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January 2, 2022

The Epiphany of the Lord



ST. JOSEPH PARISH MISSION

Believing in the universal call to holiness, we, the Roman Catholic community of Saint Joseph, will bring all to Christ through celebration of Word and Eucharist, reception of the sacraments, education, service, and community activities. Relying on God's grace and sharing our time, talent, and treasure; we live our faith by serving God, the Church, our school, and our community.

Masses in Church

Sunday Vigil 5pm

Sunday Morning 8am, 10am, Noon

Holy Day Vigil 6pm

Feast Day 8:45am & 6pm

National Holidays 8am

Weekday Monday - Friday 8:45am

Confessions in Church

Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30pm
or by appointment

Prayer Line

For a request call 330-928-2173

Rectory/Office

215 Falls Avenue
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Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 1 New Year's Day

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

3:30-4:30pm

Confessions

5pm Mass

Allie, Rose, Alan &
Al Jr. LaMonica



Sunday, January 2

Epiphany of the Lord

8am Mass

Fr. Joseph Malik &
Fr. Jack Andrejic

10am Mass

Richard Johnson

12pm Mass

Jennifer Biscan

Monday, January 3 / Christmas Weekday

8:45am Mass

Jim Neveadomi

Tuesday, January 4 / St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

8:45am Mass

People of St. Joseph

Wednesday, January 5 / St. John Neumann

8:45am Mass

Living & Deceased members of
the Filon & Markulis Family

Thursday, January 6 / Christmas Weekday

8:45am Mass

Rose LaMonica

Friday, January 7 / Christmas Weekday

8:45am Mass

Ornell Capatosto

Saturday, January 8 / Christmas Weekday

3:30-4:30pm

Confessions

5pm Mass

Darrell Smith

Sunday, January 9

Baptism of the Lord

8am Mass

Geneva Smith

10am Mass

MaryAnn Bailey

12pm Mass

People of St. Joseph

Offertory Giving: December 26, 2021

Unavailable at time of Publication.

Will be in next Bulletin.

Offertory Giving: December 19, 2021

Regular Collection.....	\$12,919.96
Utilities.....	\$266.00
Parish Improvement	\$382.00
Music	\$4.00
Faith Formation	\$9.00
Education/Help a Child.....	\$71.00
Raise the Roof	\$10.00
Parish Coronavirus Aid	\$35.00
Children's.....	\$9.00
Candles.....	\$116.00
Flower Fund	\$225.00
Vocation Fund	\$202.00
Immaculate Conception	\$187.00
Christmas	\$2,565.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$17.00
Other Holy Days	\$20.00

TOTAL.....\$17,037.96

Diocesan Giving: December 19, 2021

Religious Retirement.....	\$797.00
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St. Vincent DePaul Giving

December Collection.....	\$3,166.00
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Children's Bulletins

Children's Bulletins are available with activities relating to the Sunday readings to keep your child occupied during Mass.

Parish Office Closed

The Parish Rectory Office will be closed on Monday, January 3 for the New Year's holiday



The two "**Sanctus Lamps**" will burn next week for
Living & Deceased members of the Guttilla and Ross Family
and



Living & Deceased members of the Dapp and Osolin Family

Liturgical Ministers ~ Jan 8/9, 2022 Sign up at saintjoe.org/emhc

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday	5pm	<i>open</i>
		<i>open</i>
		<i>open</i>
Sunday	8am	<i>open</i>
		<i>open</i>
		<i>open</i>
	10am	<i>open</i>
		<i>open</i>
		<i>open</i>
Noon	<i>open</i>	
	<i>open</i>	
	<i>open</i>	

LECTORS

Saturday	5pm	<i>open</i>
		<i>open</i>
Sunday	8am	Roni Lynch
		<i>open</i>
	10am	<i>open</i>
		<i>open</i>
	Noon	Vicki Spice
		<i>open</i>

Eucharistic Ministers Needed

St. Joseph Parish is in need of more Eucharistic Ministers. If you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister and learning more about the virtual training, please contact Jessica Plaspohl at jplaspohl@saintjoe.org or 330-928-2173.

Low Gluten Hosts

Parishioners needing Low Gluten Hosts, please see the priest at least 10 minutes prior to the start of Mass.

Gift Bags for each St. Joseph Family

In secular culture the Christmas season begins around Halloween and ends on December 26. However, for us in the Catholic Church, the liturgical season of Christmas starts on December 25! This means that our time of celebration has just begun!



Feel free to take a gift bag after Mass this weekend if you did not take one after the Christmas Masses (one per family please).

