

Today's Mass intention is for all those in nursing homes or homebound

St. Patrick Catholic Church

500 S Canal Street, Spencerville, OH 45887

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 14, 2021



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Sunday Mass

10:30 am

PSR Wednesday Mass

7:30 pm
(September – May)

Sister Parishes

St. John the Baptist, Landeck
(419) 692 - 0636
St. John the Evangelist, Delphos
(419) 695 - 4050

Annual Catholic Appeal

This weekend begins the special collection for our Diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal. Our parish goal for this year is \$3,823.00. Thank you for your contributions!

Formed (The Catholic Faith. On Demand)

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Our three sister-parishes have been signed up under one cost effective registration (under Delphos, St John) and "Formed" is now ready for our use. Hopefully, it will enable us to grow deeper in our love of God and our knowledge of the Catholic faith. We thank Dave Butorac for creating the instruction flyer and doing all the research needed to get us started! Please sign up for "Formed" **today** by following directions on the bulletin insert.

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Rosary at Delphos St. John

A Rosary with Adoration will be held Sunday, February 21 at 2:00 p.m. in the Church. Intention will be for the feasts of Saint Jacinta and Saint Francisco for the conversion of sinners.

Update from Sister Immacolata

This past Tuesday, February 9th, I had an appointment with the endocrinologist in Findlay to plan the next step. He reported that he is very pleased with my progress and I can gradually resume my activities, as long as I am careful and do not overdo it. I will receive radioactive iodine treatment after Easter, in Findlay, to prevent re-occurrence and will be checked in three months at Cleveland Clinic. I am extremely grateful for your prayers and messages as I continue to heal from this major surgery. I am grateful to God for the gift of healing, the ability to return to service and for each one of YOU. Thank you to each and every person! You continue to be in my daily prayers.

February Coat Drive

Jen Settlemire, in collaboration with the Salvation Army, is co-ordinating a coat drive among several of our local churches. The Salvation Army accepts donations all year round and distributes 1200-1400 coats annually to those in need. From February 1-28, a table/bins will be available at the church entrance to receive lightly used coats of all styles and sizes. Thank you for doing what you can to help.

Ash Wednesday~ February 17th

We will have an Ash Wednesday Liturgy at **7:30 p.m.** here at **Saint Patrick**, which will include our religion classes. Ashes will be distributed after the homily. Below are the Mass times at our "sister parishes"....

Landeck Saint John the Baptist ~ 7:00 p.m. Mass

Delphos Saint John ~ 6:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m., 2:00 p.m., and 7:30 p.m.

(Every Mass except the 6:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. will include the school children)

Lenten Season

Lent is a time to grow closer to God through extra times of prayer, fasting and almsgiving to the poor. These are the times that we are invited to gather for prayer as a parish family:

Tuesdays (Beginning February 23rd)

+ 6:30 pm Stations of the Cross

Wednesdays (Beginning February 24th)

+ 6:30 pm Rosary

+ 7:00 pm Stations (with PSR students)

+ 7:30 pm Mass

Mending Our Hearts for Lent

To begin this holy season of Lent, the parish has purchased reflection books, "*Mending Our Hearts.*" Please take time each day to read, reflect and grow closer to God using this helpful resource. Perhaps a nice Lenten practice might be to take some quiet time in the presence of Jesus during Adoration on Tuesday evenings. Even if you can come only for a short time, you will notice a difference in your life! There are additional reflection books at the entrance of the Church on the table with the Bulletins for those who would like them.

Religious Education Coordinators**Parish Coordinator:** Bill Wisher**Kindergarten:** Mandi Stewart**First grade:** Scott and Pam Brown**Second grade:** Colleen Richmond**Third/Fourth grade:** Sharon Robey & Tiffany Seibert**Fifth grade:** Marissa Hammon and Leeann Becker**Sixth & Seventh grade:** Bev Wisher & Elisha Wiss**Eighth Grade/Confirmation:** Sharon Keeran**High School:** Gina Clement & Bill Wisher**Last Weekend's Gifts**

