



October 3, 2021

27th Sunday Ordinary Time

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St. Joseph Catholic Church

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

MASS SCHEDULE

Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos
Tuesday, October 5
Mass: 6:30 p.m.—SHJ
Intentions: Lucy Rietschlin

St. Bruno, Bl. Marie Rose
Durocher
Wednesday, October 6
Mass: 8:30 a.m. SHJ
Intentions: Louann Metzger

Our Lady of the Rosery
Thursday, October 7
Penance: 5:30—St. Joseph
Mass: 6:30—St. Joseph
Intentions: Denny Flaherty,
Louis Mansueti

Friday, October 8
Mass: 8:30—St. Joseph
Intentions: That God may grant
patience in suffering to those
weighed down by disease

St. Denis, St. John Leonardi
Saturday, October 9
Penance: 3:30 p.m.—SHJ
Mass: 4:30—SHJ
Intentions: For those suffering in
Silence From Domestic Violence
Mass: 6:30- St. Joseph
Intentions: Norman Gerster

Sunday, October 10
Mass: 7:00 St. Joseph
Intentions: Leroy Steiner
Mass: 8:30 SHJ: Leroy Steiner,
Charles Studer & John Metzger
Mass: 10:30 St. Joseph
Intentions: Norb Reinhard, The
Living and deceased members of
the Theresa & Troy Brocklesby
family

Dear St. Joseph Families,

Our school year is well underway and students and staff are adjusting to daily routines. It is hard to believe that it will be Mid-First Quarter on Thursday and Parent/Teacher Conferences are around the corner next week. Students are looking forward to a day off on Friday due to conferences. Monday, October 11 is another day off for students as it will be a professional development day for teachers as we participate in the Diocesan program *Known, Loved, Served*.

Earlier in September we were honored to host the Arbor Day Committee who, along with some student help, planted two trees near the school sidewalk. It was an educational and enjoyable morning for all.

This past week students completed the annual Fall MAP (Measuring Academic Progress) assessments. Teachers will use the data to help drive instruction and address student needs.

We have some special events coming up in the next few weeks. On Monday, October 4 I invite you to join us for the annual Blessing of Pets in celebration of the Feast of St. Francis. We will meet in the church courtyard at 2:30 PM. Thursday, October 7 we will recognize Fire Safety Week with a visit from our local fire station.

On October 14 it will be the annual Rake and Run. I look forward to participating in the community service project that I have heard so much about! On Monday, October 18 the school will have the Megamoola Kickoff Assembly. Thank you for your support of this fundraiser in the past, and I hope you will help us out again this year.

Have a blessed week!

In His Name,

Sue Sanders, Principal



WEEKLY OFFERINGS
September 26, 2021
Total: \$3,470

Offering	Amount
Sunday Envelopes	\$2,325
Parish Maintenance	\$160.00
Votive Lights	\$28.00
Caritas	\$20.00
School Support	\$445.00
Total	\$3,470.00

Thank You!



PRAYERS NEEDED FOR OUR COUNTRY

Join us as we pray a Holy Hour Tuesday's in St. Joseph Church at 11 a.m. Please come and pray the Rosary and other prayers for our beloved country.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM FOR SUNDAY October 3, 2021

May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

Psalm 128:1-2,3,4-5,6 (5)

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF October 3,2021

Monday+Jon 1:1-2:1-2, 11 /Jonah 2:3, 4, 5, 8 /Jn 13:34 /Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday+Jon 3:1-10/130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8/Lk 11:28 /Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday+Jon 4:1-11/86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10/Rom 8:15bc /Lk 11:1-4

Thursday+Mal 3:13-20b / 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 /See Acts 16:14b /Lk 11:5-13

Friday+Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2 /9:2-3, 6 and 16, 8-9/Jn 12:31b-32 / Lk 11:15-26

Saturday+Jl 4:12-21 /97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Lk 11:28 /Lk 11:27-28

Sunday+Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 / Mt 5:3/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR SATURDAY & SUNDAY OCTOBER 9-10

Saturday

October 9~6:30 P.M.

Eucharistic:

Dan Legge

(no music, no lector or servers at this mass)



Sunday

October 10~7:00 A.M.

