JANUARY 30, 2022 | 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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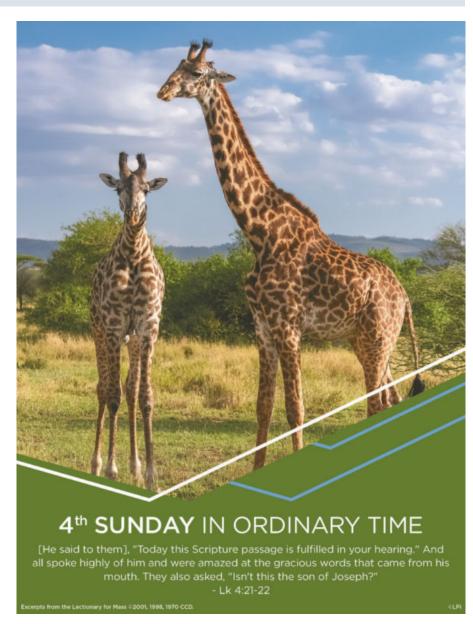
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MASS SCHEDULE

First Saturday - 9:00 AM; Saturday Vigil - 4:30 PM Sunday - 8:00 AM, 11:00 AM Tuesday - 5:15 PM; Wednesday-Friday - 9:00 AM

RECONCILIATION HOURS

First Saturday - 8:15-8:50 AM Saturday - 3:30-4:20 PM; Sunday - 7:00-7:50 AM & 10:00-10:50 AM Tuesday - 4:40-5:10 PM; Friday - 8:20-8:50 AM **OFFICE HOURS:** 8:30 AM-4:30 PM (Mon-Thu)

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES & READINGS

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAYS, JANUARY 30

8:00 am	†Joanne Lowery
11:00 am	†John R. Ray; †Frank Malagon; †James Stewart (30-day)

MONDAY, JANUARY 31

No Daily Mass

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

5:15 pm Those Who Feed the Hungry

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

9:00 am Those in Consecrated Life

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3

9:00 am Those Who Care for the Sick

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4

9:00 am Souls in Purgatory

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5

9:00 am	†Fr. Francisco Caballero
4:30 pm	†Laura Collet; †Guadalupe
	DeLaCerda; †Eddie Durnwald;
	†Joyce Hostetler; †Michael Reinhart

SUNDAY, JANUARY 30

8.00 am	People of the Parish	(Pro populo)
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11:00 am †Kate Bouillon; †Kenneth Kreais

IN LOVING MEMORY

Our sincere sympathy/prayers are extended to the loved ones of **Mary Anne Harr** who recently passed away. May she experience the peace and joy of the risen Lord.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We, as St. Wendelin Parishioners, dedicate ourselves to make disciples of all by loving God with all our hearts, our souls, our minds, and loving our neighbors as ourselves.

The church is open for private prayer and devotion from 8:00 AM-8:00 PM Monday-Saturday and 7:00 AM-8:00 PM Sunday.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Submit bulletin items person or via email (<u>bulletin@stwendelin.org</u>) to the Parish Office before 12:00 PM on Mondays.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY, JANUARY 30

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd – 9:15 AM (Atrium) - RCIA – 1:30 PM (Upper Room)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

All-Day Eucharistic Adoration – 5:00 AM-5:00 PM
 Men's AA – 7:00 PM (Parish Hall)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

Faith Formation – 6:30 PM (Parish Hall & 3rd Floor)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3

All-Day Eucharistic Adoration – 5:00 AM-7:00 PM (Church) Liturgy Committee Meeting – 6:30 PM (Notre Dame Room) Benediction w/ Vespers – 6:30 PM (Church)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Rosary – 8:30 AM (Church)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd – 9:15 AM (Atrium) RCIA – 1:30 PM (Upper Room) Jesus by Candlelight – 6:30 PM (Church)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Lord, We humbly put ourselves into Your care as we face today's unknown. Let us pray for the needs of those who are sick, in nursing homes and who are homebound including:

Charles Ball, Amanda Cool, Ron & Linda Duran, Ken Clouse Rebecca Diaz Finsel, Kim Heckathorn, Marilyn Hoffman, Christi Holman, Kathy Holman, Crosby Hieber, Joseph Kelbley, Janice Minich, William Munson, Tim Murray, Mike Nye, Lynn Searles, Gene & Betty Schalk, Faye Taggart, Ben Theis. Names will be periodically removed from this list to update it. Call the Par

Names will be periodically removed from this list to update it. Call the Parish Office (419-435-6692) to add someone.

WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools WeekJer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

Monday: St. John Bosco, Priest

2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday:

2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: The Presentation of the Lord

Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Thursday: St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13 Friday:

Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr

1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34

Sunday: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1c]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/ Lk 5:1-11

CHURCH BUSINESS

SUNDAY OFFERTORY REPORT

Offertory Summary for 2020-2021 through January 23 2021-2022 Budget 14.400.00 January 22-23 \$ 12.692.85 2nd Collections/Other Holy Days \$ 521.00 **Budget YTD** \$ 432.000.00 Offerings YTD \$ 444,549.60 Over/(Under) Total YTD 12.540.69

Electronic offertory options are available. Please contact Deb Brickner in the Parish Office for more information.

Have you remembered St. Wendelin in your will?

WORLDWIDE SYNOD

As you may know we have begun the Diocesan Preparatory phase for the Worldwide Synod on Synodality to take place in Rome in 2023. We have recently begun our prayer and discernment gatherings which are open to all and we encourage you to attend the meeting nearest to you. The remaining dates are: Thursday, February 3rd at St. Anthony parish in Milan, Thursday, February 10th at St. Mary's parish in Tiffin, Ohio. All meetings begin with prayer at 6:30 PM followed by time for discernment and conversation. St. Mary's in Tiffin will also host an afternoon meeting beginning at 2:00 PM in addition to their evening meeting.

You may choose to participate online by going to www.reconnecttoledo.org and clicking on the Synodality link at the top of the page. Please take time to watch the videos and participate in the prayer before filling out the survey. You will find the same questions at this site that are being discussed at the "in person" diocesan prayer and discernment gatherings. The online link is currently available. It will close on March 1st, 2022.

FANTASTIC FRIDAYS WINNER

Congratulations to Matt & Lindsay Petrlich who won last week's \$100 Visa Gift Card!

It's not too late! Tickets for 2022 are on sale in the Parish Office and after Sunday Masses.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Annual contribution/end-of-year statements will be available upon request. Please contact Deb Brickner (419-435-6692 x406 or deb.brickner@stwendelin.org) or visit the Parish Office to make a request.

GRACEFUL LIVING MAGAZINE

Watch your mailbox for the latest issue of the Diocese of Toledo magazine. Graceful Living! In each issue, you'll find unique stories of the people in our diocese. It is mailed to 42,000 homes in Northwest Ohio twice per year. If you do not receive a copy by February 1 and would like to receive future issues, send your First/Last Name and Mailing Address to email glmagazine@toledodiocese.org or call (419) 214-4944. Read it online here: http://bit.ly/ GLmag2021

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

Second collection envelope opportunities for the month of February include: Pantry Plus and Annual Catholic Appeal.

Consider donating to these worthy causes. Electronic givers can return separate checks to the Parish Office or offertory box.

THANK YOU!

Through parish and community donations to St. Vincent DePaul Society, a furnace was recently purchased for an area family in need. Thank you to your continued commitment to St. Vincent and those less fortunate!

THE KARCHER CONCERT SERIES PRESENTS

Alicia DeVore Soprano

Sunday, February 20, 2022

Saint Wendelin Catholic Church 323 N. Wood St., Fostoria

FREE ADMISSION



FROM FATHER POGGEMEYER

Dear Parishioners, +JMJ

Last week we had another St Wendelin Educational Foundation meeting. You remember that the mission of the Educational Foundation is to provide financial support for Catholic schooling for our parish children. Since the closing of our own schools, parents apply for scholarships to help their children attend a Catholic school in the vicinity. Most of our Catholic school children are attending either Fremont Bishop Hoffman or Tiffin Calvert.

One discussion item for us was what to do about those families that apply for and receive scholarship money, yet never attend weekend Mass or volunteer for anything at the parish. Should we police their Mass attendance and volunteerism more rigorously? Should we give partial scholarships to people we see only rarely at weekend Mass, or who volunteer very little? Should we refuse scholarships to families that never attend weekend Mass or volunteer for a ministry?

Before I go further, I should state that I understand some parents work all weekend, and there is literally no way for somebody with such a work schedule to get to weekend Mass. I also understand that some people's lives are so chaotic and full of trials that getting to Mass or volunteering at the parish is not even on the radar. Much has to happen to bring some stability to their life, before they would be able to accomplish a trip to Holy Mass or volunteer for something at the parish. But, what about those parents who don't have work or home conflicts that make weekend Mass and volunteerism impossible? They just choose not to attend Mass or serve the parish in any way.