February 7, 2021

Total: \$983.00

Sunday Envelopes: \$ 871.00

Loose: \$20.00

Maintenance: \$87.00

PSR: \$5.00

Thank you for your generosity!*Ministry Schedule*

Liturgy - 10:30 am Sunday February 14, 2021		Liturgy- 10:30 am Sunday February 21, 2021	
Commentator	Don Wiechart	Commentator	Ken Shafer
Reader	Sharon Keeran	Reader	Sharon Keeran
Cantor	Jenny McMichael	Cantor	Grace Butorac
Communion Distributors	Terry Lammers Robin Lammers Colleen Richmond Choir: Bill Wisher	Communion Distributors	Robin Lammers Terry Lammers Colleen Richmond Choir: Bill Wisher
Servers	Cory Wannemacher Jenna Wannemacher	Servers	Lillie Stewart Noah Stewart
Money Counters	Lynn and Mary Fell Tony and Amy Kahle	Money Counters	Lynn and Mary Fell Tony and Amy Kahle
Mass Set-Up	Bill Wisher	Mass Set-Up	Tony Kahle

~If there is something you would like placed in the parish bulletin, please contact the Parish Office or Sister Immacolata no later than **Wednesday at 12:00 p.m.** prior to the weekend you want your information published

Diocesan Important Information

Canonical Banns

In participation of ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD for the Diocese of Toledo. After significant formation and discernment, the following men are requesting to be considered for Ordination as Priests:

Albert Betz

Joseph Mominee

Before these candidates are called to Holy Orders by Bishop Daniel Thomas, the People of God are to be asked about their witness. Therefore, if you are aware of a reason why either of these men should not be ordained, please contact:

Rev. Philip Smith

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Workshop Explores U.S. Prison System through Eyes of Christian Mercy and Ethics

Kathryn Getek-Soltis, Assistant Professor of Christian Ethics at Villanova University and former Catholic chaplain at Suffolk County House of Corrections in Boston, explores the U.S. prison system through the eyes of Christian mercy and ethics. Her workshop, Christian Mercy and our American Prison System, is offered virtually from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. EST Thursday, February 18, 2021, through Weber Retreat and Conference Center.

Kathryn, Director of the Center for Peace and Justice Education at Villanova University, earned her doctorate in Theological Ethics at Boston College, focusing her dissertation on a virtue ethics approach to justice, with an application to the reform of the U.S. prison system.

The program is free and open to all; donations are appreciated. Registration is available at www.webercenter.org; click on “programs.” Registration is also available by contacting Weber Center at 517-266-4000 or webercenter@adriandominicans.org.

Statement of the Diocese of Toledo Regarding COVID-19 Vaccinations

During these days, when many have experienced compromised health due to COVID-19 or have suffered the loss of loved ones because of the virus, there is a greater need for each of us to recommend one another to our compassionate Lord and His Blessed Mother, who never fail to be near us in times of trial. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved the distribution of vaccines to combat the COVID-19 pandemic. The use of these vaccines raises a number of moral and practical issues which merit careful consideration. It is out of deep concern and pastoral solicitude for the faithful of the Diocese of Toledo (Diocese), that this guidance is offered.

- Members of the faithful are encouraged to receive a COVID-19 vaccination for the protection of their own health, that of others, and for the common good of all.
- It is morally acceptable to receive a COVID-19 vaccination.
- Members of the faithful are not obligated or mandated to receive a COVID-19 vaccination.

The Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith (CDF), which is responsible for safeguarding Catholic doctrine on faith and morals, with the approval of the Holy Father, recently confirmed that, while no one is morally obligated to be vaccinated against COVID-19, each person, however, has the duty to protect one’s own health and to pursue the common good of all. When means to prevent the ongoing spread of the virus other than vaccination do not exist, the pursuit of the common good may suggest vaccination with a view to protect the most vulnerable, the weakest and the most exposed.

For information concerning the moral implications of receiving vaccinations, see the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith’s, “Note on the Morality of Using Some Anti-Covid-19 Vaccines,” the USCCB statement “Moral Considerations Regarding the New COVID-19 Vaccines”, and the “Statement from the Bishops of the Catholic Conference of Ohio.”

May this New Year bring about hope and healing, particularly through the intercession of Saint Joseph, patron of the Church Universal.