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June 15, 2025

The Most Holy Trinity

Welcome Fr. David Kidd!

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A Sister Parish with St. Joseph, Crestline.

Intentions

Tuesday

6:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: Bob & Charlie Niese

Wednesday

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: Pope Francis

Thursday

5:30 pm - Confession at St. Joseph

6:30 pm - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: For the Terminally ill.

Friday

8:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph

*Mass Intention: For a Greater Love of
the Holy Eucharist*

Saturday

3:30 pm - Confession at SHJ

4:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart

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

Sunday

Feast of Corpus Christi

7:00 am - Mass at St. Joseph

*Mass Intentions: Linda Del Greco-Kump,
Candice Bohnke*

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart

*Mass Intention: Rosemary Sutter; Leroy
Steiner*

10:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph

*Mass Intention: For Guidance on the St.
Joseph South School Capital Campaign*

Greetings parishioners,

Happy Father's Day! This past week I was honored to give a talk about our Heavenly Father to the Serra club of Tiffin. (The Serra Club is a group that prays for and encourages vocations.) The talk consisted of how priests are called to show the world the face of the heavenly Father. It is a great honor to strive and attempt that each day for you by God's grace!


This weekend we welcome Fr. David Kidd who will be preaching and celebrating all our Sunday Masses at both Sacred Heart and St. Joseph parish. Welcome Fr. David and thank you for guiding us in promoting vocations in our own local Church and Diocese of Toledo!!

As you may know Fr. David and I journeyed through seminary together and were ordained together. He spent a summer at both our parishes during Fr. Geiger's time at Sacred Heart and St. Joe's. Fr. David's parents and my parents are close friends and have a great friendship. They actually hang out with one another more than we do ... due to our full schedules. Though we struggle to find time as priests to spend time with one another ... Fr. David, Fr. Austin (our other classmate) and I do have a day scheduled to meet up. We plan on praying together, eating together, and playing a round of golf together over in Paulding Ohio.

Although it is not easy, we make time to foster a holy bond to strengthen each other as spiritual Father's. As we celebrate Father's Day may we encourage holy opportunities for Catholic father's and men to grow together in fraternity. I have hopes with the help of a few fellas to build up a men's group in the upcoming months. Here guys can spend some time together and build up one another in prayer and study. Please pray for this endeavor and reach out if you feel interested!

Welcome back to St. Joseph and Sacred Heart Fr. David!

**In Christ,
Fr. Jeff**

COLLECTION: June 8, 2025 \$ 4,062.00 Reg. Offertory \$ 3,886.00 <hr/> Ascension \$ 25.00 Church Maintenance \$ 35.00 Gen Maintenance \$ 110.00 Cemetery \$ 6.00  Online \$ 1,110.00 Heart of Bethlehem \$ 110.00	LITURGICAL MINISTERS Wednesday, June 18 Lector: Lauren Vogt Server: Hannah Timmons <table> <tr> <th data-bbox="443 161 972 233">Saturday, June 21</th><th data-bbox="972 161 1487 233">Sunday, June 22</th></tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="443 233 972 938"> <u>MUSIC MINISTER</u> <i>Kevin Willis</i> <u>SERVERS</u> <i>Rudy & Finnegan Belcik</i> <u>OFFERTORY</u> <i>Mark & Melissa Vogt Family</i> <u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</u> <i>Laurie Metzger, Greg Keller</i> <u>Need 1</u> <u>USHERS</u> <i>Dave Kromer</i> <i>Jamie Picou</i> <u>LECTOR</u> <i>Molly Belcik</i> (Please check Ministry Scheduler Pro for the most up to date assignments) </td><td data-bbox="972 233 1487 938"> <u>MUSIC MINISTER</u> <i>Katie DiLullo</i> <u>SERVERS</u> <i>Evan & Noah Metzger</i> <u>OFFERTORY</u> <i>Tom & Debbie Rietschlin Family</i> <u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</u> <i>Deacon Steve Vogt, Marti Keller</i> <i>Samantha Schroeder</i> <u>USHERS</u> <i>Diane & Nate Metzger</i> <u>LECTOR</u> <i>Tom Metzger</i> <u>COUNTERS</u> <i>Crystal Metzger, Paula Goodman</i> <i>Bob Weber</i> </td></tr> </table>	Saturday, June 21	Sunday, June 22	<u>MUSIC MINISTER</u> <i>Kevin Willis</i> <u>SERVERS</u> <i>Rudy & Finnegan Belcik</i> <u>OFFERTORY</u> <i>Mark & Melissa Vogt Family</i> <u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</u> <i>Laurie Metzger, Greg Keller</i> <u>Need 1</u> <u>USHERS</u> <i>Dave Kromer</i> <i>Jamie Picou</i> <u>LECTOR</u> <i>Molly Belcik</i> (Please check Ministry Scheduler Pro for the most up to date assignments)	<u>MUSIC MINISTER</u> <i>Katie DiLullo</i> <u>SERVERS</u> <i>Evan & Noah Metzger</i> <u>OFFERTORY</u> <i>Tom & Debbie Rietschlin Family</i> <u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</u> <i>Deacon Steve Vogt, Marti Keller</i> <i>Samantha Schroeder</i> <u>USHERS</u> <i>Diane & Nate Metzger</i> <u>LECTOR</u> <i>Tom Metzger</i> <u>COUNTERS</u> <i>Crystal Metzger, Paula Goodman</i> <i>Bob Weber</i>
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Bible Readings for the Week of June 15, 2025

