



# Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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A member of the St. George Deanery

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## OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday—9:00 until Noon

E-mail address: **stjoeparishofc@bright.net**

## MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am and 9:30 am

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday: 7:00 pm

Wednesday: 7:30 am

Thursday: 7:00 pm

Friday: 7:55 am

## CONFESSIONS

Tuesdays 6:30 pm

Saturdays 4:30 pm

Anytime by request

## BAPTISMS

Baptisms will be celebrated anytime agreeable with Fr. Charles or Deacon Larry. For BAPTISM INSTRUCTION date and time check the bulletin. Please call the parish office to register.

## MARRIAGE

Make arrangements at least six months ahead of time by calling the parish office. Do not set wedding date prior to contacting the parish office.

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

RCIA classes run from September to May. These classes are for anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith or who wish to join the Church. Call the parish office to register.

## FAITH ENRICHMENT

Religious Education Classes for the elementary students from August through May. Classes for the Junior High and High School students run September through March. Adult Enrichment: Bible Study, Spiritual development, missions and retreats. Check the bulletin for details.

## MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND ELDERLY

Visitation and Eucharist will be provided by a Eucharistic Minister. A priest will be available if needed. Notify the parish office about people in the hospital or shut-ins. If you are, or will be hospitalized because of a surgery or serious illness, contact the pastor to receive the Sacrament of Healing.

## WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new to our St. Joseph Parish Family, please call or visit the parish office to register.

**ALL ARE WELCOME HERE**

Director of Music & Liturgy Chairperson:

Mrs. Joyce Gasser 419-286-2989

Sacristan:

Mrs. Kathy Fischer 419-286-2003

Youth Minister:

Rhonda Liebrecht 419-286-2019

Finance Council:

Mr. Larry Schimmoeller 419-286-2170

Maintenance:

Mr. Ted Verhoff 419-286-2480

Friends of Hope and  
Communion to Homebound:

Norma Maag 419-286-2265

Cemetery:

Mr. Bob Calvelage 419-286-2020

Prayer Line:

Mrs. Laurie Maag 419-234-6518

Maintenance & Hall Manager:

Mr. Doyle Wittler 419-286-5100

Funeral Luncheon Committee:

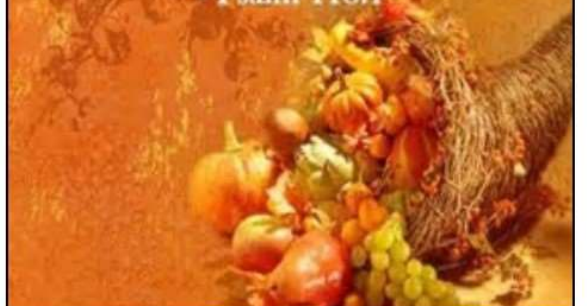
Mrs. Mary Menke 419-286-2504

Mrs. Sue Knippen 419-286-2429

Give thanks to the Lord,

for He is good; His love endures forever.

- Psalm 118:1





# Intentions

Sat	25	5:00 pm	Arnold Krietemeyer
Sun	26	7:30 am	Edith Calvelage
		9:30 am	Carol Meyer
		6:00 pm	For Our Teens
Mon	27	<b>6:30 pm</b>	<b>Precious Blood Chaplet</b>
		<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Precious Blood Mass</b>
Tues	28	7:00 pm	Bob & Pat Ewing John & Hilda Pohl
Wed	29	7:30 am	For Souls in Purgatory
Thur	30	7:00 pm	Helen Liebrecht Tom & Mid Stechschulte
Fri	01		<b>FIRST FRIDAY</b>
		7:55 am	<b>For the Sacred Heart of Jesus that bleeds each time we sin</b>
~Exposition after Mass with Closing at Noon~			
Sat	02		<b>FIRST SATURDAY</b>
		7:00 am	<b>Exposition</b>
		8:00 am	<b>For the Immaculate Heart of Mary</b>
		5:00 pm	Lucille & Joe Gasser Ed & Catherine Hoersten
Sun	03	7:30 am	Mary Helen (Schweller) Lengerich
		9:30 am	Richard & Irma Warnecke Rita Knott

**THIS WEEK'S READINGS:**

Mon	11/27	Dn 1:1-6, 8-20	Lk 21:1-4
Tues	11/28	Dn 2:31-45	Lk 21:5-11
Wed	11/29	Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28	Lk 21:12-19
Thu	11/30	Saint Andrew, Apostle	
		Rom 10:9-18	Mt 4:18-22
Fri	12/01	Dn 7:2-14	Lk 21:29-33
Sat	12/02	Dn 7:15-27	Lk 21:34-36

Pictorial Directory pictures will take place in the church basement: St. Elizabeth room. Please go down to the Fellowship Hall on your scheduled day and time. \*\*To check the date/time you signed up for directory pictures, the schedule in the Bride's room. For any questions, call Alice Swick at 419-286-2798

**We welcome Rhonda Liebrecht as our new Youth Minister!** Rhonda is trying very hard to energize our Youth Ministry program. She cannot do this without the help of you parents, encourage your children to attend Youth Ministry meetings – they are fun filled evenings!

