



SACRED HEART of JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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September 27, 2020 26th. Sunday Ordinary Time

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A Sister Parish with St. Joseph, Crestline
Member of St. Juan Diego Deanery

Mass Intentions

Tuesday

6:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: Sr. Marilyn Keller; Virginia
"Gigi" Mary St. Clair

Wednesday

8:30 am - School Mass -SHJ

Mass Intention: (Both) For all Health Care
Workers

1:00 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart

Thursday

5:30 pm Confession at St. Joseph

6:30 pm - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: Louis Mansueti

Friday

8:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: Nancy Hoke

**11:30 am-Funeral Mass: Madonna
Gamble-Chancellor at Sacred Heart**

Saturday

3:30 pm - Confession at SHJ

4:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: Jeanne Gosser

Sunday

7:00 am - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: Paul, Josephine, John &
George Brandeburg

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart

*** Live Streamed ***

Mass Intention: Charlie Studer, Dick Rieman

**10:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph
Convocation Center**

Mass Intention: Donald W. Alt, Lou Bal-
dasare, Norbert Reinhard, Connie Widman

Dear Parishioners:

Where did summer go? Yes it is now autumn or fall if you prefer. The days are becoming shorter and school is in session at both St. Joseph and Sacred Heart campuses. This summer was odd yet exciting for me. Being a pastor is a blast even amid the oddities of 2020. Yes, we still had our Sacred Heart festival and we did very well. Yes we still had our July 4th fireworks gathering in Crestline for our Freedom Celebration. It was a blast literally and figuratively as the Crestline Community Development Team knocked it out of the park! But some of the cookouts and meals I'm accustomed to enjoying just didn't pan out. Each summer the priests of the Diocese have a BBQ with the Bishop. Also, we have a golf outing that concludes with a steak dinner. Both of these events were canceled in my own personal life leaving me very hungry for community events that build up fellowship.

Indeed the lack of summer food has left me hankering for a feast. Like a fussy toddler I proclaim, "I'm still hungry!" With this in mind I'm excited to present that beginning **Friday October 23rd from 5pm-7pm @ St. Joe's Crestline** we will be having our first of a series of fish frys! Of course it will not be the same as we will have to make the event drive-thru and carry out to stay on the good side of our local health department. But such drive-thru events still bring us together as the chicken dinners at the Sacred Heart festival proved. After having our school auction canceled and our purse bingo postponed we look forward to these fish feasts. We are going big with 225 meals planned for our first fish fry. Come let us feast on fish the NIGHT BEFORE our OSU Buckeyes feast on the Nebraska Cornhuskers. Come let us feast!

Speaking of feasts we recall the heavenly feast that Jesus shares with all the saints for eternity. This week it was bittersweet to hear of the passing of Sacred Heart's very own Sister Marilyn Keller (sister of Deacon Steve Keller). We mourn her loss, but we rejoice in the eternal life Jesus offers us. Sister was 89 years old and was a nurse who served the Tiffin Franciscan's for 70 years!!!

May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed ... rest in peace.

In Christ,
Fr. Jeff

COLLECTION:

September 20, 2020

\$ 2,315.00

Offertory
\$ 2,207.00

Bakeless Bakesale
\$ 108.00

(Online \$366.00)



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Wednesday Sept. 30th at 1:00 pm; Lector: Lauren Vogt

Saturday, October 3rd.

Sunday, October 4th.

MUSIC MINISTER

TBD

SERVERS

Finnegan Belcik

OFFERTORY

None Needed

EXTRAORDINARY

MINISTERS

Greg Keller & Rosanne Conley

USHERS

Gary Biglin & Jacob Gosser

LECTOR

Tanya Hartings

GREETERS

None Needed

MUSIC MINISTER

Katie/Sean

SERVERS

Abby Vogt

OFFERTORY

None Needed

EXTRAORDINARY

MINISTERS

Cheryl Rietschlin

USHERS

Jeff Vogt & Mark Gwartz

LECTOR

Dennis Gwartz

GREETERS

None Needed

COUNTERS

Karen Bonen & Sheila Vogt

Bible Readings for the Week of September 27th, 2020

Monday	Jb 1:6-22, Ps 17:1b-3, 6-7, Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a, Ps 138:1-5, Jn 1:47-51
Wednesday	Jb 9:1-12, 14-16, Ps 88:10b-15, Lk 9:57-62
Thursday	Jb 19:21-27, Ps 27:7-9c, 13-14, Lk 10:1-12
Friday	Jb 38:1, 12-21, 40:3-5, Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14b, Mt 18:1-5, 10
Saturday	Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17, Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130, Lk 10:17-24
Sunday	Is 5:1-7, Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20, Phil 4:6-9, Mt 21:33-43



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Pandemic Protocol:



The faithful continue to be dispensed from their obligation to attend Sunday Mass until further notice. Those who are elderly, sick, or in a high-risk category are strongly encouraged to refrain from attending Mass.

