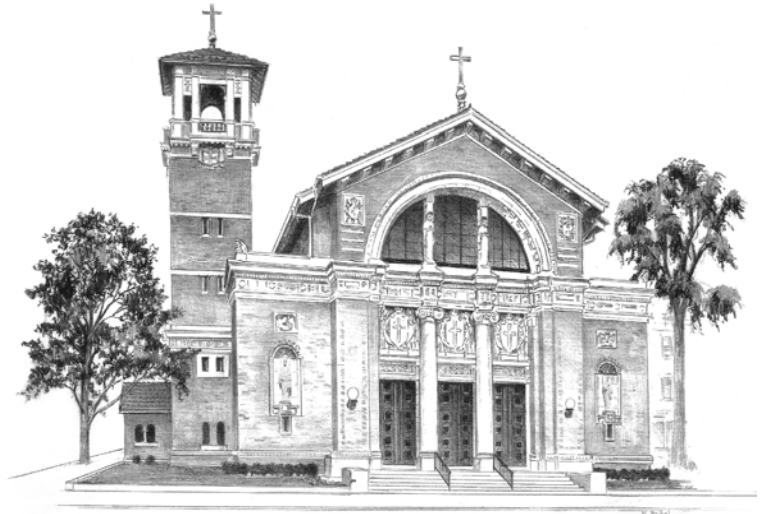


St. Joseph Church

July 26, 2015 - 17th 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, July 27,	12:00 Noon	Russell & Florence Donauer
Tuesday, July 28,	12:00 Noon	Jerry George
Wednesday, July 29,	12:00 Noon	Patrick Somers
Thursday, July 30,	12:00 Noon	Joseph Wiles Jr
Friday, July 31,	12:00 Noon	Nancy Longo
Saturday, Aug 1,	12:00 Noon	Angela McCarthy
	4:30 p.m.	Kathleen Caulfield
Sunday, Aug 2,	10:00 a.m.	Kay Belcher

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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Jim Bolton
Harry Bossey
Lou Homan
Jonathan Spowart

Parish Council

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

St. Joseph Update

Precious Blood Bicentennial

Part of the C.P.P.S. jubilee year is Jubilation!, a day of praise and service for youth and their families, on Sunday, August 9, 2015, at the Spiritual Center of Maria Stein (Ohio) and the Maria Stein Shrine of the Holy Relics. It begins at 1 p.m. and includes an outdoor Mass at 7:30 p.m. with Bishop Joe Binzer presiding. Fireworks will follow Mass.

Region 7 Health Ministries is looking for new members who have any interest in promoting the health and fitness of the parishioners of our three churches. The group meets about every two months on Sunday morning to plan and follow up with the various programs in each parish. A background in health care is helpful but not really necessary. For more information contact Beth Anderson at banderson4@woh.rr.com or 937-938-6286 or Sharon Becker sabecker@premierhealth.com or 937-227-9452.

Financial Information

Collection for July 19th \$5760.00
Charity \$173.00

Thank You!

Chaminade Julienne Catholic High School

in Dayton has partnered with [gphomestay](http://gphomestay.com)'s residential program! Together, we are offering an incredible opportunity to families in Dayton and the surrounding areas. If you are interested in making a positive impact on the life of an international student and live within 30 minutes of Dayton. You may want to consider becoming a host family. You may learn more at our website: www.gphomestay.com

Host families will receive a monthly stipend of \$800 and have access to ongoing support from local Residential Coordinators who can help with coordinating meeting your student upon arrival, keeping you connected with the school community, and mediating issues if they arise. Students come with their own insurance and spending money and stay for the academic year. There are also short-term hosting opportunities available.

Contact Alan Lancaster for more information at alancaster@gphomestay.com or our host coordinator at 781.996.0429. If you are ready to take the next step and fill out an application please visit: <http://www.gphomestay.com/Application.html>

Food For All Campaign

Pope Francis' much-awaited visit to the United States in September will be a moment of great joy, inspiration, and excitement for the Church in the United States. We have all been inspired by the Holy Father's call to put Christ first, particularly in our families and in our love for the poor. He has challenged us to end hunger by 2025.

Archbishop Schnurr is inviting all of us to welcome and celebrate the Holy Father's visit by offering him a "spiritual bouquet in action". "Food for All: Be Multiplied" is an Archdiocesan, collaborative effort to faithfully respond to hunger in our local neighborhoods. Jesus called on his disciples to bring him what they already had, and from that small gift fed an impossible number of people.