**WEEKDAY SERVERS:**

**Tuesday, Nov. 28 & Friday, Dec. 1**  
Hannah Grote, Leah Kazee, Ethan Koester  
**Thurs., Nov. 30 & Sat., Dec. 2**  
Brandt Menke, Andrew Kahle, Jarron Swick

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS December 2 & 3:**

**SERVERS:**

5:00pm Chloe Fields, Gabby Martz,  
Brayden Calvelage  
7:30 am Chase, Casey & Keaton Suever  
9:30 am Chase Neidert, Isabella Conley,  
Christina Hubert

**OFFERTORY GIFTS:**

5:00 pm Gasser/Hoersten Family  
7:30 am Ron & Mary Jean Schweller  
9:30 am Richard & Irma Warnecke Family

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

5:00 pm Amy Eickholt, Deena Walsh,  
Sharon Kleman, Shelly Knippen,  
Sue Knippen, Doreen Knippen  
7:30 am **Volunteers Needed**  
9:30 am Logan Sickels, Rhonda Liebrecht,  
Denise Sukup, Lisa Wisner,  
Rob & Tina Warnecke

**LECTORS:**

5:00 pm John Michel  
7:30 am Volunteers Needed  
9:30 am Denny Osting

**USHERS:**

5:00 pm Kevin & Amanda Kahle  
7:30 am **Volunteers Needed**  
9:30 am Bryan & Shelley Hoersten

**Please pray for the Sick:** Logan Schimmoeller & Bob Calvelage



**November 18 & 19:**

Envelopes	\$ 2,760.00
Oct. EFT Giving	\$ 1,420.00
Loose	\$ 863.00
Maintenance Envelopes	\$ 220.00
Pew Rent	\$ 256.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 277.00
Human Development	\$ 234.00

(YTD as of Nov. 19, 2017,) = **\$ 86,064.80**  
YTD Over Budget = \$ 2,064.80

**Thank you for your continued generosity!!**



**BAPTISMS:** To arrange a baptism please Call the Parish Office or Deacon Larry (cell) (419) 302-2532 or by email [larry@fjsb.com](mailto:larry@fjsb.com).

**BAPTISM CLASSES**

Baptismal Class will be Tuesday, December 12th.

Please attend instructions before the birth of the child.

Call the Parish Office to register.

**Attend a Pre-Marriage Preparation Class before your marriage.**



Find Marriage Prep Classes at <http://ToledoMarriagePrep.org>

Bulletin submissions deadline is Wednesdays at Noon each week.

**Especially for Advent: "The Star of Bethlehem"** movie will be shown in our church after 7:00 Mass on Thursday, December 7th. This intriguing film lasts 65 minutes. Join us to see this amazing documentary about the star of Bethlehem. Explore the truth of scripture and evidence for God's existence as seen in the stars above. Discover the secret of the star as well as God's vastness of creativity. The presenter walks you through the historical and biblical clues revealing the significance of this event. It is excellent!

**CRHP Retreat 2018 on March 3-4, 2018.**

Ladies, this retreat is for you to grow in faith with other like-minded ladies. Please, if you have not yet been to a CRHP retreat, consider joining us for this spirit filled weekend. It may just change your life. More information at a later time, **mark your calendars today!**

**FJ PURSE & FINE JEWELRY BINGO!** FJ women's club is having their annual purse bingo on February 9, 2018. Tickets are on sale now. Contact Stacey Warnecke or any member for tickets.

**New Inspirational CD's & Books now available** to help you grow and know your faith. We all have busy, busy lives. Finding time to learn about our faith can be difficult. But now we can meet you where you are! Wherever you have a CD player available, you can deepen your understanding and love for your Catholic Faith. Located in the Narthex you will see a stand offering CD's & Books for a suggested donation. These feature some of the most inspiring Catholic speakers. The titles will change as items sell out. All donations will be used to purchase new titles.

**NEXT TEEN MASS** – Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m. – Annual Barn Mass at Ken & Karan Maenle home. All are invited!

