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Letter From the Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

This is now my sixth Sacred Heart Festival, and I am as excited as ever! For some of you, it might be difficult to get excited about serving at what may be your fiftieth festival—or perhaps even more! Please know that I want to thank you for your faithful service, year in and year out. I know it is not easy to put on a smile in a hot kitchen or stand in the glaring sun selling raffle tickets but let us do our best to be welcoming this weekend.

The festival is not only a great opportunity to raise money, but it can also open the door to many other blessings. One of those opportunities is welcoming our fellow Catholics. I encourage my St. Joe's parishioners who are reading this to check out this wonderful event at our sister parish! This is also a great opportunity for us to welcome visiting non-Catholics to Sacred Heart and let them see the joy we share as Christians.

This Sunday, those who have been away from the Church may begin thinking about becoming active in their faith again when they revisit the sacred grounds where their ancestors literally spilled blood, sweat, and tears to build this parish. Let us take advantage of these opportunities by showing genuine hospitality and letting everyone know that we love God and are grateful to

share our faith with others.

On that note, if you or someone you know is thinking about becoming Catholic, please see below:

Do you know someone who has expressed an interest in how and why we, as Catholic Christians, celebrate our faith the way we do? Do you have a friend who is not Catholic but attends Mass with you regularly and might be interested in learning more if they were simply invited? Then OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) is an excellent way to invite family members or friends who have expressed an interest but do not know where to begin.

Our next group of inquirers—those who have expressed interest or are simply curious—will begin meeting in October. For additional information, or to express interest for yourself or someone you know, please contact me at jsmith@toledodiocese.org

Thank you!

Fr. Jeff

Scripture Readings

For the Week of July 26, 2026

Sunday	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 or Mt 13:44-46
Monday	Jer 13:1-11; Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21; Mt 13:31-25
Tuesday	Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13; Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday	Memorial of Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Thursday	Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab; Mt 13:47-53
Friday	Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58
Saturday	Memorial of Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12
Sunday	Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 55:1-3; Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21

Bulletin Deadline

The deadline to include items in the bulletin is Monday by 9:00 am before the desired Sunday publication. To submit items for the bulletin, please email lsimmons@stjosephcrestline.org and dbemiller@shelbysacredheart.org. You may also call the St. Joseph Parish Office at 419-683-2015.

Happy Birthday to Fr. Jeff!



July 25 - We wish Fr. Jeff a happy 40th birthday! Our parishes and schools have been blessed to have you as our shepherd. May God continue to bless you in your vocation!

Upholsterer Needed

St. Joseph Parish is looking for an upholsterer to repair approximately 25 kneelers in the church. If you or someone you know are interested in this project, please contact Joann Palm at the St. Joseph Parish Office at 419-683-2015. Joann will be applying for a grant to help with the cost, so a written estimate will be required by the end of July. Thank you.

Sacred Heart Festival

(Between Crestline & Shelby on St. Rt. 61)

July 26th, 11am–10pm

- Chicken and ham dinners
- Grill service, lemonade, and ice cream
- Games and live animal displays
- Antique farm equipment
- Games of chance
- Bavarian village
- Live music
- ...and more!

Family fun for everyone

PUBLIC INVITED!

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Tuesday · July 28

6:30 pm Mass at Sacred Heart
Rodney Cole

Wednesday · July 29

8:30 am Mass at Sacred Heart
Francis Biglin

Thursday · July 30

5:30 pm Confessions at St. Joseph

6:30 pm Mass at St. Joseph

For our Holy Father, Pope Leo

Friday · July 31

8:30 am Mass at St. Joseph

For Those That Hold Public Office

Saturday · August 1

3:30 pm Confessions at Sacred Heart

4:30 pm Mass at Sacred Heart

Jeff Belcik; Rodney Cole; Deceased Members
of the Clarence Studer Family

Sunday · August 2

7:00 am Mass at St. Joseph

Carl & Mary Hurson

8:30 am Mass at Sacred Heart

Jeanne, Paul & Kathleen Gosser; Kenny Vogt

10:30 am Mass at St. Joseph

For the People of Sacred Heart and St.
Joseph Parishes



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*Happy 40th Birthday,
Fr. Jeff!*

Everyone is invited to stay **after the 6:30 p.m. Mass on Tuesday, July 28 at Sacred Heart** for ice cream and fellowship as we celebrate this special milestone.
We hope you'll join us!



Please Schedule Your Photo Session Soon!

When you choose to schedule your photography appointment online, simply go to the Universal website (www.ucdir.com) and click on the box to the right that says, "Photography Appointment Scheduling Login."

- **For a session at St. Joseph (August 4 - 6)**, enter: oh2929a in the Church Code field and enter: member-SJ in the Church Password field.
- **For a session at Sacred Heart (August 11 - 13)**, enter: oh2929b in the Church Code field and enter: member-SH in the Church Password field.

Then simply follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment. Please call the St. Joseph Parish Office at 419-683-2015 if you have any questions.

Universal is widely known for top quality directories and photography. They will correct any glass glare (if you wear glasses). Their photographer will take pictures and you will be able to view your proofs electronically immediately following your photography session.

