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A New Archbishop of Cincinnati

By now, you have probably heard that we will be getting a new Archbishop of Cincinnati. This isn't surprising. All bishops are required to submit their resignation (retirement) to the Pope on their 75th birthday. Archbishop Schnurr turned 75 on June 21, 2023. So we've been waiting for a new Archbishop for over a year.

We are grateful for the leadership and service that Archbishop Schnurr has offered to our local Church over the last 15 years. He has been a dedicated and generous shepherd to our flock. Please pray for him that he may find a little bit of rest from his labors. Also, pray for his health. In early February, he fell and underwent back surgery and is currently recuperating. Pray for a swift recovery.



On February 12, Pope Francis appointed **Bishop Robert Casey** to succeed Archbishop Schnurr as the Archbishop of Cincinnati. Archbishop-elect Casey was born and raised in Chicago. In 1994 he was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Chicago and served

in various ministries throughout the city. In 2018, he was ordained an Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese

of Chicago and since 2020 was the Vicar General for the Archdiocese. The Vicar General is basically the second-in-command in a diocese.

At the time of this writing, the date for Archbishopelect Casey's installation has not been determined. However, it is anticipated to occur before Easter. Until then, Archbishop Schnurr will continue to lead the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and we'll continue to use his name in the Eucharistic Prayer at Mass.

These are exciting days for our local Church. We are blessed by a new shepherd for our Church. From watching the press conference, he seems to love Jesus, be personable, and is well-spoken. I'm sure he will spend his first few months meeting as many people as possible.

In other related news, I want to encourage everyone to check out **Formed.org**, especially as we approach Lent. Formed is a Catholic streaming service, similar to Hulu or Netflix. Once you make an account online, you can download an app on your phone, iPad, or TV. Our parish pays for a parish-wide subscription, so you can access all the content for free. Simply go to formed.org and at the top, click "Find your Parish Subscription." You can search for our parish, "Holy Face of Jesus Parish," and it should come up.

Sincerely in Christ, Fr. Sean Wilson

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Regular Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigils	4pm Immaculate Conception, 4:30pm St. Joseph
Sunday	8am St. John, 8:30am St. Lawrence, 10am
	St. Joseph, 10:30am Immaculate Conception
Monday	8am Immaculate Conception
Tuesday	8am St. Joseph
Wednesday	8am St. Lawrence, 8am St. John
Thursday	8am Immaculate Conception, 8am St. Joseph
Friday	8am Immaculate Conception, 8am St. Joseph
Saturday	8am St. John (Anointing of the Sick during 1st
	Saturday Masses)

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Saturday, February 22nd

4:00 p.m. IC Wilfred Leugers - Birthday 4:30 p.m. SJ Vickie Braun

Sunday, February 23rd Seventh Sunday in OT

8:00 a.m. SJF L&D Ralph & Farrell Kohlrieser Family
8:30 a.m. SL Werner & Mary Wischmeyer
10:00 a.m. SJ People of Holy Face of Jesus Parish
10:30 a.m. IC Marion Dietz

Monday, February 24th

8:00 a.m. IC Dan Shuga

Tuesday, February 25th 8:00 a.m. SJ Paul Reigelsperger - Anniversary

Wednesday, February 26th

8:00 a.m. SJF Souls in Purgatory 8:00 a.m. SL Cyril Pleiman

Thursday, February 27th

8:00 a.m. IC L&D Clarence & Marie Behr Family 8:00 a.m. SJ Tom Manger

Friday, February 28th

8:00 a.m. IC Donald L. & Eleanor Kennedy & Family 8:00 a.m. SJ L&D John & Eileen Gaier

Saturday, March 1st

8:00 a.m. SJF Carol Jean Schneider
4:00 p.m. IC L&D Sommer & Russell Families
4:30 p.m. SJ John Schneider - Birthday

