

# 12700 PEARL ROAD • STRONGSVILLE, OHIO 44136

#### LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday	Vigil4:2	30 pm
	8:00 am and 10:30	
	* indicates that Mass is live-streamed.	

Monday Evening .	6:30 pm
Tuesday – Thursday	
Friday with School (SeptMay)	
First Šaturday	

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturday......3-4 pm

or by appointment.

## PARISH PASTORAL STAFF

Temporary Administrator	Fr. Joseph R. Mamich
Pastor Emeritus	Fr. Robert J. Sanson
Parochial Vicar	Fr. Gregory J. Olszewski
Parochial Vicar	Fr. Arnold C. Tiplaca
Deacon	Mr. Robert Lester
Deacon, Retired	Mr. Paul Kutolowski
Deacon, Transitional	Mr. Michael Garvin
Director of Faith Formation	Mrs. Linda Zvoncheck
Director of Music Ministry	Mr. Luke Massery
Business Manager	Mr. Dean Robinson
Facilities Director	Mr. Dennis Crose
Office Manager	Ms. Judy Rawlins

## **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday & Wednesday	
Tuesday & Thursday	
Friday & Saturday	
First Sunday of the Month	

#### **PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**

#### www.sjohio.org/ppc

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## **NEW TO OUR PARISH?**

We welcome you! Please call the Parish Office during regular office hours and we will be happy to welcome you.

# Serving God and Neighbor Since 1946

#### Sunday, November 19

7:00 am	Feeding our Family (K)
	Sharing Tree Pick Up (GA)
8:00 am	MOA Thanksgiving Food Drive (GA)
9:00 am	Rosary for Peace (CHP)
9:30 am	Sunday Choir Practice (CL)
11:00 am	AA Meeting (RMR)

#### Monday, November 20

10:00 amCandy Making (HFC)6:00 pmRosary for Life (CHP)7:00 pmLegion of Mary (NR)

#### **Tuesday, November 21**

10:00 amCandy Making (HFC)6:00 pmBTFT Grateful Gala (Cave)7:00 pmPrayer Shawl Ministry (NR)

Wednesday, November 22 Parish Office Closes at 5:00pm 6:45 pm No PSR -Thanksgiving Break

Thursday, November 23 Happy Thanksgiving Parish Office Closed

#### Friday, November 24 Parish Office Closed 6:00 pm Cenacle Prayer (CHP)

#### Saturday, November 25 4:30 pm Sharing Tree Pick Up (GA)



#### Meeting Room Ledger

Bethlehem Room (BR), Chapel (CHP), Chapel Basement (Cave), Choir Loft (CL), Church (C), Gathering Area (GA), Holy Family Center (HFC), Kitchen (K), Nazareth Room (NR), Rectory Courtyard (CY), Rectory Meeting Room (RMR), Staff Meeting Room (SMR), School (S), McGraw Hall (MGH)

## THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## **NOVEMBER 19, 2023**

#### **PASTORAL PONDERINGS REFLECITONS FROM OUR PASTORAL STAFF**

From the desk of Deacon Bob

Happy Thanksgiving Week!!!!!!!

As we continue through the month of November, we remember all of our loved ones who have gone before us in faith, the souls in Purgatory, the names in our Book of Necrology and the people mentioned during our Mass of Remembrance earlier this month.

Grief Share Sessions have returned - Each Saturday morning from 10am until Noon, we meet in HFC 1. The new session started last Saturday and continues for 14 weeks. The first half of the meeting is a video, followed by a discussion period on the subject matter of the video. For further information, you can contact me at 440.238.5555 ext. 110.

Sharing Tree – Our Sharing Trees return this weekend! Please plan to stop in the Gathering Area of the Bell Tower Entrance before or after all of the Masses to visit the trees. If you're not attending Mass regularly, you can also visit our website. In addition, there is the "Kindness from Kailee" Tree, which is in memory of Kailee Mayher, our parishioner who was killed in a tragic car accident is 2017. Out of that, her parents wanted to make some other families lives better, and the tree is back this year. Since both our traditional Sharing Trees and the Kindness from Kailee Tree have been so very well-received, we are happy to offer them in combination with one another. It is always awesome to see parishioners of all ages looking for the "right" tag to make someone's Christmas special. Please pay particular attention to the items requested on the tag. As much as people often like to give more, some agencies won't accept it. As always, please let's not forget to pray for those who will receive the gifts. The Sharing Tree gifts are due back by Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, while the Kindness from Kailee Tree gifts are due back by December 18th .