Monday	2Cor 6:1-10, Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4, Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday	2Cor 8:1-9, Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday	2Cor 9:6-11, Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9, Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday	2Cor 11:1-11, Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8, Mt 6:7-15
Friday	2Cor 11:18, 21-30, Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, Mt 6:19-23
Saturday	2Cor 12:1-10, Ps 34:8-9, 10-11, 12-13, Mt 6:24-34
Sunday	Gen 14:18-20, Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4, 1Cor 11:23-26, Lk 9:11b-17



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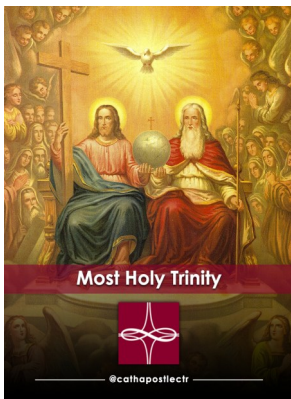
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The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity is a Catholic feast day celebrated on the first Sunday after Pentecost. It commemorates the central mystery of the Christian faith, the belief in one God existing in three divine persons: the Father, the Son (Jesus Christ), and the Holy Spirit.

Voice of Hope Walk for Life

Parishioner, Paula Goodman, has accepted the walk for life challenge and is inviting all who are interested from both parishes to join her on **Saturday, June 28th. at 10:00am.** We will meet in the parking lot on the east side of the church and walk to and around the cemetery as many times as you are comfortable with.

Details and sponsorship forms are in the back of church.

The Walk for Life is more than just a walk through your chosen location-it is a powerful demonstration of our collective commitment to supporting women, families, and unborn children in our community. Your participation and support help us provide vital services, educational programs, and compassionate care to those who need it the most. Together, we can make a lasting impact and promote a culture of life! Visit www.walk4voh.com



100th Anniversary of the Dedication of Our Lady of Consolation Church

The Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation is celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Dedication of the Church! On **Wednesday, June 25, 2025 at 7:00 PM, Most Rev. Daniel E. Thomas, Bishop of Toledo**, will celebrate Mass for the 100th anniversary of the church, now designated a basilica. All from throughout the diocese are welcome and encouraged to attend!

One hundred years ago on Sunday, June 25, 1925, Bishop Samuel A. Stritch was the celebrant for the solemn dedication of the church. Thousands were in attendance for the dedication. We hope that many from throughout the diocese and beyond will come and celebrate this centennial with the Our Lady of Consolation community.

The chest freezer at the parish office has given up.
Suggestions for getting rid of it?



Plenary Indulgences for visiting:

Holy Rosary Cathedral, Toledo
Sorrowful Mother Shrine, Bellevue
Our Lady of Hope, Attica
Our Lady of Consolation, Carey

See registers in back of church for flyer and additional information.



132 year tradition!

Festival Packets are in the back of church. Please pick yours up and help us save on postage! Reminder; the early bird drawing will be held on **July 9th.** by Fr. Jeff. One winner will be drawn from the tickets turned in before this date! The seller of the ticket drawn receives a free reverse raffle ticket and 2 meal tickets.



Sacred Heart of Jesus Feast Day: June 27th.

