



# Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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A member of the St. George Deanery

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## OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Friday—9:00 until Noon

## NORMAL MASS TIMES

**Saturday: 5:00 pm**

**Sunday: 7:30 am and 9:30 am**

**Tuesday: 7:00 pm**

**Wednesday: 7:00 pm**

**Thursday: 7:00 pm**

**Friday: 7:55 am**

## CONFESSIONS

Tuesdays 6:30 pm

Saturdays 4:30 pm

Anytime by request

## BAPTISMS

Baptisms will be celebrated anytime agreeable with Fr. Charles or Deacon Larry. For BAPTISM INSTRUCTION date and time check the bulletin. Please call the parish office to register.

## MARRIAGE

Make arrangements at least six months ahead of time by calling the parish office. Do not set wedding date prior to contacting the parish office.

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

RCIA classes run from September to May. These classes are for anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith or who wish to join the Church. Call the parish office to register.

## FAITH ENRICHMENT

Religious Education Classes for the elementary students from August through May. Classes for the Junior High and High School students run September through March. Adult Enrichment: Bible Study, Spiritual development, missions and retreats. Check the bulletin for details.

## MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND ELDERLY

Visitation and Eucharist will be provided by a Eucharistic Minister. A priest is available if needed. Notify the parish office about people in the hospital or shut-ins. If you are, or will be hospitalized because of a surgery or serious illness, contact the pastor to receive the Sacrament of Healing.

## WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new to our St. Joseph Parish Family, please call or visit the parish office to register.

**ALL ARE WELCOME HERE**

## Director of Music & Liturgy Chairperson

Mrs. Joyce Gasser 419-286-2989

## Sacristans

Ms. Mary Luersman 419-286-2306

Mr. Dave Luersman 419-286-2489

## Youth Minister

Mrs. Julie Fischbach 419-905-8472

## Finance Council Chairman

Mr. Larry Schimmoeller 419-286-2170

## Maintenance Chairman

Mr. Ted Verhoff 419-286-2480

## Friends of Hope and Communion to Homebound

Mrs. Norma Maag 419-286-2265

## Cemetery

Mr. Alan Calvelage 419-303-0560

## Prayer Line

Mrs. Laurie Maag 419-234-6518

## Maintenance & Hall Manager

Mr. Tony Recker 419-286-5100

## Funeral Luncheon Committee

Mrs. Sue Knippen 419-236-9564





Sat	7/06	5:00 pm	Eva Warnecke Family
Sun	7/07	7:30 am	Terry Maag
		9:30 am	Bradley Schnipke Maria & Angie Pierce Nathaniel Neal
Mon	7/08		
Tues	7/09	7:00 pm	Souls in Purgatory
Wed	7/10	7:00 pm	For Our Country
Thurs	7/11	7:00 pm	Irma Vorst Meyer
Fri	7/12	7:55 am	For the Safety of Our Children this Summer
Sat	7/13	5:00 pm	Eva Warnecke Family
Sun	7/14	7:30 am	Dale & Marilyn Ricker
		9:30 am	Bob Meyer

**THIS WEEK'S READINGS**

Mon	7/08	Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22	Mt 9:18-26
Tues	7/09	Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest and Companions, Martyrs	
		Hos 8:4-7, 11-13	Mt 9:32-38
Wed	7/10	Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12	Mt 10:1-7
Thu	7/11	Saint Benedict, Abbot	
		Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9	Mt 10:7-15
Fri	7/12	Hos 14:2-10	Mt 10:16-23
Sat	7/13	Saint Henry, BVM	
		Is 6:1-8	Mt 10:24-33

**THE COUNTRY STORE** is asking for donations of handmade or purchased items to be raffled off at our Annual Parish Festival. Monetary donations can be given through the collection basket in an envelope marked "country store donation." Please take your items with your name on it to the church basement and place it in the room designated for the Country Store between July 20<sup>th</sup> to August 1<sup>st</sup> if possible. Call Mandi Kahle at 419-236-8169 or Lynn Anspach at 419-771-9053 if you have any questions. Thank You!