Thanksgiving - I would like to remind you that Mass on Thanksgiving morning will be here at 9am. What a beautiful way to start your Thanksgiving Day by coming to Mass. Have a great Thanksgiving!

God Bless - Deacon Bob

## **THANKSGIVING MASS & OFFICE HOURS**

On Thanksgiving Day, Thursday November 23, Mass will be celebrated at 9:00am. Plan to join us to start your day.

Parish office hours for Thanksgiving week will be as follows: Wednesday, November 22-from 9:00am-5:00pm Thursday, November 23—CLOSED Friday, November 24—CLOSED Saturday, November 25-9:00am-12:00noon Sunday, November 26—CLOSED We hope you enjoy this time with your family and friends.





- SUNDAY, November 19, Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 am Mass for all Parishioners (GJO/MG) 10:30 am Russell Lieblein—Elaine Barrington (ACT/RL)
- MONDAY, November 20, Weekday

6:30 pm Alice Dlouhy—Dave & Alice Mushenheim

TUESDAY, November 21, The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 7:30 am Tony Anthony—Theresa Anthony

WEDNESDAY, November 22, St. Cecilia 7:30 am Carmelo & Theresa Pastore—Theresa Anthony

THURSDAY, November 23, Thanksgiving Day, USA 9:00 am Joe Chernosky—Bob & Wallene Chernosky

FRIDAY, November 24 St. Andrew Dung-Lac 8:05 am Sandra Kovach—Joseph Kovach

SATURDAY, November 25, Weekday 4:30 pm Tiede Famliy—Kathy Tiede (GJO/RL)

SUNDAY, November 26, Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe

8:00 am Mass for all Parishioners (ACT/PK) 10:30 am Bob Thein—Mary Ann Thein (GJO)

## **HEARING LOOP**



To better hear Mass, ask your audiologist if your hearing aids have T-Coils and if he/she will activate their T-Coils. Once activated, you can easily switch them on when at public places with Hearing Loops. Have questions? Call our volunteer at 440-487-0950. He will guide you.

#### Schedule at our Cluster Parish. St. John Neumann www.sjnohio.com 440-238-1770

Saturday Vigil Mass	4:00 pm*
Sunday Mass	9:00 am, 11:00 am
Life Teen Mass Sundays (Sept-May)	5:00pm
Mass Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri	
Reconciliation Monday & Friday	5:15 pm—6:00 pm
Reconciliation Saturday	.9:00 am—10:00 am

#### WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Totals not available at time of publication.

Thank you for your generous and continued commitment to our parish. It is greatly appreciated!

# FAITH FORMATION For Adults, Teens and Children

## **FAITH FORMATION**

**PSR** classes will not meet on Wednesday, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>. Happy Thanksgiving to all our families and volunteers. We are certainly blessed! PSR will resume on Wednesday, Nov. 29th in the school. Grades 6-8 will meet in the HFC for a ROCK (Reaching Other Catholic Kids) night about prayer and Advent.

Confirmation Kick Off Retreat is on Sunday, Dec. 3rd from 1:00pm to 6:00 pm. Students should complete the Bishop Barron activity for small group discussion. All are invited to join our Confirmandi and their families and sponsors for XLT (Exalt) on Sunday, Dec. 3rd at 5:00pm in the church. Fr. Joe Menkhaus will join us for an hour of prayer, adoration and worship.

Fr. Greg Olszewski will facilitate a Bible study of "The Birth Narratives" as found in the Bible. The group will meet on Mondays, December 4, 11 and 18, at 7:00pm, in HFC 2&3. Please contact Moira in the Faith Formation Office with your name, email and phone number to register your intent to attend this class.

CLOW meets weekly during Advent at the 10:30am Mass. Children ages 3-7 are invited to attend. No registration is needed.

**PSR Family Night** for December 6<sup>th</sup> is an adult only event. Children will attend PSR, and parents/grandparents will attend RESTORE in the church from 6:45pm to 8:00pm. Parents of students preparing for First Communion and Confirmation are also asked to attend. Come and get inspired by our speaker, Greg Wasinski, and learn more about faith and the family.

