

2015 Annual Catholic Appeal— Diocese of Toledo

St. Alphonsus
—Goal \$8,500

\$8,118.75

St. Joseph
—Goal \$12,500

\$8,430

Envelopes are in back of church for mailing ACA donations in. Or use the front cover of the bulletin—please list parish, fill out your information. **Make check payable to Annual Catholic Appeal and mail to: Annual Catholic Appeal, P.O. Box 917, Toledo, OH 43697**

St. John Neumann Discover Series Summer Camp

Through a collaborative effort, the faith communities of St. Alphonsus, St. Joseph, and St. Paul have come together, united in purpose, to share our faith with our children. We believe the Holy Spirit has led us in this effort to share the Good News with all our parish families.

The Discover Series serves children completing Kindergarten through 7th grade. The program will be held on the campus of St. Alphonsus during **the week of June 22-26, 2015 from 8:30am to 12:30pm each day.**

Students will participate in a variety of activities aimed at educating them in their faith and the teachings of their church. They will learn about:

Finding God
Living with God
Sharing God with others.

This program meets the standards established by the Diocese of Toledo.

Parish School of Religion Registration
Contact —

Sr. Carolyn Marie Schaffer at:
419-465-2625 or cschaffer@msjcs.org

St. Alphonsus & St. Joseph Parishes
May 31, 2015 — The Most Holy Trinity



Happy Feast of the Holy Trinity! I always think of **St. Parick** on this feast because of the legendary symbol of the three-cloved **shamrock** that he used to explain the mystery of the Trinity—three distinct *persons* united fully as the one God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Only in Jesus was this unfathomable mystery revealed to us.

Missionary Spirit: The constant emphasis of the Church in our times has been for a missionary spirit to prevail in our lives. Renewal can only happen when we are willing to look outward toward our mission. Pope Francis repeatedly emphasizes this in his preaching and his writings, especially in the *Evangelii Gaudium*, the joy of the Gospel. St. Patrick himself—not from Ireland originally—was a true apostle of the early centuries of the Church working in just that way. It was he who brought the preaching of Christ to Ireland for the first time. He had been sold there as a slave when just a boy, and then returned to witness to Christ.

We should never think of discipleship as easy. Do you know that the Roman Empire never extended into Ireland (though of course it did Britain, where Patrick was from) because the Irish tribes were considered too barbaric to conquer, so even the Romans left them alone? But Patrick conquered them in Christ! **How is a missionary spirit manifest in our own lives?**

We are steaming ahead toward the end of the year, and it is a very busy time of transitions and sewing up loose ends. I am preparing to move forward to my next assignment as Pastor in Leipsic, Ohio at St. Mary Church, and Fr. Ron Schock is preparing to arrive here to begin as Pastor. In that all of this happens simultaneously on **July 1st**, it is a very hectic time leading up to it. Already I have been through whole rounds of goodbyes and transitions—and in the meanwhile all of the ministry and activity that keeps us busy happens up until the very moment! I have spent time communicating with Fr. Ron as best as I can to help him make a smooth transition, even though it always feels overwhelming for the first year at least in a new situation.

New School Furnace: And I do have **one favor to ask** of you to assist with as a welcoming gift to Fr. Ron as an incoming Pastor here. There is nothing that a new Pastor dreads more than the idea of arriving to a new assignment and finding that he immediately has the task to raise money. And we do have one **manageable need** in that regard. Our Finance and Maintenance Council at St. Joseph have unanimously determined that we need to responsibly **replace the original furnace** in our school that was installed in 1961. These past few years we have had to make continual repairs to it, and only by the grace of God have we not had to cancel school days because of them—so far.

This task should take place this summer, and the estimated cost will be **\$47,000**. Besides the liability of the old furnace, which is only about 55% energy efficient, the new ones are rated closer to 97%, so there would be immediate and dramatic savings to our monthly heating bills! As a favor to Fr. Ron, I have assisted in tackling the project so that it can move forward, and I have already written to the Bishop for approval of the spending project, which should be no problem at all.

Now we just need to raise the funds to pay for the project. How about it? Will you be generous this month and make a **one-time donation**? It would be good for the new Pastor, great for the school, and great for you to assist in the *missionary spirit* active in our parish ministries. Let's get Fr. Ron off to a great start here and have this paid for by the time he arrives on July 1st! This will be an immediate sign to him of your enthusiasm and eagerness to show support. Checks can be made out to St. Joseph Church, and note on the envelope and/or check **Furnace Fund**.

