



# 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!

The Ottoville Knights of Columbus Council 2238 will be holding their annual **Pancake and Sausage Breakfast** today, Sunday, January 8th from 8:00 a.m. until noon in the Parish Center. The menu includes sausage, scrambled eggs, all you can eat pancakes, cinnamon roll, juice, milk, and coffee. Cost is \$6.00. Ages 5 and under eat free. Everyone is welcome!!

### DEPARTED KNIGHTS REMEMBERED

On Tuesday, January 10, 2017, the local Knights of Columbus will be offering a memorial mass for the intention of departed brother Knights. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed beginning at 6:00 p.m.. Rosary will be recited at 6:40 p.m. followed by a 7:00 p.m. Mass celebrated by Chaplain, Very Reverend Jerry Schetter. All widows of the deceased Knights and their family members along with K of C members and spouses are invited to attend. A small reception in the Family Room of the Parish Center will follow immediately after Mass. All parishioners of Immaculate Conception Parish are also invited to attend the annual memorial.

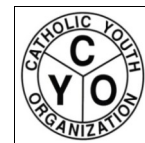


The annual Knights of Columbus **Free Throw Contest** will be Sunday, January 22nd at 4:00 p.m. in the Ottoville Parish Center Gymnasium. This contest is open to all boys and girls ages 9-14 as of 1/1/2017. Participation prizes for all. Questions? Call (419)453-3882.

For those who donated a poinsettia in memory of a loved one for the Christmas Season, you may take one home with you if you would like after the 10:30 a.m. Mass on January 8th. Please do not take any flowers surrounding the altar. Thank you.



- The next youth group gathering, "**Witness Night**," will be tonight, Sunday, January 8th at 7:00 p.m. in the youth Safe Harbor room. This event is open to all high school youth. Refreshments and fun provided.
- The **St. George Deanery Middle School Gathering** for all 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students will be hosted by St. Anthony in Columbus Grove on Sunday, February 5th beginning at 1:00 p.m. Closing Mass will be at 6:00 p.m. For more information, Contact Renee Kelch at (419) 236-4006.
- NEEDED:** High School Team Members for the Middle School Gathering on February 5th. Contact Renee Kelch for more information.
- The annual **ICY/CYO Pancake Breakfast** will be February 5th from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Parish Center Banquet Room. Watch for details!!!!

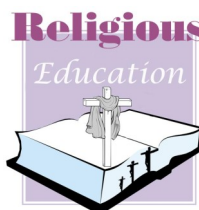


### CYO BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

*Sunday, January 8th*—Both Games At Ottoville High School Boys 1:00 p.m. vs. Lima St. Charles High School Girls 2:15 p.m. vs. New Bavaria Sacred Heart

*Sunday, January 15th*

High School Boys at Ottoville 1:00 p.m. vs. Kalida St. Michael-Fischnich High School Girls at Ottawa SPPS 3:30 p.m. vs. Ottawa SPPS at Ottawa



### Religious Gold, Frankincense, and Myrrh –

Have you ever wondered why these gifts and not something that a baby could use. *Gold* is familiar to most of us. We think of people of wealth or royalty. This tells of Jesus kingship. *Frankincense* was used by priests for worship in the

Temple. This is a symbol of his divinity. *Myrrh* is a perfume and was used to prepare a person's body for burial. It was offered in foretelling of Jesus suffering and death. What made these gifts special? The Magi truly recognized the infant Jesus as our Savior. During this season of Christmas we are called to give our gifts to Jesus. What are we going to offer to show that we recognize who Jesus is?

January 7-8, 2017

Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

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

**PASTOR:** Very Reverend Jerry Schetter  
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NOTARY Services are available free of charge during regular office hours.

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### PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Dave Ricker—President Brad Beining  
Chad Knippen Dave Fischbach  
Steve Schroeder Doris Brinkman  
Nancy Hohlbein Tina Koester  
Teresa Schnipke

### FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Brian Beining Chris Ricker  
Dave Burgei Cheryl Siefker  
Theresa Von Sossan

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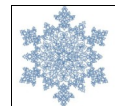
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FOR INFORMATION AND  
TO RESERVE YOUR SPACE

LARGE SPACE



MEDIUM SPACE

SMALL SPACE



### 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)

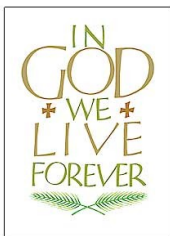
# Mass Intentions

1/7	(Saturday)	4:00 p.m.	Bob Hilvers Lenny & Ruth Klima
1/8	(Sunday)		<b>THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD</b> Greg Horstman
1/9	(Monday)	8:10 a.m.	<b>THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD</b> Living & Deceased of C K of O
1/10	(Tuesday)	6:00 p.m.	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
		6:40 p.m.	<i>K OF C—PRAY THE ROSARY</i>
		7:00 p.m.	<b>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMORIAL MASS FOR DECEASED MEMBERS</b>
1/11	(Wednesday)	8:10 a.m.	Lucinda Langhals Bob & Ruth Beining
1/12	(Thursday)	8:10 a.m.	Melvin, Thelma, & Ron Grote Gerald Fischbach (7 Day)
1/13	(Friday)	8:00 a.m.	The Nick Gergen Family and Frank Schumacher
1/14	(Saturday)	4:00 p.m.	Elmer Martz, Jr.
1/15	(Sunday)	10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Mary Catherine Heckman <b>YOUTH &amp; FAMILY MASS</b> Alice Gerten

