



# SACRED HEART of JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

✧ Bethlehem • Founded 1833 ✧

**August 31, 2025**  
**22nd. Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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A Sister Parish with St. Joseph, Crestline.

## *Intentions*



**Happy Labor Day**

### **Tuesday**

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

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

### **Wednesday**

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

*Mass Intention: Rosemary Sutter*

### **Thursday**

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

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

*Mass Intention: For All the Souls in Purgatory*

### **Friday**

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

*Mass Intention: For Those Living in Poverty*

**7:30 pm - Adoration at SHJ**

### **Saturday**

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

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

*Mass Intention: Hubert & Jane Metzger; Dennis Weber*

### **Sunday**

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

*Mass Intentions: Living & Deceased of  
the Moyer Family; Tammy (Atzinger)  
Crawford*

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

*Mass Intention: Dorothy Blum; Jeanne,  
Paul & Kathleen Gosser*

## **Greetings,**

St. Joseph and Sacred Heart parishioners. Our Crestline Knights of Columbus is looking to revamp and reawaken own local council. If you are interested in the possibility of becoming a knight or possibly looking for a council to join please let me know at [jsmith@toledodiocese.org](mailto:jsmith@toledodiocese.org).

Here is a brief summary of the mission of the K of C:

The Knights of Columbus' mission is centered on the four core principles of **Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism** (though Patriotism is often expressed as service to the community and country). The organization provides Catholic men and their families with opportunities for faith formation, charitable works, and mutual support, which includes providing members with affordable life insurance and engaging in community service like food drives, supporting individuals with disabilities, and assisting mothers who choose life for their babies.

### **Faith in Action:**

Empowering Catholic men to live out their faith at home, in their parishes, and in their communities.

### **Support for the Church:**

Acting as the "strong right arm" of the Catholic Church, providing manpower and financial support for parish initiatives.

### **Community Service:**

Volunteering for events, such as our local fish fry.

### **Protection for Families:**

Offering top-rated, affordable life insurance to members and their families, fulfilling the original vision of the founder, Venerable Michael J. McGivney, to aid families after the death of a breadwinner.

### **Advocacy for Life:**

Promoting the dignity of life by supporting pregnant mothers and protecting religious freedom.

**Initiative:** A program designed to help men grow in their relationship with Christ and each other, fostering Christian brotherhood. Helping each other grow as saints!

**In Christ,  
Fr. Jeff**



**COLLECTION:**

Aug 24, 2025  
\$ 2,655.00

Reg. Offertory  
\$ 2,390.00

Church Maintenance  
\$ 150.00  
Cemetery  
\$ 50.00  
Assumption of Mary  
\$ 65.00



Online  
\$ 805.00  
Heart of Bethlehem  
\$ 110.00

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

Wednesday, September 27th  
School Mass

Saturday, Sept. 6

**MUSIC MINISTER**

*Kevin Willis*

**SERVERS**

*Rudy Belcik*

*Adam Keller*

**OFFERTORY**

*Ric & Kathi Biglin Family*

**EXTRAORDINARY****MINISTERS**

*Brenda Gosser, Kelsey Keller*

*Samantha Schroeder*

**USHERS**

*Shannon Finnegan*

*Nick Fike*

**LECTOR**

*Molly Belcik*

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

Sunday, Sept 7

**MUSIC MINISTER**

*Open Choir*

**SERVERS**

*Derek & Sophie  
Keller*

**OFFERTORY**

*Zach & Holy Keller Family*

**EXTRAORDINARY****MINISTERS**

*Lisa Myers, Amanda Paynter*

*Riki Rietschlin*

**USHERS**

*Zach Keller & John Finnegan*

**LECTOR**

*Tara Finnegan*

**COUNTERS**

*Kristie Faith, Bob Weber  
Dianne Sutter*

**Bible Readings for the Week of August 31, 2025**

**Monday**

1Thes 4:13-18, Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13, Lk 4:16-30

**Tuesday**

1Thes 5:1-6, 9-11, Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14, Lk 4:31-37

**Wednesday**

Col 1:1-8, Ps 52:10-11, Lk 4:38-44

**Thursday**

Col 1:9-14, Ps 98:2-6, Lk 5:1-11

**Friday**

Col 1:15-20, Ps 100:1b-5, Lk 5:33-39

**Saturday**

Col 1:21-23, Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8, Lk 6:1-5

**Sunday**

Wis 9:13-18b, Ps 90:3-6, 12-17, Phlm 9-10, 12-17, Lk 14:25-33

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## Gaza Humanitarian Relief

The Most Rev. Timothy P. Broglio, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), has asked for a special collection to provide humanitarian relief to those struggling to survive in Gaza and surrounding areas of the Middle East.

