



SACRED HEART of JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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February 2, 2020

The Presentation of the Lord

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A Sister Parish with St. Joseph, Crestline

Mass Intentions

Tuesday

6:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: Charlie Finnegan

Wednesday

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: Deacon Robert Billmaier

Thursday

5:30 pm Confession at St. Joseph

6:30 pm - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: Clement & Esther Horning

Friday

8:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph

First Friday Adoration

Mass Intention: Barb Ruhe

Saturday

3:30 pm - Confession at SHJ

4:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: Lester & Eileen Cochran

Sunday

7:00 am - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: Rosie Chicotel; "Sonny" Moyer

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: Jeanne Gosser; Robert, Eleanor & Daniel Rietschlin

10:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intention: Deacon Bill Rall; Bob & Stella Salvati; Janet Wirick

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

By the time you read this article, we will be wrapping up our celebration of Catholic Schools Week! As I sit here and reflect on all the positive aspects of Sacred Heart Catholic School, I have come to the conclusion that attending Sacred Heart Catholic School is a gift. A gift is traditionally given once a year, and most times the gift that is given serves a purpose, either practical or recreational. As time goes on, the gift loses its shine and might even break. The gift of a Catholic Education at Sacred Heart School, however, is not your typical gift. The gifts that are taught here and instilled in our students are priceless.

Furthermore, Catholic Education cannot be wrapped up, nor can you return it. It will not lose its shine. Our gift will always stay with our students! It is one of the best gifts you can give your loved ones and one of the best gifts you can receive. Catholic Education is a lifetime gift that keeps on giving. At Sacred Heart School, we are helping you gift wrap your gift of Catholic Education.

This past week, we had a celebration! We celebrated our gift of Catholic Education by kicking off Catholic Schools Week with Mass, an Open House, and bake sale. The students displayed different projects throughout their classrooms including handmade cathedrals. Some highlights of our week were making community snack baskets and making cards for our parishioners who are in nursing homes. We celebrated with Mass and cupcakes with our parishioners on Wed. Fr. Chris blessed each one of our students after talking about different vocations. Fr. Chris shared with them while choosing their vocation listen to God. While using the gifts God gave them it will lead them to their future vocation. We also had many other fun and educational activities throughout the week to celebrate Catholic Education and our students.

We are blessed to be part of a long family tradition of Sacred Heart Parish and School. Did you know that families have entrusted Sacred Heart School since 1837? We are the oldest operating Catholic School in the whole state of Ohio! Thank you to all the families that have made the choice of making a Catholic Education, at Sacred Heart School a priority for their child(ren). Thank you for all the individuals that pray for us. We are also grateful for your monetary donations and our volunteers. We are a better place from your generosity. As we work together as a family our children are the ones who reap the benefits.

Along with our supportive community we are blessed to have the teachers and staff that we have! Our teachers and staff are also committed to providing an excellent Catholic Education. Did you know that all five of our full time teachers have a Master Degree? Our staff and teachers believe in our mission of our school. They also believe in our students! Thank you for everything that they do for our students and Sacred Heart community.

In conclusion, thank you for trusting us with your most precious gift(s) from God, your children! Thank you for supporting the gift of a Catholic Education at Sacred Heart School. Our school is a better community because of your gift. We truly are a family. We are blessed that we are part of our Sacred Heart Community.

God Bless, Lisa Myers, Principal

COLLECTION:

January 26, 2020

\$3,433.00

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\$3,291.00

Latin America
\$ 142.00

Thank you !



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Tuesday, February 4th: Cheryl Rietschlin

Saturday, February 8, 2020

Sunday, February 9, 2020

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SERVERS

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LECTOR

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Sam & Paula Goodman

COUNTERS

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Bible Readings for the Week of February 3rd, 2020

Monday	2Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13, Ps 3:2-7, Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday	2Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3, Ps 86:1-6, Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday	2Sm 24:2, 9-17, Ps 32:1-2, 5-7, Mk 6:1-6
Thursday	1Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12, (Ps) 1 Chr 29:10-12, Mk 6:7-13
Friday	Sir 47:2-11, Ps 18:31, 47, 50-51, Mk 6:14-29
Saturday	1Kgs 3:4-13, Ps 119:9-14, Mk 6:30-34
Sunday	Is 58:7-10, Ps 112:4-9, 1Cor 2:1-5, Mt 5:13-16