LADIES TO PRAY THE ROSARY	
January 8 (Sunday)	Joyce Basinger
January 9 (Monday)	Jean Bear
January 10 (Tuesday)	Cindy Becker
January 11 (Wednesday)	Maxine Becker
January 12 (Thursday)	Libby Beaubien
January 13 (Friday)	Ann (Brian) Beining
January 14 (Saturday)	Ginny Beining

**ALTAR/SANCTUARY CLEANING**  
For the Week Beginning 1/8/2017  
Betty Beining

**Next weekend's readings (1/14—1/15/2017):**  
Isaiah 49:3, 5-6; I Corinthians 1:1-3; John 1:29-34



Our sincerest sympathy to the family of **Gerald Fischbach** who passed away on January 1 2017 at the age of 90. Please remember his family in your prayers.

There will be a Celebration of Life Mass on Saturday, January 21st at 10:30 a.m. in memory of **Mike Miller** who passed away on December 12, 2016.

## MINISTERS OF MASS

SATURDAY 4:00 p.m.	January 14, 2017
<b>Mass Servers:</b>	Nolan German, Emmitt German, Brendan Siefert
<b>Lector:</b>	Mary Kay Schroeder
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion:</b>	
	<b>Host:</b> Marie Grote, Sharon Meyer, Angie Niemeyer, Peggy Pohlman
	<b>Cup:</b> Cody Kemper, Linda Knippen
	<b>Choir:</b> Judy Eickholt
<b>OFFERTORY GIFTS:</b>	The Family of Elmer Martz
<b>Ushers:</b>	Bob Bendele, Jerry Kaverman, Kevin Lindeman, Gary Pohlman
SUNDAY 10:30 a.m.	January 15, 2017
<b>Mass Servers:</b>	Abigail Hilvers, Dru Hilvers, Eric Von Sossan
<b>Lector:</b>	Rhonda Hilvers
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion:</b>	
	<b>Host:</b> Lenora Ball, Julie Brickner, Victoria Jackson, Sheila Miller
	<b>Cup:</b> Cherie Kemper, Ron Niemeyer
	<b>Choir:</b> Virginia Beining
<b>OFFERTORY GIFTS:</b>	Mike and Jean Byrne
<b>Ushers:</b>	Carl Beining, Gene Miller, Jerry Turnwald, Jacob Turnwald
<b>WEEKDAY MASS SERVERS</b>	<b>January 10 (Tues.) 7:00 p.m.</b> <b>January 11 (Wed.) 8:10 a.m.</b> <b>January 12 (Thurs.) 8:10 a.m.</b> <b>January 13 (Fri.) 8:00 a.m.</b>
	Trent Kortokrax, Elise Kramer, Hannah Wenzlick
<b>If unable to serve at your scheduled time, please be sure to find a replacement. Thank you.</b>	

### 2017-2018 OTTOVILLE KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten registration for prospective kindergarten students for the 2017-2018 school year is scheduled for January 9—January 20, 2017. To be eligible for kindergarten, a child must be 5 years of age before August 1, 2017. You may either call the school at (419) 453-3357 between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. or send a note to your register your child. In either case, the information needed consists of child's full name, child's social security number, child's birth date, parent(s) names, address, and contact phone number. Kindergarten screening will be held on Friday, March 31, 2017 in the Elementary School Library.

The **Putnam County Right to Life** invites everyone to the annual Rally for Life on Sunday, January 15th at 2:00 p.m. in the Ottawa Legion Hall. Special guest, Todd Schroeder, will be speaking on Roe vs. Wade—Past, Present, and Future. Refreshments will be served. Come for pro-life prayer, information, and inspiration.



**Dear Padre'...What is the Christmas season?** The liturgical season of Christmas begins with the vigil Masses (December 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:00) Christmas Eve and concludes on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. For us as religiously observant Catholics, the Christmas season includes Christmas and the days within the Octave of Christmas (8 days) - they are Christmas and the seven days that follow. The Christmas Season for the Catholic Church is **white** or **gold**, not green and red, as many people assume. During this season, it's a glorious celebration where, for the most part, we celebrate the birth of Christ into our world and into our hearts and we reflect on the gift of salvation that is born with him...including the fact he was born to die for us...as we are baptized within him we, too, die with him. So the Christmas season actually ends after the Epiphany at the Baptism of our Lord (which this year is Monday) January 9<sup>th</sup>. Often I think we are slowly drawn into the mysteries of the Christmas season. The crib season is an example of doing that, as the figurines are added slowly as they appear with the mystery of Christmas happenings. Yes, Christmas comes and Christmas goes, but he continues to live in our hearts. ~ Padre' Jerry



