

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

March 16, 2014 - Second 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 17,	12:00 Noon	Darrell Francis
Tuesday, Mar 18,	12:00 Noon	Stephen, Ethel & James Sichman
Wednesday, Mar 19,	12:00 Noon	Carla Curry
Thursday, Mar 20,	12:00 Noon	Albert & Loyola Baxley
Friday, Mar 21,	12:00 Noon	St. Joseph Parishioners
Saturday, Mar 22,	12:00 Noon	Ed Westendorf
	4:30 p.m.	Mary & Bud Loges, daughter Peggy
Sunday, Mar 23,	10:00 a.m.	Lee Pleiman

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

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 School cafeteria

March 20 - Matthew - The Kingdom of God

March 27 - Luke - The Universal Savior

April 3 - John - The Word Made Flesh

Thank you for your generous contributions to the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Your gift is an expression of solidarity with the suffering people of this region. Through joining in the work of this Collection, you are helping to restore the Church and build the future. Please visit www.usccb.org (search "Church in Central and Eastern Europe") to learn more about what your donations have accomplished. We collected \$1760 on Ash Wednesday for this collection. Thank You!

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.

Living Stations Presentation

The Living Stations of the Cross, a dramatic re-enactment of Our Lord's Passion and Crucifixion by narration, meditation, acting, and song will be presented by youth Friday, March 21 at 7:00 pm at Emmanuel Church.

A reception will follow in the basement.

Furthering our Faith through Film

Please join us Friday, March 28, as we resume our film series with *Restless Heart: The Confessions of St. Augustine*. This moving story of conversion and reconciliation is a little over two hours in length. We will gather in the school cafeteria at 1:00pm and a light lunch will be served. Please call Bobby at 435-4858 if you have any questions. We hope to see you there!

Maintenance position available at Holy Trinity Parish

Part time, morning hours, 19 hrs per week.

Call 228-1223 to schedule appointment and fill out an application.

Financial Information

Collection for March 9th \$4842.00

Charity \$206.00

Thank You!

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

Pamela Cabrera

Fran & Al 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

Brittany Keirns

Robert Garrity

Randy Kramer

Jane Lewis

Chris Luehrs

Lindsey Luehrs

Milo Nickles

Helen Moore

Joe Moretto

Robert Morris

Clara Osman

Anna Pole

Stephanie Potter

Thomas Pluckett

Isaiah Ramsey

Tony Riggs

Ed Sullivan

Betty Wenzel

Pastor's Corner

Someone once asked: "What is the difference between a sinner and a saint? The answer - confession. On **Tuesday, March 18th** every parish in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati will open its doors from **7:00 to 9:00 p.m.** for prayer and the Sacrament of Reconciliation, also known as Penance or Confession.

The Light is ON  for You.
Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Catechism of the Catholic Church (ccc) reminds us that, "Those who approach the Sacrament of Penance obtain pardon from God's mercy for the offense committed against him, and are, at the same time, reconciled with the Church which they have wounded by their sins and which by charity, by example, and by prayer labors for their conversion." (ccc. 1422) (Please see today's bulletin insert for a guide to the sacrament.)

"To have an understanding of the root of sin we turn to Adam and Eve in the third chapter of Genesis. Adam and Eve lived in a world created by God as pure gift. They are asked only one thing—not to eat the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. But Adam and Eve break this commandment out of distrust in God's generosity. They believe the serpent who tells them that God is holding back this fruit out of jealous selfishness, not wanting man and woman to share in his knowledge of good and evil. This original sin is one of pride, as Adam and Eve desire to have what is God's. They selfishly think that they know what is best for them. In light of their sin, Adam blames both God and Eve, since God created her who tricked him into eating the fruit. Eve blames the serpent. Neither confesses their own responsibility for choosing what is not good, for breaking God's single commandment to them. This single sin against God introduces disharmony into the world. The Sacrament of Penance gives us the chance to confront our own part in this ongoing disharmony and commit to setting things right again."

