



SACRED HEART of JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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February 24th, 2019
7th. Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Shelby, Ohio 44875

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A Sister Parish with St. Joseph, Crestline

Mass Intentions

Tuesday

6:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: For RCIA Candidates & Catechumens

Wednesday

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: For Those Who Mourn the Loss of a Loved One.

Thursday

5:30 pm - Confession at St. Joseph

6:30 pm - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: Donald W. Alt

Friday

8:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: Don Stevens

First Friday Holy Hour Following

Saturday

3:30 pm - Confession at SHJ

4:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: Deceased members of the Metzger & Rietschlin Families; Mary Alice Biglin

Sunday

7:00 am - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: Mary Briner, Rosie Chicotel

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: Bren & Betts Finnegan; Cletus & Nellie Young

10:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: Mary Ann Newhon; Paul Noel

Faith Films are Coming Soon!

You have come to know that I am a fan of seeing movies in a movie theater. I also like to tell you when movies about faith are in the movie theater. Well, I have a few to mention to you.

- 1 **"Run the Race."**- This movie came out this past Friday and is playing at Cinemark. It is about two brothers who play high school football and suffer from dealing with their mother's death and their father abandoning them. It is a story of hope during difficult times. This movie was produced by Tim Tebow, the former football player that is currently playing baseball. He is a good Christian and always professing his faith. I plan to attend the 12:55 p.m. showing on Monday if you want to join me.
- 2 **"Unplanned"**- This movie is supposed to be released on March 29. I mentioned it in one of my homilies recently. It is the story of Abby Johnson who became a director of a Planned Parenthood clinic. One day she must help with an abortion using a sonogram and she noticed how the baby jumped away from a needle during the abortion. She came to realize that abortions were not getting rid of blobs of tissue, but innocent babies that could feel pain. She has since gone on to become a great Pro-Life advocate. I attended one of her talks nearby and she is certainly on fire to protect life and convince others to do it also.
- 3 **"Roe v. Wade"**- This movie is supposed to come out sometime in the spring. It was funded through internet donations- 3 million dollars! It is currently trying to get more donations to promote its release. You can go to roevwademovie.com if you would like to donate. This movie shows the lies and manipulation that happened to make the Supreme Court legalize abortion for the entire country. The far left is trying to demonize this movie basically because "They can't handle the truth!" Jon Voigt is the most famous actor in this movie, and I am glad that he is excited to promote this movie.
- 4 **"Breakthrough"**- This movie is also based on a true story and is set to be released on April 17 (during Holy Week). It is a modern-day Lazarus story. Fourteen-year-old John Smith fell through ice in 2015 and was trapped under water for 15 minutes and was without a pulse for 43 minutes after he was rescued. John is pronounced dead at a hospital and his mother begs God to intervene and save her boy. John miraculously revives, although he was very weak. This is a movie that promotes people coming together and helping each other and that God can do amazing things for us!

As I have stated before, sometimes release dates can change. Also, these movies may not be released locally. I hope and pray all of them do come to our area so we can be inspired to shout our faith from the rooftops!

Thanks, and God Bless!!! Fr. Chris

SIMPLE HOLY HOUR

Sun	02/24	2:00 pm	at St. Joseph
Mon	02/25	10:00 pm	at St. Joseph
Tues	02/26	8:30 am	at St. Joseph
Wed	02/27	10:00 pm	at St. Joseph
Thurs	02/28	8:30 am	at St. Joseph
Fri	03/01	First Friday at St. Joseph	
Sat	03/02	2:30 pm	at Sacred Heart



Calling All Women of the Parish

On the registers in the back of church you will find clipboards with your contact information. **Please review this information and make the necessary corrections.** This information will be used for funeral dinners and Altar & Rosary activities.

Thank you !

St. Bernard's Rosary-Altar Society will be hosting the **World Day of Prayer on Friday, March 1**, in our St. Bernard School cafeteria. The program begins at **1:00pm**. The country to be studied is Slovenia in Central Europe. All women of the parish are welcome!

Looking for volunteers to help manage the ministry schedule .

Please contact the parish office !

Thank you !



Attn: Collection Counters and Anyone Interested in Volunteering as a Counter:

Meeting/Training

Feb. 26th after Mass (7:00 ish) at parish center.



2019 Euchre Tournament

Sacred Heart PTO's Final Euchre Tournament for the year is scheduled for:

March 3rd

\$10 per team.

Doors open @ 3:00 pm

Play begins @ 3:30 pm

50/50 drawings, food and drinks for sale

RSVP Laura Garver to sign up a team

419-565-0909

School News :



Treats after Mass, February 27th : Please join our students and staff for treats after the 8:30 am Mass in the gym. Thank you for your continued support of Sacred Heart School !

