



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

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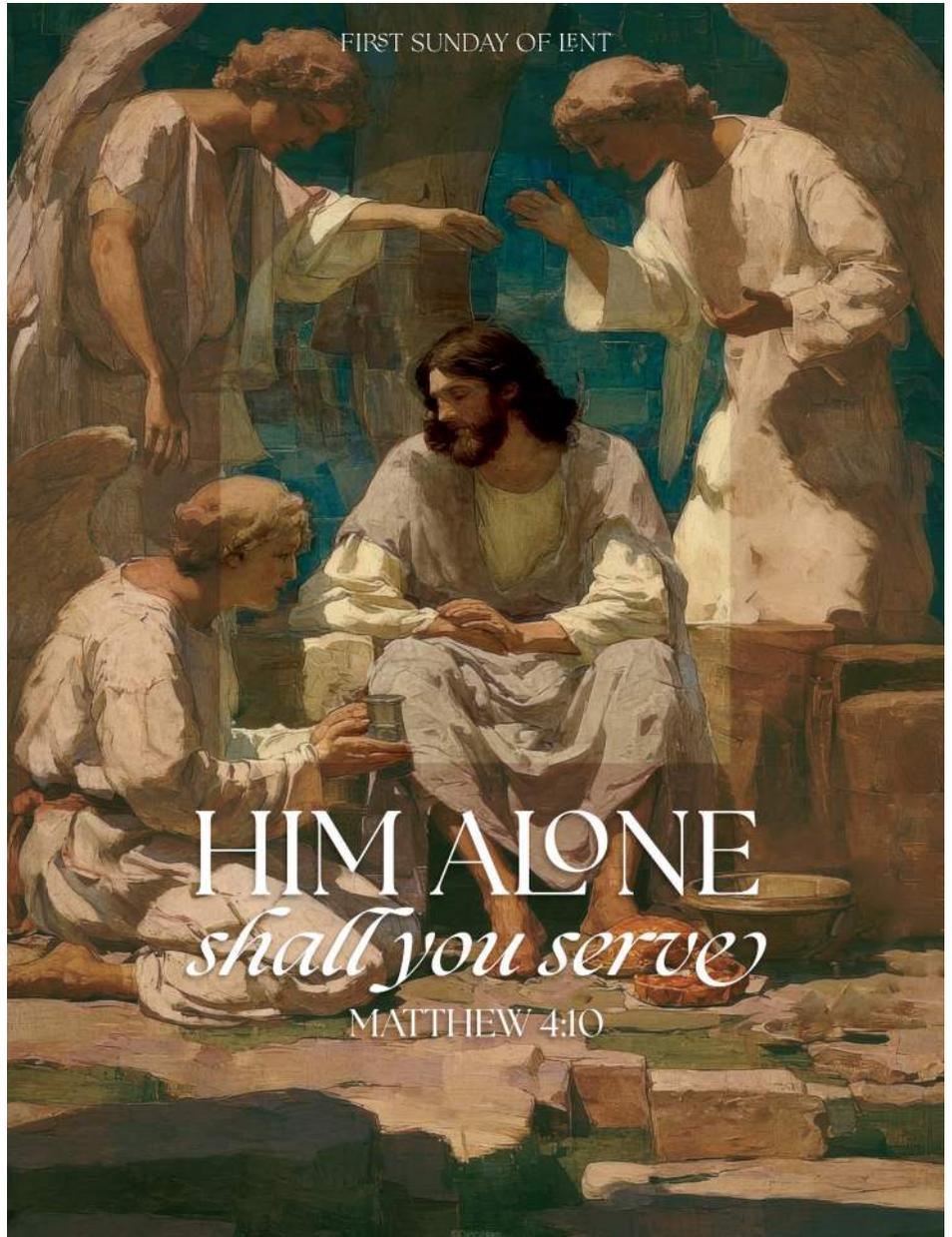
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Bulletin Deadline

Monday by 9:00am before the
desired Sunday. To submit items for
the bulletin, please email
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call the Parish Office.

Letter From the Pastor

Greetings Parishioners,

Lent is a holy season that invites us to slow down, simplify, and return our hearts to God. Beginning on Ash Wednesday and continuing for forty days, the Church leads us into the desert with Jesus—a place not of emptiness, but of encounter.

Through the traditional pillars of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, Lent calls us to honest self-examination and deeper trust in God. Prayer reconnects us with the Lord who loves us; fasting creates space in our lives for what truly matters; almsgiving opens our hearts to the needs of others and reminds us that love is meant to be shared.

Lent is not about gloomy sacrifice, but about freedom—freedom from habits that distract us from God and from one another. It is a season of grace, mercy, and renewal, preparing us to celebrate the joy of the Resurrection at Easter.

