

# St. Joseph Church

September 6, 2015 - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
411 E. Second St., Dayton, OH 45402 Telephone 228-9272  
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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

<b>Monday, Sept 7,</b>	12:00 Noon	Helen Wiles Batty
<b>Tuesday, Sept 8,</b>	12:00 Noon	James & Evelyn McCarthy
<b>Wednesday, Sept 9,</b>	12:00 Noon	Leslie & Winifred Drayton
<b>Thursday, Sept 10,</b>	12:00 Noon	Mike Minogue
<b>Friday, Sept 11,</b>	12:00 Noon	Theresa Falter
<b>Saturday, Sept 12,</b>	12:00 Noon	Poor Souls
	4:30 p.m.	Kay Belcher
<b>Sunday, Sept 13,</b>	10:00 a.m.	Joe & Beth Anderson 50th 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

### Finance Council

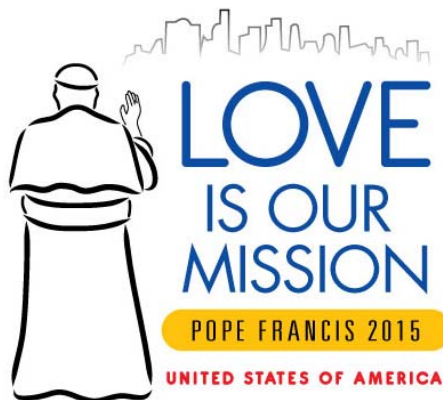
Jim Bolton  
Harry Bossey  
Lou Homan  
Jonathan Spowart

### Parish Council

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

# St. Joseph Update

## Pope Francis will visit the United States



from September 22-27, 2015. His participation in the World Synod on the Family in Philadelphia will be at the heart of his visit. The World Meeting of Families, sponsored by the Vatican's Pontifical Council for the

Family, is the world's largest Catholic gathering of families and is held every three years. This year's theme "Love is Our Mission: The Family Fully Alive," emphasizes the impact of the love and life of families on society. While the Pope is here he will also meet with our President and a Joint Session of the Senate and House of Representatives, celebrate the Canonization of Junipero Serra, address the United Nations Assembly, visit several ministry sites and celebrate Mass at various locations in Washington D.C., New York and Philadelphia. May his visit awaken in our minds and hearts the importance of our faith in today's society. Please keep the intention of the Pope's visit in your prayers.

**The School Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur** will celebrate their 175th Anniversary in America with an Open House on Sunday, September 13, 2015 from 2-4:30 PM. They are located at 701 E. Columbia Ave., Reading, Ohio, 45215. For more information please contact Sr. Marie Smith at 513-679-8191 or [marie.smith@sndden.org](mailto:marie.smith@sndden.org)

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Col 1:24 -2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11,  
Tuesday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6 Mt 1:1-16, 18-23  
Wednesday: Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-13ab; Lk 6:20-26  
Thursday: Col 3:12-17; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 6:27-38  
Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Lk 6:39-42  
Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17; Ps 113:1b-7; Lk 6:43-49  
Sunday: Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116:1-6, 8-9; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Tuesday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Wednesday: St. Peter Claver  
Saturday: The Most Holy Name of Mary; Blessed Virgin Mary

## Youth are a very important part of our parish family here at St. Joseph.

Their energy, enthusiasm, and willingness to be active in parish life must continually be nourished. As we begin our fall programs, I would like to invite our young people, boys and girls, 4th graders thru high school, to become altar servers. An altar server has the special privilege to serve Christ and the people of the parish by being close to the altar and the priest during Mass. The altar server has knowledge of Church items and the order of the mass so the parish community can pray and sing with devotion. I do encourage all our youth to become altar servers. As a server a young person grows in prayer, in spirit, in knowledge, and in responsibility. All youth who are interested, please call the parish office or Fr. Ken at 228-9272 so that an instruction class can be arranged.

## Financial Information

Collection for August 30th \$4697.00

Charity \$151.00

**Thank You!**

## Prayer List

Please keep the following people in your prayers.

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

## *Pastor's Corner*

Today we are bombarded by so many competing voices that we can become deaf to the voice of the Holy Spirit. Everyone has an opinion to give that may or may not be well informed, truthful or in line with the foundations of our faith. Coming to church, reading scripture, prayer, reflecting on the teachings of the church helps us to hear more clearly the path to salvation that is found in God.

Our readings this weekend help us to appreciate the gift of healing that God brings into our lives. In our Gospel reading Jesus heals a deaf man who also has a speech impediment using the word “Ephphatha” which means: “Be opened!” The memory of this saving act is recalled in the Baptismal ritual of a child when the priest or deacon touches the child’s mouth and ears saying: “The Lord Jesus made the deaf hear and the mute speak. May he soon touch your ears to receive His word, and your mouth to proclaim His faith, to the praise and glory of God the Father.”

“Ephphatha”

Be Opened!

-MARK 7:34

We can all use a renewed outpouring of the Ephphatha prayer in our lives so that we no longer turn a deaf ear to God. The image we are given in today’s gospel is very earthy and graphic. In a sense Jesus hooks himself up to the deaf man by sticking his fingers into the man’s ears and then taking spit He puts it on his tongue. It’s as if Jesus is plugging himself into the man like jump-starting a dead car battery, transferring His healing Spirit into the man, allowing the grace of God to awaken the man’s ability to hear.