Holy Communion is taken to the sick or homebound only by a priest at this time.

Parish School of Religion

First Communion & Confirmation Classes

Begin October 4th

at St. Joseph

**Registration Forms in the back of church
or contact the parish office.**

Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

Wednesday, October 7, 2020

6:30 p.m. Holy Rosary

7:00 p.m. Holy Mass

Join all the faithful of the Diocese of Toledo in celebration of the feast of the patroness of the Diocese of Toledo - Our Lady of the Rosary!

Pray the novena in preparation of the feast day beginning on September 29. Sign up at toledoprays.org.

On October 7, Watch live (go to toledoprays.org) or join us in person at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral (2535 Collingwood Blvd, Toledo, OH).



Most Pure Heart of Mary Rosary Rally

You're invited to join us in the Public Square Rosary Rally on **Saturday, October 10**, at 12 noon at Roush Park. This Public Square Rosary, sponsored by America Needs Fatima, will be one of over 23,000 rallies that will take place all across the US on that day. Please join us in offering reparation for the sins and offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary and pray for our conversion. Will you be able to join us and other Catholics on that very important day? Mark your calendar today! Bring your chair and your rosary.

St. Francis Xavier Festival



25 W. Perry St., Willard

BBQ Chicken & Ham Dinners

Drive-Thru or Carry Out Only

Sunday, September 27th. 11:00am-3:00pm

Mother of Sorrows Chapel

Harvest Festival & Farmers Market

7212 N. Auburn Rd.

Pork & Chicken Dinners

Drive-Thru or Carry Out Only

Sunday, October 4th 11:00am-3:00pm

October Birthdays:



Dale Schroeder	3	Betty Borgelt	16
Mark Rietschlin	4	Becky Kromer	20
Brenda Gosser	5	Robert Vogt	25
Steve Metzger	6	Richard Vogt	25
Ron Biglin	14		



Blessing of the Pets

Fr. Jeff will have a Blessing of the Pets on Sunday, October 4th at 3:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish. All are Welcome!

On Wednesday, October 7th, there will be two more opportunities to have your animals blessed: 11:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart and 2:30 p.m. at St. Joseph in the courtyard.

Bring all your pets to have them receive the blessing!

CONSCIENCE AND THE CATHOLIC VOTER – 4TH OF 8

“In the Catholic tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation.”

- *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, 13

Since participation in political life is a moral obligation, Catholics need to form their conscience with the mind and heart of the Church on issues of consequence. This outline is the fourth of eight, which will examine important moral and political issues. This fourth outline will provide an overview of the issue of religious freedom.

Religious Freedom

Catholics in America have long enjoyed the fact that in the Bill of Rights, religious liberty, with its rights of conscience, is the first freedom that is protected in our Constitution. Yet today, religious freedom, even in the United States, is consistently being challenged. As Archbishop Thomas G. Wenski of Miami, the acting chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee for Religious Liberty has pointed out:

Religious freedom is under stress throughout the world. Even in our Western liberal democracies, discrimination against religion in general and Catholic Christianity, in particular, is growing... “Yet, just as freedom of speech depends not only on one’s right to say what’s on one’s mind but also on the existence of institutions like newspapers, universities, libraries, political parties and other associations that make up what we call ‘civil society,’ so too freedom of religion ‘for the good of all’ must also encompass protecting those institutions that nourish the individual’s free exercise of religion. (Archbishop Thomas G. Wenski of Miami, <http://www.usccb.org/news/20-100.cfm>)

We can see this stress and hostility towards religion from cases against the Little Sisters of the Poor to faith-based adoption agencies, the accreditation of religious educational institutions, the grants and contracts of faith-based charities and small businesses, and the licensing of religious professions. Our cherished religious liberties are now at stake by our political choices. As the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has written:

In the United States, religious freedom generally enjoys strong protection in our law and culture, but those protections are now in doubt. For example, the longstanding tax exemption of the Church has been explicitly called into question at the highest levels of government, precisely because of her teachings on marriage. Catholics have a particular duty to make sure that protections like these do not weaken but instead grow in strength. This is not only to secure the just freedom of the Church and the faithful here but also to offer hope and an encouraging witness to those who suffer direct and even violent religious persecution in countries where the protection is far weaker. (The Challenge of Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, P. 30)