Sunday, March 2nd Eighth Sunday in OT

8:00 a.m. SJF Everett Merrill
8:30 a.m. SL Lavern Homan
10:00 a.m. SJ Dan Dietz
10:30 a.m. IC People of Holy Face of Jesus Parish

IC - Immaculate Conception SJF - St. JohnSJ - St. Joseph SL - St. Lawrence

Mass Readings

For the Week of February 23rd, 2025

Sunday the 23rd - Seventh Sunday in OT 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

Monday the 24th Sir 1:1-10; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday the 25th Sir 2:1-11; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday the 26th Sir 4:11-19; Ps 119:165, 168, 171-172, 174-175; Mk 9:38-40

Thursday the 27th - St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot & Doctor of Church Sir 5:1-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mk 9:41-50

Friday the 28th Sir 6:5-17; Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35; Mk 10:1-12

Saturday the 1st Sir 17:1-15; Ps 103:13-14, 15-16, 17-18; Mk 10:13-16

Sunday the 2nd - Eighth Sunday in OT Sir 27:4-7; Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday	After morning Mass at St. John
	(8:40am)
	3:15–3:45pm Immaculate Conception
	3:15–4:15pm St. Joseph
Sunday	7:15-7:45am St. John
	7:45-8:15am St. Lawrence
Wednesday	5:45-6:30pm Immaculate Conception
Thursday	Before First Friday 4–5pm IC and SJ
Friday	After morning Mass at St. Joseph
	(8:40am)

Area Weekday Mass/Confession

TuesdayHoly Angels (Sidney)Confession 5-6pmWednesdayHoly Rosary (St. Mary)Conf. 11:30am, Mass 12:05pmHoly Angels (Sidney)Confession 12-1pmThursdaySacred Heart (McCartyville)Confession 6-7pm

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, February 23rd Holy Land Carvers at All Masses

7:15 a.m.	SJF	Sacrament of Reconciliation
7:45 a.m.	SL	Sacrament of Reconciliation
11:30 a.m.	IC	Baptism of Ivan Nicholas Bergman

Monday, February 24th

6:30 a.m. SJF Holy Hour & Morning Prayer

10:00 a.m. IC Rosary

- 1:00 p.m. SJ Connect Group
- 5:00 p.m. Wapak Spiritual Movement @ First English Lutheran 6:30 p.m. SJ Alpha
- 7:00 p.m. SJ RCIA
- 7:00 p.m. IC That Woman Is You

Tuesday, February 25th

6:30 a.m.	SJF	Holy Hour & Morning Prayer
8:40 a.m.	SJ	Holy Face Devotion/Prayers
9a-3p	SJ	Festival Sewing
10:00 a.m.	IC	Rosary
6:30 p.m.	SL	Schoenstatt
7:00 p.m.	IC	Exodus 90

Wednesday, February 26th

- 6:30 a.m. SJF Holy Hour & Morning Prayer
- 10:00 a.m. IC Rosary
- 4:00 p.m. IC Men's Rosary
- 5:00 p.m. Wapak Spiritual Movement @ First English Lutheran
- 5:45 p.m. IC Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursday, February 27th Office opens at 10:30am

6:30 a.m. SIF Holy Hour & Morning Prayer All Day Adoration in the Church 9a-7p SL 10:00 a.m. IC Rosarv 7:00 p.m. SJ Festival Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m. SJ Christ Renews His Parish Committee Meeting

Friday, February 28th

6:30 a.m.	SJF	Holy Hour &	« Morning	Prayer
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- 8:40 a.m. SJ Sacrament of Reconciliation
- 10:00 a.m. IC Rosary

Saturday, March 1st

- 6:30 a.m. SJF Holy Hour & Morning Prayer
- 7:30 a.m. SJF First Saturday of the Month Devotion
- 8:00 a.m. SJ Men's Fellowship

Saturday, March 1st (cont.)

