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Brother Parish with St. Louis, Custar 419-669-1864

## OUR VISION

We are a people of God, nourished by sacred Scripture and Sacrament. We believe in and are experiencing the mystery of God's unconditional love for us. Through Jesus Christ — and with the help of the Holy Spirit — we work to build God's Kingdom on earth. Our efforts within our parish will focus on: our fuller union with God, our strengthened relationships with each other and our caring service to others.

> **December 4, 2016 Second Sunday of Advent**

# **PASTOR**

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## PASTORAL COUNCIL

### PARISH OFFICE

Catherine Agosti

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## LITURGICAL ROLES SCHEDULING

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#### SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Heather Johnson, 274-1094 Debbie Hertzfeld, 878-0731

### YOUTH

Kevin Hertzfeld, 878-0731

### ST. VINCENT De PAUL SOCIETY

C/O Parish Office, 832-5215

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## PRAYER CIRCLE

### BELL CHOIR

Karol Westhoven, 533-2281

## CEMETERY BOARD

Mike Metzger

## LITURGY SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday – Isaiah 35:1-10; Luke 5:17-26

Tuesday – Isaiah 40:1-11; Matthew 18:12-14

Wednesday – Isaiah 40:25-31; Matthew 11:28-30

Thursday – Genesis 3:9-15, 20; Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12; Luke 1:26-38

Friday – Isaiah 48:17-19; Matthew 11:16-19

Saturday – Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11; Matthew 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday – Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10; James 5:7-10; Matthew 11:2-11

## LITURGIES THIS WEEK: (Dec. 6th - Dec. 8th)

## \*\*Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Dec. 8th

Tues. St. Patrick 8:00 a.m. Wed. St. Patrick 7:00 p.m.

Thurs. St. Louis 9:15 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Thurs. St. Patrick 12:00 Noon Fri. St. Louis 9:00 a.m.

## WEEKEND LITURGIES: (Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>)

4:30 p.m. - (For our Parish) Sat. St. Patrick

Sat. St. Louis 6:00 p.m.

Sun. St. Patrick 8:00 a.m. – (Bernadette Winhoven)

Sun. St. Louis 9:30 a.m.

St. Patrick 11:00 a.m. - (In Thanksgiving!) Sun.

## **Second Sunday of Advent**

Good stewards believe that God, who has begun this good work in them, will carry it through to completion. In words and deeds, they can sing with the psalmist, "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy!"

#### Liturgies

Saturday, 4:30 p.m. Sunday, 8:00 & 11:00 a.m. Holy Days 7:00 p.m.

## **Sacrament of Penance**

Saturday, 3:30 - 4:00 p.m.or call Fr. Dave, 832-2414 for appt.

## Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick:

Call pastor anytime (832-5215 (O); 832-2414 (H)

#### Marriages

Notify pastor at least six months before your wedding date.

#### **Baptisms**

Meeting with parents is needed before liturgy.

### Parish Membership

New members are most welcome! To join, call our office or speak with pastor.

If planning to leave parish, please notify office.

LITURGY APPOINTMENTS: Dec. 10th & 11th				
H. & F. Zbierajewski,				
S. Sochacki				
P. Weimer, J. Hahn,				
T. Ellerbrock				
K. Youngblood,				
B. Wilson, N. Bump				

Ministers of Communion:	4:30 p.m.	P. Hertzfeld, N. Athanitis, C. Nelms, C. Lillevik, B. Heier
	8:00 a.m.	M. & K. Hertzfeld, J. Sattler,
	11:00 a.m.	S. Suter, C. Tippenhauer A. & J. Coburn, D. Miller, B. Kleis, R. Guyer
Servers:	4:30 p.m.	N. Potter, R. Kessler,

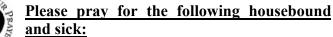
Servers:	4:30 p.m.	N. Potter, R. Kessler,
	_	B. Hertzfeld
	8:00 a.m.	N. Corpus, K. Maas,
		C. Sattler
	11:00 a.m.	V. Ellinwood, A. Divis,
		S. Shaffer

We give what we have been given: Sunday Offertory (11/27/16)				
Offertory Adult Envelopes (93) Loose Total	\$ 3,039.00 \$ 209.54 \$ 3,248.54			
Votive Candles Coffee & Rolls Magazines Stipends Cemetery Maintenance Campaign for H.D.	\$ 10.00 \$ 68.00 \$ 5.00 \$ 20.00 \$ 4.00 \$ 50.00			
Offertory Received to Date (22 wk.) Average	\$ 86,430.19 \$ 3,928.64			

## Calling all Christmas Eve Singers...

We need young singers to help us ring in the holiday with song. Please plan on coming 15 minutes early the next four class times to practice for the 4:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass. Any questions please call or text Sue Hannewald @ 419-250-2540. Hope to see you on Dec. 4th and 18th at 9:00 a.m. in the church!

