

St. Joseph Church

February 8, 2015 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
411 E. Second St., Dayton, OH 45402 Telephone 228-9272
www.StJosephDayton.org

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 9,	12:00 Noon	Woodrow Taylor
Tuesday, Feb 10,	12:00 Noon	William Griffin
Wednesday, Feb 11,	12:00 Noon	Manzo Family
Thursday, Feb 12,	12:00 Noon	Timothy J. Thoma
Friday, Feb 13,	12:00 Noon	Poor Souls
Saturday, Feb 14,	12:00 Noon	Tom & Rose Erhart
	4:30 p.m.	James & Evelyn McCarthy
Sunday, Feb 15,	10:00 a.m.	Jerry & Joann Boyd 60th Wedding Anniversary

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

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

St. Joseph Update

2015 Catholic Ministries Appeal

Archbishop Schnurr sends his thanks to everyone from St. Joseph's who has pledged to the 2015 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. These important local ministries depend on our help each year. You will find extra pledge envelopes in the pews for your convenience this weekend. To make a pledge securely online, please visit CatholicAppeal.net. Thank you!



Coffee & Donuts

Join us today, Sunday, following the 10:00 Mass in the school cafeteria for coffee, donuts and fellowship.

Holy Trinity Church Fish & Sausage

Fry, Saturday, Feb 21 in Trinity Center, 272 Bainbridge St., Dayton. Meals served 6-8pm, with games & silent auction running 7-10:30pm. Advanced tickets available Feb 1-19th, at the Parish Office (Judi Trick 228-1223) \$12 each. Tickets at the door are \$15. Ticket price includes all you can eat and 3 beverage tickets. Must be at least 21 yrs old to attend. We hope you can join the fun! Questions, please call Jimmy Keys (604-6063), Sam Eckhart (902-9711), or Judi Trick (228-1223).

Year End Statements

Letters summarizing your 2014 donations to the parish were sent to all households donating more than \$250. If you did not receive a letter and would like one please call the rectory at 228-9272.

EdChoice Program

Looking for a best in class option for your child's high school career? Archbishop Alter High School is an active participant in the EdChoice program which, if you qualify, can cover 100% of your tuition expenses. Alter is a Catholic High School with reputation for excellence in academics as well as documented success in both athletics and the arts. For more information call the Admissions Office at 428-5394.

Happy Valentine's Day

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. There are sign-up sheets in the back of church. Call Bobby at 435-4858 with questions.



Financial Information

Collection for February 1st \$7842.28

Charity \$194.00

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.

Dick Antolini	Dan Hartke
Gene Austin	Bennett Hart
Patricia Bornhorst	Marie Henry
Greg Bowers	Brittany Keirns
Susan Busch	Randy Kramer
Pamela Cabrera	Bill Lauber
Fran & Al Dabrowski	Chris Luehrs
Joyce Craig	Lindsey Luehrs
Nancy Dolan	Milo Nickles
George Dopf	Joe Moretto
Rachel Dudley	Robert Morris
Earl Evans Jr	Anna Pole
Norah Fass	Stephanie Potter
Mary Fiste	Isaiah Ramsey
Joseph Franchina	Tony Riggs
Darrel Francis	Richard Siefring
Gail Gaeth	Gerry Slattery
Richard Gill	Ed Sullivan
Jim Hanerty	Betty Wenzel

Pastor's Corner

By the sound of our reading from the book of Job we might detect that Job was having a BAD day! Well, it was more than a bad day. If you remember, Job and his wife had 7 sons and 3 daughters. He owned a large estate which include over 7000 sheep, 3000 camels, 500 oxen and much more. Suddenly, his livestock is stolen, his children are swept away by a storm and he himself is stricken with a skin disease. For 36 long chapters Job tries to make sense out of his life, finally demanding an audience with God. Sometimes we feel a kinship to Job as we try to find meaning out of our suffering, illness or tragedies in life.

This poem entitled "The Weaver" by Benjamin Malachi Franklin may help us to remember to be aware of a bigger picture in life.

*My life is but a weaving...between the Lord and me.
I cannot choose the colors, God worketh steadily.
Often time God worketh sorrow and I in foolish pride,
forget God sees the upper side and I the underside.
Not till the loom is silent and the shuttle ceases to fly—
God shall unroll the canvas and explain the reasons why...
The dark threads are as needed in the weaver's skillful hands
As the threads of gold and silver in the pattern God has planned.*

Our lives are much like a weaving which God carefully assembles; a weaving of experiences, family, friends and faith. Sometimes we may wonder like Job: "Why this?" or "Why that?." In our unending search to find out "why" we can easily lose focus and life becomes a drudgery, filled with misery, frustration and sleepless nights.