Come and celebrate Jesus' love, compassion, and suffering for humanity by attending a special Mass on **Friday June 27th. at 6:30pm** with ice cream treats following. The celebration will conclude with adoration beginning at 8:00pm.



Diocesan Cedar Point Day

Come celebrate Mass with Bishop Thomas at Cedar Point! Please join him on **Sunday, July 27th. for 11:00 AM Mass** at the Convention Center (inside the park). Then spend the day enjoying Cedar Point! Tickets are only \$34.28. Discounted tickets are limited! To learn more or purchase your tickets visit: www.toledodiocese.org/cedarpoint or www.cedarpoint.com/save user name: CPTDPD



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FATHER JEFF SMITH

BETHLEHEM – The third Sunday of June celebrates fatherhood. Father Jeff has been the spiritual father of Sacred Heart and Saint Joseph since July 2020.

The needs of a church are as different as the men, women and children in its pews.

Instructing the faithful is vital. Through the homily, he can “teach as a good father would teach his son or daughter,” Fr. Jeff shared.

Simple advice invites parishioners to be more receptive.

“Not too complicated, make it understandable so the kids can learn,” noted Fr. Jeff. “Nothing too groundbreaking, but always simple lessons as a father would teach his child.”

Students at both parishes benefit. St. John Paul II articulated a Theology of the Body that Father Jeff teaches.

“One year I teach it at Sacred Heart, one year I teach it at St. Joe’s,” explained Father Jeff. “I teach it once a month for a couple hours about nine times a year.”

Utilizing a workbook and a few videos, “I teach the kids how to be a proper gift of self and how to receive gifts properly,” Fr. Jeff said. The lessons instruct them “how to receive love and how to give love.”

The ideas are applicable to youngsters, he added. “I try to give real life examples so they can understand,” he added.

Lessons from his own father lead him today.

“My dad always says that if I ever make you work, I won’t make you do it alone,” noted Fr. Jeff. “That was a lesson that he learned from his dad, as well. If he asked me to feed the pigs or the steers, he would be by my side doing it,” Fr. Jeff shared.

Always ready to pitch in, Fr. Jeff said, “For example, if I ask people to set up for the festival, I try to be there with them if I’m able.”

Father Jeff inherited both grandfathers’ work ethic.

“One was a farmer, one was a painter,” noted Father Jeff. “I always worked with my grandfather when we would shingle roofs or paint. Same with my other grandpa – he’d always be there on the farm watching me work or being with me and helping out.”

All of his grandparents have passed away, but “I still have that communion with them in the Communion of the Saints – we’re still connected,” Fr. Jeff shared.

Especially during Mass.

“I usually have my grandparents in mind for the petitions of the deceased, and the different prayers in the missal,” he noted.

Pastoring two parishes means dividing his time, leading his flock.

“I try to give the appropriate amount of time to both parishes,” Fr. Jeff explained. “It can be an example for a family if they’re tempted to choose the son that’s a better athlete – or their daughter that has better grades – to be their favorite.”

Mother Teresa of Calcutta once noted, “I’m called not to be successful, but to be faithful.”

God, the eternal Father, cherishes all creation.

“How I act portrays how the heavenly Father cares for His people,” said Father Jeff. “To live the example of Jesus and the heavenly Father points out how the Father loves us.”



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

IMAGE OF CHURCH BY LORETTA BOCIAN, 2024

Photo by Joe Di Lullo | Settlement Spotlight

Heart of Bethlehem Meeting

April 29, 2025

Present: Father Jeff Smith, Lisa Myers, Seth Rietschlin, Cody Gosser, Adam Paynter, Tom Metzger, Stefanie Kuntz and Rebekah Weber.

Absent: Maycee Rietschlin, Monica Finney, Molly Belcik, Sean Beeson, Lil Niese and Kelsey Keller

Met in library of school. Meeting started at 7:40. Father opened with prayer.

Old Business:

Seth opened by reviewing the projects completed to date by the Heart of Bethlehem (See meeting agenda). There have been regular weekly donations to the HOB ranging from \$40 to \$10,000. As of now there is \$79,760.25 in the HOB account- This amount is after all projects have been paid for.