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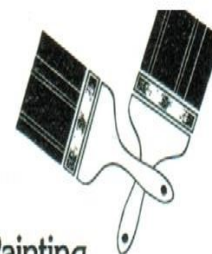
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HOLY HOUR SCHEDULE:

Mon	02/03	No Holy Hour
Tues	02/04	No Holy Hour
Wed	02/05	7:00 pm at St. Joseph
Thurs	02/06	8:30 am at St. Joseph
Fri	02/07	8:30 am at St. Joseph
Sat	02/08	2:30 pm at Sacred Heart



Please come to the evening Holy Hour on Wednesday **February 5** at St. Joseph Parish- 7 p.m. Our theme is **The Truth and Goodness of the Catholic Faith**. Come and celebrate our Catholic faith with Eucharistic adoration. Come before the Lord and thank Him for your Catholic faith and all the graces He bestows upon you. We will have Scripture, Silence and Singing. 'Can you not spend one hour with the Lord?' **God Bless!!! Fr. Chris**

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE!

Celebrated annually on the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, **February 2nd**, this year it falls on a Sunday. While everyone in the Church is called to a life of holiness and to love God above all else, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* reminds us that God calls some among the baptized to be consecrate "more intimately to God's service and to the good of the whole Church." The Diocese of Toledo has been blessed by the witness and service of countless consecrated sisters, brothers, and priests, and for this we give thanks to God. Please pray for all consecrated women and men, especially in the Diocese of Toledo, and for vocations to the consecrated life.



Australian Wildfire and Puerto Rico Earthquake Special Collection: Feb. 9th.

Our prayers go out to all who perished, their families, and untold numbers of people who are injured, displaced from their homes, homeless, or facing evacuation from the Australian wildfires and catastrophic earthquakes in storm-battered Puerto Rico. The Australian bush fires death toll exceeds 30. Over 16 million acres of land have burned and more than 2,500 homes are destroyed. Your financial support will help with long-term recovery efforts, including needed pastoral care and support, case management to assist disaster victims, and direct assistance to people unable to get insurance coverage or sufficient government support from FEMA. As in past disasters, Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo is collecting and forwarding donations dollar for dollar to Catholic Relief Services and sister Catholic Charities agencies. Checks should be made out to Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, with an Australia Recovery or Puerto Rico recovery notation and sent to Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, 1933 Spielbusch Ave., Toledo, OH 43604.



2019 Euchre Tournaments

Sacred Heart PTO's Annual Euchre Tournaments have been scheduled for:

February 2nd and March 8th

\$10 per team.

Doors open @ 12:30 pm (Feb 2nd)
Play begins @ 1:00 pm (Feb 2nd)

Doors open @ 3:00 pm (March 8th)
Play begins @ 3:30 pm (March 8th)

50/50 drawings, food and drinks for sale
RSVP Laura Garver to sign up a team.
419-565-0909



Attention High School PSR !

High School PSR classes will be held in the Sacred Heart Parish Center @ 7:00 pm on the following Wednesdays: Feb. 5, 12, 19 (skip 26th-Ash Wednesday), March 4, 11, & 18. All High School Students are welcome ! If any questions, call Steve @ 419-564-6331 or Sheila @ 419-543-8703.
Hope to see you there !

New Scholarship Opportunity for free or dramatically reduced tuition at Sacred Heart School for 2020-2021 school year! EdChoice Scholarships are now available for the surrounding home districts of Bucyrus, Colonel Crawford, Galion, Shelby and Wynford. Scholarships are based on location regardless of income. Contact SACRED HEART SCHOOL at 419-342-2797, 419-683-1697 or visit school-choicetoledo.org to find your family's next steps in choosing our school where we excel in academics and knowing Jesus!

Looking for servers for Stations of the Cross held every Friday during Lent . Please call the Parish Office if you can help out !
Needed: 3/13, 3/20, 3/27, 4/3, 4/10



Thank you !