Lector: Susan Rhodes

Eucharistic: Susan Rhodes, Adam link, Steve Marek

Servers: Don Alt ,Sydney Link, Mayson Davis

Gift Bearers: Ruth Smith, Kelly Bauer, Fryer

Ushers: Dave Horning, one more needed

Sunday

October 10~10:30 AM

Lector: Vickey Milligan

Eucharistic: Kristy Wozniak, Adrienne Ruhe, Vickey Milligan

Servers: Adam Burton Al-alexandra Burton, Makenna Moyer

Gift Bearers: Bruce & Stacy Howell

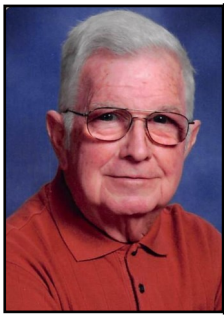
Ushers: Dave Sharrock, Keith

Thanks to Fr. Jeff and all who helped me during the last five months during my recuperation from a broken ankle. You know who you are! Because of your assistance, I was able to work remotely and keep up with the paperwork for our two parishes. Thank you too for all the prayer warriors and well-wishers. God heard our prayers! I am truly blessed with great friends and co-workers! May God Bless you all Joann Palm

BLESSINGS OF PETS



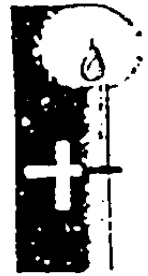
October 4 is the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, and a popular celebration is the blessing of the animals. On this day, people bring household pets to their parish church for a blessing ceremony. Father Jeff will Bless Pets at 2:30 p.m. on October 4th here at St. Joseph. Mark your calendar and bring your pets!



In Our Prayers

In loving memory we pray for Thomas Martin Harley, of Crestline who passed away September 25, 2021 at Magnolia Terrace. May God embrace Tom lovingly in eternal life and bring peace and comfort to his family & friends.

Our condolences to the Harley family



World Mission Sunday: Oct. 23 & 24

The theme for this year's World Mission Sunday is "We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard" (Acts 4:20). World Mission Sunday is a global effort for the entire Church. All Catholics of the world join into one community of faith to provide for the building up of over 1,000 local churches in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, an area that covers more than half of the territory of the globe. Through the work of these churches and their witness to Christ, the poor receive practical help and experience God's love and mercy

"REMEMBER THE RCIA CLASSES" NOT TO LATE TO SIGN UP"

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 RCIA (Rite 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 September. 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!


Perpetuate The Gift is simply the annual appeal that supports our Diocesan Priests' Retirement Fund. When a priest retires, his living expenses actually increase. He is responsible for his personal expenses such as food, clothing, car, housing, utilities and medical expenses. Envelopes are available in the pews. You may send your gift to: Perpetuate The Gift, P.O. Box 954, Toledo, OH 43697. Online gifts by credit card or direct debit can be made at www.toledodiocese.org. Click on Give and select Perpetuate the Gift in the drop down box. Please prayerfully consider helping to support our


Take a trip back in time ...

"VOICES of the PAST"

SATURDAY
OCT: 9
1:00 - 3:00 P.M.

GUIDED CEMETERY WALK
ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY
US 330 East - Crestline

Sponsored by:  **Fee: Donation**



THE VOICES YOU WILL EXPERIENCE FROM THE PAST

- Sara Dunn—Faye Toy will be Sara
- Theresa Dzugan— Julie Rossinger worked under Theresa
- Ralph Hayes— James Swain was a neighbor with Ralph
- John "Bill" Mayer — Denny Mayer the nephew of John
- Bernard Weaver— Ted Weaver one of Bernard's son.



Because they are Resting In Peace, family and friends are portraying them as they lived and worked with those who have passed.

Ferns looking for a new home

In the south side door there will be two ferns available for you to take home and enjoy!



ST JOSEPH VISITS

We invite all parishioners to join the *St. Joseph Crestline St. Anthony Society* as we travel our Diocese visiting other St. Joseph Parishes and receive our special Year of St. Joseph magnet!

THURSDAY, OCT 21st & THURSDAY, NOV 18th

8:45 AM MEET IN ST JOSEPH CRESTLINE PARKING LOT
(We may need some carpool volunteers)

10:45 AM FATHER JEFF WILL CELEBRATE MASS

OCT. 21 – ST. JOSEPH FREMONT

NOV. 18 – ST. JOSEPH TIFFIN

11:30 AM LUNCH

(LOCATION TO BE DETERMINED – Individual responsibility)

1:45 PM RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

OCT. 21 – ST. JOSEPH MONROEVILLE

NOV. 18 – ST. JOSEPH PLYMOUTH

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2TH

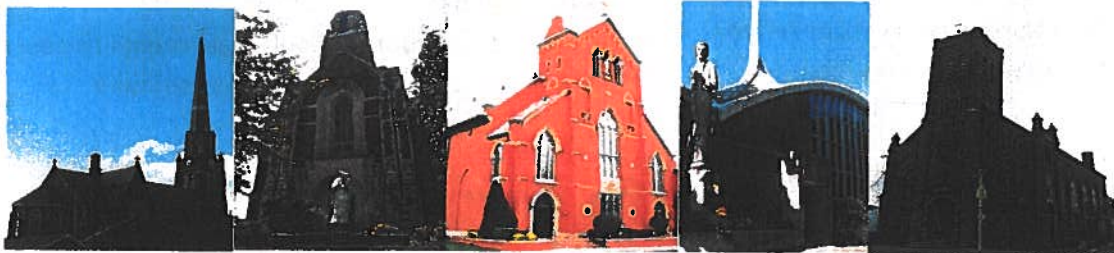
8:45 AM GATHER AS A GROUP AT ST. JOSEPH, GALION