**St. Joseph Vacation Bible School  
July 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 8:15 p.m.**

**If you missed the deadline and would still like to sign your child up, you can contact Riley Dickrede at 937-638-1348.**

**WEEKDAY SERVERS**

Tues., July 9: Carder Osting & Austin Askins  
Wed., July 10: Levi Schroeder & Iris Tenwalde  
Thurs., July 11: Jase Metzger & Jacob Anspach

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS: July 13 & 14:**

**SERVERS:**

5:00 pm Garrett & Derek Hark, Evan Ellerbrock  
7:30 am Hudson & Jeremy Maag, Wyatt Gasser  
9:30 am Lucas Knippen, Brody & Connor Leis

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:**

5:00 pm Carla Norbeck, Becky Uphaus,  
Rose Ann Vetter, Jodi Von Sossan,  
Nancy Wiechart  
7:30 am Volunteers Needed  
9:30 am Calvin Menke, Jamie Saum, Doug Sickels,  
Tony & Kelly Recker, Rhonda Liebrecht,  
Denise Sukup

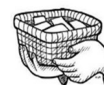
**LECTORS:**

5:00 pm Jen Neidert  
7:30 am Volunteers Needed  
9:30 am Karan Maenle

**USHERS:**

5:00 pm Rick Maag & Dan Krietemeyer  
7:30 am Volunteers Needed  
9:30 am Tony & Chad Recker

**Please pray for the sick: Blake Hellman**



**June 30, 2024**

Envelopes	\$	3,438.00
Loose	\$	721.35
Maintenance	\$	60.00
June Offertory EFT	\$	3,800.00
June Maintenance EFT	\$	1,080.00

YTD as of June 30, 2024 = \$ 211,460.78

Over budget for the 2024 Year = \$ 11,460.78

**Once again due to the generosity of our parishioners we have finished out collections for the fiscal year over budget. Thank you for continuing to support the church and it's work to continue spreading the word of God. Without you, none of this is possible!**

**BAPTISMS:** To arrange a baptism please  
Call the Parish Office or Deacon Larry (cell)  
(419) 302-2532 or by email [larry@fjsb.com](mailto:larry@fjsb.com).

**BAPTISM CLASSES**

Contact the Parish Office

**Attend a Pre-Marriage Preparation Class  
before your marriage.**

Find Marriage Prep Classes at  
<http://ToledoMarriagePrep.org>

**Bulletin submissions deadline:**  
Wednesdays at 10 a.m.

**BAPTIZED as a new member of the Catholic Faith:**

**ZAVIER RUSSELL SCHUERMAN**, son of Zach & Jenna (Wensole) Schuerman. May the Holy Spirit guide these parents as they share the Faith with Zavier. Best wished from the Catholic community in Fort Jennings.

**Close to 2 years ago, our son, Jeremy Smith, began to feel the call to serve Our Lord in the priesthood.**

After much praying, soul-searching, retreats and conversations with clergy, he applied to the Diocese of Toledo last August and was accepted this past December. He will begin attending Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Cincinnati in August. We are having an open house for Jeremy at the Ft. Jennings Rec Club on Sunday, July 14 from 1 – 4 pm as a sort of going away party. So many people influenced Jeremy growing up, we wanted to extend the invitation to the parish also. So please feel free to stop by if you wish to do so. No gifts please. Your prayers are enough.

- Mike and Jenny Smith

**Project Rachel Healing Retreat**

A one-day healing retreat for women who are hurting after an experience with abortion will be offered in the Diocese of Toledo on Saturday, November 16, 2024. To register or learn more, contact Kerstin, Project Rachel Coordinator in the Diocese of Toledo, at [kpakka@toledodiocese.org](mailto:kpakka@toledodiocese.org) or 419-260-5811.

**Invitation to “Source and Summit”** on Sunday afternoon, July 21, from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. at Delphos St. John the Evangelist Church, there will be a “Eucharistic Learning Session” followed by a period of prayerful Adoration. Father Joseph Mominee will be presenting a sacred lesson on how the Mass is the beginning and completion of all our prayer. grow in love, appreciation and understanding of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass!

**St. Barbara/Cloverdale Parish Festival - Sunday, July 14<sup>th</sup>.** BBQ Chicken/Pork Dinners (served 10:30 am-5:00 pm). Carry-outs available. Big Ticket Grand Prize-\$1,000 (drawing-6:00 pm). Lunch Stand, Beer Tent, Kid's Games, Raffle Booth, Bingo, Cash Drawings, Bicycle Drawings & More.