Today, hear Jesus speak the word “Ephphatha”—be opened—to you. Ask Him to plug into your heart and fill you with His Truth. As a form of examination of conscience, Fr. George Smiga offers a helpful reflection using the images from today’s readings. “How am I deaf or mute to the presence of God in my life?” “How am I too distracted to hear the beautiful sounds of creation or too busy to listen to what the word of God is saying to me in my day-to-day life?” As you hear the call to on-going conversion this week may you hear Jesus say to you “Ephphatha,” “Be opened!”

This Labor Day weekend we pray that we might see our work as part of the call we have received in baptism to share the Light of Christ, to use our gifts and talents to build a world rooted in the Kingdom of God. May St. Joseph, Patron of Workers, intercede for us in the work we have been given to do.

Fr. Angelo

### **Message from Archbishop Schnurr:**

Much of the news coverage about Pope Francis extending to all priests the faculty to absolve the sin of abortion and remove the automatic excommunication that can incur has been misleading and confusing. The Archdiocese of Cincinnati wants to make it clear that our priests have already had this faculty for many years. No one who has received absolution for this sin from a priest of the Archdiocese, acting as the instrument of God’s mercy, should doubt the validity of the sacrament.

No priest can engage in sacramental ministry without being granted faculties to do so by the local bishop. What is included in those faculties is detailed in writing. Priests of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, as permitted by canon law, have long been granted by the Archbishop “the faculty to absolve the sin (of abortion) and to remit the (automatic) penalty” of excommunication. As St. John Paul II assured post-abortive women in his encyclical, *The Gospel of Life*, “The Father of mercies is ready to give you his forgiveness and his peace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.” The Catholic Church also offers compassionate post-abortion healing through Project Rachel ([www.projectrachelcincy.com](http://www.projectrachelcincy.com)).

**Save the Date - Family  
Rosary Rally**

Sunday, October 11, 2015  
UD Arena

Bishop Binzer, Presider  
Prelude Music 2:30 PM  
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
Live Rosary, Benediction



***If you are a Catholic who is newly  
divorced or separated,***

you may be going through a very difficult time right now. You should not have to feel isolated or cut off from the Catholic Church. Your Church is here to offer the support and ministry you need and deserve. There are two excellent Catholic-Sponsored divorce-recovery support groups in the local area to help men and women heal from this life trauma. Both groups feature nationally recognized experts on divorce through professional video input and small group discussions. There are such recovery topics as anger, loneliness, new relationships, annulments, etc.

***Catholic-Sponsored Divorcecare***

13 weeks, held on Thursday evenings, 7-9PM from Sept. 10 to Dec. 10 at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 6245 Wilmington Pike, Centerville, OH. Cost: is \$25 per person. Scholarships are available. For more information, or to register, call Marcelle Toma at (937) 312-1157 or [mtoma@woh.rr.com](mailto:mtoma@woh.rr.com)

**Elizabeth's New Life Center** is in need of medical professionals to volunteer in our Women's Centers. If you are an M.D., D.O., LPN, RN, Nurse practitioner, Physician's Assistant or RDMS please consider giving a few hours of your time weekly, bi-weekly or monthly to work with the underserved women our community who may be at risk for abortion. Email [tmiller@elizabethnewlifecenter.org](mailto:tmiller@elizabethnewlifecenter.org) or call 226-7414.

***Prolife News***

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE** will begin on Sunday, Sept. 23rd and will conclude on Sunday, Nov. 1st. Please plan to spend an hour praying at the abortion clinic on Stroop Road.

**LIFE CHAIN** is scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 4 from 2:00 to 3:00 pm. More information will be listed as we get closer to that date.

***Pray for the Men and Women  
Serving in the Military***

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

***Nine Months with Christ in the Womb***

Jesus heard the voice of his earthly father, Joseph for the first time this week. Its strong reassuring quality put Jesus right to sleep. Jesus of the womb, Hear our prayers!

**Region 7 Shared Parish Picnic 2015**

All of the parishioners from our three downtown parishes in Pastoral Region 7 are invited to a picnic that will take place in the newly renovated cafeteria at CJ High School off Washington Street. Parking is available at Emmanuel Church or in the CJ parking lots off of Washington Street. Please mark your calendars and join us for this festive picnic on Sunday, **September 20, 2015** beginning at 12:00 Noon. We will eat in the handicapped accessible cafeteria and have games and activities for the children in the courtyard outside the cafeteria. The parishes will provide fried chicken as the main entree and we invite the parishioners to provide the side dish or dessert for 10-14 people in DISPOSABLE containers, assigned by last names:

**A—M side dish** (hot or cold)

**N—Z dessert**

**RSVP** is needed by Monday, September 14, 2015. Please put RSVP in the collection basket or contact your parish office. Holy Trinity: 228-1223, St Joseph: 228-9272, Emmanuel: 228-2013

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I would like to volunteer:

# of Adults: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# of children: Under 7: \_\_\_\_\_ 7 and older: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_