FATHERS JEFF AND PAUL CON-CELEBRATE MASS

10:30 AM LUNCH & *GROUP CHRISTMAS CARD EXCHANGE* IN GALION

(LOCATION TO BE DETERMINED – Individual responsibility)

Please Call Bonnie in the Parish Office to RSVP by Monday, October 18 (419-683-2015)



Fremont

Tiffin

Monroeville

Plymouth

Galion



September 22 - October 31

40 DAYS FOR LIFE®

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Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers!

With God's help, here are the proven results in 26 coordinated campaigns:

- **18,855 babies** saved from abortion
- **221 abortion workers** converted
- **112 abortion centers** closed

Here's how to take part in 40 Days for Life in our community:

- **Vigil location:** Outside Capital Care, 1160 W. Sylvania Ave., Toledo Ohio 43612
- **Vigil hours:** 7 am to 7 pm daily
- **Local contact:** Peter Range: prange@toledodiocese.org; 419-214-4933 or Veronica Leguire vleguire@toledodiocese.org; 419-721-1094
- **Learn more:** About local events and sign up to pray at our website below!

40daysforlife.com/Toledo

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Rev. Jeff Smith, Pastor

One Minute Meditations

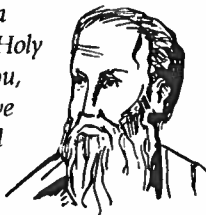
God is Love

God is the creator of the universe, who made everything from nothing. Yet, He is not a remote, uninvolved God. Nor is He an unforgiving judge waiting for us to mess up. Rather, God is our Father who loves us more than we could ask to be loved.

His temple

St. Paul teaches that *"your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own."* We understand it is unhealthy to overeat or abuse drugs or alcohol. Yet, we don't always acknowledge the harm of watching movies and television shows with violence or sex, or listening to music with profane lyrics. God's temple deserves respect. *"Therefore, glorify God in your body"* (1 Corinthians 6:19-20).

"Daily prayer is the foundation of sanctity. Some prefer it in the morning. Some late at night. However, whenever, wherever, it's a must!" Timothy Cardinal Dolan



"Lead us not into temptation ..."

No one is exempt from temptation. Being enticed by the attractions of this world is part of our human condition, but successfully fighting it makes us stronger and holier.

Watch for it. Temptation strikes when we are least able to fight it. Identify what tempts you most and try to anticipate when you are weakest. Then devise a plan of action – not just a resolution – to help you resist.

Pray through it. When Jesus caught His disciples sleeping in the garden instead of praying, He said, "Watch

and pray that you may not undergo the test" (Matthew 26:41). Overcome temptation by being alert to it and praying instead of indulging in it.

Run from it. Sometimes fleeing temptation is the best way to resist it. *"God is faithful, and He will not let you be tempted beyond your strength, but with the temptation will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it"* (1 Corinthians 10:13). Avoid people, places or situations that give you trouble.

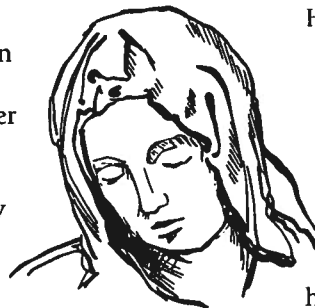
Don't start it. It is easier to resist temptation if you stop it when it starts. Then it won't have the force of habit. Though it is never too late to ask for God's help, the longer you live with the temptation, the harder it will be to turn to Him.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics turn to Mary?

In Old Testament kingdoms, the queen mother played a significant role in her son's governance of His kingdom. Her power and authority flowed from her position as it related to her son.



His subjects often petitioned her to speak for them. As Queen Mother of Heaven, Mary's purpose is to further her Son's kingdom. When we turn to her, she acts with her authority to bring our concerns to her Son, and He is always inclined to fulfill her wishes.

God's love never changes

It's only human to want to be loved. Unfortunately, even the best friend or lover will let us down once in a while. That can leave us lonely or searching for the wrong kind of love. Fortunately, God will never let us down. His love is the right kind of love to have.

His love never changes. Standards set by humans change over time. Something considered "in" today, can be "out" in no time. God's love is unchanging and unending.

Friends come and go. Sooner or later, you have



to leave your friends or they leave you. But Jesus said, "... behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age" (Matthew 28:20). God never leaves.

