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WEEKEND MASSES

ST. JOHN CHURCH 1405 FIRST AVENUE SATURDAY 4:30 PM SUNDAY 10:30 AM

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH 201 CLARK STREET SUNDAY 9:00 AM

ADORATION HOLY TRINITY CHURCH MONDAY-FRIDAY 12:30 - 4:30 PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION ST. JOHN CHURCH SATURDAY 3:30 PM

November 3, 2019

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed

It is the custom of our parish to remember every individual who has been buried from Holy Family during the last year. Candles will be lit as their names are read and placed in the Books of Remembrance at



both churches. Everyone is invited to add deceased loved ones' names to these books beginning next weekend. We ask you to pray with us for all the faithful departed.

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Anna DiNardo Ascencion Rodriguez De Leon Bruce Fassler

Iack Harkrader Edward Byrne Joe Marstall

Gary Beiser Marilyn Christianson Steve Meyer

Larry Penny George Jeffery Mary Kienlen

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Angeline Andreotta Gen Delaney

Marilyn DePalma Ron May

Daniel Lawson Linda Lyons

Lois Conrad Tack Wills

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Vincent Kipus Randy Stebelton

Mary DePew Jean Farney

Florence Fiessinger

Pam Esposito

Iack Williams

Vívian McConnell

Eric Joseph



HOLY FAMILY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday and Sunday - November 2 and 3

4:30 PM Mass SJ Richard Schramm - Anniversary Rem. 9:00 AM Mass HT Francis & Mary Smith - Wed Anniv Rem 10:30 AM Mass SJ Mary Akers - Birthday Remembrance

Monday, November 4

12:10 PM Communion Service HT

Tuesday, November 5

8:15 AM Mass SJ23 Taleen Davis Schroeder

Wednesday, November 6

12:10 PM Mass HT Mildred Armbruster - Anniversary Rem.

Thursday, November 7

12:10 PM Mass HT Grace Vitori

Friday, November 8

8:00 AM Mass HT Deacon Bill Krumm - Birthday Rem.

12:10 PM Communion Service HT

Saturday, November 9

8:00 AM Mass HT Pam Esposito

4:30 PM Mass SJ Robert & Mary Fuller

Sunday, November 10 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Mass HT Jim, Con & David Dillon - Veterans

10:30 AM Mass SJ Cecilia Elieff

Weekly Collections Stewardship Sunday, October 27th \$10,577

Thank you for your generous stewardship!

MINISTERS NEXT WEEK

Nov 9/10	4:30 PM SAT	9:00 AM SUN	10:30 AM SUN
Eucharistic	Vicki Hall 1B	Karen Dillon 1B	Dale Gerber 1B
Ministers	Dan Sack 2B	Barb VonderHaar 2B	Joan Gerber 2B
	Frances Sack 3B	Janet Chase 3B	Christine Whittington 3B
	John Lyons 1C	John Lyons 1C	John Lyons 1C
	Don Brooks 2C	Marlene Ruwe 2C	Beth McGuire 2C
	Michelle Brooks 3C	Mary Ann Long 3C	Barb Luksic 3C
	Jonathan McDowell 4C	Sandy Hughes 4C	Suzanne Stickelman 4C
Lectors	Todd Moore	Amy Bray	Melissa Bauer
	Terri Smith	Mike Schmidt	Michael Paddock
Servers	Anthony Lococo	Bruce Bray	Daniel Egelston
	Will Grant	Luke Bray	Lily Knaley
Greeters	Dan Sack D1	Don Accurso D1	Jennifer Robinson D1
	Frances Sack D1	Donna Kramer D2	Gina Pennington D1

Daily Scripture Readings

Mon: Rom 11:29-36 / Lk 14:12-14 Tues: Rom 12:5-16b / Lk 14:15-24 Wed: Rom 13:8-10 / Lk 14:25-33 Thurs: Rom 14:7-12 / Lk 15:1-10

Fri: Rom 15:14-21 / Lk 16:1-8

Sat: Ez 47:1-2,8-9,12 / Jn 2:13-22

Sun: 2 Mc 7:1-2,9-14 / 2 Thes 2:16-3:5

Lk 20:27-38

Our Prayers and Sympathy are Extended

to the family and friends of Eric Joseph, who died October 28th.

