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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.

February 26, 2017 Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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LITURGY SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday – Sirach 17:20-24; Mark 10:17-27

Tuesday – Sirach 35:1-12; Mark 10:28-31

Wednesday – Joel 2:12-18; 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday – Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Luke 9:22-25

Friday – Isaiah 58:1-9a; Matthew 9:14-15 Saturday – Isaiah 58:9b-14; Luke 5:27-32

Sunday – Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11

LITURGIES THIS WEEK: (Feb. 28th, Mar. 1st & 2nd)

Tues. St. Patrick 8:00 a.m.

Wed. St. Louis 9:15 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. (Ash Wednesday)

Wed. St. Patrick 12:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. (Ash Wednesday)

Thurs. St. Patrick 8:00 a.m. Fri. St. Louis 9:00 a.m.

WEEKEND LITURGIES: (Mar. 4th & Mar. 5th)

 Sat.
 St. Patrick
 4:30 p.m.

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

 Sun.
 St. Patrick
 8:00 a.m.

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

 Sun.
 St. Patrick
 11:00 a.m.

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stewards of the mysteries of God-that's what St. Paul says we are in today's second reading. And the first requirement, he says, is that we be trustworthy. Entrusted with the gift of faith, do I share it as gratefully and as generously as I do my time, my talent, and my treasure?

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 A	PPOINTME	NTS: Mar. 4th & Mar. 5th
Weekend	4:30 p.m.	C. Lillevik, J. May,
Liturgies		M. Gase
	8:00 a.m.	P. Weimer, T. Ellerbrock,
		J. Hahn
	11:00 a.m.	K. Youngblood,
		D. Miller, B. Wilson
Minister	4:20 :	C. Dalassila NI. Adhanidia
Ministers of	4:30 p.m.	C. Balusik, N. Athanitis,
Communion:		B. Heier, R. Herndon,
		B. Hertzfeld
	8:00 a.m.	S. Hannewald,
		M. & K. Hertzfeld,
		R. Pollock, J. Sattler
	11:00 a.m.	J. & E. Collins, R. Guyer,
		D. Glenn, N. Bump
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Servers:	4:30 p.m.	D. & A. Gase
	8:00 a.m.	N. Corpus, M. Hannewald,
		G. Dolgoff
	11:00 a.m.	L. Brewster, V. Ellinwood,
		T. Miller

We give what we have been given: Sunday Offertory (2/19/17)				
Offertory Adult Envelopes (98) Loose Total	\$	3,618.00 321.00 3,939.00		
Votive Candles Coffee & Rolls Easter Flowers Parking Lot Repaving Bulletin Advertisements Cemetery Maintenance	\$\$\$\$\$\$	4.00 67.57 25.00 50.00 100.00 397.00		
Offertory Received to Date (34 wk.) Average	\$ 1 \$	32,397.62 3,894.04		

RICE BOWL 2017: Join our faith community-and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United State-in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl at both entrances of the church. May these 40 days better prepare us to encounter ourselves, our neighbors and our God.

Don't Forget to Pick Up Your Little Black Prayer Book for Lent at the Entrances of Church!

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES: Please pray for our confirmation candidates who are in retreat this Sunday, February 26th confirmation is March 11th at the Cathedral.

Please pray for the following housebound and sick:

**Patricia Cook	**Ed Bump		
**Marge Hertzfeld	**Mary Ann Weasel		
Marshal Geiselman	**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		
Norm Liebrecht	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		
Bea Kovacs	**Georgia Curtis		
Stacey Snyder	**Bonnie Piasecki		
Audrey H.	**Don Westhoven		
Jeannine Garrard	Lois Plotts		
Nick Fall	Tim Scheer		
Summer Johnson	Gaylene McGrath		
Mary Rosa	**Malory Beasley		
Patrick Crottie	Shannon Jones		
Landon Lightle	Steve & Sue Hurst		
**Rosemary Biesoit	Chris Grunden		
**Dick Mertes	Dave Brennan		
Mark Mackowiak	Claire Zbierajewski		
Loretta Murano	Daryl Chamberlain		
Addy Thieman			