May you be blessed through the Undivided Unity, Fr. William Pipher

Does your marriage seem off-key?

Restore harmony at a **Marriage Encounter Weekend!** The weekend is designed to help married couples communicate more intimately to enrich their relationship. The weekend is free from everyday routines.

Starts 8pm Friday and runs until 4pm Sunday. Nov. 6-8, 2015 –Lima Jan. 15-17, 2016—Perrysburg. \$75
Contact: Brian & Chris Schroeder-419-538-7210 (more info in back of church)

Congrats
to all
Grads!

2015
The Class Of

God Bless
you all!

St. Alphonsus and St. Joseph
Parish Office Phone Number
419-465-4142

Sunday, July 26th **EXCLAIM!** Free Christian Concert & more at The Monsignor Schmit CYO Athletic Complex, 555 S. Holland-Sylvania Rd. Toledo, Ohio 2-9pm—7pm Outdoor Catholic Mass

Adult Bible Study

The Gospel of Luke

For all ages 16 years and up. 4th Saturday of the month beginning June thru November. 2 hrs per session. **Call St. Joseph Plymouth Parish Office 419-687-4611 to register by June 19th (flyers in back of church with more information) Cost: Free will offering**

St. Alphonsus VBS 2015
Fun with Jesus!
June 8 - 12
9:00am - 11:30am
Children of all ages welcome!
Ages 3 - 9 Ages 10 - 17 Ages 18 - 100+
Please register by filling out a form located in the back of each church and drop in collection basket.
Call Mindy Kamann at 419-465-3374
Call/text/fbmessage/email Beth Schnellinger at 419-577-8886/BSchnellinger@yahoo.com
Look forward to sharing the story of Noah's Ark!

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. May 30— 5:00 PM (SJ)	8th Grade SJS & Seniors MHS Grads Doris Schaffer Steve Smith
Sun. May 31— 8:00 AM (SJ)	The Most Holy Trinity Sunday Russell Stang Clara Tyler Niver Sylvester, Freda, & Michael Morman
9:30 AM (SA)	Elva Bauer
Mon. June 1— 6:30 PM (SJ) 7:00 PM (SJ)	St. Justin, Martyr Rosary Wilfred & Odilia Myers
Tues. June 2— 6:30 PM (SA) 7:00 PM (SA)	Weekday Rosary Doris Schaffer
Wed. June 3— 8:00 AM (SJ)	St. Charles Lwanga & Companions Martyrs June Ferguson
Thurs. June 4— 6:50 AM (SJ) 7:10 AM (SJ)	Weekday Rosary James O'Neill
Fri. June 5— No Mass	St. Boniface, Bishop & Martyr
Sat. June 6 5:00 PM (SA)	Vigil of Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ Mark & Florence Betchman Albert & Jeanette Cusano James & Antonette Grimm
Sun. June 7— 8:00 AM (SJ)	The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ Joe Bischoff, Arden Miller, Russell Stang
9:30 AM (SA)	Deacon George Stepanic Mary Ann Schaffer

**June 6th—Saturday 5pm Mass
moves to
St. Alphonsus for the Summer.**

CONTRIBUTIONS—May 17

St. Alphonsus—2,454, Loose-103, Ladies-60,
Vigil Lights-32, Needy-50, Cemetery-182, Ascension-115.
St. Joseph—2,918, Loose-187, 50/50—60,
Mother's Day-50, School Support-25, Bldg-10, Ascension-110,
StVdP-10, Cemetery Endowment-35.

May 24 Contributions available next printing

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, June 6— 5:00 p.m. — St. Alphonsus

L Beth Schnellinger
U Volunteers
EM Barb & Ron Chase, Shirley Stang
S Dale & Abby Cherry

Sunday, June 7—8:00a.m.—St. Joseph

L Pat Scheid
U Marie & Ken Bischoff, Fred Leber
EM Cherri Schaffer, Barb Good, Ross Stieber,
Brent Bollenbacher, Sue Rogers, Barb Smith-C
S Alayna & Garrison Hohler, Chase Selka

Sunday, June 7— 9:30 a.m. —St. Alphonsus

L Marti Long
U Tom Ott, Jim Schindley, Jim Pheiffer
Dave Barman
EM Diane Schafer, David & Jackie Reed, Sue
Schindley, Charlie Nay, 2 Volunteers
S Ryan & Cayla Sowders, Taylor Brooks
G Nancy & Bob Wilson

COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS June 7—Diana Brown

COUNTERS – June 1 Rose Fritz, Grace Stang,
Catherine, Rose & Denny Perry.