Join us for **"Mozart by Candlelight"** performed by the Lima Symphony on Sunday, January 22nd at 4:00 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Church, Ottoville. Tickets are \$20 per person or \$10 for students. Purchase tickets (cash or check only) in advance at the Parish Office during normal business hours or at the door the day of the performance. Credit card purchases can be made by calling (419) 222-5701. Tickets can also be purchased online at [www.LimaSymphony.com](http://www.LimaSymphony.com) but a service charge applies and student discounted tickets are not available when ordering via this method. Any proceeds remaining after performance expenses will be donated to the church's Stained Glass Window Restoration Project. **TICKETS WILL ALSO BE ON SALE IN THE BACK OF CHURCH AFTER MASSES NEXT WEEKEND (January 14th and 15th).**

The **Fort Jennings American Legion** will be having a **Chicken Fry** on Saturday, January 21st from 6-11 p.m. Cost is \$10 per person and includes all you can eat chicken and assorted sides. Beverages will be available. Carry-outs will be available beginning at 4:30 p.m. at a cost of \$8 per carryout and includes 4 pieces of chicken and choice of 2 sides.

**John the Baptist had been preparing the people for the coming of the Messiah, God had promised to send. As a sign of their sorrow for their sins, they came to the River Jordan to be publicly baptized by John. January 9<sup>th</sup>'s Gospel tells what happened when Jesus himself arrived to be baptized by John. Join us for a Mass to celebrate The Baptism of the Lord on Monday morning, January 9th at 8:10 a.m.**

## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP REPORT

WEEKLY BUDGET = \$5200.00	WEEK OF
SOL OF MARY BUDGET = \$1,300.00	12/31/16 - 1/1/2017
Loose Cash	\$281.50
Christmas Adult Envelopes (13)	\$1070.00
Christmas—Children & Youth (2)	\$2.00
Sunday Offering—Adult Envelopes (157)	\$3,162.00
Sunday Offering—Children & Youth (14)	\$28.02
Solemnity of Mary—Adult Envelopes (94)	\$1,521.00
Solemnity of Mary—Children & Youth (7)	\$8.00
Parish Center Envelopes (15)	\$155.00
Parish Center—Loose Cash	\$281.50
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$6,509.02</b>
<b>WEEKLY BUDGET SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$9.02</b>

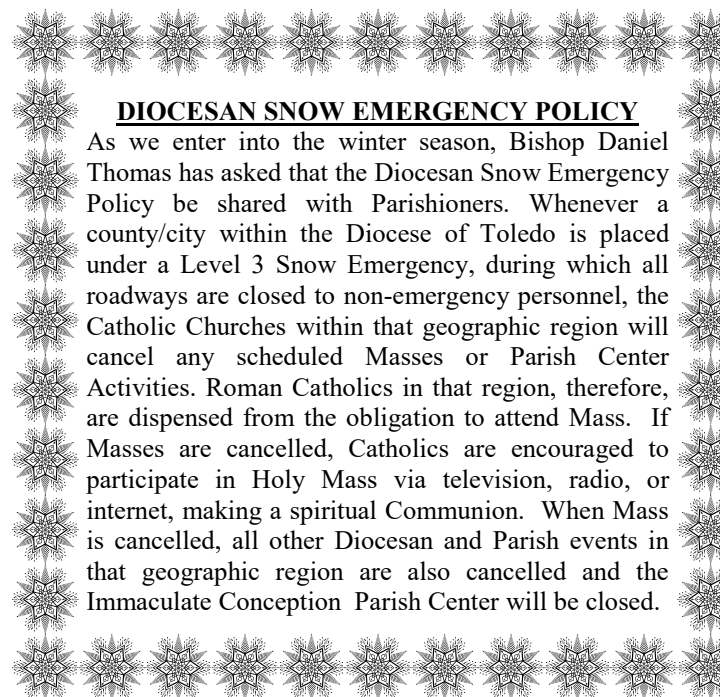
### CONTRIBUTIONS TO:

Initial Offering Envelopes—Adult (70)	\$199.00
Initial Offering—Children & Youth (9)	\$8.00
Window Restoration Project	\$1,280.00
Church Repair (1)	\$3.00

**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 NOW AVAILABLE.** If you would like a copy of yours, please stop by or call the Parish Office at (419) 453-3513 or send an email to [immac@bright.net](mailto:immac@bright.net).



### DIOCESAN SNOW EMERGENCY POLICY

As we enter into the winter season, Bishop Daniel Thomas has asked that the Diocesan Snow Emergency Policy be shared with Parishioners. Whenever a county/city within the Diocese of Toledo is placed under a Level 3 Snow Emergency, during which all roadways are closed to non-emergency personnel, the Catholic Churches within that geographic region will cancel any scheduled Masses or Parish Center Activities. Roman Catholics in that region, therefore, are dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass. If Masses are cancelled, Catholics are encouraged to participate in Holy Mass via television, radio, or internet, making a spiritual Communion. When Mass is cancelled, all other Diocesan and Parish events in that geographic region are also cancelled and the Immaculate Conception Parish Center will be closed.