Personal tour of Sacred Heart School: Are you interested in learning more about Sacred Heart School? Mrs. Myers invites you to a personal tour of our faith community school. Please contact her at: 419-342-2797 or 419-683-1697 or email at:

lmeyers@shelbysacredheart.org.

Sacred Heart School is a priceless gift !

St. Peter's High School Open House Sunday March 3rd

Program begins at 1:00 pm.

Location: Franciscan Activity Center

This is a day specifically designed for prospective students and parents to meet administrators, teachers, coaches and current families, tour the buildings and receive information on the school mission, tuition assistance, State of Ohio School Choice scholarships, Christian Service Program, extracurricular, academic and athletic programs. For more information please call the school office (419-524-2572) or visit www.mansfieldstpeters.org.

CATHOLIC WOMENS CLUB:

Luncheon will be **Wednesday March 13th. at Brown Derby in Ontario at 12:00 noon. All members of the St. Juan Diego Deanery are invited.** If you are new, we encourage you to join us and get to know the Catholic women in the area. Please call Kathy Wukela at 419-522-5321 or Sue Konz at 419-756-5123. Reservations must be made by March 8 before noon.

Looking forward to meeting new members!

FREE COMMUNITY MEAL

February 28th

Calvary United Church of Christ

Crestline

5:30-6:30 p.m.

All are welcome!

Free will offerings accepted.



Office of the Bishop
Diocese of Toledo

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Letter to the Faithful Presenting Our New Diocesan Strategic Plan

18 February 2019

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings to you and Peace in Christ Jesus! “Do you have a plan?” “What’s the vision?” “Where is our Diocese heading?” Since I first arrived as your bishop, I have frequently been asked these questions. Many are anxious to know the future of the diocese and whether we have a common vision. Now, after some time of making every effort to be personally present throughout the nineteen counties of our Diocese, formulating a diocesan wide focus of our prayers, addressing and reorganizing our diocesan pastoral center and making great strides at getting our financial house in order, we are now ready to answer those questions!

Today, our future is clearer than ever before because, through the broad input and efforts of so many good folks from throughout the Diocese, and by God’s grace, we are now in a position to present a new milestone: a strategic plan for our diocese. With the collaboration of our Senior Staff and our valuable strategic planning team members, we have devised a plan to help us focus our pastoral energies and resources toward short and long-range goals that will move us toward our diocesan vision: “to become a more faith-filled, united and vibrant Diocese of Toledo, through fostering Holy Disciples, Holy Families and Holy Vocations.”

This pivotal [guiding document](#) is the next step in an effort that began when I first became your bishop. I made no secret of the financial challenges the Diocese faced in 2015, and after a thorough review of operations in February 2016, we started this journey by focusing intently to become better stewards of the assets of our diocese. In November 2017, we initiated a new organizational and managerial structure to improve the governance, transparency, security and oversight of the assets of the diocese by separating the temporal affairs (financial and administrative departments) from our pastoral and ministerial programs.

In October 2018, we partnered with the Spitzer Center of Ann Arbor, Michigan to assist us with the next step of our journey, the creation of a strategic plan that will focus our pastoral and temporal efforts, establish goals and build upon the valuable work already accomplished.

The strategic planning process commenced with sending a survey to priests, deacons, religious and laity involved in various leadership roles throughout the whole diocese. We then identified individuals with varied experience from a broad diocesan demographic to form a strategic planning team. That team, together with Senior Staff,

reflected on input from the survey and articulated a new vision, mission and set of values for our diocese. We also formulated six strategic “pillar” goals and related actions which focus our energies to pursue and accomplish these priorities in the next three years.

Our newly formed Diocesan mission is something I hope we can all rally around: “We, the faithful of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Toledo, are called by Jesus Christ to proclaim the Gospel, celebrate the Sacraments and serve those in need, revealing to all the merciful face of the Father. Through prayer, fasting and almsgiving, we, the members of our parishes, schools and communities, strive with the help of the Holy Spirit, the intercession of Our Lady of the Rosary and fidelity to the Church, to be joyful witnesses to the love of God and neighbor.”

Our newly defined “Core Values” will guide all our efforts at every level throughout the diocese. We also created what we call “Strategic Pillar Goals.” This is where we will be concentrating our energies for the next three years. Please see the [full strategic plan](https://toledodiocese.org/images/uploads/page_assets/strategic%20plan%20document%20Bolded%20Final.pdf) at https://toledodiocese.org/images/uploads/page_assets/strategic%20plan%20document%20Bolded%20Final.pdf.

Each of the Pillar Goals has key actions associated with it that will serve as the practical steps to reach each goal. A broad multidisciplinary team has been created for each of the Pillars, led by a Senior Staff member, to manage executing the actions toward achieving our goals.

