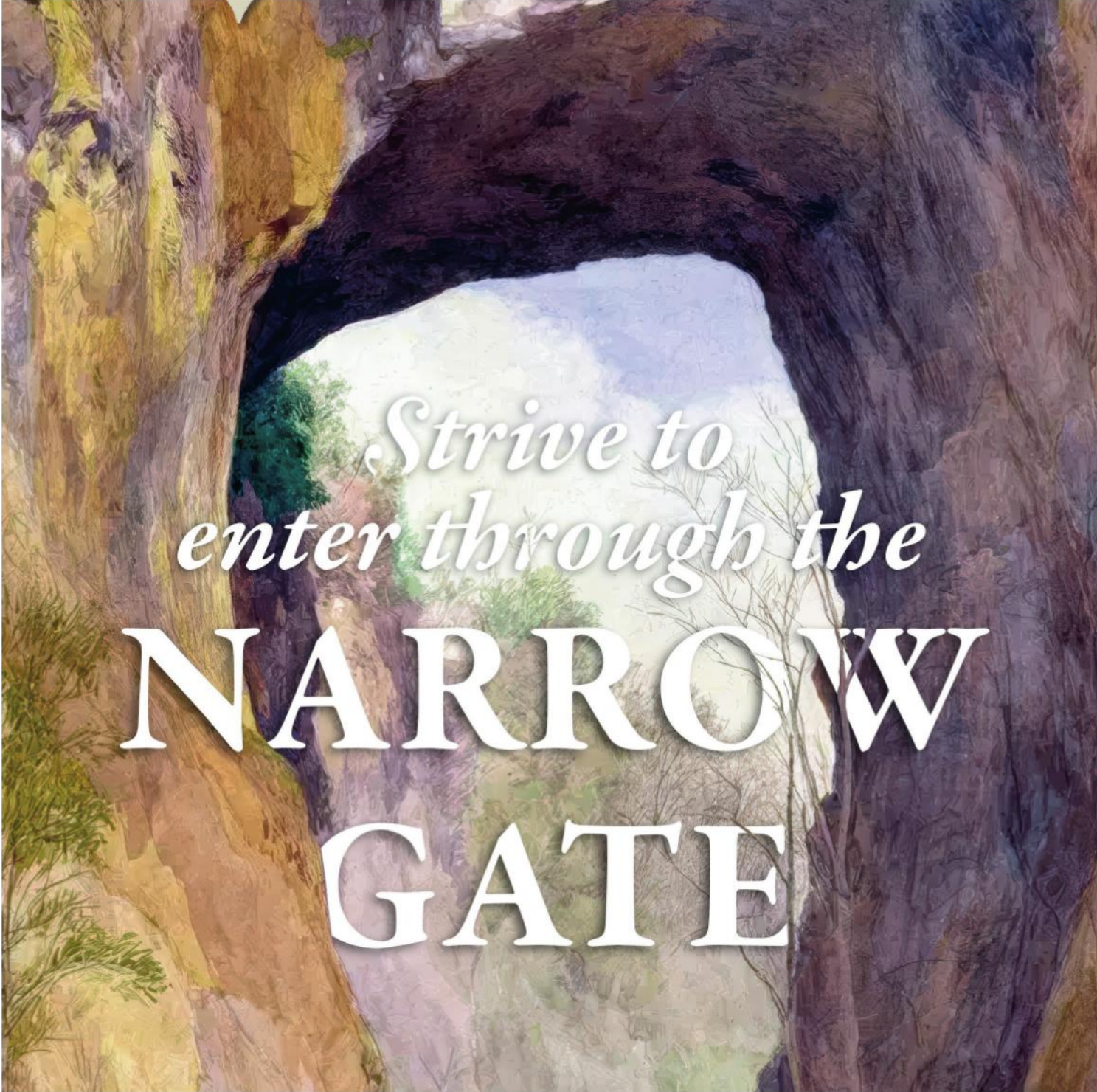




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*A Member of the St. Juan Diego Deanery Sister Parish with Sacred Heart of Jesus*

The background of the lower half of the page is a painting of a narrow, rocky path leading through a dark, cave-like opening into a bright, sunlit landscape with green hills and trees. The text 'Strive to enter through the' is written in a white, cursive font, and 'NARROW GATE' is written in a large, white, serif font below it.

