

ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION Catholic Church

September 10, 2017

601 Jennings Road ~
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Pastor
Rev. Stanley Szybka
Deacon
Deacon Andrew McMahon
Principal
Dan Metzger
Coordinator Religious Ed.
Cheryl Freewalt
Office Manager
Angie Renner

Masses:

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Weekday: Tuesday 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:45 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. & Saturday, 3:00 - 3:30 pm. or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated during or after any weekend Mass. Instructions for parents having their first child baptized are held the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Please contact Cherie Freewalt to schedule a date.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please contact Fr. Stan AT LEAST SIX MONTHS prior to your proposed wedding date to begin preparation for your marriage and to schedule a date.

New to the Parish?

We are glad to welcome you as a member of our Parish Family. Please stop by or call the Parish Office to register. Welcome!



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Ed Fox (419) 238-4998
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www.formed.org
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Office Hours:

Monday through Friday:
8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline:

Monday at NOON, in writing

This Week in Our Parish

<u>Sun Sept 10:</u>	Walk for Life (PLC) Bingo (K of C)	2:00 pm 6:15 pm
<u>Mon Sept 11:</u>	Book Study (HFR)	7:00 pm
<u>Tue Sept 12:</u>	C L of C (HFR)	6:45 pm
<u>Wed Sept 13:</u>	SOR YG Unleashed (HFR)	6:45-8:00 pm 6:45-8:00 pm
<u>Thu Sept 14:</u>	Women of Grace (HFR) Bingo (K of C) Liturgy Meeting (HFR) Women of Grace (Library)	9:30 am 6:15 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm
<u>Fri Sept 15:</u>	Purse Bingo (K of C)	6:00 pm

Liturgical Schedule

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

8:30 AM St. Mary's Parish
10:30 AM Angie Tierney

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

No Service

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 + MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY

8:00 AM—5:30 PM Adoration
5:30 PM Benediction and Evening Prayer
6:00 PM James Villano

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 + ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

8:45 AM Helen Schemmell

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 + EXALTATION—HOLY CROSS

8:45 AM Rosemary Schroeder

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 + OUR LADY OF SORROWS

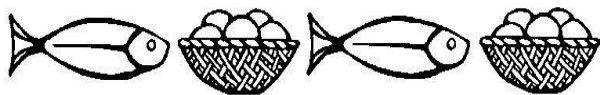
8:45 AM Don and Alice Hoblet

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

4:00 PM Deacon Norbert Reinhart

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

8:30 AM St. Mary's Parish
10:30 AM John & Heather Metzger



Servers, Eucharistic Minister, Lector & Usher Schedules for September 16 & 17, 2017

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 4:00 PM

Servers: James Reinhart, Matt & Joel Schrader
E. M.: T Heckler, G Hirzel, J Hoersten, T Marshall,
D Mathew, C Mowry, T Reinhart,
Ushers: Tom Turnwald, Doug Michael
Lector: Mary Yackey

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 8:30 AM

Servers: Cassidy Klinger, Ashley & Kaitlyn Motycka
E. M.: G Grossheim, J Grossheim, A Laurent, S Laurent,
F Minnig, M Minnig, B Wolke
Ushers: Frank Minnig, S Pollock, R Say, D Kleinhenz,
P Shoppell, D Carter
Lector: Lois Steyer

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 10:30 AM

Servers: Sam, Anna and Maggie Cassidy
E. M.: J Bloomfield, J Comer, M Klosterman,
B Laing, L Lawson, L Pratt, PLUS 1
Ushers: J Robideau, D Klosterman
Lector: Robin Terhark

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Please come forward immediately when the prayers for extending Peace are offered. This will help substitutes know they are needed and allow sufficient time to be ready at the altar. Also, please watch for a total of 8 with Father, Deacons and yourselves.

PATRIOT'S DAY

For many Americans who hear the words “nine eleven” images of THE nine eleven come vividly to mind. We remember where we were and what we were doing on that fateful day. Beginning as any other day, it was soon to take a turn that no one in their wildest nightmares would have ever imagined. This horrendous act of terrorism on our soil cannot and should not be forgotten.

Yet, there are many ways of remembering. To those who create events and name them, we are most grateful for focusing not on terrorism but rather on patriotism. This coming Monday, September 11, is called Patriot's Day.

On it, Americans across our country will join together in demonstrating what it is to be an American in helping others. In ceremonies from New York, to Washington, to Pennsylvania we will celebrate the true heroism of ordinary people who went over and above their duties to help and save others. Though somber, we can not help but feel proud of all their efforts.

Other individuals will join in efforts to benefit communities in various ways. Still others will undertake personal acts with much the same purposes in mind. How edifying it is to see so many lend a helping hand to friends, neighbors and strangers in the face of natural disasters like Hurricane Harvey. This is the American spirit, these are American heroes and heroines and we are certainly no less proud.