As we journey together this Lent, may we take time for silence, seek reconciliation, and fix our eyes on Christ, who walks with us every step of the way. Let this be a season not simply of giving things up, but of growing closer to the Lord who never gives up on us.

“Return to me with your whole heart.” (Joel 2:12)

In Christ,
Fr. Jeff



Scripture Readings

For the Week of February 22, 2026

Sunday	First Sunday of Lent Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17; Rm 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19; Mt 4:1-11
Monday	Lev 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday	Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday	Jonah 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday	Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
Friday	Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday	Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday	Second Sunday of Lent Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22; 2 Tim 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

High School PSR



Please join Steve & Sheila Vogt at the Sacred Heart Parish Center. The dates are as follows: February 25; March 4, 11, 18, & 25. Each session will begin at 7:00 pm and last approximately 1 hour. Hope to see you there!

Reminder - Please Help Our School Give Back

We are accepting donations for the Crawford County Humane Society, St. Joseph Church Shut-Ins, and The New Store in Richland County. Donation boxes are in the back of church. Thank you for your generosity!



As we begin our Lenten Journey, so too are the OCIA elect and candidates beginning their journey to be received into the Catholic Church. Please keep the following in your prayers throughout this season of Lent:

Those preparing to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist:

St. Joseph: Tawny Garvin and Shelli Watkins.

Sacred Heart: Zachary Derham.

OCIC (Order of Christian Initiation of Children): Elianna Ettel, Evelyn Harper, Kensley Edginton, Logan Calkins, Nevaeh Hill, Deacon Keller, Aiden Harley and Lincoln Harley

Those preparing for Confirmation and/or Eucharist:

St. Joseph: Andrew Cacchio and Parker Keller

Sacred Heart: Abigail Brocwell and Melinda Mess

St. Joseph Catholic School
Crestline, OH

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ORDINARY LIVES

EXTRAORDINARY MISSION

WITH AUTHOR & SPEAKER JOHN R. WOOD



Thursday, March 19

5:30PM - Mass at Crestline St. Joseph Church

Light meal to follow

7:15PM - Speaker John R. Wood



St. Joseph Convocation Center

333 N. Thoman St., Crestline, Ohio 44827



The Terror of Demons: The Virtues of St. Joseph

(Content may not be suitable for children under 14. Free childcare will be provided.)

Free will offering accepted

"I believe John is one of the great emerging Catholic voices of our time. John Wood has a passion that is contagious... make an effort to go and hear him speak!"
Matthew Kelly | TheDynamicCatholicInstitute

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Tuesday · February 24

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

Wednesday · February 25

8:30 am Mass at Sacred Heart
Rev. Joseph Weigman

Thursday · February 26

5:30 pm Confessions at St. Joseph
6:30 pm Mass at St. Joseph
Jim & Thelma Cook; Tom Garrett

Friday · February 27

8:30 am Mass at St. Joseph
For the People of Sacred Heart and St. Joseph Parishes
2:15 pm Stations of the Cross with Students at St. Joseph
7:00 pm Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph and Sacred Heart

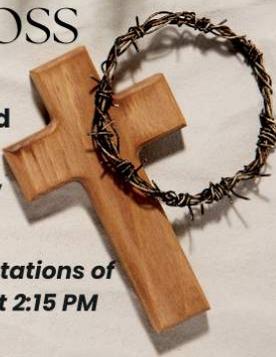
Saturday · February 28

3:30 pm Confessions at Sacred Heart
4:30 pm Mass at Sacred Heart
Jim Stine; Paul Gosser

Sunday · March 1 - Second Sunday of Lent

7:00 am Mass at St. Joseph
Mike Mitchell Family; Fr. Stan Szybka
8:30 am Mass at Sacred Heart
Dorothy Blum; John Metzger; Leroy Steiner
10:30 am Mass at St. Joseph
Marie Vuich

LENT
Pray + Fast + Give



LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS

St. Joseph Church and Sacred Heart Church
7:00 PM – Every Friday

Join our students for Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 2:15 PM at St. Joseph Church

<i>Check Ministry Pro for updates.</i>	<i>Sunday, March 1 7:00 am</i>	<i>Sunday, March 1 10:30 am</i>
<i>Lector</i>	Nancy Cozad	Adrienne Ruhe
<i>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</i>	Tracy Dzugan Adam Link Connie Marek	Joann Palm Adrienne Ruhe Kristen Wozniak
<i>Altar Servers</i>	Don Alt Jake Rafferty	Mayson Davis Natalee Davis Luci Wozniak
<i>Gift Bearers</i>	Adam Link Family	Ric & Carleen Higgins Family
<i>Ushers</i>	Doug DeNero Jerry Studer	Keith Ketcham Lynn Whites



Fish Fry - Every Friday During Lent

Many thanks to those who came out and enjoyed our first fish fry this past Friday! We hope you'll be back. If you weren't able to make it, please consider joining us for a great meal this coming Friday. We'll do the cooking for you every Friday during Lent from now through March 27. Dine-In and Drive-Thru, 5:00 pm until sold out.