Bishop Daniel E. Thomas invites you to join in helping our brothers and sisters in need. Lifesaving emergency assistance is needed—food, shelter, medical care—and long-term pastoral care and support to help families heal and rebuild their lives and livelihoods.

Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo is collecting and forwarding donations dollar for dollar to Catholic Relief Services (CRS) for this international humanitarian relief effort. You may donate on our secure website: [www.catholiccharitiesnwo.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesnwo.org) noting Gaza Humanitarian Relief as your donation designation. Or make checks out to Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, designating Gaza Humanitarian Relief. Please mail checks to Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, 1933 Spielbusch Ave., Toledo, OH 43604.

Thank you for generously supporting those in need.

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### Annual Catholic Appeal:

\$6,068.30 remains of our goal please visit: [acatoledo.org](http://acatoledo.org)

Thank you to those who have already pledged!

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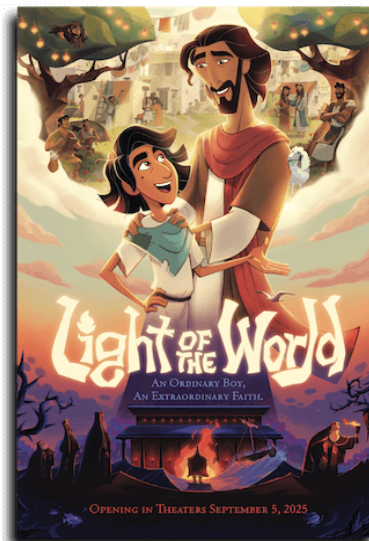
### Catholic Women's Club

Catholic Women's Club of St. Juan Diego Deanery will meet **Wednesday, September 10th at 11:00am at St. Bernard's Parish in New Washington** for Rosary and a tour of their historic church. Lunch will follow at the school, catered by the Ontario Event Center, cost is \$20. All women are invited to join, bring a guest or friend. Please call Brenda Starr-Jude at 419-610-8251 if you are new, or for a reservation.

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### September Birthdays

Shirley Niese	Sept 2
Karen Rieman	Sept 9
Penny Biglin	Sept 10
Patty Bunker	Sept 10
Mary Studer	Sept 24
James Hook	Sept 24
Tom Rietschlin	Sept 29



Join John, James, Andrew and Peter for an unexpected adventure from the beginning of Jesus' ministry through his resurrection.

Check Cinemark Theatre, Ontario for dates and times.

**Opening weekend: September 4-7**

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### PSR Registration & Meeting

Classes begin on Sunday, September 21 at St. Joseph

Parish School of Religion (PSR) registration is now open. Registration forms can be found at the back of church and are available for download on the parish website.

**The registration deadline is Friday, September 5.**

**PSR Mandatory Parents Meeting** will be held on Monday, September 15 at 6:30 pm at the St. Joseph Convocation Center.

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The choirs at Sacred Heart are looking to extend singing opportunities for our parish, by offering different times throughout the month where you can come and offer praise and glory to God through the use of our voices! Every month there will be different rotations and opportunities to sing with us.

**September 7** - Open Choir - All Are Welcome.

**September 13** - Adult Choir

**October 5** - Family Choir - Kids are welcome.

**October 11** - Men's Choir

**October 25** - Young Adult Choir



Come as you are! The best you can sing is all that God expects and wants from us. No voice is too bad or too good to be a fruit given to the Lord. No practice is necessary, no commitment needed, just your voice and joyous presence!





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## PARISHIONERS SETH AND MAYCEE RIETSCHLIN

**BETHLEHEM** – The Heart of Bethlehem beats strong for two high school sweethearts.

Seth and Maycee Rietschlin married almost 12 years ago. Their oldest child, Oliver, was ready to start preschool in 2021 when they recognized the school was in need of structural improvements.

"We truly realized – at least I did because Seth already knew Sacred Heart was great – how amazing it is and we just want to do anything to help it stick around a lot longer," Maycee said.

Along with Seth and Maycee, the Heart of Bethlehem consists of parishioners from many walks of life. It was "formed to help ensure that a strong Catholic Education will continue to be provided at Sacred Heart School for many generations to come," according to Lisa Myers, Sacred Heart School's principal.

Some of the projects have been small, while others will transform the school. Given the scope of its needs, an architectural firm was hired to help.