Policing the capable-yet-not-participating families is very tedious, for many reasons. We stopped policing Mass attendance and parish service last year. Somebody might say that it's not fair that some scholarship families have to attend Mass and volunteer for a parish ministry, while other scholarship families get away with no Mass and no volunteerism.

I'd like to approach it from a totally different perspective. Those families who choose to attend Holy Mass and commit to some service/ministry at the parish are actually living the more blessed life! [I am thinking about Deuteronomy chapters 29-30, where the Lord explains how Israel suffered because they fell away from Him, and he is now laying before them a choice: blessing and life, or curse and death.] I am pretty sure that the Faith will be handed on to the children of participating families much more successfully than in non-participating families. So right away some generational blessing has begun. Those participating families are already living the great benefit of their commitment. When we attend Holy Mass, we are standing at Calvary and witnessing the greatest act of love the world has ever known! Amazing!! The reward, the blessing, is built right into attendance at Mass. Blessing is also built into a service taken on in thanksgiving. Such families are living a faith culture that actually supports all the effort they are putting into getting their children to Catholic school. Families that do not attend Mass or volunteer are already experiencing something of a curse. They are contradicting the Catholic schooling of their children. They are missing out on the Lord's presence in Mass! That's a huge negative! How blessed are those families who realize that the Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life! They are blessed beyond families who don't. And how blessed are those families who give back in thanksgiving! Again, they are blessed beyond families who don't. The abundant life is the life lived in Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ is life! He said so Himself. And to know Him (and live for Him) is life! Again, He said it Himself.

In light of the blessing inherent in attendance at Mass and gratefully taking on a service/ministry, we don't have to think it's unfair that some scholarship recipient families avoid Mass and parish service/ministry. Those families who opt out of Mass and service opt out of the blessing inherent in these expressions of faith and gratitude. We want to encourage such families as much as possible; but I am not sure that forcing them for the sake of scholarship money is the answer. Conversion in their lives probably will not happen this way. May the Lord give us wisdom for how best to bring such families back into the blessed life, especially back to Holy Mass!

Have a blessed week!

In cordibus lesu et Mariae et Iosephus,

Father Poggemeyer

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CATECHISM CORNER

By living with the mind of Christ, Christians hasten the coming of the Reign of God, "a kingdom of justice, love, and peace." They do not, for all that, abandon their earthly tasks; faithful to their master, they fulfill them with uprightness, patience, and love. (CCC 2046)

FAITH FORMATION WEEK OF JANUARY 30TH



Children & Families -

Wed, Feb 2nd - Family Faith Formation @ 6:30pm

Junior High / High School -

Sun, Feb 13 - Love & Identity Evening @ 6:30pm

Sun, Feb 27 - XLT Adoration at St. Joe's Maumee @ 6pm

Adults -

Sun, Jan 30th - RCIA @ 1:30pm

GOOD NEWS

Thank you so much to all who donated baked goods and purchased baked goods at the pro-life bake sale this past weekend! We raised over \$700 for local pro-life work, including the Caring Hands pregnancy center and Fostoria-Bascom Prolife. You truly make a difference for the most vulnerable among us!

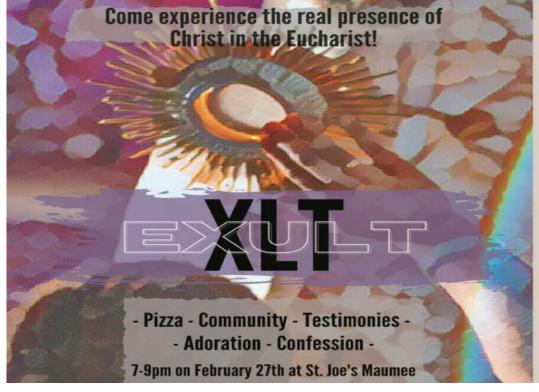


HAPPY CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK!

This coming week is an opportunity to celebrate the beautiful gift of Catholic education, made available through our parish and, in a particular way, through the Catholic schools in our area. These schools provide unique opportunities for young minds to be immersed in the truths of the Faith and for young hearts to be transformed through a relationship with Jesus Christ.

The Lord tells us in our first reading this weekend that He has appointed each of us - the members of the Church, the baptized- as "a prophet to the nations" (Jer 1:5). This is the vocation of our Catholic schools, and what an opportunity the Church has through our schools to be a prophetic voice in the midst of our society and culture today!