8:15 a.m.	Wapak	Spiritual Movement @ First
		English Lutheran
8:40 a.m.	SJF	Sacrament of Reconciliation
8:40 a.m.	SJF	Divine Mercy Chaplet
9a-2p	SJ	Engaged Couple Retreat
3:15 p.m.	IC	Sacrament of Reconciliation
3:15 p.m.	SJ	Sacrament of Reconciliation
Sunday, M	larch 2	nd
7:15 a.m.	SJF	Sacrament of Reconciliation

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7:45 a.m.	SL	Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Joseph CYO Chicken Dinner

St. Joseph CYO will have a chicken dinner on Sunday, March 2nd from 11:30am-2pm at the K of C drive-thru. Presale only! Romer's will be the caterers this year. Dinner includes half a barbeque chicken, applesauce, roll & chips. Tickets are \$12/each and can be purchased at the parish office or from any of the coaches/ players.

Adoration Chapels

<u>Regular Schedule:</u> St. Joseph Adoration Chapel opens at noon on Sunday and closes at midnight on Thursday. Immaculate Conception Adoration Chapel opens at noon on Sunday and closes at 9pm on Friday. You are welcome to stop in and visit our Lord in our Adoration chapels.

Open Hours: Immaculate Conception Adoration Chapel has two open hours: **Thursdays from noon-1pm and Fridays from 1-2pm and 2-3pm**. Please call the office at (419)-738-2115 if you are interested in spending any of these hours with our Lord.

Pastoral Council

IC: Kathy Behr, Chris Brown & Linda Christman SJF: Anita Foor, Ashley Headapohl & Linda LaMarr SJ: Erika Eley, Jenn Schlosser & Steve Webb SL: Jeanie Bergman, Alan Borchers & Colleen Winner



Our Christian sympathy is extended to the families and friends of **Carrie Marchal and Helen Puthoff**. May the never-ending power of God's love surround them and bring them peace in this difficult time of grief and adjustment.

Holy Land Shepherds

The mission of the Holy Land Shepherds is to support and strengthen the presence of Christianity in the Holy Land by selling beautiful olive wood artifacts. **We are happy to announce that they are visiting our parish thie weekend, February 22nd-23rd, 2025**. We encourage you to look over their beautiful hand-carved items. They will be accepting cash, credit cards, and checks. For more information, visit www.theholylandshop.com.

My Queen, My Mother: A Women's Retreat

Schoenstatt Women of Ohio is putting on a retreat for women on **Saturday, March 15th** from 8:30am–3pm at St. Lawrence Church. The retreat will feature Marge Fenelon, best-selling author, award-winning journalist, blogger, and speaker. The day will begin with Mass at 8:30am; registrations and refreshments to follow Mass. There will be lunch, Eucharistic Adoration, a gift shop, and more! Cost is \$20 prior to March 3 and \$30 after March 3. Use this QR code to register.



Ash Wednesday Collection for the Church in Central & Eastern Europe

On Ash Wednesday, we will take up the collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more than 25 countries that are still struggling to recover from former Communist rule. It also aids communities throughout the region that are affected by the war in Ukraine. Funds support pastoral care, catechesis, renovations, and seminary formation. Your contribution restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection. You can find more information at www.usccb.org/ccee. You can also donate online at www.igivecatholictogether.org.

We're Hiring!

Holy Face of Jesus Parish is seeking to add an Administrative Assistant to our Evangelization team. The Administrative Assistant will provide support in the creation, preparation, and facilitation of various programs and events. We are looking for a candidate who has a strong commitment to Jesus Christ and His Church, demonstrates creativity, possesses excellent organizational skills, and is proficient in basic office computer programs. This position requires 30-35 hours per week, with some weekends and evenings necessary. Interested applicants should forward their resume to carlahr@holyfaceparish.org by February 28, 2025. A full job description is available upon request.