Euchre Tournament at Sacred Heart - March 1

\$20 per team. Call or text Kelsey Keller at 419-565-1241 by 2/23 to sign up your team.

Toledo Diocese 28th Annual Open Arms Award

Nominate someone in your parish who is living with a significant disability (caused by a vision or hearing impairment, paralysis, chronic illness, intellectual disability, or mental illness) and despite any limitations, models Christian service to their parish community and beyond? Perhaps you know of a parishioner who is a caregiver and/or advocate for a person or persons living with disabilities.

If you would like to nominate them for the Opens Arms Award please submit their name(s) and why you are nominating them for the 2026 Open Arms Awards. Contact Lynn Priest, Accessibility Ministries Specialist at 419-214-4886, or email lpriest@toledodiocese.org

These awards will be presented by Bishop Daniel E. Thomas at the 4:00 pm Saturday Mass on June 6, 2026, at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 6149 Hill Ave, Toledo OH when our Diocese celebrates the gifts that Catholics living with disability bring to our Church.

Beware of Email or Phone Text Scams

With the start of Lent, you may begin to see these types of scams. Please be alert and check the email addresses. Fr. Jeff and Deacon Steve will never ask for money or gift cards through email or phone texts.

LEAST OF THESE OUTREACH

MATTHEW 25:40

AND THE KING WILL ANSWER THEM, TRULY, I SAY TO YOU, AS YOU DID TO ONE OF THE LEAST OF THESE MY BROTHERS, YOU DID IT TO ME.

HOT MEALS PROVIDED ON THE 4TH SATURDAYS OF EACH MONTH FROM 11AM-1PM FOR THE CRESTLINE AREA AT THE LOCATIONS LISTED BELOW. MEAL DELIVERY WILL BE BASED ON NEED AND AVAILABILITY. JOIN US FOR A TIME OF FELLOWSHIP AND SHARING A MEAL IN JESUS NAME!

1.24.2026 TRINITY LUTHERAN: 410 NORTH THOMAN RD. CRESTLINE
567-241-8494

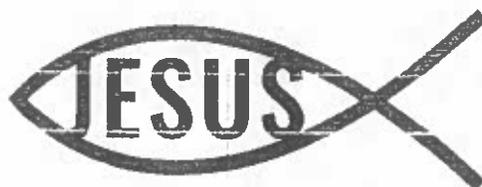
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3.28.2026 TRINITY LUTHERAN: 410 NORTH THOMAN RD. CRESTLINE
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4.25.2026 LOVE ACTION CHURCH: 376 PARK STREET CRESTLINE
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5.23.2026 TRINITY LUTHERAN: 410 NORTH THOMAN RD. CRESTLINE
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6.27.2026 LOVE ACTION CHURCH: 376 PARK STREET CRESTLINE
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Come Join Us

At Trinity Lutheran Church ~ 410 N. Thoman Street

For a Wednesday Noontime Lenten Devotional

With Soup & Sandwiches

Beginning Wednesday February 25th, 2026

And every Wednesday, through March 25th, 2026

Trinity Lutheran Church

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with soup and sandwiches.



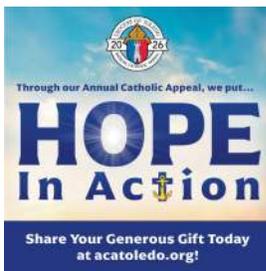
Weekly Offering

February 15, 2026

Total Offertory Collection	\$4,368.25
Sunday Envelopes	\$1,610.00
Loose Checks	\$525.00
Loose Currency	\$406.00
Online Giving	\$279.25
Votive Lights	\$98.00
School Support	\$585.00
Parish Maintenance	\$485.00
Caritas	\$150.00
Church Building Maintenance	\$140.00
Altar Candles	\$25.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$25.00
Central/Eastern European Churches	\$35.00
Initial Offering	\$5.00

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>.



Annual Catholic Appeal

We want to thank all of our Parishioners who joined together in pledging their gift to the 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal. If you have not made your commitment, today would be a convenient opportunity to do so. Pledge cards, envelopes, and pencils are available in the pews. Once completed, kindly place your pledge card in the offertory. Every gift is so significant. Thank you for your generosity.

Holy Hour

Please note: During these winter months, we will not be meeting in church on Tuesdays. Please continue to pray at home for our beloved country. We will resume sometime this coming spring. 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.