Many people will gather together in prayer that day, remembering all those who lost their lives and families and friends who continue to mourn. They will also pray that such acts of terrorism may cease, and that our human family may work together for peace and justice for all. The challenges are many, but so are God's blessings and graces!

While it is admirable that such activities take place on this day, we are also reminded of the on-going necessity for vigilance and hard-work. Throughout the whole year, many people volunteer their time and effort to make this American dream a reality for others. These too, are patriots, and we pray that God will continue to bless our efforts to live as God's children!

Fr. Stan



SCHOOL NEWS

We believe those entrusted to us are not only students, but children of God.

Thank You to Our Tuition Angels

We wanted to take a moment and say thank you to everyone who so generously donated to our tuition assistance fund this past year. Thanks to your generosity we were able to give out over \$11,000.00 to help 17 families send their children to St. Mary's. Without your help these children might not have had the opportunity to attend our school and learn about God everyday. If you would like to donate to this very worthy cause, there are Tuition Angel Envelopes located at each of the Church's exits. All money collected from these envelopes goes directly to helping a family pay tuition to the school. These donations are tax deductible.

We also received a grant from the Diocese of Toledo for \$2,900.00 that was designated to go towards our tuition assistance fund.

The Students and Staff would like to say Thank You to everyone who helped clean the weeds out of the playground, as well as those who helped with the grounds cleanup a couple of weeks ago. We are so blessed to have amazing people who are willing to give of themselves to make our school the best place it can be.



Religious Education Connection

Saints Cornelius and Cyprian, September 16

The Early Church, in the 200's, confronted heresies, persecutions, and divisions.

The Roman emperor Decius decreed that anyone, who would not give up their Christian faith, should be put to death. Pope Fabian was martyred, and the emperor thought that, without a pope, the Church would fade away, so he prevented any election of another pope. But the Church did not fade away. A group of priests secretly carried on the work of the Church. After a year, the emperor led his soldiers against the invading Goths. The Church took this opportunity to elect Cornelius as pope.

Some Christians, led by an objector of Cornelius, named Novatian, believed that those who had given up their faith during the persecutions could never return to the Church despite their repentance. Cornelius called a council of bishops to settle the dispute. Cornelius's position of the forgiveness of Christ won and Novatian's view was condemned.

After two years as pope, Cornelius was arrested and sent into exile. He died in exile.

A good friend of Cornelius was a man named, Cyprian. Cyprian was born in Carthage, of North Africa, the son of pagan parents. He converted to Christianity as an adult, and was an intelligent and powerful speaker. He lived a very virtuous, penitential life and became a priest, and eventually the bishop of Carthage, a position he held for 10 years.

Like Cornelius, Cyprian had to endure the persecutions under Emperor Decius. Contrary to Cornelius' objector, Cyprian's big objector in the Church was a priest named Novatus. Novatus believed that all who had denied their faith under the persecutions should be accepted back with absolutely no question or concern. The Church would eventually choose a middle road.

Under Emperor Valerian, Cyprian was tried for being a Christian and was put to death.

Both Cornelius and Cyprian remained faithful to Jesus and to the Church in the midst of many difficulties. Although they lived far apart, they supported each other and encouraged each other to lead virtuous, self-sacrificing, and loving lives for God. In their lives, we see the power of God for good and truth, and also the power of good friendship. A friend can offer no greater gift.



Sept 10 Neil Smith, ED FOX, Lisa Burk, Chelsea Reindel
 Sept 14 Ed Fox, JIM BRICKNER, Terry Johnson,
 Joe Alvarado
 Sept 17 Shirley Straley, JIM BRICKNER, Tim Korte,
 Patrick Horstman, Mark Spieles
 Sept 21 Ed Fox, CHARLES BRICKNER, Paul Shoppell,
 Trina Shultz

KITCHEN WORKERS

Report By 4:30 PM

Sept 10 Geri Haigh and Carolyn Kesler
 Sept 14 Louise Haas and Judy Comer
 Sept 17 Cathy Smith and Sara Berheide
 Sept 21 Delane Hendricks

**St. Mary's Bingo—K of C Hall
 425 Woodland Ave.**

**Doors open at 4:00 PM for games-
 Warm-Up Bingo at 6:15 PM**

PENSION PROTECTION ACT

For those aged 70 1/2 or older, it is possible to make tax-favored charitable gifts from traditional and Roth IRA accounts. This act allows individuals to donate up to \$100,000 to charitable organizations directly from their IRA.

Qualified Charitable Distributions allow that a portion can be contributed to charity (Churches) without any tax and without effecting your Medicare B & D premiums.

Check with your financial advisor about any questions you may have.

FORMED.ORG PRESENTATION

Next weekend you are invited to gather in the gym for refreshments after all masses! Diana Pollock will be available to answer any questions about FORMED along with a demonstration.

BINGO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Through Bingo, about \$100,000 was donated to St. Mary's School last year. In order to generate these funds, we need workers, WE NEED YOU! Please consider volunteering. Call the Parish Office for more information, 419-238-3979.

