

# ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

February 23, 2014 - Seventh 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*

<b>Monday, Feb 24,</b>	12:00 Noon	John Keaton
<b>Tuesday, Feb 25,</b>	12:00 Noon	Ann Folfas
<b>Wednesday, Feb 26,</b>	12:00 Noon	Winifred Brown
<b>Thursday, Feb 27,</b>	12:00 Noon	Michael Kics
<b>Friday, Feb 28,</b>	12:00 Noon	Sue Petty
<b>Saturday, Mar 1,</b>	12:00 Noon	Poor Souls
	4:30 p.m.	Pauline Wegerzyn
<b>Sunday, Mar 2,</b>	10:00 a.m.	Berrado Kim

**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

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### Parish Council

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# St. Joseph Update



## *STIRRING THE FLAME OF FAITH*

Emmanuel Catholic Church  
Lenten Parish Mission

**March 10-12, 2013**

Presenter: **Mr. Steve Ray** is an intrepid traveler, expert on the Holy Land, Popular Catholic apologist, documentary producer, Bible teacher and best-selling author. Do not miss this chance to see Steve Ray in person on Monday and Tuesday of the Mission!

### **Schedule:**

Monday, March 10th 7:00 P.M. "Proclaiming the Gospel Back Then and Now"

Tuesday, March 11th 7:00 P.M. "Appreciating the Gift of the Eucharist"

On Wednesday, March 12th we will celebrate the Eucharist 7:00 P.M.

## *Calling all Painters*

If you've been to any events in the school cafeteria you probably noticed the lovely tangerine color of the walls. A very generous family has agreed to donate the paint to repaint the walls. We're planning to start painting on Friday, March 7th and Saturday, March 8th. We need your help, if you enjoy painting, please call Rita at 228-9272 for more details and to sign-up.

## *2014 Living Stations*

Emmanuel parish invites children and teens to participate in a special Lenten devotion - The Living Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 21, at 7:00 p.m. in the church.

The Living Stations of the Cross is a serious, dramatic re-enactment of Our Lord's Passion and Crucifixion by narration, meditation, acting, and song. Children, ages 8 and up, are welcome to participate.

There are many acting roles and several non-acting roles, including singing. If you would like to be a part of this, please contact Mary Izor by March 5 at 866-6032 or mizor39@hotmail.com.

## *Walking with the Apostles - Saints Peter and Paul*

The Region 7 Health Ministries team is preparing a new walking program this year. It will begin before Lent on the weekend of March 1st & 2nd and end at Pentecost the weekend on June 7th & 8th. This year our route will take us to Rome as we walk with the apostles, specifically Saints Peter and Paul. As before, our walk will be a chance to combine healthy habits (walking and exercise) with prayer and meditation.

Participants will turn in weekly tallies of physical activity, counting the miles walked, counting every 15 minutes of physical activity as one mile or both! We'll have a box in the back of the church to drop your weekly mileage records. Watch upcoming bulletins for further details.

## **Financial Information**

Will be reported next week.

**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*

*Patricia Bornhorst*

*Greg Bowers*

*Susan Busch*

*Fran Dabrowski*

*Nancy Dolan*

*Rachel Dudley*

*Earl Evans Jr*

*Mary Fiste*

*Joseph Franchina*

*Darrel Francis*

*Gail Gaeth*

*Clara Garza*

*Richard Gill*

*Dorothy Grant*

*Bennett Hart*

*Marie Henry*

*Shirley Keaton*

*Brittany Keirns*

*Robert Garrity*

*Randy Kramer*

*Jane Lewis*

*Chris Luehrs*

*Lindsey Luehrs*

*Milo Nickles*

*Helen Moore*

*Joe Moretto*

*Robert Morris*

*Dick Nardini*

*Clara Osman*

*Anna Pole*

*Thomas Pluckett*

*Isaiah Ramsey*

*Tony Riggs*

*Ed Sullivan*

*Betty Wenzel*

## *Pastor's Corner*

It is not too often that we are given the opportunity to hear the scripture readings from the 7th and 8th Sundays in Ordinary Time. Usually we are into the early weeks of Lent by now but with Easter being late in April this year we are given the opportunity to reflect on some very challenging words in scripture. "Love your enemy and pray for those who persecute you." "Be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect."