Children are invited to Jesus' Birthday Party for ages 3-7 on Sunday, December 17th from 2:30-4:00pm in the Holy Family Center. We will gather with the teens and adult volunteers for games, songs, snacks, stories and prayer! Let us know you are coming by signing up online at www.sjohio.org/clow. Please bring a present for Jesus in the form of a donation (cereal or baby products) for the foodbank.

## **ADVENT SCRIPTURE STUDY**

Join Fr. Greg O. for an adventure into the Birth of Jesus in the Gospels! We'll read and look at what our four Evangelists - Matthew, Mark, Luke & John - did and did not record about the coming of Jesus in human form. We'll meet from 7 to 8 p.m. on three Mondays, December 4, 11 & 18, in the Holy Family Center. You may attend all or even just one of the sessions. BYOB, i.e., Bring Your Own Bible, preferably the New American Bible translation because that version is proclaimed during Mass. Topics include Jesus' actual birth date, Jesus' family tree, virgin and birth mother paradox, the Inn, the Star, the Magi and more! Excellent way to prepare for the Christmas season. Fr. Greg O.'s Bold Tip for Christmas Gift Shopping: Shop with cash!

If you take \$20 with you, you won't spend more than \$20. Your budget will thank you in February.

## **SJS YOUTH**

Celebrate the beginning of the Thanksgiving holiday with other teens on Tuesday, November 21st at 6:00pm in the cave. Our "Grateful Gala" will include games, food and prayer. Bring your favorite snack to share with other teens. Invite a friend to join us, too! We welcome back our college faith mentors, too!

Reminder: Confirmation Retreat is on Sunday, Dec. 3rd at 1:00pm. Faith Mentors should arrive at 12:30pm for a leadership meeting.

CLE 2:16 Diocesan Youth Conference at John Carroll University is on Jan. 6, 2024, from 10:00am to 9:00pm. High school students are invited to attend this event, and reservations are needed. Please email lzvoncheck@sjohio.org for more information.

**BY TEENS FOR TEENS** is a faith-based leadership program for students in grades 7-12. During the months of Sept. - May we meet for faith nights, service projects, social events and guest speakers. All teens are invited to attend, and no registration is necessary for most events. Currently, openings are available for high school teens who would like to be trained as leaders in our BTFT program. If you are dedicated to modeling your faith by example and would like to join our leadership team, email Linda at <u>lzvoncheck@sjohio.org</u> for more information. You can make a difference!

## **ADORATION OF OUR LORD**

DEC 6, 2023 - 6:45 PM

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"Holv God Holv and Strong! Holy Immortal One; *Come let us adore!* 

In the busyness of life, take an hour to spend with the Lord in Eucharistic Adoration. He is always there for you.

For more information on Eucharistic Adoration, please contact Regina at 440-846-0055.

**OUR FAITH HAS NEVER BEEN MORE IMPORTANT!** A LIFE CHANGING COMBINATION OF WITH MUSICAL GUEST PERSONAL STORIES, UPBEAT MUSIC, & VIDEOS TO HELP ADULTS UNDERSTAND, AS CATHOLICS, CARRIE FORD THE IMPORTANCE OF "WHY WE BELIEVE WHAT WE BELIEVE." WHILE HELPING PARENTS REFOCUS ON THEIR ROLE OF FAITH IN THEIR FAMILIES.

YOU'RE NOT BROKEN ... JUST UNFINISHED

## CHRISTMAS SHARING TREE



Our annual "Sharing Tree" project kicks off. This weekend trees will be set up in the Gathering Area and at the Bell Tower entrance with tags for requested gifts. For those unable to attend Mass but still wanting to help, please see the Sign Up Genius on our website. A Sharing Tree representative will be available before and after Masses each weekend to answer ques-

tions you may have. Your gift must be returned to the Church prior to the 10:30am Mass on December 3, as all gifts will be delivered on that day. Thank you and God Bless you!

## WE PRAY..... For the weak, the sick and suffering

Mary Ann Brown, Richard Carrara, Renee DeAngelo, Joanne & Ben Dittrich, Nick Ferra, Courtney Fredmonsky, Betty Gromiak, Victoria J., Fr. Bill Jerse, Ken Kafcsak, Maria Kahle, Bob Lange, Ann Marie & Jim Mericsko, Mel Mowery, Julie Myers, Marion Nemer, Christopher Pawlak, Paul Petro, Alicia Pingatore, Don Rahe, Jacob Seabold, RJ Stanton, Terry Stevens, Dennis Whitaker Jr., Rosie Wittrup, Walt Z. and for all the sick and suffering of our parish.

