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CATHOLIC CHURCH

APRIL 6, 2025

SPRING MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Monday - Friday: 8:30 am
(Communion Service
Monday)

Weekend Mass

Saturday: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 8:30 & 10:30 am

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 - 3:45 pm
Or by appointment

First Friday Adoration

9:00 am - 4:00 pm



5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

"Let the one among you who is without sin
be the first to throw a stone at her." - Jn 8:7

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OUR LOCATION

St. Joseph Catholic Church

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Parish Office

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Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

STREAMING MASS

Watch any Mass (including weekday and weekend Masses), adoration, or just 'pop in' virtually to church anytime to pray by clicking the **WATCH LIVE** button on our website.

Mass posted on Youtube:
Every Saturday after 4:00 pm Mass

Mass live streamed on Facebook:
Every Sunday at 10:30 am



OUR MISSION

Our Mission is to live and share our faith in Jesus Christ while providing a warm, welcoming spiritual home for parishioners and visitors. We encourage full participation in our parish life while maintaining a strong spiritual and moral presence in the community with the enhancement of the liturgy through music, religious education and outreach.

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SACRAMENTS

If you are interested in Baptism, Confirmation, Anointing of the Sick, or Holy Matrimony, please call the Parish Office.

MASS INTENTIONS

2025 Mass intentions can be scheduled by stopping in or calling the Parish Office.

Prayer Chain

Judy, Tom, Wendy, Jim, Rose Marie Todd, Kimi, Debbie, Chris Menier, Jackie Gerber, Baby William G., Chandler Dunkle, Amie Woodard, Janet Monak, Max Griffith, Jeff & Susanna, Barb Wisniewski, Stacy, Fran Robel, Loree Ronk, Laura, Dave P., William Murphy, Ann Mae Bell, Cassi, Suzanne, Lauren, Zeb Kessler, Janis, Mary, Carolyn L., James F., Jay, Pat Young, Sharon, Laurie Bailey, Elizabeth, Gene, Taylor Wilhite, Sharon Kobak, Nick & Jessie, Larry & Belinda, Joseph, Trey, Carl, Steven Grahme, Janet Davis, Jerry Z., James Nesser, Donna, Renee, Ben, Bob, Lori, Jim Rinaldo, Jason, Sue, Megan, Rosalie, Charlie, Janet, Ken, Clayton, Rick Laser, Diane, Ava Kessler, Peter Corrado, Special Intention, Bob B., Michael G., Heather, Rachel, Don Lallo, Joan Trem, Angel, Regina R., Richard & Linda Donich, CJ, Hazel, Patti Wood, Misty, Todd W., Eileen Kouba, Special Intention, Lisa, Margaret Kessler, Robert Sobocinski, Nancy, Martha Beverick, Michelle, Bill Scheible

How Can We Pray For You?

To add a name to the prayer chain, call the parish office at 419-798-4177. You can also write any intentions you may have in our Book of Intentions, located near the confessional.

Respect Life Ministry of Ottawa County

The Respect Life Ministry of Ottawa County April meeting will be Wednesday the 16th at 4:00 pm at the K of C Hall. Our Respect Life group is always looking for new members to join together to promote life from womb to tomb. If you are interested in more information you can

WEEKLY SCHEDULE**Monday, April 7, 2025**

Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 ,
Ezekiel 33:11 , John 8:12-20

Communion Service: 8:30 am
Game Day: 12:30 - 3:30 pm
Religious Education: 6:15

Tuesday, April 8, 2025

Numbers 21:4-9 , John 8:21-30

Mass: 8:30 am - Joann Frisch
Pastoral Council Meeting: 7:00 pm

Wednesday, April 9, 2025

Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 , John 8:31-42

Mass: 8:30 am - Michelle Daniels
Grieving with Great Hope: 6:00 pm
K of C Meeting: 7:00 pm