You may say to yourself, "How is this possible? Jesus has set the bar too high and there is no way I'm going to be able to fulfill these teachings." Before we get too discouraged it is helpful to note that the word perfection does not mean *sinless perfection*. In Greek and Latin the word perfect does not mean sinless it means "complete." In calling us to be perfect, Jesus wants us to stretch our understanding of human relationships and to recognize that each person is a temple of God's spirit, to use St. Paul's imagery. We are to give ourselves unconditionally to one another. This kind of love is reflected in the love of husband and wife in sacramental marriage. The deep, intimate and unconditional love that a husband and wife share is a glimpse for us of the kind of love that God has for us and that God desires that we have for all people.

Our pursuit of living this kind of love is a lifelong journey of opening ourselves more and more to the fullness of life found in Christ. Just as Jesus gave his all so that we might have life, so too we are to share this same vision. Over the last couple of weeks we have seen some amazing performances in the Winter Olympics. The athletes work tirelessly to perfect their skill and are able to demonstrate some amazing examples of athleticism, beauty and strength. We are to be the Olympic athletes for "Team Jesus" keeping his mission in the forefront of our minds putting into practice the amazing attributes that are found in God's Divine love. It is not enough to talk about love; we are to be love.

You may recall the bombing at the Boston marathon. Tamerlan Tsarnaev was the older of the two brothers who set those bombs. After the tragedy no cemetery was willing to allow Tamerlan's body to be buried in their town. Martha Mullen, a Christian, felt a conviction to respond. As reported on National Public Radio, Martha began contacting Islamic funeral services until she found a Muslim cemetery in Doswell, Virginia that would accept the body.

NPR reporter Audie Cornish asked Martha, a total stranger to the Tsarnaev family, why she chose to get involved, especially given the risk that she might, herself, be targeted by angry protestors. Martha answered, "It made me think of Jesus' words, 'Love your enemies.' I felt that...If I'm going to live my faith then I'm going to do that which is uncomfortable and not necessarily what's comfortable...I feel like it was the right thing and it's important to be true to the principles of your faith." (*Audie Cornish, "All things considered, NPR, 5-10-13*)

To "be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect" is probably the most ignored command of Jesus. Certainly, the call to love completely is not for the faint of heart. See each day as a new opportunity to learn how to love. And like any Olympic athlete in training when you make a mistake get up and try all over again. Fr. Angelo

## *Golden Wedding Anniversary*

The 2014 Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass for couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary will be held on Saturday, May 3rd 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.

## *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.

## *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.

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 9:14-29  
Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11a, 23; Mk 9:30-37  
Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3, 6-11; Mk 9:38-40  
Thursday: Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-20; Mk 9:41-50  
Friday: Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12; Mk 10:1-12  
Saturday: Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3, 8; Mk 10:13-16  
Sunday: Is 49:14-15; Ps 62:2-3, 6-9; 1 Cor 4:1-5;  
Mt 6:24-34

### **SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday



This weekend we will hear about the six ministries and various programs supported by the 2014 CMA. Thanks to the generosity of many families here at St. Joseph, a total of \$20,971 was contributed to the 2013 CMA from our parish community. This year, our financial goal is to raise \$14,581. Every registered parish household should receive a CMA mailing from Archbishop Schnurr this week. Please prayerfully complete your pledge card and return it in the envelope provided, or bring your completed pledge card sealed in its return envelope to Mass next weekend. Your participation is vital to reaching our parish goal. Thank you! For more information, please visit [CatholicAppeal.info](http://CatholicAppeal.info).

## *Parish Mission at Our Lady of the Rosary*

The Parishes of Old North Dayton will host a Lenten Parish Mission beginning Monday, March 24th thru Thursday March 27th. The theme of the Parish Mission is "Back to the Basics." Fr. Jordan Turano, OP, a priest of the Order of Preachers (commonly called Dominicans) will guide us on a journey to God. Getting back to the basics is designed to assist in our quest for happiness and the desire to be loved. Please join us at Our Lady of the Rosary, 22 Notre Dame Ave, for each night of our parish mission beginning at 7pm. For more details call the parish office at 228-8802.

## *Wills & Estate Plans*

Please remember St. Joseph Church in your will and estate plans. It is through the generosity of individuals like yourself that the parish continues to thrive and will do so for many years to come.

## *FORGIVENESS*

*People who cannot forgive others  
break the bridge over which they must  
pass if they are to reach heaven, for  
everyone has a need to be forgiven.*

*- George Herbert*