"They basically did an audit of the school, grounds and the buildings and compiled a list of everything," Seth noted.

All monies raised will be accounted for, Maycee explained. "I want people to know that we are really taking into account every penny that's donated." The Heart of Bethlehem regularly consults the Finance Committee and Father Jeff, "making sure that everything goes to great use, no waste."

Various maintenance projects have already been completed.

"We haven't done anything that didn't already need done," added Seth.

Completed projects include: new gym floors and fresh paint; all lights are now LED; closed circuit tv/security camera system; new floors in the hallway, painted the school, tucked pointed the school, sealed the school.

Along with many electrical upgrades, Seth said, "we replaced the water heater – but that was on the list of things to do, anyway."

Moving forward, "we recently got water lines in – we can do a new water system for the whole facility. That's in the works right now," noted Seth.

Looking to get rid of iron in the water, "We want to put a treatment system in," Seth shared, which will require new piping.

The original goal isn't lost.

"The main project was to get the kids out of the basement," Maycee added. "Maybe get the teachers more space to continue doing the amazing things they do."

The Heart of Bethlehem is an ongoing list of projects and there is no end date.

"As long as people keep donating and we keep having ideas, I don't think we'll see an end; I'd like it to carry over to the next generation," Maycee said.

"If the day does come when we do an addition – we plan on putting ballots out – we will get input from the parish, it's not something we're just going to do," Seth said.

The architect will help facilitate that process through a town hall-like meeting, Maycee added.

Seth, a 7th generation member of the parish, brought Maycee to Sacred Heart early in their relationship.

"On our second date, he took me to Mass. I had no idea what he meant when he was like, 'we're going to Mass before dinner.' I was just going with it," Maycee laughed.

It wasn't her first time inside Sacred Heart, though.

"I was at a family wedding at Sacred Heart when I was about 8 years old," Maycee recalled. "I looked at my parents and I said, 'I want to get married here' and I did! Sacred Heart has been the center of our relationship."

A generational parishioner, "I've never been anywhere else," Seth said. "It's where I want my kids to go. It's a big part of me."

The parents of three kids – Oliver, 8, Emery, 5 and Nellie Maye, 3 – Seth and Maycee have firmly laid down their roots in the Settlement.

"Not being from Sacred Heart made me appreciate how special it is," Maycee said. "I just want to give back because I feel that Sacred Heart has given me so much."

Maycee joined Sacred Heart Church two years ago in what is now called OCIA – Order of Christian Initiation for Adults – but she has been attending church with Seth since their second date.

The Rietschlins also serve at Sacred Heart Baseball, reflecting their early love.

"We met in high school on the baseball/softball bus," Maycee reminisced. "We've both always liked it and it's something fun we like doing with our kids."



A MINISTRY OF SACRED HEART OF JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH  
BY JOE DI LULLO

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**Esther, A Woman of Fervent Prayer and Hope**

**By Fr. Yuri Kuzara, C.P.P.S.**

Director/Rector of Sorrowful Mother Shrine, Bellevue, OH. Fr. Yuri will present the Book of Ruth in the morning and Book of Esther in the afternoon.

Registration begins at 8:30 am Conference begins at 9:00 am – 3 pm. Mass, Lunch, Rosary and Basket Raffle (Parishes welcome to provide one)

**Registration required by September 12.**

Cost is \$25.00 per person

Register by E-mail to: [sueh1757@gmail.com](mailto:sueh1757@gmail.com) and pay at door. Please include your Name, parish, email address, phone number and names of attendees OR Mail the above info and check to: St. Ignatius Parish, Attn: Sue Hopkins, 212 N. Stadium Road, Oregon, OH 43616. Make checks payable to: TDCCW

**Registration forms are in the back of church.**



**DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO HAS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN HOW AND WHY WE, AS CATHOLIC CHRISTIANS, CELEBRATE OUR FAITH THE WAY WE DO?**

Do you have a friend, co-worker or spouse who is not Catholic but attends Mass with you regularly and might be interested in learning more if they were only invited? Then OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) is how you can invite family or friends who have expressed an interest and do not know where to start. Our next group of inquirers, those who have expressed interest or are just curious, will begin sessions in October. For additional information or to express interest for yourself or someone you know, please call or text Katie Di Lullo at 419-961-3494 (Sacred Heart) or Kim Legge at 419-689-3033 (St. Joseph) or call the parish office. Thank you!

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Pick-up dishes left from festival

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

**Thank you for your continued support!**