**Pregnancy Life Center's
 Walk for Life**

**Sunday, September 10 at 2 p.m.
 PLC Health Clinic (215 N Market St.)**

St. Mary's Catholic Church is once again a sponsor for the Walk for Life. Sponsor sheets are at the entrances of the Church.

Registration is at 1:30 pm.

RESPONSE TO THE LORD FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2017

CHECK BACK NEXT WEEK

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DO YOU USE BILL PAY?

Angie has seen an increase in donations she receives through parishioners BILL PAY accounts. If you pay other bills with BILL PAY, it is easy to set it up for St. Mary's. She receives a check in the mail from your bank and records it with her other deposits.

If you have questions regarding bill pay, talk to your financial institution. It is a great way to remember your Church even when you are away from home!

**"Marriage is the icon of God's love
 for us"- Pope Francis**



*2017 Jubilee Wedding Anniversary
 Mass & Reception
 Our Lady Queen of the Most
 Holy Rosary Cathedral
 October 1, 2017 at 3:00PM*

Join Bishop Daniel Thomas and the Office of Marriage and Family Life as we commemorate 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60+ years of marriage for couples in the diocese of Toledo. A reception featuring refreshments and the distribution of commemorative certificates will follow. Please register by calling the Parish Office by September 18th.



John Basinger, Steve Dietrich, Pat Fellers, Rosemary Foreman, Jon Jarrett, Megan Klosterman, Kourtney Kohnen, Mariam Lamb, Robert Lammers, Mary Alice Louagie, Tom Metzger, Joan Miller, Tyler Priest, J R Reinhart, Bob Say, Mary Say, Jim Schneider, Tom Stachler, Luke Sung, Russ Waltmire, Anne Wells, Dan Williamson, Bob Wolters

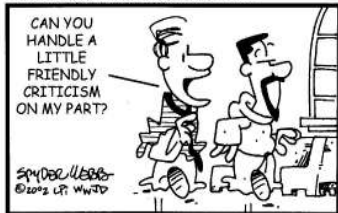
Angie is in the process of updating the Prayer List, please call the Parish Office to make any additions.

The sick person or a close relative are the only ones who should call to add or remove name(s) to this list.

GOD BLESS OUR SERVICE MEN AND

WOMEN-Please pray for all those serving in our military: Lance Corp. Josh Bolenbaugh, Capt. Virginia Brickner, Sgt. William (Ed) Carter, Commander Christopher Cavanaugh, 1st Lt. Brian Easley, Lance Corp. Tyler Goodlin, Airman Andrew Hammond, Airman Leisal Hanf-Fleming, Sgt. Austin Kleman, MSG Andrew McMahan, CTN2 Quintin Mengerink, Corp. Joseph Moreland, SSgt. Nate Sinning, MSgt. Robert Stant, SRA Ashley Stant, Spec. Jeremy Stevenson, Pvt. R. J. Szymanski and Sgt. Brian Wilson. Please submit to the Parish Office names of parishioners who are currently serving in the armed forces.

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



HURRICANE HARVEY COLLECTION

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Toledo joins those praying for those who perished, their families and untold number of people who are injured, homeless or facing evacuation.

As in past disasters, Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Toledo is collecting and forwarding donations dollar for dollar to sister Catholic Charities agencies. Checks should be made out to Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, with Hurricane Harvey Recovery notation and sent to 1933 Spielbusch Ave., Toledo, OH 43604.

A second collection will be taken next weekend!



NEW—Youth Group—Unleashed. This year a new feature will be added to the youth group experience. On the Wednesdays that we do not have our normal Life Nights, I am offering those who want to discuss topics in a more relaxed format to join me for Unleashed. This weeks topic on September 13 is *Adulting*. We will meet in the Holy Family Room at 6:45.

~Julia Reichert

DESIGNER PURSE BINGO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in the process of organizing our volunteers for the Designer Purse Bingo to be held on Friday, September 15th at the K of C Hall. Many volunteers are still needed. Even if you plan on playing bingo, there are openings for before bingo starts, during purse bingo and clean-up afterwards. If you can help, PLEASE CALL OR TEXT Terry Plas at 419-203-1553.

LAST CALL FOR TICKETS! There are fewer than **60 tickets** left for our 5th Annual Purse Bingo! **NO** tickets will be held. You may purchase tickets after all Masses or in the Parish Office.



Readings for the Week of September 10, 2017

- Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20
- Monday: Col 1:24--2:3/Ps 62:6-7, 9/Lk 6:6-11
- Tuesday: Col 2:6-15/Ps 145:1b-2, 8-11/Lk 6:12-19
- Wednesday: Col 3:1-11/Ps 145:2-3, 10-13ab/Lk 6:20-26
- Thursday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
- Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
- Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-5a, 6-7/Lk 6:43-49
- Next Sunday: Sir 27:30--28:7/Ps 103:1-4, 9-12/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35



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