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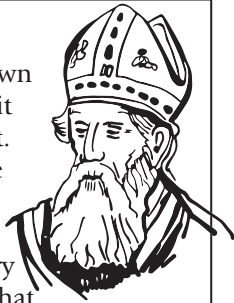
Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

Rev. Christopher G. Bohnsack, Pastor

One Minute Meditations

St. Blaise

Not much is known about his life, but it is certain that St. Blaise was the bishop of Sebaste in fourth-century Turkey, and that he was arrested for being a Christian. On his way to jail, he healed a young boy who was choking on a fish bone. According to one legend, the boy's mother also gave St. Blaise two candles in gratitude. Refusing to deny his faith, the bishop was tortured and martyred by the local governor.



Lenten Obligations

Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday (February 26th) and Good Friday (April 10th). In addition, all Catholics 14 years old and older must abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent.

The U. S. bishops define fasting as eating one full meal. Some food (not equaling another full meal) is permitted as necessary to maintain strength.



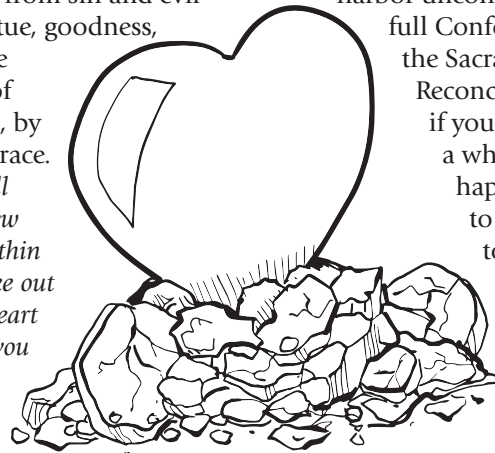
Find your new heart during Lent

The root of the word "convert" means to "change," or "transform." Think of turning from sin and evil toward grace, virtue, goodness, and God. It is the transformation of the human heart, by an act of God's grace. *"A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will take out of your flesh the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh"* (Ezekiel 36:26).

A new heart. God desires our conversion more than we ever could. With the perfect heart of a Father, he pursues and draws us to himself. Conversion begins by offering him our whole heart so he can remake it as his own.

Break the heart of stone. There can be no healing or conversion when we harbor unconfessed sin. Make a full Confession to a priest in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Don't worry if you have been away for a while. The priest will be happy to guide you and to welcome you back to God's friendship.

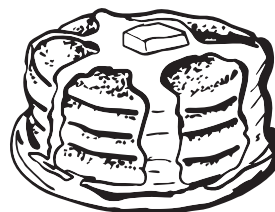
A new spirit. When we have a soft and tender heart of flesh, we are able to receive God's holy will. Our new spirit requires renewal every day. Daily prayer, frequent Confession, and regular reception of the Holy Eucharist will keep our hearts filled with God's love.



Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics call Fat Tuesday "Shrove" Tuesday?

Commonly known as Fat Tuesday or Mardi Gras, the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday has been traditionally spent feasting (especially on pancakes). It is also called "Shrove Tuesday," recalling the tradition of going to Confession. The



word "shrove" comes from "shrive" — the English word for confessing one's sins and receiving absolution.

In fact, there was a custom of churches ringing the "shriving bell" on this day. The goal was to start Lent with a clean soul and a repentant spirit.

Choose Heaven over Earth

Life on Earth lasts but a moment compared to our eternal life, yet we often let earthly concerns take priority over preparing for Heaven. If we put Heaven first, however, God will take care of everything else.

What is important to you? Make a list of what you do each day, from morning to bedtime. The activities that absorb most of your time are your real priorities. If it isn't in God's service, you need a change.



How do you make decisions? Do you look to friends or coworkers for advice? Or do you turn to prayer and Scripture for guidance? Resolve to take your eyes off of the world and place them on Christ. If we base all choices and decisions on God, we will never choose wrong.

Do you trust God to make you happy? *"For I know well the plans I have in mind for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare, not for woe! Plans to give you a future full of hope"* (Jeremiah 29:11).

from Scripture

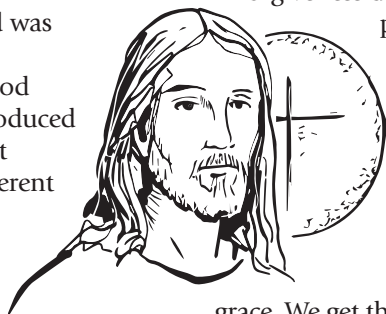
Matthew 5:38-48, Forgive and pray

The ancient concept of justice – *"an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth"* – is from Exodus 21:24, Leviticus 24:20 and Deuteronomy 19:21, and was originally meant to limit violence and prevent blood feuds. Instead, Jesus introduced a new approach, one that would bring about a different kind of justice.