We hope to have many parishioners photographed for the best possible directory. Remember, this is a terrific opportunity for a professional portrait at a convenient location. **Please schedule your photo session soon!**

Sacred Heart of Jesus News

Weekly Offering

From July 19, 2026

Total Offertory Collection	\$4,194.00
Regular Offertory	\$3,038.00
Maintenance - Church	\$20.00
Misericordia	\$150.00
Online	\$986.00

Heart of Bethlehem..... \$125.00

Thank You !

To sign up for weekly or one-time online contributions, you can use the QR code or visit our parish website at <https://sacredheartbethlehem.org/announcements>



Today's the Day – Welcome to the Sacred Heart Festival!

The wait is over—it's **finally July 26, and the Sacred Heart Festival is here!** We invite everyone to join us for a day filled with **fun, fellowship, delicious food, exciting games, and community spirit** as we celebrate and support our parish and school.

There is something for everyone! Enjoy our **kids' games**, try your luck at the **new kickball game**, visit the **petting zoo**, browse the **Craft Tent** featuring talented local vendors, and be sure to cool off with the **best hand-squeezed lemonade in the area!**

Don't miss our famous **chicken dinners**, complete with the **best chicken around**, our **secret recipe dressing**, and an incredible selection of **homemade desserts**. If you're looking for a quick bite, the **sandwich stand** will be serving throughout the day.

Be sure to purchase your tickets for the **Mega Raffle**, featuring fantastic prizes including an **Organic Beef Bundle**, a **Hot Air Balloon Ride**, a **Planktown Market Basket**, and many more wonderful prizes. While you're here, stop by the **Heart of Bethlehem table** to ask questions, view building visuals, learn more about the project, and make a donation if you feel called to support this exciting vision for our parish.

Most of all, today is about coming together as a parish family. Thank you to everyone who donated, volunteered, prepared food, sold tickets, sponsored events, and worked so hard to make today possible. Your generosity and countless helping hands are what make the Sacred Heart Festival such a special tradition. **Enjoy the day, make lasting memories, and thank you for supporting Sacred Heart Parish and School!**

F.I.S.H. Ministries Wish List

Canned chicken, egg noodles, beef stew, canned fruit (all kinds), peanut butter. All non-perishable food items are accepted. Thank you for your generous continued support!

Vocations Cross

Please contact the Parish Office to sign up for the monthly Vocations Cross. Need volunteers for September and beyond. Thank you!



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Candlelight Rosary Procession & Mass Vigil of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday, August 14 at 9:00 pm

Our Lady of Consolation, Shrine Park in Carey, Ohio

On **Friday, August 14 at 9:00 p.m.**, the faithful are invited to gather in Carey for a beautiful evening of prayer and celebration. The candlelight Rosary procession to the Shrine Park will be immediately followed by the Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. **Bishop Daniel E. Thomas, Bishop of Toledo, will be the principal celebrant.** The event is expected to draw thousands of pilgrims as the Church celebrates the Jubilee Year of Saint Francis and the Friars of Our Lady of Consolation commemorate their 100th anniversary as a Province.

<i>Check Ministry Pro for updates.</i>	<i>Saturday, August 1 4:30 pm</i>	<i>Sunday, August 2 8:30 am</i>
<i>Music Minister</i>	Kevin Willis	Adult Choir
<i>Altar Servers</i>	Deacon Wyer Eleanor Kuntz	Finnian Metzger John Paynter
<i>Offertory</i>	Seth & Maycee Rietschlin Family	Lance Biglin Family
<i>Extraordinary Ministers</i>	Rosanne Conley Jake Rietschlin Brenda Gosser	Megan Ratliff John Bonen Luke Rietschlin
<i>Ushers</i>	Robert Bell Jaime Picou	Lance Biglin Joe Faith
<i>Lector</i>	Paula Goodman	Sarah Metzger
<i>Counters</i>	Olivia Hoffman, Kristi Faith, Darla Studer	
<i>Tues., August 4 6:30 pm</i>	Eucharistic Minister: Steve Vogt	
<i>Wed., August 5 8:30 am</i>	Lector: Kathy Paynter; Server: Leo Beeson	



Mass in Latin

Saturday, August 15 • 10:00 a.m.

Most Pure Heart of Mary •

Shelby

Join us to pray for a continued increase
to religious vocations.



Congratulations to Erin Finnegan!

Erin won the early bird drawing on July 15. Her winning ticket was drawn by Fr. Jeff, and she receives two complimentary meal tickets plus a jackpot ticket!

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This Week on Formed

Week of July 26, 2026



The Violinist: Stories of Solanus Casey

The Violinist is a must-watch documentary that chronicles the inspiring life of a humble Capuchin friar known for his deep faith, simplicity, and profound impact on those he served. Featuring personal stories from the people who knew Bl. Solanus, the film showcases his remarkable ability to inspire others, sharing heartwarming anecdotes about his modest lifestyle and passion for playing the violin.



Ignatius of Loyola

This film brings to life the story of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits. Often called "The Saint of Second Chances," St. Ignatius was transformed from a self-obsessed sinner to a loyal and passionate soldier-saint.