You're invite to a **CELEBRATE LIFE BONFIRE** on Friday, July 26, 2024, starts at 4 p.m. at 429 Northland Drive, Kalida. This event is for incoming freshman – young adults. Wear Pro-Life attire!

**Putnam County Right to Life is very grateful** for all the generous support given to us throughout the year. At this time, we would like to thank all who stopped at our booth, all who gave a donation, all who help spread our message, & all those who volunteered to witness in our fair booth: Ruth Foppe, David & Rita Iloff, Herm & Rita Borgelt, Bill & Melida Bockrath, Diane Kaufman, Mary Ann Inkrott, Roger Brickner, Michelle Doepker, Mary Grote, Diane Inkrott, Christine Inkrott, Carl & Dee Luersman, Leon & Helen Meyer, Karl & Elaine Steffan, Paul & Marlene Kleman, Mike & Ruth Ellerbrock, Don & Sharon Lammers, & Mark & Ann Warnecke. Thank you!

**FJ CLC CO #88 will be sponsoring a bus trip to SHIPSHEWANA** on Wednesday October 9, 2024. Cost is \$100 and that includes: Buffet Dinner & Show at The BLUEGATE Theater, transportation & gratuity & some free time for shopping. Proceeds from the bus trip will benefit those in financial need, in our community/surrounding communities. To make reservations, please contact SHARON CALVELAGE @ 419-306-0367 asap, bus seats are filling fast!!

**Full Time Position Available** ~ St. Anthony School is seeking a **Social Studies Teacher** for the 2024 - 2025 school year. Please email a cover letter and resume to Nancy Dukes, [dukesn@stanthony.school.info](mailto:dukesn@stanthony.school.info) or call 419-303-9240 for more information.

**Job Opening at Glandorf St. Johns - Youth Director** - We are seeking a dedicated and passionate person to lead our youth. Part-time position available Responsibilities include planning and implementing various programs and activities, amongst other duties. Please call the rectory or email Ashley Duling [bmanager@glandorfstjohns.com](mailto:bmanager@glandorfstjohns.com) for more information.

**Grab and Go Meal for Putnam County Residents aged 60 years and better from the Ottoville, Fort Jennings, and Rimer areas.** September 10, 2024, drive thru meals between 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. No charge, but donations are accepted. Pick up Meals at Fort Jenning Memorial Hall. Reserve your meal by August 23, 2024. To reserve call The Putnam County Council on Aging at 419-523-4121 or 877-796-1760.

**END OF SUMMER GATHERING** hosted by the Putnam County Council on Aging at the Ottawa VFW Hall. September 3 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Lunch will be provided. Seating is limited and reservations are required by August 23, 2024. Call the council on aging to reserve at 419-523-4121 or 877-796-1760.

Please join the Putnam County Council on Aging and for a training on Putnam County’s new community even calendar, Yodel. Training is on Wednesday, August 14 at 10 a.m. at the Putnam County District Library Ottoville Location, 150 Park Drive, Ottoville. RSVP by calling 419-523-4121.

**PAINT PARTY at Signature Designs, 248 East Main Street, Ottawa.** August 8 at 10 a.m. All supplies are included. Painting Fall on 12x12 board. \$30 fee per person-pay at the door. Seating is limited. RSVP to Putnam County Council on Aging 419-523-4121 or 877-796-1760. For Putnam County Seniors aged 60 or better.

**ATTENTION MEN ages 60 and better.** The Council on Aging has an event just for you. Clymer Wildlife Museum visit at 215 East Sycamore Street, Columbus Grove. **August 6** at 2 p.m. Space is limited so call today to register. Registration deadline is July 26. Call Putnam County Council on Aging to register at 419-523-4121 or 877-796-1760. **\*Note the date change, previous date was incorrect\***

DEACON  
**HAROLD  
BURKE-SIVERS**

Thursday  
**AUGUST 22**  
Lima Civic Center  
**6pm**

Tickets  
**\$50**

- Catered Meal
- Cash Bar
- 50/50 Raffle



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