*Strive to  
enter through the*  
**NARROW  
GATE**

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time | August 24, 2025

## Letter From the Pastor

Greetings Parishioners,

Thank you for your prayers and support of our schools! As we kicked off another school year, we once again take up one of the highest callings. Our calling to teach our youth about our wonderful Lord and his plan for their lives.

Indeed, Jesus should pervade and permeate every aspect of our schools. In all subjects Jesus should be sensed by a student and anyone who enters our schools. Like a spectacular aroma that spreads and is perceived from the topics we learn to the way we act... May Christ be made present! May Christ be sensed everywhere!

Indeed, as flawed humans we will not always live up to these great school expectations, but we will strive to share Jesus in everything. What an honor and a privilege to be part of God's mission. Jesus can and will be shared in each subject. From mathematics which points to an intelligible creator to science which points to Jesus in such things as Eucharistic miracles to the shroud of Turin. Indeed, Jesus is more easily shared in subjects such as religion, art and music which helps point out the beauty of God but in any subject Jesus will be made known at our schools. May Jesus be known to our children in the books they read about the journey of the human condition and in their experiences with one another in our schools.

Also don't think I forgot about our PSR (Parish School of Religion) program. Here we also learn about our path to heaven and our relationship with Jesus. Registration has begun and please pass the word on to any families who should take part in the program.

May our knowledge of Jesus enhance all subjects and disciplines of our lives!

In Christ,

Fr. Jeff

## Scripture Readings

*For the Week of August 24, 2025*

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1, 2; Heb 12: 5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30
<b>Monday</b>	1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Mt 23:13-22
<b>Tuesday</b>	1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-3, 4-6; Mt 23:23-26
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Memorial of Saint Monica</b> 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab; Mt 23:27-32
<b>Thursday</b>	1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17; Mt 24:42-51
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Memorial of the Passion of John the Baptist</b> 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12; Mk 6:17-29
<b>Saturday</b>	1 Thes 4:9-11, Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Mt 25:14-30
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11; Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a; Lk 14:1, 7-14



## 2025 Diocesan Celebration of Wedding Anniversaries

*Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral  
Sunday, October 26, 2025 / 3:00 p.m.*

If you are celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary in 2025 – 25, 40, 50, 60, or 60+ years – plan to join Bishop Daniel E. Thomas for the Order of Blessing Married Couples within Holy Mass. Registered couples receive a commemorative certificate and are invited to a reception following mass. To register visit [www.toledoanniversarymass.org](http://www.toledoanniversarymass.org)

## 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.**

**(Please note the correct deadline date above. It was incorrect in last week's bulletin.)**

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



**Frank James Saxton, Jr.**, 90, of Crestline, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, August 13, 2025, at the Crestline Nursing Home and Rehabilitation Center.

St. Joseph Parish sends our sincere condolences to Frank's family and friends.

*"Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen."*



## Mass Schedule & Intentions

*Tuesday • August 26*

**6:30 pm Mass at Sacred Heart**  
*Mark Rietschlin; Rodney Cole; For the Deceased of the Clarence Studer Family*

*Wednesday • August 27*

**8:30 am Mass at Sacred Heart**  
*For the Living and Deceased of the Henry Weaver Family*

*Thursday • August 28*

**5:30 pm Confessions at St. Joseph**  
**6:30 pm Mass at St. Joseph**  
*For the Deceased of St. Joseph Parish*

*Friday • August 29*

**8:30 am Mass at St. Joseph**  
*For the Students, Parents, and Staff of St. Joseph School*

*Saturday • August 30*

**3:30 pm Confessions at Sacred Heart**  
**4:30 pm Mass at Sacred Heart**  
*For the People of St. Joseph and Sacred Heart Parishes*