**YOUTH GROUP** - As of now our Youth Group will be meeting the 2nd & 4th Sundays @ 7PM-8PM in Fathers basement (enter back of priest house). **TEEN MASSES** will always be the 2nd Sunday of the month @ 6PM with youth group after. **ALL** kids, grades 7- 12 are invited. We plan on playing games, eating, having fun and planning outings. We will also be doing outings with other youth groups from neighboring towns. This is a great way to meet people in a positive environment. Please encourage your kids or grandkids to come try it, bring their friends and have fun! **NEXT Youth Group will be this Sunday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup>**, first we will be meeting @ Ken & Karan Maenle's house @ 5:30 PM to help set up for the Barn Mass on December 10<sup>th</sup> @ 6PM. After we are done setting up, we will head up to Father's basement for youth group until 8PM. Yes, we will have food for you at Fathers!

**Holy Communion for the sick at St. Rita's:** Visiting the sick is one of the corporal works of mercy, and bringing Holy Communion to people in the hospital is a great way to practice this. St. Rita's Medical Center is looking for volunteer Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist to share the sacrament with patients, and are especially in need on weekends. The Medical Center will provide orientation and training. If you are interested in serving the sick, please contact Deb Miller, Spiritual Care Office Coordinator at 419-226-9481.

**Fort Jennings Elementary will hold kindergarten registration for the 2018-2019 school year** on school days from December 11th thru December 20th Please come to the elementary office between 8:00 am and 3:00 pm to register your child. Your child does not have to come along. Children must be five years of age on or before September 30, 2018 to be eligible for kindergarten. Parents are asked to bring their child's birth certificate, social security number, and immunization record at the time of registration. Please, feel free to call the elementary office at 419-286-2762 if you have any questions.

**SANTA IS COMING!!**

To Memorial hall on  
**Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**10:00 – 11:30 a.m.**

**Come give Santa your Christmas list!**  
**Sponsored by Vetter Lumber**



**FJ STUDENTS NEED YOU!!** The Fort Jennings Student Council is in need of housing for students for the Ohio Association of Student Councils Annual State Conference. Each household in the Jennings Local School District received a flyer in September with the details. The conference will be held April 26-28, 2018. Please, consider housing a few students for the 2 nights of the conference. You can choose junior high or high school students and either boys or girls. They don't need a bed, that's why they make sleeping bags!! Please, send in your registration found on the flyer by December 15<sup>th</sup>. We need to find homes for 300+ kids! FJHS Student Council thanks you for your support. If you need a flyer, please contact FJHS Student Council Advisor Jeff Jostpille at [j\\_jostpille@jenningslocal.org](mailto:j_jostpille@jenningslocal.org).

"The Meadows of Kalida is currently accepting donations for our **11th annual Hope for the Holidays fundraiser**. This year, proceeds will be going towards **The PHAALS Foundation, Playing Hardball Against ALS**. A silent auction will be held Sunday, December 17th from 1-4 with many, beautiful Christmas trees and wreaths on display to bid on. Our campus will be open to the community starting November 27th through December 17th to set up and decorate their donated items being put on display. Feel free to donate in memory or in honor of a loved one for all to see. We look forward to your participation in helping raise money for our local families affected by ALS. Call Cindy at our campus with any questions at 419-532-2961."

**Parish Advent Penance Service**

**Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**

The Friends of the Putnam County District Library are sponsoring their **26th Annual Christmas Tree Festival**, December 2 thru January 4 during library hours. 35+ decorated trees will be on display beginning with an Open House on Saturday, December 2, from 1 to 3 PM with music, refreshments, and a visit from Santa.

**Delphos St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, will present an evening of music and reflections** to prepare our hearts for Jesus' birth on Monday, Dec. 4th at 7:30pm. Soloists and groups from various churches are involved as well as young people from Jefferson and St. John. Come and prepare your heart for Christmas!

**FREE!!** – There are books at the exits of church, "Everybody needs to Forgive Somebody." Father Charles asks that each family take one book and share it. Have your family members each read this wonderful book, it may just bring peace into your life. Remember, forgiveness is a way to Heaven.

### Bible Trivia

- Q. How many years did Methuselah live?  
**A. 600 years old (Genesis 7:6)**
- Q. Abraham tried to persuade God not to destroy Sodom. How many righteous men would need to be found in Sodom in order to save it?  
**A. Ten righteous men**
- Q. What King visited a witch (or a spiritual medium) in order to talk to a dead person?  
**A. Saul**
- Q. When the people of Samaria would not receive Jesus and His disciples, James and John wanted to call this down from heaven to destroy the city. What is it?  
**A. Fire (Luke 9:54)**
- Q. Jesus said that birds have nests, and foxes have holes, but that He did not have this, what is it?  
**A. Anywhere to lay His head (Luke 9:58)**
- Q. I have hidden this in my heart that I might not sin against God. What is it?
- Q. Which archangel disputed with the devil over the body of Moses?
- Q. Name the disciple who was Peter's brother.
- Q. How many sons did Noah have?
- Q. What queen threatened to kill the prophet Elijah?