

SACRED HEART of JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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December 2, 2018 First Sunday of Advent



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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: For All Priests

Wednesday

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart Mass Intention: For the Staff and Students of Sacred Heart School

Thursday

5:30pm-Confession at St. Joseph 6:30 pm - Mass at St. Joseph Mass Intention: John Smarto

Friday

8:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph Mass Intention: For the Staff and Students of St. Joseph School

Immaculate Conception 6:30 pm Vigil - Sacred Heart Mass Intentions: Shirley Cole; Florence Reinhard; Janet Wirick

Saturday/Holy Day Immaculate Conception 8:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph

Mass Intentions: Shirley Cole; Florence Reinhard; Janet Wirick

Saturday

3:30-Confession at Sacred Heart 4:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart Mass Intention: Victor & Marjorie Ellenberger; Jon & Helen Carling; Grant & Susan Ellenberger

Sunday

7:00 am - Mass at St. Joseph Mass Intention: Paul & Mary Alt; Helen Paynter

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart Mass Intention: Joe & Marie Biglin; Leon, Agnes, Bernard & Kenny Miller 10:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph Mass Intention: Jim DelGreco; Bill Sharrock; Allen Studer; Janet Wirick

Dear Parishioners,

Happy Advent! Tis the season for the hustle and bustle of Christmas. Let's not forget what the true meaning of Christmas is. It is sometimes difficult not to get caught up in the commercialism of the season. Sometimes we need to be reminded what **Christ**mas is all about. To keep the true meaning of **Christ**mas we can work together on making the world a better place one person at a time by completing some of the Corporal Works of Mercy. I would like to share with you a reminder how to keep Christ in Christmas. This list demonstrates how simple it is to make a difference to someone. It shows us how simple it is to live out our faith one Corporal Work of Mercy at a time.



God Bless. Lisa Myers, Principal

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Tuesday, Dec 4: MaryPat Davis & John Bonen

Friday, Dec. 7th Saturday, Dec. 8th Sunday, Dec. 9th **MUSIC MINISTER MUSIC MINISTER MUSIC MINISTER** Folk Group Sean Beeson Sean Beeson **SERVERS SERVERS SERVERS** Huck & Lincoln Finnegn Kirby & Allie Vogt Trevor & Cassidy Vogt **OFFERTORY OFFERTORY OFFERTORY** Joe & Kristie Faith Family Russ & Marti Keller Mark & Melissa Vogt Fanily **EXTRAORDINARY EXTRAORDINARY EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS** Laura Nold, Carol Niese **MINISTERS** MINISTERS John Bonen, MaryPat Davis, Sharon McGowan, Karen Keiser Becky Kromer& Steve Vogt Marti Keller & Becky Kromer Greg Keller & Tanya Hartings **USHERS** Joe Faith & John Finnegan **USHERS** Mark Vogt & Shannon Finnegan USHERS **LECTOR** John Bonen & Gary Vogt Steve Metzger **LECTOR** Karen Keiser LECTOR **GREETERS** John Workman Laura Nold & Tara Finnegan **GREETERS**

Bible Readings for the Week of December 3, 2018

Kurt & Mel Vogt

Monday - Is 2:1-5. Ps 122: 1-9. Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday - Is 11:1-10, Ps 72: 1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17, Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday - Is 25:6-10a, Ps 23: 1-6, Mt 15:29-37

Thursday - Is 26:1-6, Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a, Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday - Is 29:17-24, Ps 27: 1, 4, 13-14, Mt 9:27-31

Saturday - Gn 3:9-15, 20, Ps 98:1-4, Eph 1:3-6, 11-12, Lk 1:26-38

Sunday - Bar 5:1-9, Ps 126:1-6, Phil 1:4-6, 8-11, Lk 3:1-6



COUNTERS

Laura Nold & Linda Schroeder

Collection:

Nov. 25, 2018 \$ 4,691.00

<u>Offertory</u> \$4,216.00

Christmas Flowers \$ 275.00 Campaign Human Development \$ 200.00

THANK YOU



BULLETIN SPONSORS OF THE WEEK:



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Simple Holy Hour Schedule:

Sun	12/2	None
Mon	12/3	None
Tues	12/4	8:30 am. at St. Joseph
Wed	12/5	10:00 pm. at St. Joseph
Thurs	12/6	8:30 am. at St. Joseph
Fri	12/7	2:15 pm. at Sacred Heart
Sat	12/8	2:30 pm. at Sacred Heart



Ecumenical Choir Celebrating 47 Years!