\*To keep our list accurate and up to date, our list will be updated every 30 days. Please inform the office if you or your loved one would like to remain on the prayer list.



#### PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE OUR **COUNTRY AND COMMUNITY**



#### Brian Andes, Sara Andes, Owen Barta, Bryce Born, Jacob Boros, Andrew Branic, Kelly Branic, Joe Conrad, Zachary Hilko, James Johncock, Laura Nevel, John Michael Popik,

Apearre Radeff, Benjamin G. Radeff, Michael Regan, Joshua Stark, Link Terry, Mark Wilinski, Christine Wolk, Billy Yoakley, and those who serve in the safety forces, especially our men and women of the Strongsville Police and Fire Departments.

## PARISH THANKSGIVING DINNER

Thank you to all who made the first St. Joseph Parish Thanksgiving dinner a huge success. With the help of parishioners and the Knights of Columbus we had plenty for all eat. This was a nice evening of faith, food and fellowship. We hope to see everyone back again next year.

#### **Readings for the Week of November 19, 2023**

Sunday:	Prv 31:10-13,19-20,30-31/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14- 30 or 25:14-15,19-21
Monday:	1 Mc1:10-15,41-43,54-57,62-63/Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday:	2 Mc 6:18-31/Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday:	2 Mc 7:1,20-31/Lk 19:11-28
Thursday:	1 Mc 2:15-29/Lk 19:41-44
Friday:	1 Mc 4:36-37,52-59/Lk 19:45-48
Saturday:	1 Mc 6:1-13/Lk 20:27-40
Sunday:	Ez 34:11-12,15-17/1 Cor 15:20-26/Mt 25:31-46

#### THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

Today representatives from our parish's Ministry of Assistance will be at the Church entrances after all Masses to accept your financial donations (check or cash) that will help most in need. We support our local food pantries' clients and food banks in the area. You can also donate through our parish Faith Direct program one-time gift option and specify "MOA Fall Collection" in the note section. The Parish Office will also accept your donations. God bless you, and thank you for your continued generosity.

## JESUS' BIRHTDAY PARTY

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#### CHRISTMAS CANDY MAKING

Social concerns is looking for new "elves" to help make candy. The "elves" will be working in the HFC kitchen making all the delicious homemade treats for the annual Social Concerns Christmas Candy Sale. No experience needed. Candy Making dates are listed below and we meet from 10:30am -4:30pm. Call Judy Feador at 440-503-6229 with any questions and to let her know your availability.

November 20, 21, 27, 28, 29, 30 December 4 and 6



## **CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTIONS**

With the end of the year fast approaching now may be the time to think about Qualified Charitable Distributions for the year 2023. If you are 70.5 or older, you may be able to make a gift of a Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA that will help us in our ministry and reduce your taxable income. Talk to your financial advisor for more information and to be sure your IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution gift is made directly from an IRA to a qualified charity such as our parish. Contact Dean at our Parish office or visit <u>www.sjohio.org/giving</u> if you any questions.

## THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## The Viking Voice

Stay up to date with important updates regarding Sts. Joseph and John School! For more information:





As we prepare for Thanksgiving break this week, we extend gratitude to our parishes of St. Joseph and St. John Neumann, which provide opportunities for our school community to grow in our faith. From all of us at SJJ, we wish you a happy and blessed Thanksgiving!

This past week, our fall open house marked the beginning of preferred enrollment for our Preschool and *new* Pre-Kindergarten Programs. For parishioners and alumni/ae of the school, please consider enrolling your Preschool/Pre-K students promptly to reserve your spot at a discounted, preferred enrollment rate. Enrollment for grades K-8 will begin in January.

The Ohio Department of Education started an outreach program that SJJ took part in this November. Students from Sts. Joseph and John created cards that thanked and sent warm wishes to active military members in the United States armed forces. These cards will be sent by the state to the men and women who are our heroes across the globe that protect both our country and our freedom.