Our three parishes in Pastoral Region 7 have made a pledge to collect at least 5,000 food items in the course of this year in support of this effort. United with the other parishes in the Archdiocese the goal is to raise 1 million food items. On the Second Sunday of the month we are asking parishioners to make a special effort to bring food items to the collection baskets in back of church for food that will be distributed through our local St. Vincent de Paul conference. For further information on this project please visit www.catholiccincinnati.org/foodforall.

Prayer List

Please keep the following people in your prayers.

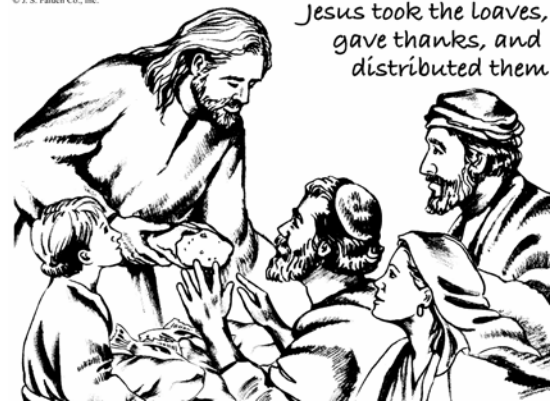
<i>Gene Austin</i>	<i>Randy Kramer</i>
<i>Greg Bowers</i>	<i>Chris Luehrs</i>
<i>Charlie Brown</i>	<i>Lindsey Luehrs</i>
<i>Bill Burkhardt</i>	<i>Henry Martinez</i>
<i>Susan Busch</i>	<i>Joe Moretto</i>
<i>Pamela Cabrera</i>	<i>Robert Morris</i>
<i>Al Dabrowski</i>	<i>Milo Nickles</i>
<i>Nancy Dolan</i>	<i>Anna Pole</i>
<i>George Dopf</i>	<i>Stephanie Potter</i>
<i>Rachel Dudley</i>	<i>Isaiah Ramsey</i>
<i>Grace Eckley</i>	<i>Tony Riggs</i>
<i>Earl Evans Jr</i>	<i>Ricardo Santiago</i>
<i>Norah Fass</i>	<i>Roberto Santiago</i>
<i>Mary Fiste</i>	<i>Ivana Santiago</i>
<i>Joseph Franchina</i>	<i>Richardo Santiago Jr</i>
<i>Gail Gaeth</i>	<i>Rhonda Santiago</i>
<i>Richard Gill</i>	<i>Richard Siefring</i>
<i>Jim Hanerty</i>	<i>Patty Simons</i>
<i>Marie Henry</i>	<i>Ed Sullivan</i>
<i>Bennett Hart</i>	<i>Betty Wenzel</i>
<i>Brittany Keirns</i>	<i>Pauline Westendorf</i>
<i>Jerry Kowalski</i>	

Pastor's Corner

Today's Gospel reading is the very familiar passage of the feeding of the five thousand—the only miracle to appear in all four Gospels. With such a familiar story there can be the tendency to not listen closely. After all, it's a simple narrative: large crowds are following Jesus because they have witnessed him healing people. Jesus wants to provide food for them and there isn't enough. So he miraculously makes the few loaves and fish feed the 5,000. People are amazed and proclaim him to be the long-awaited Prophet, who will perhaps lead them like Moses did.

But a closer reading is necessary to understand what Jesus is really doing in this passage. It isn't simply a matter of feeding people as there is no indication the people are starving or unable to obtain food on their own. Nor is it about Jesus' ability to change the nature of physical matter. Neither is it about Jesus demonstrating his greatness or his arrival as the great prophet or Messiah. Jesus' miracles are never important by themselves, except perhaps to those people who are healed. Rather the importance of the miracles is what they represent and what they point to. In the Gospels, miracles are often referred to as "signs". In today's reading, the people misread this sign as evidence that Jesus is the Prophet who will lead them in this world. But Jesus is not interested in becoming an earthly king, he has greater plans for the people. So he leaves the people and waits until later to explain the real message of his miracle. In next week's Gospel the followers of Jesus—including us—learn the true meaning of Jesus' miracle. They learn the difference between bread that satisfies their hunger and the Bread of Eternal Life.

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Jesus took the loaves,
gave thanks, and
distributed them

A look at the language of this passage reveals the depth of Jesus' actions. Jesus doesn't simply multiply the food and people eat it. He takes the bread in his hands, gives thanks, and distributes it himself. As Catholics, we cannot miss the significance of these actions—it is the language of the Last Supper and of the Eucharistic prayer of the Mass. There is also significance in the easily dismissed ending to the meal narrative where the *fragments are gathered* up and fill 12 baskets. This isn't just a further indication of Jesus' power. The broken fragments are gathered into one entity. The Greek words used here for "fragment" and "gather" are the same words used when referring to the broken bread and the gathering of people at the Eucharist. In Jesus' time the people of God were scattered and in the time of the evangelist John, Christians were not unified. The same is true today. The hope of the Gospel is that all will be brought into one family with God. We see even deeper meaning later in the Gospel when Jesus declares himself to be bread for all. The significance of John's words are demonstrated further as we know that all will be gathered as believers when Jesus is broken upon the Cross.