Hope & Mercy Luncheon

Mark your calendar! March 13th, 11:30am–1:30pm at the St. Joseph Parish Life Center. This 2-hour retreat luncheon is for anyone who is available during the day. Men and women alike are invited! Come enjoy fellowship with Fr. Sean and other parishioners! Tickets are \$5/person and

include lunch. **Purchase your ticket by March 11**th at the parish office or online using the QR code. (There is small processing fee if paying online.) Contact Angie Soules at the parish office with any questions at 419-738-2115.





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Pope Francis Appoints New Archbishop of Cincinnati

On February 12, 2025, Pope Francis announced his acceptance of the resignation of Most Reverend Dennis M. Schnurr from pastoral governance of the Archdiocese

of Cincinnati and appointed Most Reverend Robert G. Casey, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Chicago, as the 11th Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Watch the press conference and learn more by scanning the QR code!

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

Remembering family members serving in the military

> Elizabeth Aselage David DiGiovanni Thomas DiGiovanni Adam Hall Garrett Okuley R.J. Poeppelman Nate Quellhorst

Get to Know the Holy Face of Jesus Parish Team

Seminarian Intern

David began serving as the seminarian intern for Holy Face of Jesus Parish in August of 2024, and will be doing so through the spring of 2025. As a seminarian intern, David is learning the ins and outs of the life of a parish priest. In the day to day, he shadows Fr. Sean and Fr. Hoying, assisting with daily and weekend Masses, weddings, and funerals. Among his other duties he is teaching junior high CCD, helping with Alpha, homebound ministry, hospital visits and generally getting to know the parish and the people, so make sure to say Hello if you get the chance! David enjoys playing guitar and piano, drinking coffee with friends, and getting outside for a bike ride.



87 on 3/5

To learn more about our staff, visit holyfaceparish.org/staff.

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Birthdays	&	Anniversa	ries

60 on 3/28

John Kraft

Kevin Westerbeck

Decade Changers

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Josh Mahoney	40 on 3/2	Nicholas Sabo	60 on 3/31	Paul Ott	88 on	3/4
Adam King	40 on 3/5	Daniel King	70 on 3/17	Donald Steinke	88 on	3/4
0		Doug Greve	70 on 3/18	Carolyn Steinke	88 on	3/12
Brent Schwieterman	40 on 3/22	Robert McBeth	70 on 3/25	Don Sommer	89 on	
Jill Kreitzer	40 on 3/26					
Isaiah Johnson	40 on 3/28	Ann Hulsmeyer	70 on 3/27	Dolores Meyer	94 on	
Michael Gerstner, Jr.		Roger Mack	80 on 3/12	Esther Dietz	98 on	3/21
		Linda Jacobs	80 on 3/20	40 Year Anniversa	vies	
Ryan Smith	50 on 3/28	Andre Rabette	80 on 3/22	-		7/0
Nikki Fisher	50 on 3/30			Mike & Jill Anthony		3/8
Ronald Gerstner	60 on 3/7	Jim Albers	80 on 3/24	Anthony & Christina N	1axson	3/23
Greg Mahoney	60 on 3/13	85 & Over		60+ Year Annivers	aries	
Michael Schipper	60 on 3/19	Patty King	85 on 3/14	Joe & Evonne Schnip	opel	
Julie Shroyer	60 on 3/27	Brenda Geis	85 on 3/22	65 years on 3/19		

Reverse Raffle

Save the date! The St. Lawrence Reverse Raffle will be held Saturday, April 5th at the Palazzo in Botkins. Come for dinner and fellowship. 298 tickets will be available soon! \$50 each and \$100 per couple includes dinner and raffle entry. You do not need to be present to win. When tickets are available, they can be purchased at the parish office - stay tuned! Donations for auction items and door prizes are appreciated. Contact Elaine Staton at jestaton@outlook.com.

Andrew Dinners: An Evening of Food, Fellowship, & Exploration of God's Call

The Andrew Dinners are meant for high school and college-age men. These events provide an opportunity for young men to learn about the vocation to the priesthood, meet the Archbishop, and share a meal together. An Andrew Dinner will be held on **Tuesday, March 4th 5:30-7:30pm** in the St. Joseph Parish Life Center. Register using this QR code!



