

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

February 9, 2014 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
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St. Joseph Parish

Mission Statement

We, the faith community of Saint Joseph Parish, open to the Spirit as disciples of Jesus Christ, proclaim, witness and celebrate the Kingdom of God among us, through service, healing and reconciling love.



Masses for the Week

Monday, Feb 10,	12:00 Noon	Bob Schlaerth
Tuesday, Feb 11,	12:00 Noon	Clara Dieringer
Wednesday, Feb 12,	12:00 Noon	Annabelle McCrink
Thursday, Feb 13,	12:00 Noon	Timothy Thoma
Friday, Feb 14,	12:00 Noon	James & Evelyn McCarthy
Saturday, Feb 15,	12:00 Noon	Poor Souls
	4:30 p.m.	Living & deceased members of Moretto Family
Sunday, Feb 16,	10:00 a.m.	Mike Longo

Parish Registration: Call the rectory Monday thru Friday 8:30 am to 2:30 pm

Baptisms: Call the rectory to schedule

Weddings: You must be a registered parish member for six months to set a date. Allow 6 months preparation time.

Confessions: Monday thru Saturday 11:30 am until 11:55 am

Holy Day Mass: Noon on the Holy day

St. Joseph Staff

Rev. Angelo Anthony, C.P.P.S., Pastor
Rev. Ken Pleiman, C.P.P.S. Assoc Pastor
Rita Zimmerman, Business Manager
Bill Baron, Maintenance

Finance Council

Jim Bolton
Harry Bossey
Lou Homan
Jonathan Spowart

Parish Council

Beth Anderson John Ludwig
Steve Byington Cindy Luzar
Gary Gregory Janet Smith
Michael Landry Amy Spowart

St. Joseph Update

Pray for Fr. Goetz

Fr. Goetz had surgery on his foot as a result of infection and diabetes. He's recuperating in Columbus. Please pray for his healing. I'm sure he'd appreciate cards if you'd like to send one.

The address is:

Westminster-Thurber Community
Rev. Joseph Goetz, RM 409
717 Neil Avenue
Columbus, OH 43215

True Devotion to Mary Discussion Group

Tuesdays, 7-8 p.m. at St. Albert the Great's Spirit Center (behind the playground), 3033 Far Hills Ave., Kettering, OH 45429. Make new friends and draw closer to Jesus while reading and discussing St. Louis Marie de Montfort's Secret of Mary and Preparation for Total Consecration! Materials are available free online or \$5 for physical copies. Coffee and tea provided free by the Legion of Mary. For more information, contact Gloria Dodd, (937) 229-1431.

FREE Finance Workshop:

Feel overwhelmed by debt and don't know where to start? Want to save for your future, but don't know how? Learn how to get out of debt and stay out. The workshop teachers paid off \$54,000 of debt in 13 months and have been debt free for over 3 years now. It is possible! If you want to learn how to manage your money instead of it managing you, sign up for this workshop below. The workshop is offered on:

February 12, 2014
7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
St. Vivian Parish, Cincinnati

You must register one week before the event through the Family and Respect Life Office. Please call 513.421.3131, ext. 2653 for more information or to register. You can also email farlocincinnati@catholiccincinnati.org.

Have you registered?

If you attend Mass at St. Joe's but have never registered as a member of the parish, please consider doing so. It's easy...just call the rectory at 228-9272.

Golden Wedding Anniversary

The 2014 Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass for couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary will be held on Saturday, May 3 at 2:00 p.m., at Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception on Smithville Rd. Bishop Joseph R. Binzer will be the main celebrant. If you will be celebrating your 25th or 50th anniversary this year please call the rectory (228-9272) so we can send you an invitation and a scroll congratulating you on this wonderful milestone.



Coffee & Donuts

Join us following the 10:00 Mass in the school cafeteria for coffee, donuts and fellowship. All are welcome.

Financial Information

Collection for February 2nd \$6213.75
Charity \$163.00

Thank You! Fr. Angelo and Fr. Ken

Prayer List

Please keep the following people in your prayers. Please call the rectory if you would like someone added to the prayer list.

Debbie Barker	Robert Garrity
Patricia Bornhorst	Randy Kramer
Susan Busch	Jane Lewis
Fran Dabrowski	Chris Luehrs
Nancy Dolan	Lindsey Luehrs
Rachel Dudley	Milo Nickles
Earl Evans Jr	Helen Moore
Mary Fiste	Joe Moretto
Joseph Franchina	Robert Morris
Gail Gaeth	Dick Nardini
Clara Garza	Clara Osman
Richard Gill	Anna Pole
Dorothy Grant	Thomas Pluckett
Bennett Hart	Isaiah Ramsey
Marie Henry	Tony Riggs
Shirley Keaton	Ed Sullivan
Brittany Keirns	Betty Wenzel

Pastor's Corner

On Friday we witnessed the opening ceremonies of the Winter Olympics. A key symbol of the Olympic Games is the fire that was carried some 40,000 miles this year from Ancient Olympia to Sochi, Russia. The Olympic Games seek to highlight the best that the athletic world can produce revealing the beauty, artistry and spirit of determination that stirs within the human heart.

