



# KNIGHTS NEWS

Knights of Columbus  
Council 2238  
Ottoville, Ohio

### MEETING DATES:

2nd Sunday of each month at 9:00 a.m.  
4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.  
New Members are always welcome!

Knights of Columbus Wives Appreciation Night/Social Hour/Best of the Best Awards Night will be Tuesday, February 14th. Mass will begin at 6:00 p.m. followed by a gathering in the Knights of Columbus room in the Parish Center. There will be hors d'oeuvres, refreshments, and entertainment. All brother Knights and their wives are cordially invited to attend. Attire is informal. Please RSVP by calling (419) 890-5194 or (419) 286-2714.



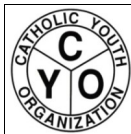
"A LIFE CHANGING EXPERIENCE" is how an Ottoville Student described a **Teens Encounter Christ** retreat. This retreat, to be held in Carey, Ohio, is open to all High School Juniors and Seniors. It is a very unique life-giving experience specifically for high school students or those that graduated last year. Father Jerry has graciously offered to provide the retreat fee for candidates! Please call Renee Kelch at (419) 236-4006 for dates available yet this spring.

**NATIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE (NCTYC)**  
An informative meeting about NCTYC will be held on February 6th at 6:30 p.m. in the Safe Harbor room of the Ottoville Parish Center for all parents and students of 8th grade through 11th grade that would like to learn more about this 3 day experience with unlimited opportunities!!! Call Renee Kelch at (419) 236-4006 with any questions!

The **Fort Jennings American Legion** is having a Chicken Fry on Saturday, February 18th from 6-11 p.m. The meal includes all you can eat chicken and assorted sides. Cost is \$10.00 per person. Beverages will be available (no beverages are to be brought in). Carry-outs (4 pieces of chicken and choice of 2 sides) will be available starting at 4:30 p.m. at a cost of \$8.00.

The next **Putnam County Right to Life** meeting will be Tuesday, February 7th at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Mary Jane Stechschulte (next to the Kalida fire station).

### CYO GIRLS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE



**Sunday, February 5th**  
4:30 p.m. vs. MC St. Nicholas at Miller City  
**Sunday, February 12th**  
1:00 p.m. vs. Kalida St. Michael at Ottoville



A little football humor for Super Bowl Sunday:  
**National Anthem**—the choir and congregation doing their best singing "Amazing Grace"  
**Head Coach**—The Pastor  
**Quarterback Sneak**—Church members quietly sneaking in 5 minutes after the opening song  
**Two-minute Warning**—The point at which you realize that Mass is almost over and begin to gather your children and belongings.  
**Interference**—Whispering and/or talking during the homily  
**Sudden Death**—What happens to the attention span of the congregation if the preacher goes "overtime."  
**Blitz**—The rush for the restaurants following the closing prayer  
**Fair Catch**—holding the offering plate in front of each member until money is placed in it  
**Illegal Motion**—Leaving before the benediction  
**End Zone**—The pews  
**Extra Point**—What you receive when you tell the Priest that his sermon was too short  
**Blocking**—Talking endlessly to the Pastor at the church exit door  
**Cheerleading**—Ladies complimenting the Priest on the Homily  
**Super Bowl Champion** —A church doing the will of God

Today, Sunday, February 5th, 2017, we recognize the Boy Scouts of our Parish and extend our sincere thanks for all that they do for our Parish and Community.



**BOY SCOUT LAW**  
**A Scout is:**  
*Trustworthy, Loyal,*  
*Friendly, Helpful,*  
*Courteous, Kind,*  
*Obedient, CHEERFUL,*  
*Thrifty, BRAVE,*  
*Clean, & Reverent.*

February 4-5, 2017

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

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Office Hours: 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.- 3:00 p.m.



### SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISM:** First time parents need to attend baptism instruction. Baptisms are normally celebrated during or after the Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass or anytime agreeable with Father Jerry. To arrange Baptism or instruction, call the Parish Office at (419) 453-3513.

**MATRIMONY:** The Diocese of Toledo requests that all marriage dates be scheduled through the Parish Office at least six months prior to wedding date. Engaged couples must meet with Father Jerry before a wedding can be scheduled. Joy-Filled Marriage workshop information can be found at the website [www.jfntoledo.eventbrite.com](http://www.jfntoledo.eventbrite.com).

**RECONCILIATION:** Every Saturday from 3:15 to 3:45 p.m. or by appointment.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Contact the Parish Office at (419) 453-3513. In case of an emergency, call Father Jerry's cell phone at (419) 305-5149.