Youth Ministry

Weekly Scripture

"To you who hear, I say, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you."

- Luke 6:27-28 (from the Gospel for Sunday, February 23rd)

Weekly Saint Quote

"In the face of my darkness, you are light. In the face of my mortality, you are life." - St. Gregory of Narek (Feast Day February 27th)

Upcoming Confirmation Classes/Events

Upcoming Confirmation Classes for freshmen & sophomores are listed below! All freshmen & sophomores are expected to attend Life Teen as well, which is on Wednesdays from 6:30–8:30pm in the St. Joseph Parish Life Center. Call Angie Soules with any questions: (419)-303-9745.

• Confirmation Interview Dinners & Sponsor/Confirmandi Retreat - Please go to holyfaceparish.org/ youth and fill out the form to let us know which Interview Dinner (last remaining date is 2/27) and Sponsor/Confirmandi Retreat you will attend (3/15 or 3/16)! Please complete ASAP.

Steubenville Registration

Steubenville 2025 will be held July 11–13. Registration forms are available on our site as a printable document for you to fill out by hand and return to Angie: https://holyfaceparish.org/youth/.

This Week's Youth Ministry Plan at St. Joseph

Last Wednesday was the last night of CCD in the Faith Center before the renovation. This affects CCD at St. Joseph for grades 1–6. To clarify, the EDGE (7th & 8th grade) and Life Teen (high school) programs will run as normal! To keep everyone informed, we will list the upcoming Wednesday's 1st–6th grade plan:

Wednesday, February 26

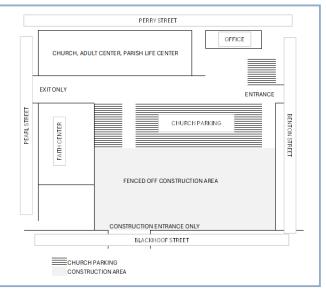
1st-6th Grade: Family Night with Fr. Sean 6:45–8pm



Holy Face of Jesus Parish is excited to announce our Parish Mission: The Summit. Fr. Leo Patalinghug, who will be leading our mission, is a priest member of a community of consecrated life, Voluntas Dei (The Will of God). He is the founder of *Plating Grace*, an international food and faith movement, and is also a best-selling author and host of the EWTN show, *Savoring Our Faith*. Fr. Leo's background as a chef, black belt martial arts instructor, and award-winning break dancer and choreographer caught the eye of the Food Network, where he won *Throwdown! with Bobby Flay*. He sees food as a gift from God that nourishes your family, strengthens relationships, and makes this world a better place, one meal at a time. He will be focusing on the most important meal of all. If you would like to get involved with helping with the Parish Mission, please contact Angie Soules at the Parish office. Details about the mission/.

St. Joseph Parking Lot During Faith Center Renovation

Faith Center construction is set to start the week of 2/24/2025. Starting sometime that week, the St. Joseph parking lot will become limited. Once the construction fence is up, we can only access the Benton Street entrance and Pearl Street exit. We will have approximately half of the parking to use. If you can, please consider parking farther from the church and walking to keep the parking spots for those who need them. We appreciate your support and joyful hearts through the construction process.



Fast & Abstinence Reminders

Ash Wednesday, March 5 and Good Friday, April 18, are days of abstinence from meat and also days of fast, that is, limited to a single full meal. The other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years and older. The law of fasting binds all Catholics from their 18th birthday until their 59th birthday. (canons 97, 1252) "Let the paschal fast be kept sacred. Let it be celebrated everywhere on Good Friday and, where possible, prolonged throughout Holy Saturday, so that the joys of the Sunday of the Resurrection may be attained with uplifted and clear mind." (Constitution on the Liturgy, No. 110)

Catholic Nurse Society in 2025

Catholic nurses: join us for fellowship, prayer & fun conversations that are uniquely about the joys, triumphs & hardships of being a nurse. Meetings are held at 11am on the first Saturday of the month, second floor at the Maria Stein Shrine. Contact Janet Munday with any questions at (419) 954-1670 voice/text.

