

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

March 9, 2014 - First Sunday of Lent
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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, Mar 10,	12:00 Noon	James Bauer
Tuesday, Mar 11,	12:00 Noon	Robert Caulfield
Wednesday, Mar 12,	12:00 Noon	Paula Deschler
Thursday, Mar 13,	12:00 Noon	James Pettit
Friday, Mar 14,	12:00 Noon	Ralph Kleibecker
Saturday, Mar 15,	12:00 Noon	Poor Souls
	4:30 p.m.	Rosemary Luzar
Sunday, Mar 16,	10:00 a.m.	Dick Nardini

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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Jonathan Spowart

Parish Council

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

St. Joseph Update



STIRRING THE FLAME OF FAITH

Emmanuel Catholic Church Lenten
Parish Mission

March 10-12, 2014

Presenter: **Mr. Steve Ray**
is an intrepid traveler, expert on the
Holy Land, Popular Catholic
apologist, documentary producer,
Bible teacher and best-selling author.

Schedule:

Monday, 7:00 p.m. "Proclaiming the
Gospel Back Then and Now"

Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. "Appreciating the Gift of the Eucharist"

Wednesday, we will celebrate the Eucharist 7:00 P.M



Rest In Peace

Rest in the Peace of Christ

*John & Shirley Keaton
Richard Nardini*

Coffee and Donuts

Join us today, Sunday following the
10:00 Mass in the school cafeteria.

Lenten Scripture Study Who Do You Say That I Am?

From Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation, *Evangelii Gaudium*: "The joy of the gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus.... I invite all Christians, everywhere, at this very moment, to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to letting him encounter them... There are Christians whose lives seem like Lent without Easter..."

Join us in an opportunity to meet Jesus anew in the unique images presented by each of the gospel writers.

Thursdays 10:30 to 11:45

March 13 - Mark - The Suffering Servant
March 20 - Matthew - The Kingdom of God
March 27 - Luke - The Universal Savior
April 3 - John - The Word Made Flesh

Announcing: **Generations of Faith**

When: **Friday, April 4, 2014**

Where: **Knight of Columbus Hall**

(Located on Bainbridge Street)

Time: **6:00-8:00 PM**

The parishioners of Region 7
(Holy Trinity, St. Joseph and Emmanuel)
are invited to an evening meal and reflection
celebrating our faith and strengthening one another in
our call to share the Light of Christ with others. The
reflection will be given by Mr. Frank Runyon on the
topic of the Beatitudes from the Sermon on the
Mount. Please watch the bulletin for details.

Generations of Faith



Dayton 40 Days for Life Campaign

The Most Reverend Joseph R. Binzer, Auxiliary Bishop of Cincinnati will lead a Rosary Rally for the Unborn, at the opening rally on Sunday, March 9th at 1:30 followed by his remarks. Heather Baldwin will provide her pro-life testimony. The Rwandan Choir from Emmanuel Church will provide music.

Prayer List

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

<i>Debbie Barker</i>	<i>Brittany Keirns</i>
<i>Patricia Bornhorst</i>	<i>Robert Garrity</i>
<i>Greg Bowers</i>	<i>Randy Kramer</i>
<i>Susan Busch</i>	<i>Jane Lewis</i>
<i>Pamela Cabrera</i>	<i>Chris Luehrs</i>
<i>Fran & Al Dabrowski</i>	<i>Lindsey Luehrs</i>
<i>Nancy Dolan</i>	<i>Milo Nickles</i>
<i>Rachel Dudley</i>	<i>Helen Moore</i>
<i>Earl Evans Jr</i>	<i>Joe Moretto</i>
<i>Mary Fiste</i>	<i>Robert Morris</i>
<i>Joseph Franchina</i>	<i>Clara Osman</i>
<i>Darrel Francis</i>	<i>Anna Pole</i>
<i>Gail Gaeth</i>	<i>Stephanie Potter</i>
<i>Clara Garza</i>	<i>Thomas Pluckett</i>
<i>Richard Gill</i>	<i>Isaiah Ramsey</i>
<i>Dorothy Grant</i>	<i>Tony Riggs</i>
<i>Bennett Hart</i>	<i>Ed Sullivan</i>
<i>Marie Henry</i>	<i>Betty Wenzel</i>

Pastor's Corner

One of the common threads woven into the tapestry of Sacred Scripture is the wilderness experience. Over and over again we see that authentic faith is born in the wilderness of testing and temptation. If life comes too easily, if there are no challenges to overcome, no mountains to be climbed, no opponent to be defeated then there is no real understanding of God's sustaining power and God's love.

Matthew's gospel tells us that Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert wilderness for 40 days of fasting and prayer. Matthew states the obvious, Jesus is hungry. At this point the devil enters the scene and begins to tempt Jesus with bread. Talk about hitting a guy when he is down! But, that is what the devil is good at; he tries to find our weaknesses, the crack in our armor that will break us down.

Maybe none of us have ever wandered in the desert for forty days, but we have all had desert times in our life...a time when you felt lost, empty, unfulfilled, disconnected from God. Maybe your pain doesn't come from hunger but from being buried in debt, or experiencing a tough time in the family or at work. At these times, Satan comes with the perfect plan... he says "You can stop your suffering...if it feels good do it." Find solace on the internet, feed an addiction, have an affair, take a few office supplies, pad your expense account, cheat on your taxes...by all means do whatever you need to stop the pain, the emptiness, the fear. On the other hand God says: "Trust in me."