I am profoundly grateful to all the Strategic Planning team members who gave of their time and talent to help us arrive at our Strategic Plan; as well as to our Pillar Team members who have committed to leading our future efforts in fulfilling our plan.

It is my sincere hope that this new strategic plan for the diocese will ignite excitement and interest throughout the diocese around a united vision, mission, values and pillars; and I invite your prayers and active participation so that together, we can make it a reality.

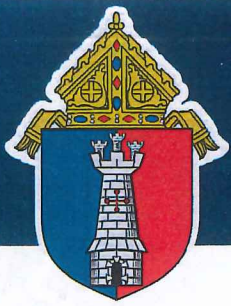
I encourage you to integrate our strategic plan into the life of your parish, school or institution. And I ask you all to make every effort to allow this plan to serve as a source of inspiration for our lives together in living out the Gospel as faithful Catholics in our nineteen counties of Northwest Ohio. Together with me and all our brothers and sisters throughout the diocese, I pray you will “Embrace the Vision.” May the Lord Bless you! And may he bless all our efforts so that as St. Paul writes, we may be “taken possession of by Christ... forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead” in our “pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God’s upward calling, in Christ Jesus.” (Phil 3:12-14)

With the pledge of my prayers for you and your intentions, and depending on your good prayers, I am

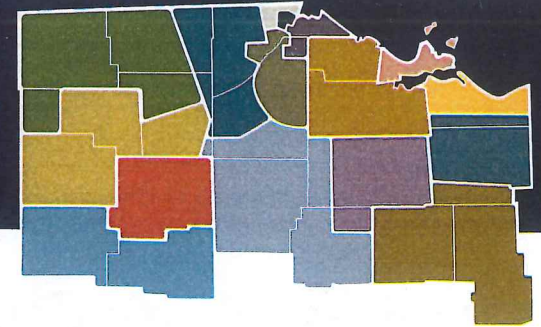
Sincerely yours in Christ Jesus,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Daniel E. Thomas". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Most Reverend Daniel E. Thomas
Bishop of Toledo



Diocese of Toledo · 2019-2022 STRATEGIC PLAN



STRATEGIC PILLAR GOALS

SUPPORTING THE HEALTH OF PARISHES & CLERGY

Empower parishes through continuing formation, intentional planning, sharing best practices and providing for the care and well being of our clergy

INVIGORATING EVANGELIZATION & FORMATION

Share the Gospel through intentional discipleship, deepening our faith and growing in relationship with God and one another

ENHANCING LAY LEADERSHIP

Form excellent lay leaders through education, training and skill development

STRENGTHENING CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Enhance faith formation of teachers and students, maintain educational excellence and instill Gospel values while promoting enrollment and sustainable funding models

GROWING CATHOLIC CHARITABLE OUTREACH & ADVOCACY

Increase outreach and advocacy efforts throughout the Diocese to provide life-transforming opportunities for the poor, marginalized and those in need

DEVELOPING FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Promote generous giving and responsible stewardship to ensure sustainable mission and ministry

STRATEGIC ACTIONS

- Establish **best practices among parishes** - ie Amazing Parish model, focused Sunday experience, quality of liturgy and music
- **Ministry to Priests Program:** Caring for our active and retired priests in a holistic way, guided by minister to priests
- Create a program for ongoing **clergy leadership development**
- Assist parishes in **intentional planning** for the future

- Create a **diocesan-wide evangelization strategic plan** focused on invigorating the active, connecting the inactive, welcoming home the fallen away and receiving those of no or other faiths
- **Evangelization training** focused on parish staff
- Foster **intentional discipleship** of students, parents, and family through parish-wide religious education and ministries
- Evaluate, identify and implement impactful **youth ministry**
- Nurture **missionary disciples** through faith formation of parish catechists and formators

- Establish **lay leadership academy** to enhance leadership training, skills development, performance management
- Facilitate the development of **employee succession plans** for Pastoral Center, parishes and schools

- Develop and promote **sustainable school funding** models
- Implement a marketing strategy to inspire **parental and family engagement** and increase enrollment
- Strengthen **faith formation curriculum** and deepen Catholic culture
- Nurture **missionary disciples** through faith formation of school educators and staff

- Evaluate and enhance resources that provide social services to **broaden Catholic Charities footprint** throughout the diocese.
- **Collaborate with parishes** in identifying particular needs in local areas of the diocese
- Build and foster a **culture of evangelization and social justice** in all of our outreach and advocacy efforts

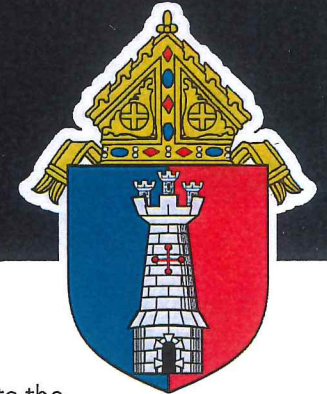
- Enhance and strengthen the **Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA)**
- Execute a diocesan-wide **capital campaign**
- Establish a fully functional office for **long-term fundraising and support of parishes**



