

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

November 10, 2013 - Thirty-Second 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, Nov 11,	12:00 Noon	Robin Border
Tuesday, Nov 12,	12:00 Noon	Justin
Wednesday, Nov 13,	12:00 Noon	Rev. William Dineen
Thursday, Nov 14,	12:00 Noon	Jerry Westendorf
Friday, Nov 15,	12:00 Noon	Paula Deschler
Saturday, Nov 16,	12:00 Noon	Bonnie Miller
	4:30 p.m.	Ancient Order of Hibernians
		Memorial Mass
Sunday, Nov 17,	10:00 a.m.	St. Joseph Parishioners

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
Lou Homan
Jonathan Spowart

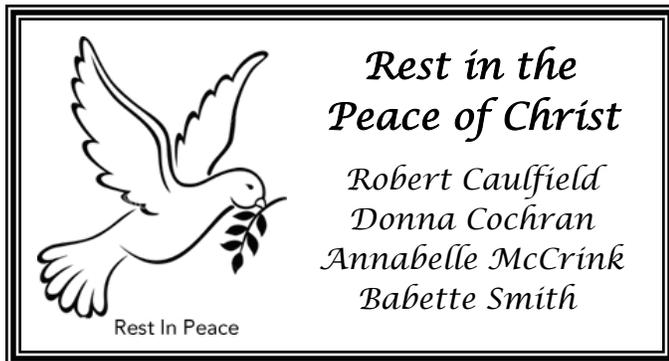
Parish Council

Harry Bossey John Ludwig
Rick Carlile Cindy Luzar
Mary Doerr Amy Spowart
Gary Gregory
Michael Landry

St. Joseph Update

Prayer Chain

Prayer is one of the most important things we can do for one another. With that in mind, we'd like to start a prayer chain at St. Joseph. If you know of someone who is in need of prayers, please call the rectory and leave your name and number and we'll follow-up with you. If you would like to be a part of the prayer chain and pray for those who are in need, call the rectory and leave your name and phone number.



November Health Tips

Pick up a flyer on "Lower Your Risk for Diabetes" in the back of church.

Collection for the Military

Today we support our family and friends who have served this nation with distinction. The Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services will provide the Gospel, the sacraments and other forms of spiritual support to the men and women of the United States Armed Forces wherever they serve, no matter the circumstances. Please prayerfully consider a generous contribution to the first-ever national Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services.

Congratulations to the Newly Weds

*Justin & Jennifer Blanford
Steve & Beth Byington
Giovanni & Vlahos Franchina
Paul & Andrea Hess
Luke and Christine Robinson*

All Souls & Book of Life

Our Book of Life will be in the back of church on the podium. Please enter the names of family and friends who have died this past year. We will remember them in prayer especially during the month of November.

There are special collection envelopes (St. Joseph Special Collection) in the pews. You can use these to list your loved ones who have died. Your intentions will be placed on the altar for the entire year. You may make any offering you desire. The money collected will be used to have one Mass a week offered for these Poor Souls. You might want to take the special collection envelope home and return it in the collection next week.

Financial Information

Collection for Nov 3rd \$6750.60
Charity \$351.00

Thank You! Fr. Angelo and Fr. Ken

We will update the prayer list next week. Please call the rectory if you would like someone's name to remain on this list. If you've already been contacted you don't need to call again. Thank you.

Please keep the following people in your prayers.

<i>Jim Allen</i>	<i>M.T. Joseph</i>
<i>Patricia Bornhorst</i>	<i>Shirley Keaton</i>
<i>Greg Bower</i>	<i>Randy Kramer</i>
<i>Tim Chapman</i>	<i>Cathy Kreitzer</i>
<i>Fran Dabrowski</i>	<i>Jane Lewis</i>
<i>Michelle DeBlasis</i>	<i>Chris Luehrs</i>
<i>Brian Deckard</i>	<i>Lyndsey Luehrs</i>
<i>Jacqueline Deckard</i>	<i>Helen Moore</i>
<i>Nancy Dolan</i>	<i>Joe Moretto</i>
<i>Willie Dunson</i>	<i>Clara Osman</i>
<i>Mary Fiste</i>	<i>Barbara Pacey</i>
<i>Sally Fitzgerald</i>	<i>Isaiah Ramsey</i>
<i>Joseph S. Franchina</i>	<i>Melissa Smith</i>
<i>Gail Gaeth</i>	<i>Pat Somers</i>
<i>Robert Garrity</i>	<i>Henry Sorokin</i>
<i>Clara Garza</i>	<i>Ed Sullivan</i>
<i>Jackie George</i>	<i>Mary Helen Wedig</i>

Pastor's Corner

All around us we see the signs of the changing seasons with the falling leaves, the shortened daylight hours and the dropping temperatures. The growth of summer is past and now creation enters into a period of rest. From the outside the trees and plants appear to have died and yet we know that deep within their roots the gift of new life awaits the coming of spring.

This time of year the church also enters the final weeks of the liturgical calendar. In two weeks we will end the church year with the Feast of Christ the King. In these final weeks of the church year the scripture readings draw our attention to end-times and the promise of eternal life.

Sometimes the reality of death is seen as something to be feared and any discussion of it to be avoided. And yet, it is the one thing that every human being will experience in the course of their life. In our Creed we profess our belief that Jesus "suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day." And because you and I share in His life through baptism each of us says in hope that "I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come."

In our First Reading from the Book of Maccabees we see that a mother and her seven sons held firm to their beliefs and were put to death for refusing to violate God's law. Just as they had the freedom to choose eternal life or death, we too prepare for death by the way we live each day. When confronted with temptations that will challenge you to abandon your faith, how will you respond?