Included in the bags are resources to help you keep the season of Christmas going: a book "Busy Lives & Restless Souls", to equip us with prayer tools that are accessible and practical within the relentless realities of our daily routines; blessed Chalk and prayer to bless your home on the Epiphany; plus prayers cards, activities, and more! We invite you to use these resources to live the season of Christmas to the fullest and focus on the "reason for the season" as we extend the gift of Christmas into all aspects of our faith and lives.

Ushers Needed

Ushers are the first people we're greeted by when we walk into Church before Mass. They play an important part representing St. Joseph Parish with visitors as well as collecting offertory. We are currently in need of more Ushers. If you are interested in becoming an Usher or learning more about it, please contact the Rectory at 330-928-2173.

Daily Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet

Join us to pray the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet Monday thru Friday at 8:08am and stay for 8:45am Mass.

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany, the Magi coming from the East seeking the Christ. The Epiphany signifies the calling of anyone and everyone around the world to follow Christ. One way to celebrate this call is the Epiphany tradition of blessing the home through chalking the doors and a prayerful blessing. Through it, we dedicate our year to God from its very outset, asking His blessing on our homes and on all who live, work, or visit there.

This blessing above the doors serves as a visual reminder to ask God's blessing. When you see the writing on a daily basis, it serves as an invitation for Jesus to be a daily guest in our home, in our comings and goings, in our conversations, in our work and play, and in our joys and sorrows. God has given us many Blessings and wants us to share them with others.

Thinking of the Feast of the Epiphany and it's meaning, I found this article relating to the ideas of seeking and following Christ like the Magi did and continuing a relationship with Him.

God's Blessings, Fr. Jared Orndorff, Pastor

WHAT'S A NICE GOD LIKE YOU DOING IN A WORLD LIKE THIS?

Having a relationship with God is much like having a relationship with any person. God is, after all, a person. Granted, He is a Divine Person, but He is someone with whom to be in a relationship just the same.



All relationships develop. Even as an infant, to a certain extent, one must learn who Dad is. This happens by spending time together talking, playing, eating, learning what each likes - the gamut of what it is to be in a close relationship with another person.

How does one apply this to God? It is no secret. You spend time together, we are invited into each other's activities, we learn about Him, talk with Him, do the things that He likes to do, etc. In other words, don't treat Him as though He were merely a force, an emergency dispatch Person, some distant being or only an historical figure. He is alive and active all around you, calling you at every moment, desirous of you, shouting out for you, wanting to walk with you and be consciously with you.

BUT - if you don't know how to do this - even if you pray every day - how do you get started? Get started like you would with anybody that you want to get to know but can't quite figure out how to fit into each other's lives yet. Start by holy

flirting. Whenever or wherever you come across Him, smile and send a hello - like a quick text. If you are in a deadly meeting and God comes to mind, don't think, "Gee, I'll have to pray later," send him a text prayer immediately. "Hello God. Me here. Bored. Thinking of you."

Make a surprise visit to His house. Pop in for just a moment. "Hey God. It's me! I was in the neighborhood and thought I'd pop in and say hi."

Open yourself up to a message from Him. Make yourself available. "Okay God, what do you want me to learn, understand or do today? Who do you want me to meet?"

Spy on God. Read a little of His history (Scripture.) I bet His mom would just love for you to read about her Son since they didn't have photo albums back then. When you start, it doesn't have to be an hour slogging through the genealogy. Take 5 minutes and pick a verse.

All relationships are two way streets. It won't be all God. He respects you too much. He is like the Good Neighbor Who sends cookies over to your house and sits out on His front porch and calls out, "Hello!" and invites you over dinner. "Come on over! I'd love to have you for dinner anytime! There is always a place at the table for you whenever." We just have to stop a frantic life, walk up to the railing of the porch and choose to set the date.

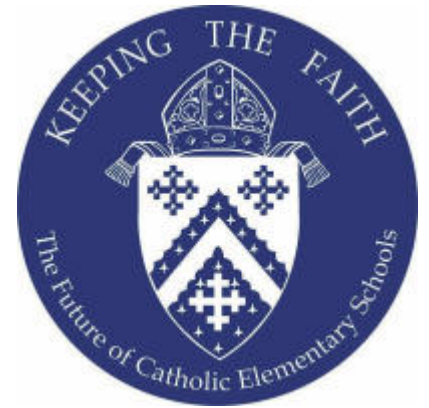
SAVE THE DATES!

Parishioner Listening Sessions

The Diocese of Cleveland invites St. Joseph Parish Families to come and hear the change ideas that are being proposed by the Keeping the Faith Strategic Planning Committee for Catholic Elementary Schools. Your feedback is important and will help to keep our schools vibrant and strong into the future!

There is a Session at Seton Catholic School in Hudson on January 5 from 6:30-8pm or a Virtual Session is available on January 26.

*Email leppich@dioceseofcleveland.org to RSVP.