In the classroom recently, students in sixth grade dissected earthworms to learn about their body systems, causing conversations about how earthworms break down minerals in soil. Preschool opened up their bike room, where students practice gross motor skills by riding tricycles in between cones and around obstacles. Third grade, in computer/STEAM class, used Ozobots and color to learn some of the basics in STEM. For consistent updates in the classroom and beyond, please be sure to follow our Facebook and Instagram (@sjjchool).

As we approach the Advent season, we reflect back on our theme of *HOPE* for the year, an acronym for helping hands, opportunities, promise and excellence. Our students and staff are continually working this year at being hopeful disciples of Christ. Know of our prayers for you!

If you would like to enroll, tour or learn more about our school community, please visit <u>sijschool.org</u>.







## **REST IN PEACE**



## Gregory Perciak—October 24, 2023

May all of our deceased parishioners live forever in the joy of the Resurrection.

### **GRIEF SHARE**

St. Joseph Church hosts Grief Share, a 13-week support group series for those grieving the loss of a loved one. The group meets most Saturday mornings from 10:00 am to 12 noon. New sessions began November 11. All are welcome to attend any and/or all sessions. Each session includes a video seminar followed by group discussion. Registration is \$20 and includes a personal workbook with Scripture passages and daily exercises to help. For more information or to register, contact the Parish Office at 440-238-5555.

## AM 1260 THE ROCK

Evangelize without saying a word! You would be surprised how may people learn about AM 1260 The Rock from seeing one of our bumper magnets. Request an AM1260 The Rock magnet or bumper sticker at <u>am1260therock.com</u>. Place either on your car and let the Holy Spirit do the rest!

## **PRO ORANTIBUS DAY**

November 21, 2023 is the feast of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Temple and has been designated the World Day of Prayer for Cloistered and Monastic Life. On this day we celebrate the vocations of those cloistered and monastic men and women who dedicate their lives in prayerful service to the members of the Body of Christ. On this day, the entire Church pauses for a moment of gratitude for those hidden religious whose prayers truly are vital to the health and well-being of the Body of Christ. These men and women live the exhortation to "pray without ceasing." Let us reciprocate the gift of prayer both by thanking God for the contemplative religious who prav for us and by invoking Our Lady's intercession. Let us ask Her to protect their vocations by holding them tenderly to Her Immaculate Heart and to send new laborers to the vineyard of Her Divine Son. Please join the Church in prayer for our monastic and cloistered contemplative Religious, including their seculars, tertiaries and oblates. Together let us thank God for all who pray.

## **PROTECTION OF GOD'S CHILDREN**

The Diocese of Cleveland's "Protecting God's Children" program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about the protection of children from sexual abuse. To report any past or present suspected inappropriate behavior toward children by priests, deacons, religious, lay ecclesial ministers or personnel associated with the Church, please contact the Diocesan Response Service Office at (216)334--2999 or via email at **response\_services@dioceseofcleveland.org**. You are also asked to immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior.

#### **OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

Guided by the teachings of Jesus Christ and inspired by the Holy Spirit, we are the Catholic community of St. Joseph Parish. We celebrate the Eucharist, worship God and use our God-given gifts to serve all of God's people.

#### **NOVEMBER 19, 2023**

## Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Music for Worship

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

JER 29: 11, 12, 14

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

# ENTRANCE The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns

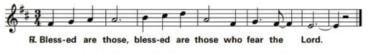


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GLORIA SATURDAY 85 SJH, SUNDAY 91 SJH

## **Readings** 1024 Journey Songs

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM, SATURDAY** 



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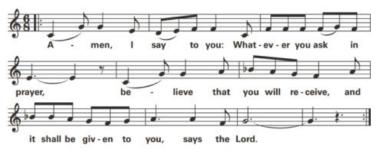
#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM, SUNDAY**



OFFERTORY	Saturday:	In Every Age	696 JS
	Sunday:	Jerusalem My Happy Home	758 JS
	Choir:	O Holy City, Seen of John	

SATURDAY ACCLAMATIONS MASS OF ST AMBROSE 99 SJH SUNDAY ACCLAMATIONS MASS OF ST. FRANCES 100 SJH

COMMUNION SONG Saturday: Taste and See 782 JS Sunday: Worthy is the Lamb 754 JS COMMUNION ANTIPHON II, SATURDAY



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## COMMUNION ANTIPHON I, SUNDAY



## RECESSIONAL

Sat. 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord) SJH Sun. Now Thank We All Our God 53 SJH

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