Going into the hospital or hospice? Homebound or know a parishioner

who is? Please call us 422-0602 and let us know! We need your help in ministering to parishioners who are ill or in need!

Pray the Rosary — St. John Center Wednesday Nights at 7:00 PM



Health Ministry: 8 Things to Remember When Going Through Tough Times



- 1. Everything can and will change.
- 2. You've overcome challenges before.
- 3. It's a learning experience.
- 4. Not getting what you want can be a blessing.
- 5. Allow yourself to have some fun.
- 6. Being kind to yourself is the best medicine.
- 7. Other people's negativity isn't worth worrying about.
- 8. And there is always, always, always something to be thankful for.

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COMING EVENTS



1st Reconciliation/Eucharist Mtg Mon Nov 4
Oakland Nbrhd Mtgs Thur/Fri Nov 7/8
Oakland Nbrhd Mtgs Thur/Fri Nov 14/15
Calendar Pick Up Sun Nov 17
Sons of Italy Memorial Mass Sun Nov 17
Donut Sunday @ SJ Sun Nov 17

RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults November 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th

November 3rd - Why be Catholic?

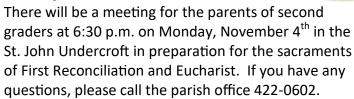
11:30 PM St. John Rectory

Class forming during this Period of Inquiry!

Please contact the parish office 422-0602.

Parents of Second Graders!

Meeting - First Reconciliation & Eucharist Monday, Nov 4th 6:30 PM St. John Undercroft



St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

The monthly SVDP meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 4rd at 7:00 p.m. - Holy Trinity Center.

Widows & Widowers Social Club

The Widows & Widowers Social Club meets the first Tuesday of each month - usually at a different restaurant around 11:30 a.m. Join us this November 5th! Just call Charlotte Begley 424-6835 to find out where we're meeting this month. We'd love to include you in our outing! You'll have fun!

Knights of Columbus Council 1610 Meeting

The K of C Council 1610 monthly meeting is set for this Wednesday, November 6th at 7:00 p.m. in the Knights Council Hall.

K of C Ladies Auxiliary Meeting

The K of C Ladies Auxiliary will meet Wednesday, November 6th at 7:00 p.m. in the Holy Trinity Center.

The Men's Fellowship Group

Men of the parish are invited to join for prayer and study every second and fourth Saturday of the month. The next meeting is this Saturday, November 9th at 7:00 a.m. - St. John Rectory.

Leftover Halloween Candy?

If you ended up with leftover Halloween candy, SVDP could add it to holiday gift baskets. Just drop it in the blue donation bins at the church doors. THANKS!

Introductions to Sunday Readings

by Bishop Ken Untener, in collaboration with Catherine Haven and Fr. Bill Taylor

First Reading - Wisdom 11:22—12:2

The book of Wisdom was written by a teacher who lived in Alexandria, Egypt, a center for Greek philosophy in the ancient world. It was written about 50 years before Christ, and was the last book of the Old Testament to be written. After the first verse of today's passage, the author speaks directly to God and does so in poetic fashion.

Second Reading - 2 Thessalonians 1:11—2:2

In his *first* letter to the Thessalonians, Paul told them always to be prepared for the Lord's coming in glory. Some of them became preoccupied with the date when the Lord would come. The *second* letter to the community addressed that situation.

McGraw-Kokosing Donates \$4,995!

The employees and the management of McGraw-Kokosing Construction Company made their annual donation to the St. Vincent de Paul Pantry last week. Their very generous donation of \$4,995 to our pantry will support the Thanksgiving baskets we will be giving to deserving Middletown families as well as Pantry operations throughout the year. McGraw-Kokosing employees also provide Christmas gifts every year to three families recommended by St. Vincent de Paul. Thank you to McGraw- Kokosing employees and management. You are truly valued members of our Middletown Community! Deacon John Lyons - TREASURER

Neighborhood Reps! It's Calendar Pick Up Time! Sunday, November 17th

2020 Calendars will be available

for pick up in the parish office following the 9 AM Mass and again in the St. John Undercroft after the 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday, November 17th. **Didn't receive a calendar last year? Maybe your neighborhood needs a representative!** Would you take care of your neighborhood's calendar deliveries? Please call the office 422-0602. Help build up our parish community!