St. Alphonsus Liguori | Catholic Saints

Born to a noble Italian family and known as the "Prince of Moral Theologians," St. Alphonsus Liguori was a great preacher, lawyer, bishop, theologian, and Doctor of the Church. In this episode of Catholic Saints, Augustine Institute professors Dr. Sean Inness and Dr. Ben Akers discuss this holy man, drawing wisdom from his life and works to aid Catholics today.

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

Assumption Novena 2026

August 6th-14th

Mass in Upper Basilica
† 11:00 am each day

Devotions in Upper Basilica
† 8:00 pm on Weekdays
† 2:00 pm on Sunday & 14th

Order of Devotions:
Hymn to Our Lady, Novena Prayer,
Rosary Procession, Scripture,
Homily, Adoration & Benediction
of the Blessed Sacrament

Novena Homilist
Friar Thomas Piolata, OFM Cap.
Professor of Systematic Theology,
Catholic University of America

**Basilica & National Shrine of
Our Lady of Consolation**
315 Clay St.
Carey, Ohio 43316
419-396-7107

Full Schedule:
www.olcshrine.com/august-novena

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 26, 2026

View this bulletin online at www.DiscoverMass.com

Weekly Offering

From July 19, 2026

Total Offertory Collection	\$4,586.13
Sunday Envelopes	\$1,805.00
Loose Checks (All Categories)	\$810.00
Loose Currency	\$534.00
Online Giving (All Categories)	\$485.13
Votive Lights	\$62.00
School Support	\$315.00
Parish Maintenance	\$170.00
Church Building Maintenance	\$180.00
Caritas	\$145.00
Altar Candles	\$80.00

Thank You !

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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.



South Building Update

A few parishioners have inquired about plans for the closed former school building. There is a small committee formed to look closely at the next steps.

At our first meeting we set forth a primary goal of offering just two plans to the parish that will meet all or most of the current and short-term needs of the parish. Those goals include a handicap-accessible restroom near the church, a garage for the Pastor, storage space for the Convocation Center, and an expanded space for our office staff. The second item we considered at that meeting is how can the closed building be used, re-configured as needed, to meet the identified goals. A few floor plan ideas, some new, were proposed and discussed. Some ideas keep the whole building and a few, only part. These ideas will be narrowed down to the best plan.

At our second meeting we considered the option of demolishing the closed building but still meeting our goals by remodeling existing spaces. There were more interesting ideas proposed that require further discussion.

Another meeting will certainly narrow the options down even more and we intend to get to the point of offering two clear choices. At the risk of jinxing our current situation - no visible changes to the structure have been observed since the building was closed in the fall of 2022. Make no mistake, the roof structure needs removed - either part of a rebuild or demolition. Therefore, we have shifted from urgently needing to move forward with some plan to careful observation and thought-filled planning.

More details to follow.

The South Building Planning Committee

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Vocations Cross at St. Joseph

We would like to restart the Vocations Cross here at St. Joseph Parish. The purpose of this cross is to bring awareness for the need to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. As you all know, the number of young men attending seminary and becoming priests has declined in the last decade and prior. We need good, sincere, devout, and dedicated young men to listen to God's call for them to discern a possible vocation to the priesthood. As laypersons and members of the Body of Christ, prayer is one way for us to help achieve that outcome. Would you be willing to bring the Vocations Cross into your home for a month and pray for vocations? We will provide various prayers to help you in your prayer time. If you are interested in taking part in this important ministry, please call Bonnie at the St. Joseph parish office, and she will get you on the list. Thank you.



Check Ministry Pro for updates.	Sunday, August 2 7:00 am	Sunday, August 2 10:30 am
<i>Lector</i>	Linda Salvati	Dan Legge
<i>Extraordinary Ministers</i>	Connie Marek Don Alt Barbara DiPietro	Kristen Wozniak Dan Legge Dave Sharrock
<i>Altar Servers</i>	Morgan Frye Jake Rafferty	Landen Higgins Claire Coffman Carleen Higgins
<i>Gift Bearers</i>	Jerry Studer Family	Matt & Sheila Bickert Family
<i>Ushers</i>	Don Alt Jerry Studer	Chris Wozniak Brett Warnecke



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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Old

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SUMMER YOUTH GROUP RETREAT

Sunday, July 26 at Resurrection Parish
12-4:00 pm (lunch provided)
\$5 entrance donation
***for any incoming freshmen thru**
graduated seniors

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RSVP

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AUGUST 2
Noon-5pm
 1630 Ashland Rd. Mansfield

Church Cleaners Needed

The new schedule will be coming out soon, so if you are interested in helping out, please call Bonnie at the Parish Office at 419-683-2015. Duties include dusting, vacuuming, and dry mopping. "Many hands make light work!" Thank You!

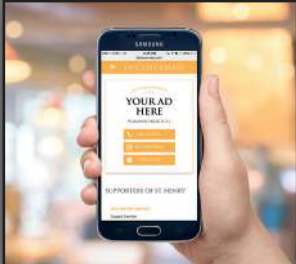
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