As requested by Pope Francis, all parishioners will be invited to participate in a synod, a thoughtful and prayerful listening session where parishioners' ideas and observations of their Catholic identity are heard. St. Joseph Parishioners will learn more at masses the weekend of January 15-16. All will be invited to participate in sessions the week of January 17-23. More info will be posted on our website after January 1.

Heart of a Shepherd

Heart of the Shepherd raises funds to renovate both St. Mary and Borromeo Seminaries, supports newly ordained priests by providing loan repayment assistance for their education, and assists funding the Retired Clergy Pension Fund.

St. Joseph Parish has made a commitment to support these important investments by pledging \$128,000 to be paid over the next three years or \$42,666 per year. Won't you please prayerfully consider supporting the education tomorrow's Catholic Church leaders?



You can donate at saintjoe.org/hos or by sending your check made payable to St. Joseph Parish, 215 Falls Avenue, Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221. Include "Heart of the Shepherd" in the memo line of your check. Thank you for your consideration.

First Communion Parent Meeting

There is a meeting for parents and students who will be making their First Communion on **Wednesday, January 5, 2022 from 6:30-7:45pm in the St. Thomas Aquinas Room** in Jones Hall (School Gym Building). If you have any questions, please contact Jessica Plaspohl at 330-928-2173 or jplaspohl@saintjoe.org.

St. Joseph Day ~ March 19, 2022

Volunteers needed for our Planning team!



For St. Joseph's Day, Saturday, March 19, 2022; we are planning a Parish Day of Prayer, Service and Celebration. Less than four months away, we are asking for volunteers to meet, help plan, and lead the day where we will gather for Mass, do service projects and have a celebratory Parish dinner in honor of our patron Saint Joseph. If you are interested in helping, please contact Andy Davis at ajd60@uakron.edu or 330-715-1368.

Mass Intentions

There are only a couple of Mass dates available for 2022. The 2023 book is not available yet. Intentions may be obtained for loved ones, living or deceased, with a \$10 offering. If you are interested in requesting any remaining for 2022, please call the Rectory at 330-928-2173.

Reserve a Sanctus Lamp

Two Sanctus Lamps are burned each week. You may reserve just one or both for your loved one. There are many available for 2022. They are a \$10 offering per candle. Please call the Rectory at 330-928-2173 to reserve the lamps.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting

The next Prayer Shawl meeting is this **Tuesday, January 4 from 6:30-8:30pm in the Nazareth Room** (Jones Hall in School gym building). New members are always welcome. We will teach and provide materials for making shawls and blankets for those in need in our Parish and community. For more information or if you know someone who could use a Prayer Shawl or blanket, please call Joanne at 330-920-1389.

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FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

Epiphany of the Lord

Herod was frightened of Jesus. He feared Jesus would replace him and he would lose control. In families, fear appears when we are threatened by what is out of our control. We fret but it does no good. Give these situations to the Lord and let Him lead us like He led the Magi.

In-person Gift Card Sales in Nolan Hall January 9 from 8:45-10:00am



You may use the order forms at the side doors or at saintjoe.org/scrip. Drop off completed orders & money in offertory basket or at the Rectory door drop slot during the week. You will be called when the order is ready for pick up.

For more information or to set up an online account to take advantage of more gift cards than we carry on hand, visit saintjoe.org/scrip or call the Rectory at 330-928-2173.

Did you know you can give to St. Joseph Parish online via our website?



Set up recurring donations on a weekly or monthly basis so that your generosity to St. Joseph Parish can continue even when you are away. For more information, visit saintjoe.org/giving or call 330-928-2173.

Have NEWS for the Bulletin?

Please submit news to be considered for the bulletin, website, weekly e-newsletter, digital sign and social media to news@saintjoe.org at least 10 days in advance of the publishing date. If you have questions, please call the Rectory at 330-928-2173.

Need a Bulletin?

If you or someone you know is unable to attend mass & would like a weekly bulletin mailed, please email news@saintjoe.org or call the Rectory at 330-928-2173.

THE SAINT MICHAEL PRAYER

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell, Satan and all the other evil spirits, who prowl throughout the world, seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Need to Update your Parishioner Account?



Have you recently moved?

Need to update your address or phone number? Are there changes in your household? Please contact the Rectory to update your parishioner account at 330-928-2173.

St. Joseph Parish has a weekly E-Newsletter!!

To receive it visit:

saintjoe.org/subscribe



Welcome to St. Joseph Parish in Cuyahoga Falls

If you are new to the area and/or have enjoyed visiting and would like to become a member of our parish, please **fill out the information below** and put it in the collection basket. We will contact you to get you fully registered. We look forward to welcoming you to our parish family!

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