Special Collection Coming December 1st!

The cost to replace the St. John boiler is \$68K! Watch for a special envelope in the Dec. pack.





Calvary Cemetery Collection

by Dr. Steph Burk - parishioner & Calvary Cemetery Assoc. Member



Halloween is just around the corner as I write this. When I feed the ponies in the predawn hours, owls hoot in the nearby woods, and falling walnuts bounce noisily off the metal barn roof, reminding me that I'm supposed to be afraid of "things that go bump in the night." Thousands of years ago, the Celts who inhabited much of Europe believed that at this time of year, the veil that separated the living from the world of the dead was thinnest; on one dark, mysterious night, known as Samhain, the souls of the deceased could actually walk among us. The rugged landscape of Ireland housed some of the last vestiges of Celtic culture, and celebrating Samhain was one of them. Samhain traditions still live on in our modern day Halloween: in fact some of our favorite seasonal customs - carving pumpkins, bobbing for apples, and lighting autumn bonfires - derive from ancient Irish rituals. Evidence suggests that, like their current descendants, many of the Iron Age peoples in Europe commemorated their dead with stone monuments. If you walk through Calvary Cemetery and read the headstones - perhaps the modern-day equivalent of trilithons and dolmens and stone-lined barrows - you will discover many Irish names and birthplaces. Of course they brought their customs with them as the immigrated to our area. Scary things, like ghosts and goblins and banshees. One of the scariest Halloween images? The abandoned cemetery. Gravestones sag like broken teeth, time erases names and the memories they once evoked. A mere few feet of soil like the veil between the worlds - separates us from the mortal remains of someone who once walked this earth, beloved and loving in turn. And it reminds us of our own mortality. Frightening, certainly, and poignant as well. By the time you read the bulletin with this essay, Halloween will be over and we will be moving into November, the month in which we commemorate our deceased family and friends. Calvary Cemetery relies on your continued support to keep our burial grounds sacred and seemly, and to prevent it from turning into one of those places you wouldn't want to visit on Halloween night. We appreciate your continued generosity in commemorating parish members who have gone before us. Please look for the blue envelope in the November pack.

Giving Trees in the Churches This Weekend!

Giving Tree Gifts are a very personal way to share the joy of Christmas!

As is tradition, parishioners are invited to choose an ornament, purchase the suggested gift, wrap it, and bring the gift with the tag attached to the 9:00 AM Thanksgiving Day Mass celebrated at St. John Church or to the parish office during the first week of December.

Prison Ministry: Angel Tag We team with Messiah Lutheran Church to provide Christmas gifts for Middletown children whose parent or guardian is currently in prison. Through the chaplain, inmates request gifts for their children.

These gifts are passed out at a party on Dec 14th!

Family Services: Star Tag Needy families in the Middletown area sign up with Family Services for Christmas gifts for their children. Our St. Vincent de Paul Society joins other organizations in the community to provide these gifts. Our SVDP passes out these gifts on Friday, Dec 20th!

We share Christmas with our parish family! The best gift you can give is the gift of your time and friendship! Pope Frances says,

"You are the visible face of the invisible Father!" Again this year we're asking for uplifting Christmas visits to our homebound parishioners - so no need to buy a gift or return the tag! In fact - you'll want to keep the tag, as on the back you'll find the name and address plus some personal notes for a homebound parishioner who would love a visit from YOU! Involve the whole family! Grandparents - have your grandchildren color a Christmas picture or make a fancy ornament. Moms and dads - pick out a family favorite Christmas story and have the kids read it aloud or bake and decorate some Christmas Cookies to take along. Scout troops - pair up for individual visits and then join as a troop to go caroling in the halls! Instead of going out for coffee, friends can instead plan a visit and give a small religious or personal care item as a little gift! Why not take a break from the crazy materialism of the season and spread some Christmas Joy! You'll be glad you did!



OUR DOORS ARE OPEN: No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church, no matter what your current family and marital situation, no matter what your age, race, background, personal history, etc., no matter what your own self-image — you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected here at Holy Family Parish. Our doors are open!