New Business

Stefanie Kuntz and Lil Niese have been added to the committee to replace the vacancies of Rosie Sutter and Steve Vogt. This meeting was held in general to refresh everyone on the projects that have been completed, to discuss projects in works and to make the parish aware that the Heart of Bethlehem is still active and planning. Joe DiLullo is going to do a settlement spotlight on the HOB to get word out of the goals and projects we are working on. Father has submitted a letter to the diocese to try to approve a water renovation for the entire campus. The Diocese meets in June and it is hoped we can complete this project this summer (2025). The water renovation consists of a small building over the well housing a softener system, new lines to all buildings and fixtures- replacement of all water lines. Tom has a connection that will draw up computer aided drawings for Seth to submit to the Health department. They are going to get the plans done and submitted to Richland County Health Department for approval so that when/ if the Diocese approves, they can start immediately. The Settlement Settlers will be covering the expense of the water project, which is an approximate \$140,000. There are thoughts to have a booth at the festival to make people aware of the committee. Discussion was made about some of the group's goals and projects that have been completed. After May 1st we are able to fund raise but it was agreed by the group that we are not to that point. A meeting was scheduled for June 3rd in the school. Seth will reach out to Joe to see if he can come to the meeting to see what information we would like to highlight in the Settlement Spotlight. Father closed with a prayer and meeting was adjourned approximately 8:20 PM.

Heart of Bethlehem Committee

Members

Father Jeff, Lisa Myers ,Seth Rietschlin,Maycee Rietschlin,Monica Finney, Cody Gosser, Molly Belcik, Adam Paynter, Sean Beeson, Kelsey Keller, Tom Metzger, Lil Niese, Stephanie Kuntz and Rebekah Weber

Opening Prayer

Old Business

Projects completed to date

- New flooring in gym, school, hallway and entryways
- Painted lines on gym floor (basketball)
- New front and back doors
- Electronic remote entry on back door of school and main gym door
- New Windows (minus 5th/6th room)
- 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 tuckpointed school exterior
- Rocks and concrete curb around playground

-We have been in touch with Garmann Miller. They are ready to get involved with whatever the next step is decided.

New Business

- We submitted plans to the diocese and health department for the total campus water renovation. We are hoping to get approved for summer of 2025 completion. This project will be financed mostly by the Settlement Gun raffle/ maintenance.
- Joe DiLullo will be doing a Settlement Spotlight on the Heart of Bethlehem in the next month to get information out.
- What is the next step for Heart of Bethlehem?
- Discuss ideas for fundraising.
- Presence at festival, possibly getting the school kids involved.
- Review Garmann Miller plans and discuss getting a hard price on different levels of construction to see what the actual financial needs will be.
- Possibility of expanding into more grades.
- We are past the Diocesan capital campaign so we can speak openly about fundraising.

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Straight A's

Third grade:

Zelie Metzger*

Fourth grade:

Leo Beeson* and Eleanor Kuntz*

Fifth grade:

N/A

Sixth grade:

Felix Beeson*, Skylar Grose*, Audrey Hoffman* and Jude Kemerer*

Seventh grade:

Berkley Hoffman*, Gus Metzger* and Sarah Plazek*

Eighth grade:

Eva Beeson*

First Honor A's and B's

Third grade:

Saylor Hartings* and Charles Rietschlin

Fourth grade:

Cooper Fagan*, Kennedy Hoffman*, Hunter Keller*, Aubrey Timmons*, Nathaniel Whitt* and Carter Wyer*

Fifth grade:

Thea Jordan*, Finnian Metzger*, Declan Milligan*, Makenna Murphy, Francis Paynter*, Rylee Scarbro*, Hannah Timmons and Blaine Welch*.

Sixth grade:

Ricardo DeLaCruz, Zane Fagan Bailey Davis and Deacon Wyer*

Seventh grade:

Rudy Belcik*, Grant Biglin, Adam Keller*, Quinn Keller*, Abby-gael Lenz*, Veronica Rietschlin*, and Weston Vogt

Eighth grade:

Louis Rietschlin*

***Indicates honor roll all 4 quarters**

We are currently accepting enrollment for 25/26 school year. Sacred Heart School is a fully accredited school with the State of Ohio. We offer a nurturing classroom environment where students are able to grow into the person God is calling them to be. We offer multiple scholarships. Mrs. Myers would welcome the opportunity to discuss with you all of the benefits of attending Sacred Heart School. She can be reached at: 419-342-2797 or 419-683-1697 or Lmyers@shelbysacredheart.org.

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