Thursday, April 10, 2025

Genesis 17:3-9 , Psalm 95:8 , John 8:51-59

Men of Jesus the Christ: 7:00 am
Mass: 8:30 am - Buddy Burris
OCIA - 5:00 pm
Choir: 6:30 pm

Friday, April 11, 2025

Jeremiah 20:10-13 , John 10:31-42

Mass: 8:30 am - Joan Gerber
Intercessory Prayer Group: 9:00 am
Confession: 9:00 - 10:00 am
Stations of the Cross: 7:00 pm

Saturday, April 12, 2025

Ezekiel 37:21-28 , John 11:45-56

Danbury Food Pantry: 8:30 - 10:00 am
Confession: 3:00-3:45pm
Mass: 4:00 pm - Elmer & Doris Biro

Sunday, April 13, 2025

Luke 19:28-40 , Isaiah 50:4-7 ,
Philippians 2:6-11 , Philippians 2:8-9 ,
Luke 22:14—23:56

Mass: 8:30 am - For the Parish
Mass: 10:30 am - John Pepa

April Food Pantry
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SECOND CHANCES

I remember in another parish where I had served that the choir had a beautiful choral piece that utilized the theme that our God is a God of second chances. That is an important theme to hold onto, especially when we are aware of some area or areas of our life where we have gotten off track. Our gracious and merciful God gives us the opportunity to try again!

We are reminded of this reality during the Season of Lent --- a season of repentance for sin and reforming of our life. Satan is at work to have our past sins and failings become a pit of hopeless discouragement. Why bother trying? Satan desires that we give up the fight and surrender to him. This is not the Spirit that Jesus brings to us.

Through the centuries we have had many examples of human frailty that have been turned into remarkable examples of spiritual triumph. St. Paul began as a persecutor of Christians but was given a second chance to become an ardent disciple of Christ. St. Peter denied Christ not once but three times but was given a second chance to be the rock upon which Christ chose to build His Church. St. Augustine was very wayward in his early years but became a wonderful scholar and promoter of the Catholic faith. Perhaps we can add our own name to the list of those who have been given a second (or third or fourth) chance to try again.

One of the greatest gifts that Jesus has given the Church is the Sacrament of Reconciliation, that is, the opportunity to go to Confession, acknowledge our guilt, and be restored to God's grace. In these coming days before Easter, we will have many opportunities to go to Confession and be better prepared to share in the life of the Risen Christ.

Along this same theme, have you noticed the wonderful articles in the bulletin about the revelations of Saint Faustina concerning Divine Mercy Devotions? Jesus' messages to Saint Faustina can be very reassuring to us concerning the great mercy that God shows to each of us. In addition to the many scheduled times for Confession before Easter, multiple priests will also be available on Divine Mercy Sunday (April 27) from 2 PM to 3 PM for Confessions.

Take advantage of the second chance that God is willing to give to all of us!

Lenten Blessings!
Father Joe

Liturgy Spotlight

The Veiling of Images and Crosses

Crosses and images may be veiled on the Fifth Sunday of Lent. Crosses are unveiled following the Good Friday Liturgy, while images are unveiled before the beginning of the Easter Vigil. The veiling is offered as an option, at the discretion of the local pastor. The veiling of crosses and images is a sort of "fasting" from sacred depictions which represent the paschal glory of our salvation. Just as the Lenten fast concludes with the Paschal feast, so too, our fasting from the cross culminates in an adoration of the holy wood on which the sacrifice of Calvary was offered for our sins. Likewise, a fasting from the glorious images of the mysteries of faith and the saints in glory, culminates on the Easter night with a renewed appreciation of the glorious victory won by Christ, risen from the tomb to win for us eternal life. An important part of the Good Friday Liturgy is the veneration of the cross, which may include its unveiling. Neither the Stations of the Cross nor stained glass windows are ever veiled. The veils are usually made of lightweight purple cloth without any decoration.