*Sunday • August 31*

**7:00 am Mass at St. Joseph**  
*Josephine Irene Cipriani*  
**8:30 am Mass at Sacred Heart**  
*John Metzger; Bob Niese*  
**10:30 am Mass at St. Joseph**  
*Louis Baldasare; Tom Stewart*

# FESTIVAL

**Saturday, August 23, 2025**  
**Sunday, August 24, 2025**  
**St. Bernard**  
**New Washington, Ohio**

**SATURDAY: 5:30pm**—Sandwich stand  
 Corn Hole Tournament: Max Loy (419.492.1084) to sign up  
 Live music by *Roger & Robin*

**SUNDAY: BBQ Chicken & Ham Dinners with**  
 Homemade Dressing  
 Dine in & Carry Out, 11:00am—5pm (or sold out)  
*Drive-Thru from 11am—2pm only*

**SUNDAY: B-I-N-G-O from 1-4pm**  
  
**Kiddie Tractor Pull** (register @ 2, pull @ 3)  
**NW Town Band, 6-7pm**  
 Prizes • Games • Refreshments • Hourly Drawings  
 \$1,000 Reverse Raffle • Crafts • Ice Cream • Beer  
 42nd Annual Dutchtown 5K Run, 10:30am  
 Walk & Fun Run, 10:30am / Prize: Runners Quilt

<i>Check Ministry Pro for updates.</i>	<i>Sunday, August 31 7:00 am</i>	<i>Sunday, August 31 10:30 am</i>
<i>Lector</i>	Nancy Cozad	Joann Palm
<i>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</i>	Barbara DiPietro Dave Horning Sub Needed	Joann Palm Peggy Pauley Dave Sharrock
<i>Altar Servers</i>	Don Alt Jake Rafferty	Maddie Hocker Vincent Hocker Brylee Warnecke
<i>Gift Bearers</i>	Jerry Studer Family	Lynn Whites
<i>Ushers</i>	Dave Horning Jerry Studer	Bernadette Karasko Lynn Whites



**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!

## The 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, for a reservation.

## Celebrate the Canonization of Blessed Carlo Acutis

*September 7 at The Sorrowful Mother Shrine, Bellevue - 11:00 am Mass*  
 Join us for this special Mass, and following Mass, view the Blessed Carlo Acutis Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit in the Shrine Cafeteria. This powerful traveling display includes items researched and compiled by Carlo himself. Refreshments will be served in the Shrine Cafeteria following Mass.

*I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. ~ John 14:6*

## Weekly Offering

From August 17, 2025

**Total Offertory Collection .....\$5,166.25**

Sunday Envelopes .....	\$1,680.00
Loose Checks .....	\$940.00
Loose Currency .....	\$405.00
Online Giving .....	\$239.25
Votive Lights .....	\$17.00
School Support .....	\$680.00
Parish Maintenance .....	\$315.00
Church Building Maintenance .....	\$485.00
Caritas .....	\$100.00
Assumption of Mary .....	\$295.00
Flower Fund .....	\$10.00

## Thank You !

To sign up for weekly or one-time online contributions, you can use the QR code or visit our parish website:

<https://stjosephcrestline.org/announcements>



## Holy Hour

Please join us as we pray a Holy Hour on Tuesdays in St. Joseph Church at 11:00 am. Please come and pray the Rosary and other prayers for our beloved country. God bless us all and the USA.

## Pray the Rosary With Us!

Every Sunday at 9:55 am in church before the 10:30 am Mass

Extra rosaries can be found in the narthex.



## 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## Sacred Heart Seminary Visit

Thursday, November 6 - Friday, November 8

Join Fr. Peter Grodi and young men from around the Diocese for a three-day visit to Sacred Heart Seminary in Detroit to see what it is like to live the life of a seminarian studying for the priesthood. We will depart together from St. Thomas More Parish (425 Thurstin St., Bowling Green, OH 43402) on Nov 6th at 5pm and return by 2pm on November 8th.