The next temptation Satan uses on Jesus emphasizes the need to "look out for number one." If Jesus had stood atop the temple and thrown himself off, he might have proven to a few that he was the Messiah miracle worker but, Jesus was not concerned with performing miracles or receiving our worship. He wanted to save us from sin and death and to do this meant staying in tune with His Father's Will and not his own will.

The final temptation Satan uses is a call to "live only for the moment." Taking Jesus to a high mountain the devil says he will give Jesus all the kingdoms of the world, "if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." To live only for the moment makes temporary things more important than eternal things. In this sin, Satan was appealing to Jesus' sense of compassion. Satan was offering to remove his own power of evil from those select kingdoms of the world. But this was only a temporary fix. Sin and death could only be defeated by Christ's unconditional love as he gave his life for the salvation of the world. "Keep your eye on the things of heaven." Don't just live for a moment.

Just as Jesus was tempted; so too we will be tempted. It is a part of life this side of heaven. Be strong in your faith especially in the midst of the temptations found in the wilderness times of life. Use the gifts of the Holy Spirit to help you. Our best defense in the face of temptation is to live in Truth--to turn away from the lies in our lives and to reclaim our identity as sons and daughters of God. When we remember who we are and whose we are, we can be sure, in the end, the devil will not stand a chance. Fr. Angelo

LENTEN REMINDER

The Fridays of the season of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years and older. The law of fasting binds all Catholics from their 18th birthday until their 59th birthday (canons 97 and 1252).

It is important to note that there are other ways of doing penance such as making extra time for prayer, choosing acts of self-denial, almsgiving or works of personal charity, making the Way of the Cross or praying the rosary, visiting the sick and shut-ins, giving up a favorite food, drink, game or show, fasting from negative thoughts or harsh language, reading scripture or anything of a sacrificial nature that helps you recognize God as the center of your life and the need to care for God's people.

Congratulations to Fr. John on the 40th Anniversary of Ordination

Fr. John Mencsik will celebrate the 40th anniversary of his ordination on March 30th. He will celebrate Mass on Sunday, March 30th at St. Patrick Church in Troy at 9:30 a.m. All our welcome to attend. If you would like to send

Fr. John a card his address is:
395 Blairwood Drive
Trotwood, OH 45426

The Light is On for You

During this upcoming Lenten season, the Archdiocese of Cincinnati will focus on God's mercy by providing opportunities to learn about the Sacrament of Reconciliation and to celebrate the Sacrament. Each Catholic parish in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati will provide the opportunity for private confession on Tuesday, March 18, 2014 from 7-9:00pm. Other opportunities for celebration the Sacrament will also be available. If you have been reluctant to come to the sacrament, have been away for some time, or just find it difficult to get to a Saturday afternoon confession time or communal penance service, March 18 will be a wonderful opportunity to connect with Christ and his Church. Learn more at: www.lightison4u.com. We are in need of prayer partners to pray in the church during these two hours for all those who will seek the Sacrament of Reconciliation. A sign-up sheet will be in the back of church.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Make plans to spend time with the Lord this Lent.

St. Joe's will have Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Saturdays during Lent following the noon Mass until 4:00 p.m. There will be group prayer as well as time for private meditation. Please sign-up for a specific hour using the sheets in the back of church, or drop in whenever you can for personal prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Call Bobby at 435-4858 if you have questions. There will **NOT** be adoration on March 15th and 29th due to weddings.

Financial Information

Collection for March 2nd \$7000.00
Charity \$223.00 **Thank You!**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

2014 Catholic Ministries Appeal

Archbishop Schnurr sends his thanks to everyone from St. Joseph who has pledged to the 2014 Catholic Ministries Appeal, including pledges made during last weekend's Commitment Weekend. If you have not yet made your pledge, please consider doing so this week.

You will find extra pledge envelopes in the back of church this weekend. To make a pledge securely online, please visit CatholicAppeal.net. Thank you!

Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

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

Considering the consecrated life as a priest or religious brother? Learn more about the possibilities at a discernment retreat sponsored by the Missionaries of the Precious Blood. Missionaries minister at this parish and are known for their welcoming ways and willingness to work with candidates from all walks of life. The retreat is March 21-23 at St. Charles Center in Carthage, Ohio. It begins with dinner on Friday and ends at noon on Sunday. We welcome men who are graduating from high school, of college age or older. For more information contact Fr. Vince Wirtner, C.P.P.S., director of vocation ministry, at 937-228-9263 or vocation@cpps-preciousblood.org.

Walking with the Apostles

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. Our reflection this week is from *St. Paul to the Romans- Romans 5:15* "But the gift is not like the transgression. For if by the transgression of the one, many died, how much more did the grace of God and the gracious gift of the one man, Jesus Christ overflow for the many."

Remember to tally your physical activity by counting the miles walked, or 15 minutes of physical activity as one mile (or both)! Drop in your tally next weekend and each week thereafter in the box in the back of church or email them to Beth at bandersonlnana.4@roadrunner.com.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Daylight Saving Time begins
Friday: Abstinence
Saturday: Purim (Jewish observance) begins at sunset