Get in the Christmas spirit! Consider attending the Ecumenical Christmas Choir Concert at Our Lady of Consolation in Carey to be held on **Sunday, Dec. 9th at 4:30 pm.** This year's Christmas musical program at the holy shrine promises to be a highlight of your holiday season! The cafeteria and gift shop will be open immediately following the concert.

Catholic Women's Club:

The next luncheon will be **Wednesday, December 12th** at Brown Derby in Ontario at noon. All members of the St. Juan Deanery are invited. If you are new, we encourage you to join us and get to know the Catholic women in the area. For reservations please call Joan Schonhardt at: 419-366-0118 or JoAnn Jerger at: 567-274-7954. Reservations must be made by December 7th before noon. Looking forward to meeting new members!

Sharon Houseworth, Membership Committee



Meeting Reminders:

Finance Council Has Been Rescheduled Dec. 4th. After Mass in Parish Hall

CRESTLINE MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION'S FREE COMMUNITY MEAL:

Thursday, December 13th.
Trinity Lutheran Church, Crestline.
Serving 5:30-6:30 pm.
All are welcome!
Free will offerings accepted.

Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests Monday, December 3, 2018

Kindly remember in prayer all our priests serving in the Diocese of Toledo, as they gather for the annual Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests, at the Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey. Through our prayers, may the Lord grant them grace, peace, renewed fidelity, and the consolation of His presence.

Retirement Fund for Religious

Next weekend there will be a collection to support the Retirement Fund for Religious. A donor writes: "Your flyer touched my heart-seeing retired religious, such memories surfaced." Do you remember the sisters, brothers or religious order priests who made a positive difference in your life? Today many are elderly and need assistance. Their religious communities struggle to meet retirement needs while continuing to serve the People of God. Please give to next week's collec-



Praying for Vocations

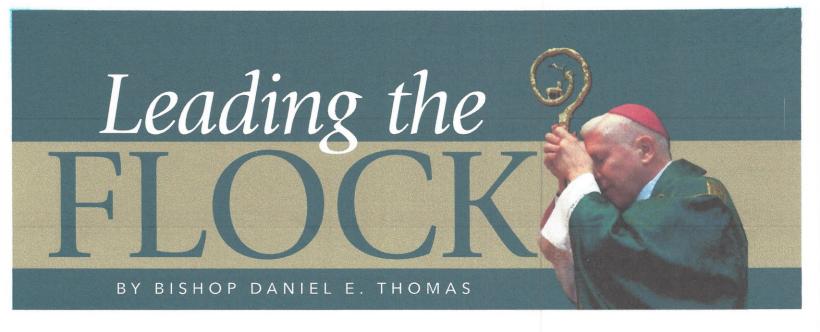
The North Central Ohio Vocations Club has provided each parish with a Traveling Vocations Cross and a Booklet of Prayers to give us help in praying for this intention.

Father Chris has asked that one individual or family per parish sign up to take the cross for one month and pray at least 5 minutes per day for vocations.

Please consider this ministry as a way to help our Catholic Church remain strong. Please help us continue this ministry by calling the parish office and letting them know what month you are willing to take the cross in 2019.

Never underestimate the power of prayer!

Thank you and God Bless!



'Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them O Lord'

"Memento Mori!" It is a
Latin phrase which literally
means "Remember to die."
But since no one ever has to
be reminded to die, it is most
often translated "Remember
that you will die."

As the month of November concludes, we recall a longstanding custom that as Catholics, following All Souls Day, we remember and honor our beloved dead. While secular society is already gearing up for the all-con-

suming "Holiday" consumerism, we are praying for the souls in purgatory, for our deceased family members, and for all those who have no one to remember them. Praying for the dead is a sign of our love, our care for and our communion with those who have gone before us from this earthly life. For years I've combatted the onslaught of Christmas music in November by listening to *Requiem* Masses by great composers, a way of focusing my attention on the reality of death and of confronting my own certain eventual death.

As the days become darker and nature dies off, as the liturgical year draws to a close, it focuses us on the end: the end of the world, the end times and our own end. We remember that one day we will



die. Many of the great saints exhort us regularly to meditate on our death: not to frighten ourselves or live in fear of death, but that we might live each day in such a way that we might be prepared for death when it comes. To "remember that you will die" is a way to remember how to live. Throughout November and beyond each of us is called to prepare for death by examining how we live the Gospel, striving to be ready to meet the Lord when He comes.