For Christianity the Light of Christ is a central symbol of our faith reminding us of the power of God to dispel the darkness of sin and death. Imagine yourself in a room in which all the lights have been turned off and the windows boarded up blocking out all light. When we sit in the darkness the furnishings in the room remain in place and in this setting we can say that the light adds nothing to the space. Yet, when we try to walk around the darkened room we find it a difficult challenge not to run into anything or not to stumble and fall.

When we turn on the light we are able to see what is in the room and the best way to make our way around the room without getting hurt. The light helps us to be in right relationship with everything else in the room. This is what the Light of Faith is all about. Living with the Light of Faith does not remove the fact that there are obstacles such as sin, selfishness and suffering in the world. But it does help us to manage our way through the difficult times in life with a sense of peace and purpose.

By sharing a kind word with someone or patiently waiting our turn in a crowd or by offering up our pain and suffering in solidarity with the suffering of the world we carry the Light of Faith like the Olympic torch bearers and help to create a better world. Jesus says to us "You are the Light of the world." How are you going to share the light of Christ this week?

Fr. Angelo

Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

Gary Eilers	Cody Landers
Greg Marcus	Alex McGarvey
David Musgrove	Jessica Pruitt

Lay Pastoral Ministry Program

Is God calling you to something new? The Athenaeum of Ohio Lay Pastoral Ministry Program offers lay men and women the opportunity to grow in faith, knowledge and skills through classes, mentoring, supervised ministry experiences and community support. Evening and Saturday classes fit into a busy adult lifestyle. Call 513-231-1200 for information about graduate and non-degreed options or to set up a personal interview.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40; Mk 7:24-30
Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-15; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday: Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: St. Scholastica
Tuesday: Our Lady of Lourdes; World Day of the Sick
Friday: Ss. Cyril and Methodius; Valentine's Day
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

Prayer for Marriage in Celebration of World Marriage Day

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Heavenly Father, we thank You for Your tremendous gift of the Sacrament of Marriage. Enable us to grow in our intimacy with You and with each other. Teach us the beauty of forgiveness so we may become more and more one in heart, mind and body. Strengthen our communication with each other, and help us become living signs of Your love. Help us to be examples of commitment, love and service to our families and children. Make us a sign of the unity which Jesus prays for at the Last supper. We open ourselves to the guidance of your Holy Spirit, who empowers us to love in Jesus' name and walk in His footsteps. Amen. (Prayer by: Worldwide Marriage Encounter)

In celebration of this special day I invite those of you who are married or engaged to reflect upon the following marriage tips written by Greg Schutte, Director of Marriage Works! Ohio to help nurture your covenant of marriage.

Ten Marriage Tips for Keeping a Healthy Relationship

1. Keep Dating and Getting to Know Your Spouse!
 - We spend so much time getting to know them before marriage and then slow down or stop after marriage. So many changes happen when we are married that if we don't stay in the *know*, we'll find that both of us start drifting apart.
2. Stop trying to control your spouse and look inward!
 - We cannot change others but we can change ourselves. Out of love for the other person, seek to understand what you are doing that is creating tension and practice ways to change this in yourself. Bettering ourselves is not a bad thing and it shows our love for our spouse and will hopefully inspire them to do the same.
3. Take time to REALLY HEAR what your spouse's needs, fears, joys and frustrations are.
 - The deepest desire of every human heart is to be seen and loved for who we are down deep. It's risky to share. But marriage should be a haven for us to see and be seen at this very depth, without judgment. It is ultimately our search for God who is in the very depths of us all.
4. Set aside time every day to "catch up" with each other.
 - Keep in touch or you'll become "out of touch". It feels good when someone asks how our day was and truly is willing to hear more than just: "Its fine." But make sure you don't turn it into long drawn out saga. Set aside special time for the "*long problem solving sessions*".
5. Be kind, especially in front of your kids and others.
 - Your kids learn from you, and your actions speak louder than your words!
6. Work together and not against each other.
 - If you find yourself at odds, respect each other enough to work through things in private and not in front of others.
7. Bad things happen in life. Seek to walk through them with your spouse and use the life lesson to make your marriage stronger.
 - Many people take these same situations and allow them to cause division. Satan seeks to divide and conquer all who are married, because our marriages are an instrument that can bring us closer to God if we really work at it!
8. Sacrifice is not a bad thing.
 - It is important that we set aside some our wants for our spouse's needs. We need to feed each other. We learn love most deeply through those gifts that we sacrificially offer.
9. Take time to have fun! Don't take life so seriously!
 - Play games, go on fun dates to places you did when you were first dating, laugh at yourself, go on hikes, make Sunday a family day, etc.
10. Keep God at the center of your relationship!
 - Pray together. Pray for each other. Fast and sacrifice for each other. Invite Him into your intimate times. Frequent the Sacraments and ask for the grace to be the best husband or wife that God needs you to be.