He loves us for who we really are.

There's nothing God doesn't know about us, and He adores us anyway. If God likes you, others will, too. To please God we have to fill ourselves with love for Him and other people, and that makes us even nicer to be around. Pass it on.

from Scripture

Mark 12:28-34 - The first Commandment

The Jewish authorities often tried to draw Jesus out and get Him to say something counter to Jewish law. That way He could be discredited – or worse. Yet, the strategy never worked for them. In fact, one of the scribes was so impressed by Jesus' response to a challenge by the Sadducees that he posed a question of his own. He sincerely wanted to learn from Jesus' answer.

The scribe asked which of the commandments was most important. Jesus said everything starts and ends with love – love of God and love of each other. To love God is to

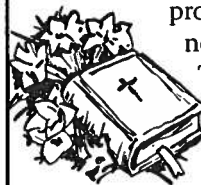


love one another. They are as inseparable as the beams of the cross. While it is easy to love God, loving others is more difficult.

But true love of neighbor is measured by how we treat those who are neither family nor friends. It means including people when the natural inclination is to exclude or avoid them. Jesus loved prostitutes, thieves, lepers, even His political enemies. This is how God loves and He calls us to do no less.

Q & A Why is a Catholic Funeral important?

Although no one enjoys dwelling on death, most of us will mourn and bury loved ones in our lifetimes. Friends may counsel us to skip the church funeral and just "get it over with," but our faith provides the strength we need to deal with death.



The Church has created Rites to help us face the difficulties and reality of death.

Every baptized Catholic has a right to a Catholic funeral. The Rites of a Catholic Funeral include Prayers after Death, Prayers in the Presence of the Body, the Scripture Prayer Service at the Wake, the Funeral at Church (with or without Mass), and the Internment Prayer Service at the cemetery. Together these services not only make up the total Catholic Funeral Service, but also provide the Church's special prayers for the deceased. The Rites also support families and friends who are grieving for their loved one.

Catholics are entitled to a Catholic Funeral whether they are frequent or infrequent Mass attendees. (For specific questions, check with your local parish.)

Feasts & Celebrations

In October we celebrate the Rosary especially on the feast of **Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7th**. The Rosary helps us to meditate on Jesus' birth, life, death, and resurrection.

October 6 – St. Bruno (1101). Bruno was born in Germany, studied in France and became a theology professor. With six other companions, Bruno founded the Carthusian Order in 1084 and helped reform the clergy in Rome.

October 14 – St. Callistus I (222). A Roman slave, Callistus obtained his

freedom and was ordained a deacon by Pope Zephyrinus, whom he later succeeded. Callistus's election caused an eighteen-year schism, spawning the first anti-pope. In a time of trial and confusion, he reopened the Church to all. He was martyred in Rome.

October 20 – St. Paul of the Cross (1775). Paul was inspired by a vision to start a religious order dedicated to the Passion of Christ.

He founded the Passionists in 1720, lived a penitential life, worked miracles, and cared for the poor and sick.



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“The Year of St. Joseph 2021”

The year of St. Joseph ends on December 8th ! Father Jeff has a car pool for a Pilgrimage to many St. Joseph churches. Take a look at the insert and if you are interested call the office 419-683-2015. Visit 5 churches and receive a magnet when you sign into the web site. Visit [https:// yearofstjosepholedo.org/ pilgrimage](https://yearofstjosepholedo.org/pilgrimage).

OCTOBER

Is the month of the Rosary
 On October 16, 2021 - 12p.m.
 At the “GAZEBO” in Crestline!
 Father Jeff will Lead us in
 saying the Rosary!
 Mark your calendar!
 Bring your chair.
 Bring your FAMILY
 See you there!



Trinity Lutheran Church Crestline Swiss Steak Dinner
 Friday October 8 Drive-Through Only 4-6 pm. Price: \$10:00 Menu:
 Swiss Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Roll & Pumpkin Pie.
 Peanut Brittle & Homemade Noodles also available

The Pope's October Intention Missionary Disciples
 We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.

High School PSR

Please mark your calendars for the following dates (all Wednesdays): Oct 20 & 27, Nov 3, 10, 17, and Dec 1st. Classes will be held in the SHJ Parish Center @ 7 p.m. and will last an hour. We hope to see you there! Steve & Sheila Vogt

Due to the decreased demand for SCRIP cards, sales after the 10:30am mass will be limited to the first Sunday of the month starting in September. Orders can be turned in any time (drop them in the collection basket) however they will also be placed the first Sunday of the month to make shipping more cost effective. Sales and order frequency will increase during the holiday season. Please contact Kristen Wozniak (419 - 569-3777) with any questions or concerns. Thank you



Support our School!