Jesus directed his followers and us to *"be perfect,"* which includes being merciful. God requires our treatment of others – enemies included – to mirror his treatment of his enemies. As Christians, we are to imitate Christ, who forgave his executioners from the

Cross: *"Father, forgive them, they know not what they do"* (Luke 23:34).

Forgiveness doesn't mean letting the person get away with their offense. Forgiveness means letting go of our anger at the offender and entrusting the situation to God's care. We can't do this alone: we rely on God's grace. We get this from the Holy Spirit and also from receiving the Eucharist at Mass. By receiving the Eucharist, we are nourished by the Body and Blood of Christ, who strengthens us to lead a more perfect life.



Q & A How can I fit more prayer into my busy day?

"Pray constantly" sounds challenging but it doesn't have to be. Actually, busy days offer many great opportunities for prayer if we know where to look.

Consider these suggestions:
Pray throughout the day. Consider praying the Rosary on the way to work, saying grace before lunch, offering a quick *"I love you,"* or praying for guidance for important decisions. Even job-related tasks can become *"prayers in action."*

Fifteen minutes a day. Good friends know text messages can't replace being together. It's the same with God. He loves us and wants our company. Aim for 10-15 minutes of daily prayer. Thank God for your blessings, meditate on Scripture, offer him your day, or simply enjoy his company.

It's the love that counts. For her love and humility, Jesus commended a poor but generous widow for her small donation (Mark 12:43-44). Sometimes, we have little time or energy for *"good prayer."* Remember, what pleases God is not the elegance or number of our prayers, but the love with which we offer them.

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Feasts & Celebrations

Feb. 2 – Presentation of the Lord. In accordance with the Law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple forty days after his birth, and Simeon praised God for revealing the long-awaited Savior.

Feb. 2 – St. Catherine of Ricci (1590). St. Catherine was born to a prominent banker. Against her father's wishes, she joined the Dominicans when she was twelve. She is known for her visions of the Lord's Passion, which she experienced every Friday.

Feb. 17 – The Seven Holy Founders

(13th century). Seven Italian noblemen who withdrew from the immorality of the times to live in prayer, simplicity and penance. Their order, the Servants of Mary, was later approved by the Holy See in 1304.

Feb. 26 – Ash Wednesday. First day of Lent. Ashes from burnt palms are placed on the forehead as a sign of penance. Ash Wednesday is a day of abstinence from meat and fasting – one regular meal and two smaller meals that together don't equal a full meal.



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2020 Basketball Schedule:

Girl's 4th/5th Grade:



Feb 2nd @ St. Joseph

12:00 St. Joseph vs Carey

4:00 Upper Sandusky vs St. Joseph

Feb 9th @ Buckeye Central

1:00 Crestline vs St. Joseph

2:00 St. Joseph vs Ontario Gold

Boy's 4th/5th Grade:

Feb 2nd @ Buckeye Central

1:30 Buckeye Central #1 vs St. Joseph

2:45 St. Joseph vs Mohawk #2

Feb 9th @ St. Joseph

1:30 St. Joseph vs Bucyrus

4:00 St. Joseph vs Mohawk #2



NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK USA EVERY FEBRUARY 7-14. Marriage is worth it! Spend a little dedicated time in prayer and reflection by participating in our **seven-day virtual retreat** (available in pdf) focused on marriage. This year the retreat theme is **"Stories from the Domestic Church."** Sign up to receive the retreat via email during National Marriage Week 2020 at www.foryourmarriage.org/sign-up-to-receive-the-national-marriage-retreat-via-email/ For more information and resources, visit foryourmarriage.org

February Birthdays



Marilyn Vogt

February 2nd

Jim Cole

February 6th

Russ Keller

February 7th

Barbara Brown

February 12th

Carol Niese

February 12th

Margaret Rietschlin

February 13th

Lillian Niese

February 15th

Deb Schumacher

February 17th

Roger Weaver

February 17th

Donna Biglin

February 20th

Gerald McGowan

February 24th

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