1st Sunday of Lent

G E W O R S H I P H
A T E M P L E X G U
S T O N E S B M Q N
B Y W R I T T E N G
R I P I K L H C C R
E F O R T Y S D N Y
A O E U A N G E L S
D W U D S N C Y C C
V D E S E R T W U P
U F A S T E D G S N

Desert
Angels
Forty
Bread
Stones
Hungry
Temple
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Worship



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Secular Franciscans

The Franciscan Jubilee Year, proclaimed in honor of the 800th anniversary of the death of St. Francis of Assisi, offers the Church a moment of deep spiritual renewal. Through this Jubilee, Pope Leo XIV invites us to walk again the path Francis embodied—a path of humility, simplicity, reconciliation, and joyful trust in God.

If you feel drawn to celebrate this Jubilee more deeply and to live the Franciscan charism in everyday life, I invite you to consider becoming part of the Franciscan family by exploring the Secular Franciscan Order, St. Anthony of Padua Fraternity. For more information, please contact me, Ricky Chambers, OFS at 419-617-2443 or by email at rickychambersjr@gmail.com. This Jubilee is not only a time of remembrance, but a real invitation to ongoing conversion, community, and a Gospel-centered life rooted in joy.

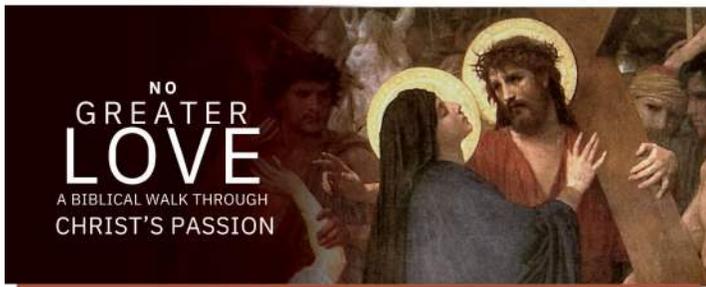
The Catholic Women's Club Scholarship

The Catholic Women's Club of the St. Juan Diego Deanery offers a scholarship to a qualified Catholic girl in her Senior year. She should graduate in 2026 from high school and plan to attend college or trade school. She does not need to be attending Catholic High School, or to attend a Catholic college to apply.

See your parish office, youth director, or the President of CWC, Brenda Starr-Jude for the application form and requirements.

Submit the application by mail before April 8, 2026 to:

Brenda Starr-Jude, President CWC, 182 Foxcroft Rd., Lexington, OH 44904
PH: 419-610-8251



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DETAILS

Sundays in March

11:30am-1:30pm

Light Lunch Provided

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Filmed on location in the Holy Land, No Greater Love is a biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. Best-selling author Edward Sri guides you through the last hours of Christ's life. You will walk step-by-step with Jesus from the garden of Gethsemane to Mount Calvary. Every step of the way, Old Testament prophecies, messianic expectations, biblical symbolism, and historical context shed light on the mystery of Christ's suffering and death. Experience a deeper understanding and appreciation of God's immeasurable and unconditional love for you—and grow closer to Jesus.

ASCENSION

To register, contact the Galion
St. Joseph Office at 419-468-2884.



This Week on Formed
Week of February 22, 2026



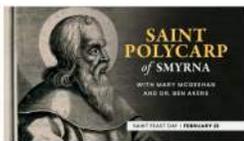
Foretold

From the beginning, God had a plan to save man from sin. With Jesus, that plan was fulfilled. But he also has a specific plan for you. Watch Foretold to rediscover God's providential love for you.



Saint Peter

Watch the epic story of the spread of Christianity during the early years of the Church. This film follows the journey of St. Peter through his martyrdom on a cross.



St. Polycarp | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Mary McGeehan as they dive into the life of St. Polycarp, a second century bishop and martyr. St. Polycarp was a student of St. John the Apostle, defended the faith against early heresies, and offered his life like Christ as a martyr.

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MARCH 21 5:30 PM-8:30 PM
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Diocese of Toledo
Ministry to Catholic Charismatic Renewal

TUESDAY **MAR. 24** 7:00 - 8:30 pm

St. Bernard, New Washington

422 W. Mansfield Street, New Washington, OH 44854

Fr. Eric Mueller
Fr. James Brown

TUESDAY **APR. 14** 7:00 - 8:30 pm

St. Jerome, Walbridge

300 Warner St., Walbridge, OH 43465

Fr. Scott Woods
Fr. James Brown

TUESDAY **MAY 12** 7:00 - 8:30 pm

St. Patrick of Heatherdowns

4201 Heatherdowns Blvd., Toledo, OH 43614

Fr. Mark Davis
Fr. James Brown

TUESDAY **JUNE 9** 7:00 - 8:30 pm

St Peter, Mansfield

104 W. 1st St., Mansfield, OH 44902

Fr. John Miller
Fr. Kishore Kottana
Fr. James Brown

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