Let us each commit to praying for our Catholic school teachers, administrators, students, parents, and families this week, that they might embrace this vocation to be a prophet to the nations through their school culture which prepares students to go out into the world to be witnesses to the truth of Jesus Christ!



A carpool will leave St. Wendelin at **6pm** on **Sun, Feb 27th.** We will return home by 10pm.

Please RSVP to
Jessica Pehmoeller
by Fri,
Feb 11th!

Signed
permission
forms required.
There is no cost
for this event.

To Refrain

Steven C. Warner

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MUSIC & LITURGY

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord or Candlemas

This Wednesday, February 2, is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. In the Traditional Latin Mass, it is known as the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Celebrated since the fourth century beginning in Jerusalem, it is one of the oldest feasts in the Church this feast is the fortieth day after Christmas. Many countries throughout the world continue to celebrate this feast day with great joy as the end of the Christmas season. Saint John Paul II began a tradition of keeping the Vatican Nativity up until this date.

According to the Law of Moses, 33 days after a boy's circumcision—which was eight days after his birth—, the boy was consecrated to the Lord and the mother was purified by offering a sacrifice in the temple. Mary and Joseph of course kept this custom and it is recounted in Luke 2:22-40. Simeon, a righteous and just man awaiting the coming of the Messiah, took the boy Jesus into his arms and blessed God, saying:

"Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eves have seen the salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples: a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel." (Luke 2:29-32)

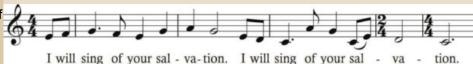
Simeon's great prayer announced that the Messiah had come and not just for the just, but for sinners; and not just for the Jews, but for Gentiles. Jesus, the light of the world (see John 8:12), comes to dispel darkness. For this reason, this day is also called *The* Feast of Lights. At the beginning of Mass, the priest blesses candles which will be used throughout the liturgical year. The faithful traditionally bring candles to be blessed for use in their homes to be lit during prayer or in difficult times. Those present hold lighted candles and move in procession, hence the term "Candlemas."

This great feast is a reminder of the light we

The Diocesan and Saint Michael Pravers can be found in the back of the hymnal.

Psalm 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab & 17

Setting by Tony Alonso



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Communion Chant

Set Your Hearts on the Higher Gifts - Steven C. Warner



1. brass with-out song, an emp - tv noise on the wind.

2. scat - ter the hills, noth - ing at all. Ι am

3. prof - it is loss, car - ing finds no re - ward. my

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Antiphons

1 Cor 12:31—13:13

Communion: cf. Psalm 31:17-18

Let your face shine on your servant. Save me in your merciful love. O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.

Entrance: Psalm 106:47

Save us. O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name. and make it our glory to praise you.

COMMUNITY NEWS

CALVERT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Calvert High School, a Catholic co-educational academy and high school in Tiffin, Ohio is seeking a Spanish teacher for the 2022-23 academic year. Teaching responsibilities will include various high school level Spanish courses. Qualifications include:

- Successful completion of BCI/FBI background check and VIRTUS course requirements
- Express commitment to Catholic Values
- Excellent organizational, communication, and interpersonal skills
- Sensitivity to and acceptance of diverse cultures and individuals
- Strong computer literacy skills and willingness to learn technology in an educational setting

Interested candidates should email a resume, cover letter, and names and contact information for at least three references to Head of School, Jeremy Marinis (jmarinis@calvertcatholic.org).

BISHOP HOFFMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Registration for the 2022-2023 school year will open soon for grades preK-12. If you are interested in having your child(ren) attend Bishop Hoffman Catholic School, please contact Pam Hines (419-332-5122; phines@bishop-hoffman.net) for more information.

FEBRUARY K OF C MEALS

Saturday meals are just \$7 at the Knights of Columbus from 5:00-8:00 PM. The Christopher Center is now accepting credit/debit cards. The menu for February is:

- February 5th ham slice
- February 12th pot roast
- February 19th lasagna
- February 26th baked chicken

TUNE INTO CATHOLIC RADIO

Kresta in the Afternoon airs weekdays from 4-6 PM on Catholic Radio, FM 103.3. Well-known Catholic speaker and author, Al Kresta, looks at all of life through the lens of Scripture and the teaching of the Catholic Church. He provides a daily conversation personal, authentic, human - about the things that matter most. Get news from a Catholic perspective on St. John Paul the Great Radio...the Catholic voice of Seneca county.



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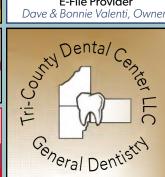


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