



SACRED HEART of JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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February 16, 2025 Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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A Sister Parish with St. Joseph, Crestline.

Intentions



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: Francis, Marie & Joe Biglin

Thursday

5:30 pm - Confession at St. Joseph

6:30 pm - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: Maureen Hoffman

Friday

8:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: For the Students, Parents & Staff of St. Joseph School

Saturday

3:30 pm - Confession at SHJ

4:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: Lawrence & Mary Alice Biglin; Yogi & Mark

Sunday

7:00 am - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intentions: For the Deceased members of St. Joseph Parish

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: Jeanne, Paul & Kathleen Gosser; Richard Vogt

10:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: Gerald Bickert; Craig Yochem

Dear Parishioners,

We are all called to live out Christ's mission, seeking to do God's will so that we may fulfill his ultimate plan for our lives and the Church.

St. Paul reassures us "We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose" (Rm 8:28). Each year, our participation in the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA), is a tangible expression of our commitment to working "Together For Good" to support vital diocesan programs that proclaim the Good News, feed the hungry, educate our children and care for our most vulnerable in wonderful ways.

If you have already made your gift to this year's ACA, thank you for your faithfulness and stewardship. If you have not had the opportunity to do so, I encourage you to consider prayerfully joining us on this sacred mission with a generous financial gift. Your generosity with that of all the faithful throughout our 19 counties is necessary to continue working "Together For Good" to serve our parish, community and future generations.

May the Lord grant us the grace to trust that we are all part of His divine plan, and through our collective efforts, to achieve great things in His name! Share Your Generous Gift Today at acatoledo.org or by using the envelopes found in the pews.

In Christ,
Fr. Jeff

DIocese of Toledo
2025
ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Wednesday, February 19
School Mass

COLLECTION:

Feb. 9, 2025
\$ 2,835.00

Reg. Offertory
\$ 2,835.00

No Specialty
Envelopes



Thank you!

Online
\$ 860.00
Heart of Bethlehem
\$ 50.00

Saturday, Feb 22

MUSIC MINISTER

Sean Beeson

SERVERS

Blaise Metzger

Kyle Leonowich

OFFERTORY

Thad & Sarah Metzger Family

EXTRAORDINARY

MINISTERS

Karen Keiser, *Need One*

Brenda Gosser

USHERS

Shannon Finnegan

Jamie Picou

LECTOR

Sarah Metzger

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

Sunday, Feb 23

MUSIC MINISTER

Children's Choir

SERVERS

Charly & Lincoln

Milligan

OFFERTORY

Jim & Linda Hicks Family

EXTRAORDINARY

MINISTERS

Amanda Paynter

Need One, Chuck Weaver

USHERS

Dave Kromer & Lance Biglin

LECTOR

Need One

COUNTERS

Olivia Hoffman, Teresa Jessee

Bob Weber

Bible Readings for the Week of Feb. 16, 2025

Monday	Gn 4:1-15, 25, Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21, Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday	Gn 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10, Ps 29:1a, 2, 3-4, 9c-10, Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday	Gn 8:6-13, 20-22, Ps 116:12-15, 18-19, Mk 8:22-26
Thursday	Gn 9:1-13, Ps 102:16-18, 19-23, 29, Mk 8:27-33
Friday	Gn 11:1-9, Ps 33:10-15, Mk 8:34-9:1
Saturday	1Pt 5:1-4, Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6, Mt 16:13-19
Sunday	1Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23, Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13, 1Cor 1:45-49, Lk 6:27-38



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Sacred Heart Students collected and donated items to the Crawford County Humane Society.



**Little Lambs next playdate:
Feb. 22nd at 9:00.**

Help with Tuition at Sacred Heart School!

Ohioans can receive a dollar for dollar tax credit up to \$750 per person for donations to the Diocese of Toledo Scholarship Fund. Learn more at www.dotsgo.org



Looking for More Teams !!

Euchre Tournament

February 23rd.

Please sign up by Feb 16th.

Contact Kelsey Keller to register @ 419-565-1241
Thank you for supporting Sacred Heart PTO !