The Gospel of John is my favorite gospel in part because of the importance of signs and the emphasis on the Eucharist. Signs always point toward something beyond themselves. In some paintings and statues of Mary and the infant Jesus, Mary is literally pointing toward Jesus. In today's reading Jesus is not about self-glorification—He is sent to bring people to the Father. As Catholics we might be challenged on certain topics, like the Eucharist, the saints, Mary, and even the institutional Church. But we know—and we must tell others—that all these things bring us closer to God. I cannot overemphasize the importance of chapter six of the Gospel of John for Catholics. Jesus not only gave his life for our salvation, he offers us his Body and Blood to nourish us on our journey of faith. Upon reflecting on the significance of Jesus giving himself to us as the Bread of Life, St. Catherine of Sienna asked and then answered her own question: "What would possess you to offer yourself as food? I know, you are madly in love with us."

Brother Matt

Business Manager Position

St. Helen Parish in Dayton, OH, is seeking a full-time Business Manager, responsible for the strategic leadership of Parish staff in managing the physical, financial and personnel resources of the parish. The Candidate must also be able to work well with a highly collaborative ministerial staff in fulfillment of the parish's mission. The candidates must have excellent interpersonal communication and organizational skills, must understand accounting principles and practices, and must have supervisory experience. The candidate must possess an ability to manage strategically, to present oneself professionally, and to maintain confidentiality. College degree or equivalent required, with 5-10 years of business experience desired. This is a fulltime position with excellent pay and benefits commensurate with other medium to large non-profit organizations. Send resume to Rev. David Brinkmoeller at St. Helen Parish, 605 Granville Place, Riverside, OH 45431 or via email to

david.brinkmoeller@sthelenparish.org.
Resumes accepted through August 7, 2015.

Nine Months with Christ in the Womb

Jesus is beginning to develop thick brown fat cells this week. They will prove pretty important on a cool December night in Bethlehem in the near future. Jesus of the womb, Hear our prayers!

Elizabeth's New Life Center, a pro-life ministry serving women in crisis pregnancies, is seeking a Graphic Media Coordinator to plan, organize, and create visual presentations for all forms of media including print, web, and video. Must be familiar with Adobe Creative Suite, Joomla and WordPress and Microsoft Suite products. Candidates with a minimum of 1-2 years' experience in creating and producing marketing materials and an Associate's or Bachelor's degree in a related field should apply by sending their resume and cover letter to employment@elizabethnewlife.org. The position is part-time at 35 hours per work and works out of our Dayton office on Forest Avenue.

Save the Date - Family Rosary Rally

Sunday, October 11th, UD Arena

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23; Mt 13:31-35
Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-13; Mt 13:36-43
Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:47-53
Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58
Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12
Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

Centering Prayer Workshop

The Contemplative Outreach, Centering Prayer, Introductory Workshop will be presented on Saturday August 1st at St Francis of Assisi Church in Centerville. Centering Prayer is a silent prayer that prepares us to receive God's beautiful gift of contemplative prayer. Registration begins at 8:30 AM outside of the John Paul II Room. The program will last until approximately 4pm. The cost of the workshop is 20 dollars which includes lunch. The book "Open Mind Open Heart" by Father Thomas Keating, will be available for purchase. Scholarships are available for those in need of one. To register call Martie Teter 427-2027.

Weekend Organist Position

We are looking for an organist for our weekend Masses. The candidate will need to be able to cantor as well as play the organ. Please call the rectory at 228-9272.

Pray for the Men and Women Serving in the Military

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

CMA Update

Archbishop Schnurr thanks the faithful here at St. Joseph Church for our generous participation in the 2015 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA). Our parish pledged \$21,454.00 to the Appeal, which is 146.14% of our parish goal. This tremendous response is a testament to the generosity of our parish community. A special thank you to the families that participated in this year's Appeal. In total, the CMA exceeded its \$5 million goal with over \$5.4 million pledged from more than 30,500 households throughout the nineteen counties of the archdiocese. The success of this year's Appeal will have a lasting impact on thousands right here in our local communities. Thank you!

Working and Saving

*Work hard and save your money so when
you're old you will be able to buy the
things only the young can enjoy.*
- Anonymous

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Wednesday: St. Martha
Thursday: St. Peter Chrysologus
Friday: St. Ignatius of Loyola
Saturday: St. Alphonsus Liguori; First Saturday