The prospects of the final judgment need not frighten us, but rather, can encourage us to see each day as a new opportunity to prepare ourselves for eternal life. Over and over again, Jesus reminds us that living the gospel is more than following religious practices of the law. To live the gospel is to continually live the dying and rising of Jesus Christ in our day to day experiences, to embrace the call to die to self so that a new self can be born.

In our gospel reading the Sadducees were trying to mock Jesus with an elaborate story of seven brothers experiencing death after marrying the same woman. The Sadducees denied the resurrection and so they were trying to trap Jesus in his speech. The Sadducees were what we might call "fundamentalist." They only followed the first five books of the bible and it was their interpretation that the teaching on resurrection life was not present in those books. Jesus challenges them by referring to the story of Moses in the Book of Exodus. Moses hears the Lord through the burning bush say, "I am the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob. Jesus challenges them to see that "God is not the God of the dead, but of the living."

As the Sadducees found out, trying to make a comparison between life on earth and life in heaven is not always a helpful proposition. Life in heaven will not be bound by the practices and traditions of life on earth. Jesus corrects the Sadducees in their misinterpretation of marriage by teaching that the institution of marriage will not be needed in heaven. We will be in a perfect relationship of love with God and all people in heaven.

When we are born into everlasting life, our lives will no longer need to model life with Christ because we will be fully living with Christ. Marriage as a sacrament modeling Christ's love for the Church will not be needed because once we are born into everlasting life we will not need to have models, or representations or symbols of what life will be in heaven because we will live in the fullness of this life. At the same time we can also say that the relationships that were forged here on earth are not lost in death but are perfected in heaven.

Here on earth we catch glimpses of our new life to come through the sacraments, the birth of a child, reconciliation between enemies or the acts of charity which reflect the teaching of Jesus. This is one of the reasons the church honors the celibate life of a Priest, Religious Sister or Brother. The witness of our life points to the life that will be found in the resurrection, where marriage is no longer needed to bring forth life because the fullness of life and love is found in Christ.

The gift of resurrection life is a mystery. For us to try and imagine what resurrection life will be like is similar to a child in its mother's womb trying to understand what life will be like outside the womb...how can the child comprehend what it will be like to live in this new world? So that is why Jesus steers the conversation away from comparisons to this life and says, no we will be like angels. There is mystery in what will be but we can trust that the beauty of resurrection life will be more than anything we could ever imagine. Fr. Angelo

Thanksgiving

Our regional St. Vincent de Paul conference will be distributing food for Thanksgiving dinner. Any parishioner from Emmanuel, Holy Trinity or St. Joseph's needing assistance or who knows of a parishioner needing assistance, please call the St. Vincent de Paul help line at 228-3771 no later than November 18. Arrangements will be made for distribution. All information will be held in the strictest of confidence.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive

Our regional St. Vincent de Paul conference is making a special appeal to parishioners of Emmanuel, Holy Trinity and St. Joe's to stock our food pantry for the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons. We serve needy residents in the 45402 zip code as well as any parishioners in need. While stocking the pantry is important all year-round, it is especially critical at this time of the year as we strive to serve nearly 100 people a month. During the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons, we will be collecting nonperishable food and other items, including: canned meats, pasta sauce, canned fruits and vegetables, peanut butter, jelly, soups, sugar, oil, baking mix, flour, condiments, dish soap, laundry detergent, paper products and toiletries. Thank you so much for helping us feed the hungry with your continued food and monetary donations.

Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-10; Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday: Wis 2:23 -- 3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-19; Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Wis 7:22b -- 8:1; Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175;
Lk 17:20-25
Friday: Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5ab; Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43;
Lk 18:1-8
Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-9; 2 Thes 3:7-12;
Lk 21:5-19

Death Penalty Vigil

All are welcome as the Miami Valley chapter of Ohioans to Stop Executions gathers for a vigil on the eve of the state of Ohio's execution of Ronald Phillips. Please join us at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 272 Bainbridge Street in Dayton, on November 13, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.. Prayers are offered for all victims of violence, particularly Ronald Phillips' victim Sheila Marie Evans and her family, as well as for the end of the death penalty in Ohio and around the world. Please contact Bob Stoughton at 229-5599 or stoughtonb1@udayton.edu for more information.

Bible Study at St. Joseph's

The last meeting for the Bible Study program is on Thursday from 10:00 until 11:45 AM in the school cafeteria. All are welcome!

November 14th Wisdom Books (Psalms, Proverbs, Job)

Employment opportunity with the CPPS

Administrative assistant to work in the office of mission advancement for the Missionaries of the Precious Blood, Cincinnati Province, 431 E Second St., Dayton, Ohio. Responsibilities include: maintaining a database of donors; fostering a connection between donors and the Congregation; coordinating mailings; generating of letters and reports; helping with events; and other administrative duties. Advanced Microsoft Office skills are required. Duties will overlap with other offices of the province. Good communication and people skills are a must. Competitive salary and benefits. Mail or email resumes to Mark Giesige, Director of Mission Advancement, Missionaries of the Precious Blood, 431 E. Second St., Dayton, OH 45402-1764, mgiesige@cpps-preciousblood.org.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday:	St. Martin of Tours; Veterans Day
Tuesday:	St. Josaphat
Wednesday:	St. Frances Xavier Cabrini
Friday:	St. Albert the Great
Saturday:	St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude; Blessed Virgin Mary