Offertory Report

March 29 & 30 Offertory

\$6,380.00

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\$319.00

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BIBLE STUDY

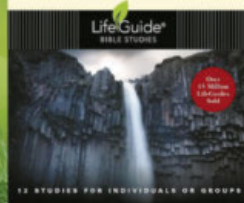
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Thursday Mornings

Starting April 24th

9:30 - 10:30 am

Ministry Center

Space is limited to 20 people.

Please call the Parish Office to RSVP by Thursday, April 17th.

St. Mary's Byzantine Church



APRIL 11, 2025

4:00 - 7:00 PM

Perch Dinner \$21

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Chicken Tenders Dinner \$12

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Thank You to Our Generous Donors!

We want to extend our heartfelt gratitude to all those who go above and beyond by following up with their employers to secure matching donations for our parish. Your dedication not only amplifies the impact of your personal gift, but it also strengthens our community in many ways.

If you haven't yet looked into whether your employer offers matching donations, we encourage you to take a moment to do so. Many companies offer this benefit, and it's an easy way to double the impact of your support. By participating in matching gift programs, you help ensure our parish continues to grow and serve our community.

Your commitment is truly inspiring. Thank you for being such an important part of our mission and for helping to ensure our parish thrives.

LENT CONFESSION SCHEDULE

*Repent and turn to God, so
that your sins may be wiped
out, that times of refreshing
may come from the Lord.*

Acts 3:19



Friday, April 11
9:00 - 10:00 AM

Saturday, April 12
3:00 - 3:45 PM

Monday, April 14
7:00 - 8:00 PM

Wednesday, April 16
9:00 - 10:00 AM
12:00 - 1:00 PM
7:00 - 8:00 PM



**Family
Advocacy
Center**

Help from the heart.

Thank you to everyone who has been collecting items listed on the Reverse Lent Calendar that was inserted into the bulletin a few weeks ago. The donations will go to the Family Advocacy Center of Ottawa County. Donations can be dropped off anytime before and after Easter on the designated table in the Parish Hall.

If you would like a copy of the items being collected, you can find extra copies on the radiators in church.

Game Day

**Monday, April 7th
12:30 - 3:30 pm.**

Bring a friend, meet members of our parish, and play a game! Enjoy beverages, snacks, and lots of laughs!

JOIN OUR CREW!

Are you curious about becoming a catechist? We will be looking for catechists for the upcoming school year. If you think you may be interested, come and join us at a class this year to see how fun our crew is! Classes are Monday evenings, 6:15 - 7:30 pm.

Call Amanda in the Parish Office for more information, or to schedule a day to come observe a class.



As we continue to celebrate the Jubilee Year of Hope, kindly join us for the celebration of the annual Chrism Mass during which the Oil of the Sick and the Oil of Catechumens are blessed; the Sacred Chrism is consecrated; and our diocesan and religious priests renew their priestly promises. We invite all the faithful of the Diocese of Toledo to “pray for your Priests, that the Lord may pour out his gifts abundantly upon them, and keep them faithful

as ministers of Christ, the High Priest, so that they may lead you to him, who is the source of salvation” (Roman Missal, Chrism Mass, Renewal of Priestly Promises).

Parish representatives from around the diocese will be present and will take the blessed/consecrated oils back to their communities to be used in the celebration of the sacraments during the next year.

YOU ARE MOST CORDIALLY INVITED TO JOIN US FOR THE Chrism Mass WHICH will be celebrated by Bishop Daniel E. Thomas on Tuesday of Holy Week, April 15, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral in Toledo.



Indifferent and Lukewarm Souls

From the Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

My daughter, write that it pains Me very much when religious souls receive the Sacrament of Love merely out of habit, as if they did not distinguish this food. I find neither faith nor love in their hearts. I go to such souls with great reluctance. It would be better if they did not receive Me (Diary, 1288).




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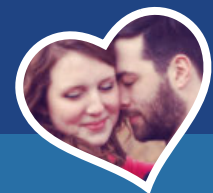
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