To be prepared for death involves not only spiritual preparation, but of course practical preparation. It is wise and prudent to prepare by assisting loved ones in making known your final wishes through a written Will. Often folks will "pre-plan" their funerals, making the hard choices

well before death, even choosing the readings and music beforehand. How important it is to have your wishes written down, as many of us have heard of the sad stories of lifelong faithful Catholics not having the benefit of a Funeral Mass because their children making the plans had fallen away from the faith. Planning for our death has a practical aspect in that we help those left behind to grieve our loss by lessening the burden of

having to attend to so many necessary practicalities.

Over the past few years I have been asked by parishioners, by laity who serve in parish ministry, by deacons and priests, and by undertakers, if the diocese could provide assistance by having guidelines for what a Catholic Funeral looks like. Many of the faithful have requested a resource in order to celebrate worthily and appropriately the Funeral Rites, given frequent uncertainty of what is correct and in light of the increasingly unique secular practices which do not reflect what we believe. Many of the families and parish families of our priests and deacons have requested such a resource in order to celebrate in a worthy and appropriate manner the Funeral

It is my sincere hope that with these new resources, guidance for and answers to many practical questions people have will be readily available in this simple format. These resources will be available on our diocesan web site, and it is envisioned that our local parishes will make these resources readily available to all the faithful and to funeral home staffs; that they will be made available by undertakers to those whom they serve; and that they will be kept in parishes for helpful reference at the passing of a priest or deacon.

Rites for our clergy. So after consultation with a number of pastors, lay faithful and local undertakers, we have prepared just such resources: two trifolds for use by all Catholics and anyone involved in planning their funerals, entitled "Funeral Mass for Catholic Faithful" and "Funerals for Catholic Clergy." In addition, to assist all those who serve in our parishes, we have also developed a more detailed booklet entitled "Policy for the Celebration of the Order of Christian Funerals for Deceased Clergy."

"The care with which we bury the dead expresses our faith in the victory over everlasting death which Our Lord Jesus Christ has won in our human nature by his own Death and Resurrection." These new resources describe our Christian understanding of death and the Funeral Rites, covering each aspect of the Funeral, including pre-planning, the obituary, the vigil, rosary and other devotionals, the use of the Christian symbol, sacred music, words of remembrance, family and friends as liturgical ministers, the homily, cremation and the disposition of ashes.

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"Memento Moril" We remember our beloved dead, we remember that we ourselves will one day die, and we provide for others the assistance to prepare for and celebrate the Funeral Rites in a manner worthy of the deceased, worthy of our Catholic faith and worthy of the Lord.

+ Devil & Gleomer

Most Rev. Daniel E. Thomas Bishop of Toledo November 21, 2018

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We need 2 servers to step forward and volunteer for Christmas Day Mass at 8:30. Please call the parish office if you can help out! Thank you!

Mass Cancellation During Inclement Weather



Winter is here! Please be reminded of Sacred Heart Parish cancellation policies:

- If school is closed due to inclement weather <u>all Masses</u> for that day will also be cancelled.
- If school is delayed on a day there is to be a morning Mass, the morning Mass will be held at 1:30 pm.
- If school is delayed on a day there is to be an evening Mass, the Mass will still be held.

Tune in to WVNO @ 106.1 FM or WMFD.com for updates.

In all cases, please use your best judgment and be safe!

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS:



12/04 John Workman 12/06 Eileen Cochran 12/06 Teresa Hicks Chuck Keller 12/10 12/10 Miriam Schroeder 12/10 Paula Goodman 12/12 Claire Davis 12/16 William Alt 12/17 Dave Kromer

12/24 Gerald McGowan

12/24 Barbara Weaver

12/25 Dennis Gwirtz

12/27 Lucy Rietschlin



Get Ready for the Holidays While Lowering Your Tuition! It is that time of year when the holidays are right around the corner. Have you ever thought about buying gift cards at the school for your gifts/purchases? There is no extra cost to you, and while purchasing your gift cards through us, you will receive money off your tuition. We have a master list of over 500 vendors that we can order from. Please contact Mrs. Myers if you have any questions.

* Gift cards are sold year round.