Easter Vigil & Confirmation Mass Choir

Attention all Holy Face of Jesus Parish Choir members and singers! Please consider participating in the parish choir for the Easter Vigil and the Confirmation Mass, both at St. Joseph this year. Rehearsals for the Easter Vigil Choir will begin on Monday, March 10 at 6:30pm and rehearsals for the Confirmation Mass will begin on March 17 at 6:30pm. Please contact Adam Fahncke at the parish office if you are interested or if you'd like more details.

Please Pray for the Sick of Our Parish

Carol Baker, Esther Ballweg, Bob Bassitt, Janet Bassitt, Mary Berg, Becky Bogden, Penny Borchers, David Brown, Ruth Brown, Nancy Burrell, Jim Clementz, Tom Cooper, Michelle Daum, Tim Dietz, Talan DiGiovanni, Alfred Drexler, Ron Fahncke, Darla Finkenbine, Mary Fischer, Agnes Fisher, Emily Grieves, Ben Harshbarger, Dave Hassenauer, Jane Hemmer, Victoria Henderson, Ashley Holthaus, Jeremiah Holthaus, Geri Howard, Charles Huber, April Hulsmeyer, Anne Johnston, Kathie Kentner, Mike Kentner, Mary Lou Klopfenstein, Gertrude Kondracki, Amy Kraft, Camille Kramer, Herb Limbert, Connie Mangen, Nancy Merrill, Dolores Meyer, Grace Miller, Rita Monnin, Tony Monnin, Peyton Morgan, Sally Naseman, Wanda Nuss, Mary Ann Rabette, Donna Reed, Sandy Rosengarten, Evelyn Schneider, Joe Schnippel, Mary Schulte, Janine Steinke, Linda Baker Steinke, Paul Steinke, Patricia Stutsman, Carmen Tedesco, Richard Verbyke, Norma Wachauf, Rita Wagner, Jim Warniment, Chuck Wobbrock, and Kaelyn Zwiebel

Lent 2025

"By the solemn forty days of Lent the Church unites herself each year to the mystery of Jesus in the desert." (CCC 540)

Dynamic Catholic Best Lent Ever: Experience Divine Mercy Like Never Before - This Lent, join Matthew Kelly and nearly one million Catholics for a brand new consecration journey. Are you ready to encounter God's mercy like never before? Are you ready for a new beginning? Join us for BEST LENT EVER and get ready for an encounter with God's mercy that will renew your faith, transform your relationships, and show you how to be an instrument of love in the world. Sign up for daily emails starting on Ash Wednesday at dynamiccatholic.com/lent.

Bishop Barron's Lenten Gospel Reflections: For Christians, Lent is an important time of reflecting on the suffering and death of Jesus so as to enter into the joy of his Resurrection. In this devotional book, Bishop Robert Barron invites you to enter more deeply into the prayerful nature of the season. Lenten Gospel Reflections features the full Gospel reading for each day of Lent, a daily reflection from Bishop Barron, space for journaling and answering reflection questions, and more! Beautiful, practical, and affordable, this booklet is ideal for both individual meditation and group study on a family or parish level. Pay only for shipping. Order at wordonfire.org.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Days of Grace: Tuesday, March 18th at Immaculate Conception, 9am–9pm & Wednesday, April 16th at St. Joseph, 9am–9pm

The Way of the Cross: Fridays 7pm at St. Joseph and 7:30pm at Immaculate Conception (except Good Friday). Come and retrace the steps of Jesus on the Road to Calvary.