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Teresa Schnipke  
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Theresa Von Sossan

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### MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY: 7:00 p.m. 2nd, 4th, and 5th weeks  
WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY: 8:10 a.m.  
FRIDAY: 8:00 a.m.  
SATURDAY: 4:00 p.m.  
SUNDAY: 10:30 a.m.  
6:00 p.m. Youth and Family Mass (3rd week only)





# Mass Intentions

2/4	(Saturday)	4:00 p.m.	Norbert "Nub" Boecker Carla Landin Living and Deceased Members of the Julius Beining Family
2/5	(Sunday)	10:30 a.m.	<b>BOY SCOUT SUNDAY</b> Edward Garlock and Mike and Ed Garlock Leonard & Pauline Schnipke, Rodney Menke, Richard Schnipke
2/7	(Tuesday)	7:00 p.m.	<i>At St. Barbara/Cloverdale</i>
2/8	(Wednesday)	8:10 a.m.	Leo and Alice Heitmeyer
2/9	(Thursday)	8:10 a.m.	Rodney Menke
2/10	(Friday)	8:00 a.m.	Kathy Metcalfe
2/11	(Saturday)	4:00 p.m.	Dick & Helen Koester
2/12	(Sunday)	10:30 a.m.	Al & Marge Honigford

LADIES TO PRAY THE ROSARY	
February 5 (Sunday)	Sue Bendele
February 6 (Monday)	Lisa (Bruce) Bendele
February 7 (Tuesday)	Terri Ann Bendele
February 8 (Wednesday)	Diane Bendele
February 9 (Thursday)	Jennifer Bendele
February 10 (Friday)	Bonnie Boecker
February 11 (Saturday)	Angie Birkemeier

**ALTAR/SANCTUARY CLEANING**  
For the Week Beginning 2/5/2017  
Jann Eickholt

**Christ Renews his Parish** is a 2 day women's retreat which will be held in the basement of St. Joseph's Parish in Fort Jennings on March 18th & 19th. As the season of Lent is approaching, we are asked to do more than abstain from pop or chocolate, but to really try to develop a deeper relationship with God. This renewal weekend will help you re-light that fire within yourself! It is a great way to spend time focusing on what is truly important in your life. The women of Fort Jennings have graciously opened the retreat to the women of Ottoville this year but space is limited. There is no cost for the retreat and meals are included. Registration forms are available in the back of church or you may call Beth Schnipke at (419) 230-5740 if you would like to register or have questions.

The **Ottoville Music Booster Baked Chicken Dinner** will be Sunday, February 12th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Ottoville High School Auditoria. Cost is \$8.00 for dine-in or carry-out. Tickets are available from any High School or Jr. High School band member or call (419) 453-2480.

## MINISTERS OF MASS

SATURDAY 4:00 p.m.	February 11, 2017
<b>Mass Servers:</b>	Dalton Davis, Trae Schlagbaum, Quinley Schlagbaum
<b>Lector:</b>	Theresa Von Sossan
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion:</b>	
	<b>Host:</b> Bonnie Beining, Sharon Meyer, Peggy Pohlman, <u>Kim Wannemacher</u>
	<b>Cup:</b> Judy Eickholt, Angie Niemeyer
	<b>Choir:</b> Jill Wenzlick
<b>OFFERTORY GIFTS:</b>	Volunteer
<b>Ushers:</b>	Jerry Kaverman, Gary Pohlman, Dave Schlagbaum, Darrell Von Sossan
SUNDAY 10:30 a.m.	February 12, 2017
<b>Mass Servers:</b>	Cayden Burgei, Adam Looser, Chad Schnipke
<b>Lector:</b>	Joan Ruen
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion:</b>	
	<b>Host:</b> Julie Brickner, Marcia Eickholt, Sheila Miller, <u>Nancy Vetter</u>
	<b>Cup:</b> Sharon Brickner, Victoria Jackson
	<b>Choir:</b> Jessica Vorst
<b>OFFERTORY GIFTS:</b>	The Honigford Family
<b>Ushers:</b>	Mike Heitmeyer, Gene Miller, Julie Schimmoeller, John Vetter
<b>WEEKDAY MASS SERVERS</b>	<b>February 8 (Wed.) 8:10 a.m.</b> <b>February 9 (Thurs.) 8:10 a.m.</b>
	Carter Horstman, Elise Kramer, Carson Kuhlman

**If unable to serve at your scheduled time, please be sure to find a replacement. Thank you.**

**ATTENTION: EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION/HOST DISTRIBUTORS:** Beginning this weekend, the last person listed and underlined in the schedule above will be the one to distribute communion to those Parishioners seated in the north and south wings. The presiding Priest will remain in the front of church. After distributing to both sides, the Extraordinary Minister of Communion/Host Distributor should then proceed to the back of church to continue distributing Communion there. Please call the Parish Office should you have questions.



The ICY/CYO Pancake Breakfast is today, Sunday, February 5th from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Parish Center. The meal includes pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, coffee, and juice for \$6.50 per person. Ages 5 and under eat for free. Everyone is invited! Thank you for supporting your youth organizations!!