Diocese of Toledo · 2019-2022 STRATEGIC PLAN

VISION

To become a more faith-filled, united and vibrant Diocese of Toledo through fostering Holy Disciples, Holy Families and Holy Vocations



MISSION

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CORE VALUES

CHRIST AT THE CENTER

We seek, in all that we do, to imitate Jesus Christ who came to serve and not to be served

DEEPENING COMMUNION

We strive to deepen the bonds of faith and charity with God, the Church and one another

INVITATION AND OUTREACH

We will reach out to share the Good News of Jesus and His love and mercy for all people of every culture, age and need

OPEN AND EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION

We will communicate dynamically in a responsible, respectful and transparent way

EXCELLENCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

We will act with integrity and strive to be competent, efficient and passionate in all we do pastorally and operationally

STRATEGIC PILLAR GOALS

**SUPPORTING
THE HEALTH OF
PARISHES & CLERGY**

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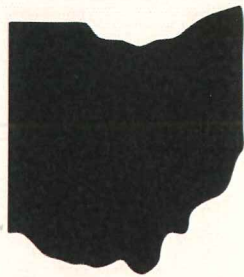
**STRENGTHENING
CATHOLIC
EDUCATION**

**GROWING CATHOLIC
CHARITABLE OUTREACH
& ADVOCACY**

**DEVELOPING
FINANCIAL
RESOURCES**

Rooted in Faith, Moving Forward with Hope only comes alive through your generous gifts to the Annual Catholic Appeal, fostering Holy Disciples, Holy Families, and Holy Vocations in the Diocese of Toledo.

ROOTED IN FAITH



1,461,436
Population of NW Ohio

321,516
Catholics in NW Ohio

123

Parishes



Supports
and Trains
1,300
Teachers
Through The
John 3:16
Program

2,591
Baptisms



Helps
Support the
Formation
and
Education of
17
Seminarians

1,456
Marriages



Supports Over 100
Joy-Filled Workshop
Weekends, Helping Over
1,000
Couples as They Prepare to
Embrace God's Plan for the
Sacrament of Matrimony

MOVING FORWARD WITH HOPE



Provides Emergency Shelter
Each Night to

50
men/women/children

Gives
Care and
Protection
to

150
Senior
Citizens

2,711
1st Communions



Helps
5,000
Individuals Receive
Free Clothing



Provides
86,000
Meals to More Than
25,000
Individuals



Helps the Jail and Prison
Ministry Reach Over

2,000
Incarcerated Individuals
Through Bible Studies,
Retreats, Worship Services,
Sacraments, and Through
the Rite of Christian
Initiation for Adults

Thank you for supporting the Annual Catholic Appeal!

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***This weekend's flowers on Mary's
altar are in memory of John Metzger
from the Alice Metzger family.***



Lenten Preparation Opportunities

For Young Adults:

"Why are you Catholic?" Unsure because you've always been Catholic? Come join other young adults aged 22-39 for the "Choosing to be Catholic Retreat" with Charis ministries on **March 23-24** at the Parish Center in Ottoville. Ponder who Jesus Christ is to you. Hear young adults share what being Catholic means to them and experience Christian community. This retreat is for any young adult in the diocese. For information send a message to:

CharisDioceseOfToledo@gmail.com.



Attention High School Senior Girls !

The Catholic Women's Club of the St. Juan Deanery is offering a \$500.00 scholarship to a high school girl planning to attend college. You do not have to be attending a Catholic high school or plan to attend a Catholic college to apply. See your youth director or contact the parish office for an application form. All required paperwork must be completed by **April 12, 2019** with the decision to be made by April 19, 2019.

Mass Cancellation During Inclement Weather

The following policies are in effect for Sacred Heart when inclement weather threatens:



- On mornings when there is a school Mass, if there is a **2 hour delay the Mass will be at 1:30 p.m. IF school is cancelled, the Mass is CANCELLED.**
- If school is cancelled on a day when Mass is in the **evening**, please listen to the radio or call the Parish Office to check to see if Mass is cancelled for that evening. Father Chris will make a decision by Noon on those days.
- Whenever a county/city within the Diocese of Toledo is placed under a Level 3 Snow Emergency, the Catholic Churches will cancel Masses. Catholics in that region therefore, are dispensed from their obligation to attend.
- Catholics are encouraged to participate in Holy Mass via television, radio or internet making a spiritual Communion.

(Tune in to WVNO @ 106.1 FM or WMFD.com)