**Deadline to register: October 6th.** Late registrations will be accepted up till October 27th, if room is available.

<https://toledopriesthood.org/new-events/seminary-visit>

## Jubilee Pilgrimage with Bishop Thomas


In this Jubilee Year, Bishop Daniel E. Thomas has designated four locations in the Diocese of Toledo as Jubilee Pilgrimage Sites. A pilgrimage to any of these sites can apply to the reception of the Jubilee Indulgence. **On Sunday, September 14, join Bishop Daniel E. Thomas on this one-day pilgrimage to visit three of the designated sites.** Provide your own travel and pack a lunch.

Begin at The Sorrowful Mother Shrine, 4106 State Route 269, Bellevue at 11 am for an outdoor Mass. Next stop is Our Lady of Hope Catholic Church, 320 Stump Pike Road, Attica for Holy Hour at 2:30 pm. The final stop is The Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, 315 Clay Street, Carey for Solemn Vespers at 5:00 pm.



Full schedule and details can be found at <https://toledodiocese.org/diocesan/jubilee-pilgrimage>

**Night of Healing**  
WORSHIP WORD HEALING



TUESDAY SEP. 9 7:00 - 8:30 pm

**Sacred Heart, Fremont**  
550 Smith Road, Fremont, Ohio 43420  
Fr. Krzysztof Kardzis  
Fr. Kevin Moebius

WEDNESDAY OCT. 15 7:00 - 8:30 pm

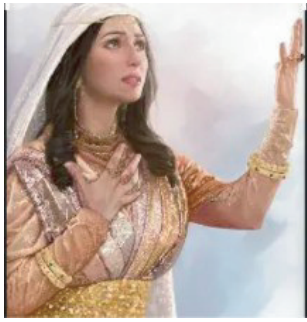
**Regina Coeli, Toledo**  
530 Regina Pkwy, Toledo, OH 43612  
Fr. Jim Morman  
Fr. James Brown  
Fr. Kevin Moebius

TUESDAY NOV. 18 7:00 - 8:30 pm

**Immaculate Conception, Port Clinton**  
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## Saint Joseph Catholic Church



## Toledo Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Invites You to Their Fall Conference

*Saturday, September 20  
Registration begins at 8:30 am,  
Conference at 9:00 am – 3 pm.  
Sorrowful Mother Shrine,  
4106 State Route 269, Bellevue*

### 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.

Mass, Lunch, Rosary included. 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 the door.

Please include your Name, Parish, Email address, Phone number and Names of all attendees

OR Mail in the form found at the back of church with your check to: St. Ignatius Parish, Attn: Sue Hopkins, 212 N. Stadium Road, Oregon, OH 43616 Make checks payable to: TDCCW



## This Week on Formed

Week of August 24, 2025



### The Confessions of St. Augustine | Littlest Saints

A child, a sinner, a saint. Join us as we share the story of St. Augustine, tailored to our children, as he wrestles with God and comes to the faith.



### Feast of Saint Monica | Catholic Saints

Throughout her life, St. Monica constantly prayed for the conversion of Augustine, her beloved son. In a moment of desperation, she even asked for the bishop's help. In response, he said, "the son of those tears surely will not perish." Truly, as this bishop remarked, Monica's tearful prayers helped build her son into the Doctor of Grace. In this video, join Dr. Gray and Dr. Sehorn as they discuss this great Saint.



### The Confessions of Saint Augustine

Actor Leonardo DeFilippis captures the poetry and passion of Saint Augustine of Hippo (AD 354-430) in a performance that is accessible and deeply moving. The play is astonishingly relevant for our own times. Augustine struggled with promiscuity, fathered a child out-of-wedlock and dabbled in a "new age" style cult. Be inspired by his relentless pursuit of Truth and encouraged by the prayerful perseverance of his faithful mother, Saint Monica.

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### Parish Office Hours:

Monday—Friday, 8:00 am—1:00 pm

### School Office Hours:

8:00 am—3:00 pm (While in session)

Please email with any concerns. Email addresses are listed above.

### Bulletin Deadline:

Nine days before the desired Sunday. To submit items for the bulletin, please email Lisa Simmons at [lsimmons@stjosephcrestline.org](mailto:lsimmons@stjosephcrestline.org) or call the Parish Office.

When traveling [masstimes.org](https://www.masstimes.org) will help you find a Sunday Mass to attend.

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