Dear Padre'

**Question: How does one know he is doing God's will?**

Good question! Once a priest was giving a lengthy homily at a weekday Mass, and he noticed a man get up and leave during the middle of his message. The man returned just before the Our Father. Afterwards the priest asked the man where he had gone. **"I went across the street to get a haircut,"** was the reply. "But", asked the priest, "Why didn't you do that before Mass?" "Because", the gentleman replied, "I didn't need one then." The truth of a homily is not the length but the content of the message contained within it. Similarly, the quality of a person should not be judged by his or her lifestyle, profession, residence, or possessions, but by the content of the character. Today, Jesus tells us we are the light of the world; to be light would be a positive characteristic for we know how important light is to us. We have the talents and the gifts to live a life as Jesus has taught us. Doing God's will is simply doing as Jesus himself has taught us...to follow his commandments and live his beatitudes. It's not our professions, our residence, or our possessions...it's who and what we are. ~Padre' Jerry

You are invited to join **St. John the Evangelist** in Delphos for the mission, **"Bringing Heaven to Earth!"** This 3 night parish mission will be held on February 13th, 14th, and 15th at 7:00 p.m. and will be presented by Father Joshua Wagner, Roman Catholic Priest of the Diocese of Columbus, Ohio. Confessions will be offered following the Mission on February 14th. The talks will be conducted at St. John's Catholic Church (331 E. Second Street, Delphos, Ohio). Three nights...three incredible topics: February 13th—Making Christ Present in the Family February 14th—Healing our Relationships February 15th—Inspiration in the Spirit; Imitating the Blessed Mother For more information about Father Joshua Wagner or the parish mission, please visit the website [www.FatherWagner.com/delphos](http://www.FatherWagner.com/delphos).

**Matthew Bible Study: The King and His Kingdom** is an exciting study that explores the life and mission of Jesus as recorded in the Gospel. *Matthew* demonstrates how the promises and prophecies of the Old Testament are fulfilled in Christ, who establishes a New Law and inaugurates the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. This liturgical year we are hearing from Mathew at Mass. This DVD study will help us understand more of what we hear. As participants we will see Jesus as the awaited Messiah who relives the life and struggles of Israel to become the faithful and victorious King. This study is set in the rich context of Jesus' Jewish culture and will help participants understand who Jesus is and what his life and teachings mean for us today. There will be two different study meeting times available for you to choose from. We will meet every Sunday for 6 weeks at 6:00 p.m. beginning Sunday February 26<sup>th</sup> and ending April 2<sup>nd</sup>. The second will be on Thursday mornings at 9:00 a.m. beginning March 2<sup>nd</sup> and ending April 6<sup>th</sup>. Please contact the parish office to reserve a space if you are planning to attend.

## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP REPORT

WEEKLY BUDGET = \$5200.00	WEEK OF
	1/28/17 - 1/29/2017
Loose Cash	\$407.45
Sunday Offering—Adult Envelopes (213)	\$4,441.00
Sunday Offering—Children & Youth (23)	\$30.12
Parish Center Envelopes (2)	<u>\$25.00</u>
<b>TOTALS</b>	\$4,903.57
<b>WEEKLY BUDGET DEFICIT</b>	-\$296.43

CONTRIBUTIONS TO:

Church Repair (2)	\$25.00
Energy (3)	\$150.00
Window Restoration Project	\$40.00

Numbers in ( ) are the number of envelopes counted.

**ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER** is available for your weekly Sunday contribution, the Parish Center, or Church Repair accounts. Forms are available in the church vestibule, the Parish Office lobby, or call the Parish Office.

**2016 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** are available. If you are in need of a copy, please stop by or call the Parish Office at (419) 453-3513 or send an email to [immac@bright.net](mailto:immac@bright.net)

**MESSAGE FROM BISHOP DANIEL THOMAS:** In the current shifting environment concerning the new refugee policy, I join my voice with my brother bishops represented by the President and Vice President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and direct you to their statement at [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org), mindful that Jesus, Mary, and Joseph who fled Egypt were refugees. At this time, I invite all the faithful of the Diocese of Toledo to pray together with me for a new respect for the dignity of every human person; for the protection and safety of all persecuted men, women, and children; for all families impacted by this policy; for prudence and wisdom for all our elected officials; and for charity, peace and justice for all.

As our Holy Father, Pope Francis, reminds us, "Today's refugees are fleeing from...aberrant crimes, and they appeal to the Church and the human community to ensure that, in the outstretched hand of those who receive them they can see the face of the Lord, 'the Father of

You are invited to **"Ain't-a that Good News,"** an evening with the **Toledo Symphony** under the direction of Sara Jobin and featuring the Clarence Smith Community Chorus. The event will be Sunday, February 26th at 5:00 p.m. at St. Martin de Porres Church (1119 W. Bancroft Street, Toledo). Pre-sale tickets are \$15.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children. Tickets can be purchased the day of the concert for \$20.00 each. For information, call (419) 241-4544.

**Next weekend's readings (2/11—2/12/2017):**

Sirach 15:15-20; I Corinthians 2:6-10; Matthew 5:17-37