"A common objection to sacramental confession is, 'Why do I need the Church to forgive my sins, when I can talk directly to God?' This objection would make sense if we believed the Church was simply a group of people who share the same beliefs about Christ and engage in similar, often shared religious practices. Catholic belief about the nature of the Church contains another layer. We believe that the Church is a sacrament, that is, a visible sign and instrument of the mystery of Christ at work in the world. We believe that the Church 'both contains and communicates' grace, the saving presence of Christ. (ccc. 774) Because together we are this sacramental sign of Christ, when one sins, the harmony of the Church is disrupted and its effectiveness (ability to bring God's saving grace to the world) is weakened."

"As Catholics, we are required to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance at least once a year. This is not only an obligation but also an act of love mediated through the words and actions of the sacrament as we meet Christ's mercy, the medicine for all our sins." The Church encourages us to partake of the benefits of this sacrament especially during Advent and Lent and before receiving other sacraments such as Confirmation, Marriage and Holy Orders." "Those who approach the sacrament of Penance obtain pardon from God's mercy for the offense committed against him, and are, at the same time, reconciled with the Church which they have wounded by their sins and which by charity, by example, and by prayer labors for their conversion." (ccc.1422)

Has it been awhile since you celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation? Is there someone you love who has stopped coming to Mass or feels separated from the Church? Join the Lord in inviting him or her back to church. Bring them with you to enjoy the quiet and peace of people gathered in silent prayer on March 18th and if the time is right, also invite him or her to consider talking with a priest or receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation following upon your good example. Our Region 7 Lenten Calendar also offers many other opportunities to celebrate the sacrament. Remember, the light is on for you.

(This week's reflection is made up of quotes taken from several articles on the Rite of Penance written by Timothy O'Malley, and published by Ave Maria Press, Inc. 2011) Fr. Angelo

St. Patrick Day Mass

Monday at noon, music starts at 11:30.

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

St. Vincent DePaul Fish Fry Results

Our SVDP Fish Dinner fund raiser was a huge success! Below is a brief summary of the financials for the event. These figures include all income from ticket sales, silent auction, games of chance and donations. Thank you for your continued support of the needy in our area.

GROSS	\$13,799.50
NET	\$ 9,336.62

Parish Mission

Parishes of Old North Dayton are hosting a parish mission beginning on Monday, March 24th through Thursday, March 27th. All presentations will take place at Our Lady of the Rosary and will begin at 7pm. There will be a simple dinner available at 6pm in the basement of Our Lady of the Rosary. And babysitting will be available. Please RSVP for babysitting by calling the parish office, 937-228-8802. Our mission presenter is Fr. Jordan Turano, OP. Please plan on attending and invite your friends.

St. Albert the Great Church Speaker

Fr. Earl Fernandes, Dean of the Athenaeum, Mt. St. Mary's Seminary will speak on "A modern look at marriage from St. Albert the Great" on Wednesday, March 26 at 7:00.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps50:8-9,16bc-17,21,23; Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21;
Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday: Mi7:14-15,18-20; Ps103:1-4,9-12; Lk15:1-3,11-32
Sunday: Ex17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2,6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-42

2014 Catholic Ministries Appeal

We thank everyone from St. Joseph who has participated in the 2014 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Our pledges support six critically important ministries benefiting thousands of people right here in our Archdiocese. Additionally, a portion of all pledges in excess of our parish goal will go to the support of poor within our community, so please be as generous as you can. For more information and to pledge securely online, please visit CatholicAppeal.info. Thank you!

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 *Matthew 17:2 "And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light."*

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 each week in the box in the back of church or email them to Beth at banderson1nana.4@roadrunner.com.

Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

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

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday:	St. Patrick
Tuesday:	St. Cyril of Jerusalem
Wednesday:	St. Joseph
Thursday:	Spring begins
Friday:	Abstinence