I recall a number of years ago when Tim and his wife Chris had experienced a "Job year." Their 16 years old daughter Erin had died of Cystic Fibrosis and then six months after Erin's death Tim lost his job with the Department of Transportation. At one point in that year Tim said to me: "You know Father, they say God doesn't give you any more than you can handle. Well, I'm at the edge. But, what's weird is that I don't feel lost or alone. God has given me some incredible experiences of family and friends. And I've had a lot of quiet time which used to drive me nuts. But now I spend it just talking to God and something inside me says it's going to be OK."

In many ways, the space for silence and prayer is missing from our day to day lives...we need to make room for silence. Whether that be sitting on the edge of your bed to offer a prayer before you go to sleep or fasting from the computer or TV for 30 minutes so you can sit in the quiet or offering a prayer as you wait in line; just as Jesus needed to pray, we need to pray. Unfortunately, the quiet doesn't last long as we saw with the disciples as they hunted down Jesus. Yet, that quiet prayer is important because it gets us ready for whatever lies ahead, trusting in faith that God is with us. In a moment of quiet, bring to God a need or a concern that you hold in your heart today. Hear Jesus say to you: "Do not let your hearts be troubled, have faith in my Father, have faith in me."

Fr. Angelo

Marriage Date Night and Learning Series Discovering Your Deepest Desire!

Come join us for a series of date nights coupled with marriage enrichment skills. These fun and informative sessions are for all married and engaged couples from Emmanuel, St. Joseph, and Holy Trinity parishes. The evenings will be full of fun interactive activities, teaching, discussion, Catechism and bible reflection, and prayer. The program is designed to support couples in renewing their understanding of what it means to have a Sacramental Marriage and help to teach them how to work together to make their relationship into the Marriage that God designed. Through all this we pray you will rediscover the one you fell in love with! We will be learning from a new and exciting Catholic marriage enrichment curriculum called "Discovering Our Deepest Desire" (DODD).

Classes will begin **February 22nd from 6:30pm to 9:00pm** and will run for 12 consecutive Sundays (*excluding Easter and Mother's Day Sunday*). Cost is \$40 per couple. Classes will be held in the school building of Emmanuel Catholic Church. To register for the series or if you have questions, please e-mail Jon and Lea-Ann Virnig directly at leaann.virnig@gmail.com or call 210-315-4663. Please call soon to make your reservations as space is limited! Babysitting will be available for those who need it for children age 10 and under. Please notify us of your need at the time of registration. Thank you!

For more information about the DODD program prior to this meeting, please go to www.ourdeepestdesire.com.

Food for Thought's next presentation is February 15th with Father Angelo speaking. His presentation will be *Blood of Christ: Gift of Life*. There will be a light dinner and fellowship starting at 5:00pm with the presentation at 6:00pm. Reservations are required as seating is limited. We meet at The Christopher Club, 3150 S. Dixie Drive. There is no charge but there will be a free will offering to help cover expenses. Make reservations by calling Susie or Charlie Gross @ 937-890-6262 or via e mail @ susie@susiegross.com or charlie@ferndaleconsulting.com

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30
Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10:31-11:1; Mk 1:40-45

Region 7 Health Ministry

The Health Ministry group is finalizing plans for the 2015 Lenten Walk. This year we will be walking with Saint Gaspar del Bufalo in collaboration with the 200th Anniversary of the Congregation of the Most Precious Blood. Information on Saint Gaspar and his missionary years will be shared as well as brief reflections from Saint Gaspar during his missionary journeys and the growth of his foundation and eventual order of priests. The reflections are provided as an opportunity for you to focus on your life and how you are facing the challenges during your Lenten journey.

As in previous years any exercise that you engage in for 15 minutes is considered one mile. Participation in the walk is not restricted by age, all are welcome. The spiritual focus will be on St. Gaspar and the challenges and successes he encountered on his journeys.

Forms will be provided in the back of church for you to submit your miles on a weekly basis. The Lenten walk for 2015 will be for the six weeks of Lent beginning on Sunday February 15 and ending on Holy Saturday, April 4, 2015. The total miles for this wellness event is 2,849, or 475 miles a week. The more people who participate the better our chance of meeting this ambitious goal.

Questions contact Beth Anderson
banderson4@woh.rr.com or call 623-6823.

Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

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

Sweetheart Dinner Dance

Last chance to get tickets!

Don't miss your chance for prizes and fun!
Celebrate your marriage at our Sweetheart Dinner Dance hosted by the Saint Joseph, Emmanuel and Holy Trinity parishes Marriage Ministry.

The evening includes dinner, prizes, and a dance (including a short lesson).

Date: February 13, 6-11 pm

Location: Bainbridge Hall, 267 Bainbridge St, Dayton
Tickets: \$35 per couple call Rachel at 937-554-6208.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: World Marriage Day
Tuesday: St. Scholastica
Wednesday: Our Lady of Lourdes; World Day of the Sick
Saturday: St. Cyril and St. Methodius; Valentine's Day