THE CULTURE PROJECT is an initiative of young people set out to restore culture through the experience of virtue. They proclaim the dignity of the human person and the richness of living sexual integrity, inviting our culture to become fully alive. You can learn more about the Culture Project at <a href="https://www.restoreculture.com">www.restoreculture.com</a>. They will be meeting Sunday December 4th from 6-8:30 p.m. at St. Louis, Custar. If interested or have any questions please contact Kevin Hertzfeld at 419-878-0731.



and sick:	
**Patricia Cook	**Ed Bump
**Marge Hertzfeld	**Mary Ann Weasel
Mark Karmol	**Marcy Dick
Ruth Hurd	Greg Paul
**Margaret Mockenstrum	**Tony Biesiot
**Denise Krabill	**Steve Hertzfeld
Deborah Page	**Kim Kempf
Jason Henderson	Julia
**Larry Hertzfeld	Susan Ammon
**Mary Ann Kowalik	**Beverly Liske
VJ	Michelle Harting
Robert Bowman	**Jamee Bernthisel
Joe Boyle, Jr.	Sister Carmiltia Stinn
Corey Longenecker	**Jerry Hahn
**Bob Hertzfeld	Galvin Moore
Marie Thomas	**Rich Piasecki
Rita Biesiot	Forest Plotts
Tom Auth	**Ethel Sheeley
**David Durham	Theresa Metzger
Brenda Michaels	**Jean Burt
Susan Stohl	Janice Wade
Mindy Vance	Bob Freeworth
**Evan Simon	**Lillian Mertes
Beau & Brin Beemer	**Georgia Curtis
Stacey Snyder	**Bonnie Piasecki
Audrey H.	**Don Westhoven
Jeannine Garrard	Lois Plotts
Nick Fall	Tim Scheer
**Evelyn Gray	Gaylene McGrath
Mary Rosa	**Malory Beasley
Patrick Crottie	Shannon Jones
Landon Lightle	Steve & Sue Hurst
**Rosemary Biesoit	**Kristy Kitchen
**Dick Mertes	Dave Brennan
Mark Mackowiak	Claire Zbierajewski
Loretta Murano	Dorthy Brennan

\*\* is a member of St. Patrick

Marshal Geiselman

If you know of anyone who needs to be removed please contact Cathy in the parish office 419-832-5215.

Snow Emergencies: If any of our counties (Lucas, Henry, Fulton, or Wood) declare either a Level 2 or 3 we will cancel. We will attempt to put the cancellation on Channel 11 WTOL and Channel 13 WTVG. However, on the weekends television stations have short staffs and so the cancellations may not go up on time for our classes. This is different than the Diocese policy that mass can be cancelled for Level 3. Because our teachers come from a wide area, and road conditions can be different in different counties, we will not wait until a Level 3 to cancel. Any questions call the parish office, 419-832-5215.

<u>Thank You:</u> I would just like to personally thank everyone for the plants, flowers, cards, and mostly for all the prayers. God Bless you all! Janis Kern

**FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:** Today's gospel shows John the Baptist and parents have similar vocations. Like the Baptist, parents are asked to make "rough ways smooth" and to "prepare the way of the Lord" for their families. This Advent ask: "Does my life hinder or help my family to know Jesus?"





Otsego Christmas Baskets: The parish office is now taking names of people for the Otsego Christmas baskets. Please remember that the person(s) have to know about getting the baskets. If you would

like to donate food or **NEW** toys you can bring them to the Northwest corner of the hall. Please no clothes. The only clothes we will be accepting are warm items: gloves, scarfs, hats, etc. The Otsego Christmas Baskets are a 501© 3 non-profit organization.

2017 March for Life Interested in attending the 2017 March for Life in Washington, D.C. on January 27, 2017? Join the College and Young Adult bus trip sponsored by Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Toledo! The trip is only \$129 per person, but college students get a special discounted price of \$99! Our trip includes an overnight stay at the Hyatt Place in downtown Washington, D.C., as well as free time to tour the city. We depart late evening on Thursday, January 26, and return late evening on Saturday, January 28. If you have any questions, contact Respect Life Program Coordinator Peter Range at prange@toledodiocese.org or 419-244-4933. Deadline to register is Thursday, December 15. Please see flyer on our church bulletin boards for more information.

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary: The Holyday of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is Thursday December 8<sup>th</sup>. The mass schedule will be:

Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> 7:00p.m. St. Patrick-Providence (Grand Rapids)

Thursday, December 8th 9:15a.m. St. Louis-Custar

Thursday December 8<sup>th</sup> 12:00 noon St. Patrick-Providence (Grand Rapids)

Thursday December 8th 7:00p.m. St. Louis-Custar

\*No Morning 9:00a.m. Mass Wednesday December 7<sup>th</sup> at St. Louis-Custar

\*\*Morning Mass 9:00a.m. Friday December 9<sup>th</sup> at St. Louis-Custar

## **Retirement Fund for Religious**

Your donation works for aging religious. Your gift works for elderly religious by helping to furnish medications, nursing care, and more. Please support next week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious, and give to those who have given a lifetime.

## Candlelight Vigil for Life

Bring a candle and join members of the pro-life community of Northwest Ohio on Thursday, December 15 at 5:30 p.m. as we gather at Capital Care abortion facility, 1160 W. Sylvania Ave., Toledo, Ohio to pray in honor of the Christ Child whose coming we celebrate this Christmas. If you have any questions, contact Director of Office for Life and Justice, Peter Range at prange@toledodiocese.org.

### Cathy's Joke's of the Week!!

-A woman accompanied her ailing husband to the doctor's office. After the doctor examined the husband and took some tests, the doctor took the woman aside into this office and said, "I'm sorry but I'm going to have to hospitalize your husband unless you cook him three nutritious meals a day, don't burden him with household chores, make him laugh, and let him have the TV remote control every night." When they got home, the husband asked his wife what the doctor had told her. "He said you're going to have to go into the hospital," she replied.

## -Outside Signs-

- -"God's Garden: Lettuce be kind. Squash gossip and turnip for church."
- -"Pessimists need a kick in the can'ts."
- -"Come as you are. You can change on the inside."
- -"A Christian is a right-side-up person in an upside-down world."
- -"It's beginning to cost a lot like Christmas."
- -"Is prayer your steering wheel or your spare tire."