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

We sometimes receive phone calls asking Fr. Civille to give "Last Rites." Previously administered only to the dying or critically ill, the sacrament is



known now as the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Today the sacrament is extended to all who are ill or are about to undergo an operation or treatment. Like the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist, to which it is closely linked, the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick can be repeated as often as necessary. There is no need nor reason to wait for the last possible moment. You're encouraged to call the parish office 422-0602 if you would like to receive the Anointing of the Sick for yourself or a loved one.

Veteran's Appreciation Luncheon Friday, November 8th 11:30 AM Crosspointe Church of Christ 5630 State Route 122 Franklin



Please join us for a FREE lunch with Keynote Speaker Judge Gary Loxley. If you register to attend you will be entered into a drawing for a \$50 gift card.

To register, please call 513-424-2273. 20+ Red, White & Blue crochet blankets will be given as prizes too! The Veteran's Appreciation Luncheon is sponsored by Butler County Veterans Service Commission, Hospice Care of Middletown, Tapestry Senior Living Springboro, Warren County Veterans' Services, Patriot Medical, Breitenbach Anderson Funeral Homes, and Kettering Health Network.

Bishop Fenwick High School's Open House Sunday, November 10th 1 to 3 PM

Bishop Fenwick High School's Open House is designed for 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th graders and their families. This is a great opportunity to tour the campus, speak with our principal, Blane Collison, and meet Bishop Fenwick faculty, coaches, students and current families. There will be interactive displays throughout the academic classrooms and our athletic teams and clubs will be represented with display tables. **Three lucky students will win a \$100 Amazon Gift Card!** No registration is required, but you can pre-register to expedite the check-in process at www.fenwickfalcons.org. Should you have any questions, please call 513-428-0525.

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by Dawn Pickerill / Principal

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THANK YOU

Thank you to all of the students who made our Living Rosary on Tuesday so beautiful. The junior high students did a great job leading us, and the entire student body was extremely engaged and reverent.





MARK YOUR CALENDARS

The St. John XXIII Catholic School Annual Fund Campaign will kick off on Giving Tuesday which is December 3rd. We truly appreciate our parish and all of the support that you give to our wonderful school!





The Children's Choir Will Sing at the 10:30 AM Mass Next Sunday! The Children's Choir, under the direction of Marilyn Ifcic, has been rehearsing for several weeks and will be leading the singing at the 10:30 AM Mass next Sunday! The Choir, made up of 2nd - 7th grade students, rehearses on Monday evenings and sings about once a month and on Christmas Eve. If you would like to join in, just call the parish office 422-0602.

St. John Center Flood! The tank of an original toilet on the second floor of the St. John Center cracked sometime Saturday night and by Sunday morning water had gone through the main floor and was flooding the basement. Thankfully, most of the repair costs will be covered by insurance but there are some upgrades that the parish will have to cover to prevent this from happening again. Sunday School, Nursery and Monday night PREP will continue.

Thanks for your patience and flexibility as repairs are underway!







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Baptism Preparation Class - These classes are held quarterly: March, June, September and December.

The actual date, time and location will be announced in the weekly bulletin. Please call the parish office to register.

Blane Collison, Principal......423-0723

Baptisms - Please call the parish office to schedule a baptism.

Becoming a Member of Holy Family Parish - Fill out a Census Form at the parish office or download the form at www.holyfamilymiddletown.com/forms and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office.

Becoming Catholic - Please call the parish office to find out more about the RCIA process.

Bulletin Deadline - Submit announcements in hard copy or to monica@holyfamilymiddletown.com by noon Tuesday.

Hospitalization or Death in the Family - Please notify the pastor as soon as possible by calling the parish office.

Marriages - Couples wishing to be married must set the date with the pastor at least six months in advance.

Nursery - The Nursery is available in the St. John Center during the Sunday 10:30 AM Mass.

Parish Religious Education Program - Preschool: Sundays 10:15 - 11:30 AM and K - 8th Grade: Mondays 6:30 - 7:30 PM.

St. John XXIII Catholic School - Parish school for Preschool - 8th Grade - www.stjohn23school.org.



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