*Evan & Noah
Metzger*

OFFERTORY

Anderson Gwartz Family

EXTRAORDINARY
MINISTERS

*Deacon Steve Vogt
Cheryl & Luke Rietschlin*

USHERS

Joe Faith & Greg Gwartz

LECTOR

Olivia Studer

COUNTERS

*Olivia Hoffman, Kristi Faith
Cindy Keller*

Bible Readings for the Week of March 16, 2025



- Monday** Dn 9:4b-10, Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13, Lk 6:36-38
- Tuesday** Is 1:10, 16-20, Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23, Mt 23:1-12
- Wednesday** 2Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16, Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29, Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22, Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a
- Thursday** Jer 17:5-10, Ps 1:1-4, 6, Lk 16:19-31
- Friday** Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a, Ps 105:16-21, Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
- Saturday** Mi 7:14-15, 18-20, Ps 103:1-4, 9-12, Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
- Sunday** Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15, Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 11, 1Cor 10:1-6, 10-12, Lk 13:1-9

BULLETIN SPONSORS OF THE WEEK:

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Continued Prayers for Pope Francis

O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look favorably on your servant Francis, whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd; Grant, we pray, that by word and example he may be of service to those over whom he presides so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to everlasting life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.



March Meetings

School Advisory March 18th
Finance Council March 25th

Mansfield Tri-Parish Lenten Mission
Sunday, March 16 - Wednesday, March 19.
6:00-8:00 pm each night.
Featuring Fr. William Slattery



Sunday and Monday at St. Peter's, Mansfield
Tuesday at St. Mary of the Snows, Mansfield
Wednesday at Resurrection, Lexington

Sorrowful Mother Shrine Retreat; March 22nd.
The Last Supper
Teachings of Jesus on The Holy Spirit

This retreat, presented by Fr. Patrick Gonyeau, will be a prayerful opportunity to dive into the teachings of Jesus on the Holy Spirit that he gave at The Last Supper.

Please RSVP at 419-483-3435 opt. 4
See bulletin board for additional details

High School PSR with Deacon Steve & Sheila
March 19 & 26, April 2 & 9 at parish center 7:00pm.

Save the Date (s)

Easter Egg Hunt April 6th
9:30am Sacred Heart Gym

Kindergarten screening April 24th.



Lenten Fish Fry

It's Knights of Columbus Season 2025! Join us in our Crestline St Joseph Convocation Center on Lenten Fridays: March 14, March 21, March 28, April 4 and April 11 Come and enjoy the area's best deep fried or baked fish dinner including baked potato and two sides. We serve from 5:00 PM until sold out. Fried Pollock Dinner—\$12 Baked Haddock Dinner—\$14 Cash or Credit Card Accepted Your purchase supports Crestline St Joseph School. We thank you! All six dates offer both Dine-In & Drive-Thru options. Dine-In at 333 N Thoman Street, Crestline, or enter Drive-Thru Line BEHIND Convocation Center, approaching from Main Street entrance across from former Rite Aid Store.

Thank you for your support and God Bless!

Right to Life Flower Sales



Students at Sacred Heart School are selling flowers to benefit Right to Life. Please contact Mrs. Myers at 419-342-2797 to place your order! Orders will be taken through **March 17th @ 3pm** (no late orders will be accepted). Flowers will be delivered on May 6th, in time for Mother's Day. Checks should be made out to CCRL.



The PTO at Sacred Heart School hosted a Family Carnival Night at Sacred Heart School on March 1st. Included in the many activities there was a mustache station. Check out this fun photo!



Ways and Means Committee

Palm Sunday Bake Sale **April 13th.**
Looking for donations of baked goods!

F.I.S.H. food pantry most needed items:

All shelf stable food items are being accepted. Including Canned potatoes, mashed potatoes, box cheesy potatoes, beef stew and pineapple.

Thank you for your continued support!



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**Office
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Next week only:

Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 9:00-Noon

Wednesday: 9:00-3:00

Thursday: 9:00-3:00

Friday: Closed

 CovenantEyes



MAKE YOUR HOME A SAFE HAVEN

CELEBRATE A SAFE HAVEN SUNDAY

YEAR 1: Equipping the Family, Safeguarding Children

The Diocese of Toledo will observe Safe Haven Sunday on the weekend of March 23, 2025 and continue annually at or near the third weekend of lent.

In today's digital age, the need for greater pastoral care on internet safety has never been more important. As part of our commitment to supporting individuals, marriages, and families, we are introducing Safe Haven Sunday—an initiative designed to provide education, awareness, and practical resources to help safeguard our homes from the harmful effects of pornography.

Join parishes across the diocese in equipping families to live porn-free.



toledodiocese.org/safe-haven-sunday



**Your leadership gift to the ACA
serves the most vulnerable
in our communities with
compassion.**

My new lease on life was made possible because of those who heeded the call to join Together for Good.

– *Essie Crump, Recipient of Catholic Charities Services*

Sacred Heart is at 43.72% of goal!

Thank you to all who have responded! acatoledo.org