K of C Club Winners

\$50: Paul Bores
\$25: Ruth Wilhelm, Bob Gillespie

In your charity please pray for Ruth Adelman who was
buried Saturday, may she be at peace with the Risen
Lord for all of eternity.

June Health Ministry is Migraine and Headache Awareness Month.
Headaches vary from person to person and can be caused from many
different things. There are many types of headaches: Migraine, tension,
sinus, cluster, rebound and on and on. No wonder it can be frustrating
finding help with your headaches. If you have frequent headaches you
can help your healthcare provider diagnosis your headache by keeping a
journal of when it occurs, what you ate before it occurred, what type of
weather, your emotions and anything else that may help show a pattern.
Another helpful tool is the National Headache Foundation at
www.headaches.org loaded with lots of information on the different
types, medications and more. You are not alone, more than 3 million
people suffer from headaches.

Not all headaches should be ignored, the following information was taken
from www.headaches.org Consult Your Healthcare Provider If Your
Headache...

- * is sudden and severe
- * occurs with fever, stiff neck, or uncontrollable vomiting
- * causes confusion or loss of consciousness
- * is persistent, when previously you've been headache free
- * is accompanied by numbness, weakness, or vision loss
- * begins after the age of fifty years
- * begins after head injury or other trauma
- * interferes with your ability to function normally at work or in social situations requires medication more than two days per week

"Happy is the man who finds wisdom, and the man who gains understanding." Proverbs 3:13.

PARISH & AREA CALENDAR

Prayers for all students and teachers to have a safe and
refreshing summer time!

St. Alphonsus Festival News: Don't forget we need your
Silent Auction Items. They can be dropped off in the small hall
or if need be we can pick them up for you. We also need gently
used or new stuffed animals for the Birthday Game. We have
Hog Drop Tickets available now they are \$25.00 per square and
we only sell 128 squares. We will have 2 Early Bird drawings
on Sunday June 7 and Sunday June 28—\$50.00 per winner.
So make sure you get your squares. Hog Drop takes place
7:30pm day of Festival July 12. It's a fun time to see which
square the hog will do his business on. Winner receives
\$1,000.00. Tickets will be going out soon please return sold
and unsold tickets to Catherine or Maria. Committee heads will
be calling soon we are only asking you to volunteer a few hours
of your time. We Thank everyone for their support of the Festival.
Any question please ask Catherine or Maria.

St. Joseph Festival News— The Committee is asking for
gently used stuffed animals. **They may be left in the rear of
the church on the weekends— then in July** they may be
dropped off at the parish office M-F 9am until 3:30pm. Silent
Auction donations are being collected—call Geri Myers at
419-706-4911. **St. Joseph Festival Pies—** The Festival
Committee is asking for 3 or 4 volunteers please to help
bake pies for the festival on the *baking day -Friday, July
31st from 8am til 2pm* in the social hall. They do this to
save the cost of \$1,000 +! Please volunteer to help with
this project by calling Susie Lohmann at 419-706-9986
as soon as possible. Thank you!

Reminder— St. Joseph Festival date will be changing
weekends beginning August 2015. It will be moved to
the **FIRST WEEKEND of August** which in 2015 will be
August 1st and 2nd.

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St. Joseph Talent Show at the Festival— Acts of all ages are
Welcome! Please call or text Miranda Bores at 419-706-4293
to sign up! Forms are also available in the back of church.

**Non-Food Bank— June 9 and June 18. Closed July. Please
help by —**Placing donated items in the cardboard box in back
of church. Items needed are: toilet paper, bar soap, dish soap,
trash bags, multi-purpose cleaner, paper towels, laundry deter-
gent, toothbrushes/paste, shampoo, facial tissue. **Thank you!**

June 1 and 15 — Catholic Charities Basic Budgeting Skills
workshops from 1pm til 3pm. At the Norwalk location. Call Marla
Sommers 419-668-3073

Abigail Ministries' Annual WALK FOR LIFE Saturday, June 13 at
9a-n at The Gazebo at Suhr Park Main St. Norwalk & The Gazebo on
Myrtle Ave., Willard, Oh. Register online: www.friendsofabigail.com

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