^{**} is a member of St. Patrick

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

Dispensation from Lenten Abstinence on Friday, 17 March 2017: Out of pastoral solicitude, Bishop Daniel Thomas has formally dispensed the faithful of the Diocese of Toledo from the obligation to abstain from meat on the Memorial of Saint Patrick, Bishop, which will be observed this year on Friday, March 17. Those who choose to partake of meat on that day are encouraged to undertake another penance that day in the form of a corporal or spiritual work of mercy. In this way, a faithful Catholic still keeps the penitential spirit of a Friday in Lent and unites oneself more closely with the suffering Christ and His Church.

<u>FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:</u> Because we believe we can control and create our own world, we attempt to juggle multiple agendas and we pay a price of neglecting those closest to us. Too late we reach the point of asking "Was it worth it?" We really can't serve two masters.



Heartbeat of Toledo Baby Bottle Campaign: Thanks for your generous spirit. The total collected this year was \$1,386.14. This will go a long way in helping young mothers "choose life".

FISH FRY: Knights of Columbus Council 6373 Fish Fry, St. Aloysius Church, 150 S. Enterprise Bowling Green, OH 43402. All you can eat Fish, 2 sides and desert March 3rd, March 17th and March 31st 4:30- 7PM--\$9.00 Adult, \$5 Kid 12 and under.

Quiet Prayer Before the Blessed Sacrament

Prayer is available 40 hours each month beginning with the first Friday of the month (4:00 a.m. Friday – 10:00 p.m. Saturday). This is an excellent opportunity to pray before the Blessed Sacrament and to listen quietly to God. If you would like to experience this first hand please contact Phil Hertzfeld at 419-878-6811/419-466-2896 or just stop in any time; entrance is by knocking on the south ramp door. It will be Mar. 3rd & 4th.

"Building His Church, Fulfilling His Mission"
Annual Catholic Appeal 2017: Countless lives are touched by every contribution to the 2017 Annual Catholic Appeal, Children, seminary students, the sick and aged the needy-they all depend on our generosity. Thank you for pledging today to help meet our parish goal of \$10,750.00 and assure the continuation of these programs and services. For more information about making a gift to the 2017 ACA may be directed to the Catholic Foundation at 419-244-6711 or by email at aca@toledodiocese.org. As always, thank you for your continued support!

"Pope Francis and the Monarch Butterfly: A Message about God's Creation" The St. Louis Parish Lenten Mission is Wednesday, March 8th at 7:00 p.m. Join us!: The St. Louis Parish Altar Rosary Society is hosting a Lenten Mission for the entire family. Hal Mann, member of the diocesan task force for Laudato Si': On Care For Our Common Home and native plant enthusiast, will share the necessity of the Monarch butterfly and the instrumental role this delicate insect plays in our everyday lives. www.stlouisparishcustar.com * Like us on Facebook at St. Louis Parish Custar, OH. All are welcome! Bring the family! Kids' activities! Refreshments!

Lenten Regulations for Fast and Abstinence

On Ash Wednesday March 1st and Good Friday April 14th, we are asked to fast and abstain from meat. Fasting means not to eat between meals and that our two smaller meals must be less than our one main meal. For medical reasons another act of sacrifice can be substituted. All Fridays in Lent, we are asked to abstain from meat totally and this applies to those who have reached their 14th year.

Cathy's Joke's of the Week!!

-Will Rogers on growing older- "Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it."—"The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for."—"I don't know how I got over this hill without getting to the top."—"You have to wait until evening to see how splendid the day has been."
-A couple phoned a friend to extend birthday greetings. They dialed the number and then sang "Happy Birthday" to him. But when they finished their off-key rendition, they discovered that they had dialed the wrong number. "Don't let it bother you," said the stranger on the phone, "you folks need all the practice you can get."