Men's Spiritual Bootcamp w/Fr. Hoying: Join Fr. Hoying & other men from the area (high school age and up) on a six-week "spiritual bootcamp" this Lent. Men lift weights to become physically strong, but what about becoming spiritually strong? The goal of the bootcamp is to intentionally work on our prayer and spiritual lives so that we become the men who we were created to be – the men who we need to be – men who are more attentive to our spouses, present to our children, concentrated at work, and above all, in union with God. Starting on Saturday, March 8, meetings will take place on the Saturdays of Lent from 6:30-7:30am at St. John's Hall in Fryburg. Make the sacrifice to get up early this Lent and get your Man (of God) Card! Challenge a coworker or friend to join you!

Hope & Mercy Luncheon: March 13th, 11:30am-1:30pm, at the St. Joseph Parish Life Center. See page 5.

Feast of St. Joseph: Mass will be celebrated at 7pm at St. Joseph Church on Wednesday, March 19th.

Lenten Holy Hour with Evening Prayer: Holy Hours with Evening Prayer will be each Sunday of Lent at St. Lawrence from 4:30–5:30pm.

Parish Mission: The Summit: March 30-April 1, join Fr. Leo Patalinghug for our parish mission! See page 7.

Almsgiving: Together We Can containers will be available by all church doors. Please pick one up, fill it with your spare change, and return it by Palm Sunday. Proceeds go to the Society of the Good Samaritan, God's Storehouse, Mercy Unlimited, and Fish Pond Food Pantry.

Triduum Holy Hour with Morning Prayer & Confessions: Holy Hours on Holy Thursday (April 17), Good Friday (April 18), and Holy Saturday (April 19) will be 7:30–8:30am at St. John. Morning Prayer will be prayed at 8:15am and confessions will be heard afterward.

Good Friday Stations: April 18th, 7pm at St. Lawrence Church, join us for a special Good Friday Stations of the Cross with Procession and Veneration of our Relic of the True Cross, with meditative Sacred Music sung by members of the parish community.

Lenten Noon Services & Luncheon: The Wapakoneta Area Ministerial Association will hold services each Wednesday at noon at St. Joseph, followed by a luncheon in the Parish Life Center. The 2025 theme is *Parables on the Road to Jerusalem.* The first service and luncheon will be on Ash Wednesday and will be hosted by St. Joseph and St. John.

Parish Collection

Weekend of February 8-9:

Weekly Goal:	\$21,402.90
Week Total:	\$29,597.04
52 \$100+ Env.	\$15,865.00
31 \$60-99 Env.	\$2,155.00
80 \$30-59 Env.	\$3,440.00
86 \$20-29 Env.	\$1,810.00
21 \$1-19 Env.	\$195.00
Loose	\$1,842.93
Online	\$4,289.11

Mass Attendance (by church & total)

Time/Church	Feb. 8-9	Feb. 1-2	Jan. 25-26
4:00pm IC	279	322	302
4:30pm SJ	206	332	290
8:00am SJF	131	143	174
8:30am SL	128	134	139
10:00am SJ	379	324	358
10:30am IC	312	281	305
Total	1,435	1,536	1,568

<u>Seating Capacities</u> IC: 366; SJF: 197; SJ: 538; SL: 189 <u>Averages from Previous Years</u> 2021: 1,435; 2022: 1,492; 2023: 1,538

Sponsor of the Week

WAPAKONETA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #1272 614 N. Dixie Hwy. Wapakoneta, OH 45895 419-738-2218 Call us to reserve our hall for all your party needs! Like Wapakoneta Knights of Columbus #1272 on facebo

Scammers

Please be aware that scammers have been known to impersonate our priests. They may send a text/ email that says something like: "Hi, please return my text when you get it. I have a favor to ask." "Are you available? I have a request for you to manage discreetly." Their text or email will probably even be signed with the name of one of our priests. If you engage with the scammer, they will likely ask for iTunes gift cards. These are not our priests! They will never send messages like this. If you're ever questioning a message, please call the parish office before responding. If you've been scammed, ignore the message (or report it as a "phishing message") and say a prayer for the scammer.

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