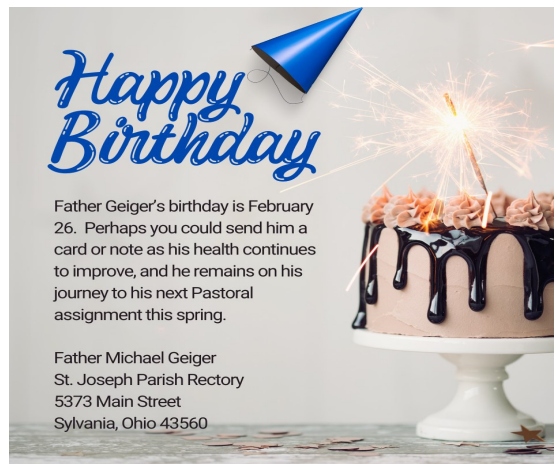
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**DEANERY
SPEAKER
SERIES &
EXPOSITION**

**Deanery Speaker Series and Exposition
Thursday, March 13th.
St. Peter, Mansfield**

- 6:30 p.m.** - Snacks and Social Time
- 7:00 p.m.** - Presentation by Fr. John Miller
"The Eucharist and Calvary"
- 8:00 p.m.** - Exposition



Father Geiger's birthday is February 26. Perhaps you could send him a card or note as his health continues to improve, and he remains on his journey to his next Pastoral assignment this spring.

Father Michael Geiger
St. Joseph Parish Rectory
5373 Main Street
Sylvania, Ohio 43560

Attention High School Students !

Please join Steve & Sheila Vogt at the parish center for PSR. The dates are as follows: March 12, 19 & 26. April 2 and 9. Each session will begin at 7 and last approximately 1 hour. Hope to see you there!

ANDREW DINNER

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH, GALION
FEBRUARY 26, 2025 | 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Diocese of Toledo
Office of Priestly Vocations

Named after St. Andrew, the patron saint of fishermen and often associated with calling others to follow Christ, these dinners provide an opportunity for attendees to meet with their pastors and engage in informal conversations about priestly life.

135 N Liberty St.
Galion, OH 44833

For more information, please visit ToledoPriesthood.org or register here.

Holy Hour during Andrew Dinner
Wed. Feb. 26
6-8:00 pm

Parishioners from the deanery are invited to come to the St. Joseph convent chapel and pray for the young men discerning during their Andrew Dinner.

Parish Council Minutes

January 14, 2025

In attendance: Father Jeff, Kim Metzger, Doug Lucius, Justin Tuttle, Jacob Gosser, Jacob Rietschlin, Joe Di Lulo, Greg Keller, Heath Gwartz & Taylor Gosser.

Father opened with a prayer.

Jacob Gosser read the minutes.

Doug Lucius made a motion to accept the September 10, 2024 meeting minutes and Greg Keller seconded the motion.

Father Jeff's Report:

- 3-6 young men going to an up and coming Andrew Dinner (open to Priesthood) in February
- Support them by: reintroducing the vocations cross, Fr. Jeff/Deacon Steve take to sports event
- Kim Metzger made a motion to purchase the book the men will be studying with Fr. Kishore. Greg Keller Seconded and offered to purchase himself.
- Next year "Seek" will be in Columbus, it was suggested that Libby Biglin speak about the event after a homily and/or be in the Bulletin Spotlight
- We received 3 bids for a new water system, already approved by finance for \$67,000
- Discussed new upgraded bulletin. Majority thought the proposed bulletin was too "busy" with out of area ads
- Mobile unit at times smells due to raccoons. Taylor Gosser volunteered Cody Gosser to trap the raccoon.

Principals Report:

- No report since Lisa Meyers was absent

Old Business:

- LED lights have been installed by Chuck Studer

New Business:

- None

Greg Keller made a motion to adjourn and Doug Lucius seconded the motion

Father closed with a prayer.

Next meeting will be held March 11th after 6:30 mass in the Parish Office



PARISHIONER SEAN BEESON

BETHLEHEM — Jesus called 12 men to follow Him. Every year, between 2 – 3,000 men heed that same call and attend the Catholic Men’s Conference in the Diocese of Columbus. The 28th annual conference will return on February 22, 2025 to the State Fairgrounds.

“It is one of the biggest Catholic men’s conferences in the United States,” parishioner Sean Beeson noted. The conference tries to “motivate and inspire men to live heroically; to live courageously; to live the virtues.”

Men are drawn to the event by the strength of its speakers.