It is imperative then as Catholics that we defend religious liberty and the rights of conscience in our political choices. For religious liberty has its foundation in the dignity of the human person. As Archbishop Thomas G. Wenski of Miami points out:

The right to religious freedom has its foundation in the very dignity of the human person. Religious freedom is the human right that guarantees all other rights — peace and creative living together will only be possible if freedom of religion is fully respected. (<http://www.usccb.org/news/20-100.cfm>)

In summation, it is the duty of every Catholic to fight for religious liberty to ensure not only the right of conscience in the workplace, but so that families, Churches, and peoples of all faiths can work in accordance with their religious beliefs while they care for the common good, the poor and vulnerable, and God’s creation.

Peter Range, Director, Office for Life and Justice, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Toledo, prange@toledodiocese.org.

Learn more and watch videos at www.awakenecatholic.org/election. Read the party platforms: Democratic Party, <https://bit.ly/3hrosqg>; Republican Party, <https://bit.ly/3hqWV8D> (Note: Rep. Party voted to continue their 2016 Platform)



SEPTEMBER

pray for holy disciples

We invite you to join in the diocesan-wide initiative to reconnect with our faith and one another during the months of September, October, and November. Each month will focus on a pillar of the Christian life with a specific intention from our diocesan prayer.

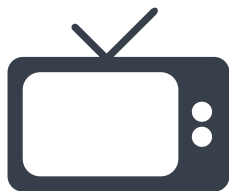
HOW TO PARTICIPATE



Pray

Pray the Rosary

Did you know that Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary is the patroness of our diocese? Pray the rosary this week for the intention of becoming a holier disciple.



Read & Watch

Sign up for FORMED.org

It offers movies, children's programs, bible studies, sacramental preparation, and more! Most parishes have subscriptions for their parishioners to utilize this great tool free of charge. Watch *The Search* or *The Wild Goose* on FORMED.



Reflect

How will my discipleship impact others?

Being a holy disciple does not just impact our own lives – our love for God necessarily overflows into love for His Church, for all of mankind, and for all of God's creation. Once we have found the joy and peace that comes with knowing the Lord, we will find it more and more difficult to keep it to ourselves. Our holy discipleship will manifest itself through reverence and obedience to the teachings of the Church, sharing the Gospel with those we meet, acts of service and charity, and concern for all mankind and all of God's creatures. We pray that God will give us the strength and courage to live the lives of holy disciples in humble love for Him and for one another.

Reconnect
navigating Catholic life through a pandemic

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Conscience and the Catholic Voter:

This 8-part series, prepared by the Director of the Office for Life and Justice of Catholic Charities, Peter Range, offers insight into Catholic Social Teaching regarding issues of consequence in this year's election. Outline #4, Religious Freedom, is an insert to this weekend's bulletin.

Cycle for Life Update:

Dear Sacred Heart and Saint Joseph Parishioner's:

The Cystic Fibrosis 65 roses (6.5 mile walk and / or 65 mile bike ride) virtual drive is going well due to your generous donations. At present there is approximately 20 donors. When I went to YNOT Bike Shop in Lexington, Ohio to purchase the adult bike, Eric P. (the owner) informed myself that he would not have any new bike inventory until January 2021 due to the pandemic. Eric gave a generous donation of \$150.00 towards the bike gift certificate for a total of \$450.00 due to the inconvenience. The odds are very favorable for anyone who has donated. The drive will be open until September 30th. Until CF (Cure Found) the Foundation will pursue researching.

Thank you again for your donations and prayers.

Marti Keller



40 Days for Life Campaign



Catholic Charities is hosting the ecumenical 40 Days for Life campaign in Northwest Ohio from September 23 through November 1st. You can participate in three ways: prayer and fasting, community outreach and peaceful vigil. To Learn more or to sign up for daily prayer intentions visit: www.40daysforlife.com/toledo.

Since the campaign began In 2007, over 1 million volunteers in over 61 nations have stood in prayerful witness at abortion clinics to witness to the dignity of human life. Over 17,226 lives have been saved, 206 abortion workers have quit their positions and 107 abortion facilities have shut down! To learn more, email Peter Range at: prange@toledodiocese.org or Veronica Leguire at: vleguire@gmail.com. Join the movement, and help us end abortion in northwest Ohio!