“Speakers address a lot of things that are very pertinent to men,” said Beeson. “They talk about struggles that men have; obstacles that men have to overcome. The speakers really understand what it’s like to be a Catholic male, whether you’re a teenager or a grandfather or you’re a single man in your 30s – they understand what we face.”

This year, speakers include Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, Dr. Ray Guarendi, Mark Hartfiel, along with the Bishop of the Diocese of Columbus, The Most Reverend Earl K. Fernandes.

“It’s important to know the Bishop celebrates Holy Mass,” Beeson said.

The Lord calls all men to unity.

“To be truly devoted to our faith, sometimes you can feel alone,” noted Beeson. “Any age group – when you’re surrounded by 2 – 3,000 men that sing these hymns, that respond to the prayers, that are there for the same reason you are – the Lord – you get that fire and you bring that flame home.”

The 1-day conference also includes the Sacrament of Penance, more commonly referred to as confession.

Beeson said many men take the opportunity to repent and make amends to God’s instrument of grace.

“There’s a priest there that you don’t know, that you’re never going to see again,” Beeson shared. “People feel comfortable to go make a really good confession.”

The annual event is close to Lent each year.

“I’ve always loved that it’s like that booster shot you sometimes need right before Lent,” said Beeson. “It’s a good source of Vitamin G – of God – to really help focus your prayer life.”

According to its website, , <https://www.catholicmensministry.com/2025conference>, “Our primary purpose is bringing men to Christ.”

For close to 10 years, Beeson has attended the conference. Over time, a group of men from Sacred Heart have gone down together, including his oldest son, Titus. “We sit together and usually get some food afterwards, just for some fellowship,” Beeson shared.

There are many exhibitors on-hand, including organizations, companies or causes offering information or items for sale.

Early risers can get donuts, bagels or fruit.

“They have coffee that flows like water (all day),” said Beeson.

Register online and you will secure lunch from Panera.

As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another (Proverbs 27:17)

“Men need other men,” said Beeson. “We need each other to make ourselves better. We cannot do this alone.”



Sean Beeson | Settlement Spotlight



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

**Reg. and decaf coffee & tea, peanut butter,
canned chicken, and any form of dry pasta.**

Thank you for your continued support!

Single Catholic Women Weekend of Discernment

Are you a single Catholic woman, ages 19-45, who is wondering how to spend your life or contemplating religious life? One step you can take is to find out what these paths would mean in your life.

The Adrian Dominican Sisters invite you to Zoom and See, **March 7-9, 2025**, to spend the weekend discerning God's call for your life and **all online** and from the comfort of your home.

Participants in Zoom and See will have the opportunity to meet other women in discernment; join the Adrian Dominican Sisters for Sunday Liturgy; take time for prayer, reflection, silence, sharing, and fun; and learn about the life of a Dominican Sister of Adrian, Michigan.

The weekend is free of charge. Register online at <https://tinyurl.com/ADSDiscern>.

For information, call or text Sister Katherine Frazier, OP, at 260-229-3045 or email her at kfrazier@adriandominicans.org.



Recycle Your Religious Items!

A Religious Recycle Group will be stopping by in March to collect religious items that need a new home. Items they take are anything Catholic such as Statues, Rosaries (Broken rosaries OK), Crucifixes, Holy Medals, Holy Cards, Framed Pictures, Prayer Books and Bibles as well as used musical instruments.

Items they do not take- Religious Books, Pamphlets, Wax Candles, Angel Figurines (Saint Angels are fine).

Please bring your items to the parish office no later than Sunday March 2nd.

Area Parish Lenten Mission and Retreat Opportunities

**Sunday, March 2 through Tuesday, March 4
Parish Lenten Mission - "60 Minutes for Jesus"
Presented by Fr. James Sichko**

St. Joseph Church - 822 Barclay St. - Marblehead, OH
7:00 pm each night in the church, all stand-alone talks
Night 1—Love, Night 2—Trust, Night 3—Leadership

**Sunday, March 9 and Monday, March 10
Into the Desert Parish Mission with Sarah Hart**

St. Ignatius Parish - 212 N. Stadium Rd. - Oregon, OH
7:00—8:15 pm, free will donation & light reception of follow
Sarah Hart is one of the leading figures in contemporary Catholic music today. For more information, call 419-693-1150.