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A Catholic faith community called to serve God and others

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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 This Mass Live Streamed

ADORATION POSTPONED

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

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 27, 2020

Maintenance Update

As part of the ongoing maintenance of the buildings in our parish, we've been attending to these current projects:



- replacing the old flat roof on the Baltimore Street entrance of St. John Church. No more dripping tar! Painting is next!
- The City of Middletown has been working on some pipe issues on their end and at their expense so we can make necessary updates to the Holy Trinity Center plumbing.

Many thanks for your generous donations to the quarterly Capital Improvements Collections - look for the gold envelope!





Annual Pet Blessing NEXT Sunday, October 4TH 1:30 PM Holy Trinity Grounds

Face Masks Required & Social Distancing Observed!

Join us at 1:30 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church for the Annual Pet Blessing

- Covid 19 style. Deacon John Lyons will offer the blessing and all pets are welcome, including docile farm animals. Please be sure dogs are on a leash with properly fitting collars or harnesses. Please note: For the safety of everyone involved, pets should be comfortable among other animals and people. Thank you!

HOLY FAMILY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday and Sunday - September 26 and 27

4:30 PM Mass SJ Andrea Accurso - Wedding Anniv. Rem. 9:00 AM Mass HT St. Vincent de Paul Society Members 9:00 AM Mass live streamed and available on the website anytime. 10:30 AM Mass SJ Anna C. Chupka - Birthday Rem.

Monday, September 28

6:00 PM Mass HT Peggy Schramm

Tuesday, September 29

12:10 PM Mass HT First Responders

Wednesday, September 30

12:10 PM Mass HT Bob & Ruth Rouster

Thursday, October 1

12:10 PM Mass HT Chuck Prasek - Anniversary Rem.

Friday, October 2

8:00 AM Mass HT Kelly & Nori Families

Saturday, October 3

4:30 PM Mass SJ August F. Chupka, Sr. - Birthday Rem.

Sunday, October 4 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Mass HT Carolyn Gustin - Anniversary Rem.

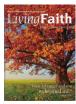
10:30 AM Mass SJ Mildred Burk - Birthday Remembrance

Weekly Collections Stewardship Sunday, September 20th \$10,246

Thank you for your generous stewardship!

Living Faith Meditation Books for Prisons

Many of us here at Holy Family enjoy these little daily prayer books and here's a chance to share your faith with others. Prison chaplains say that inmates are eager for such publications.



Inmates have time to read and many, perhaps for the first time, are ready for spiritual wisdom and advice. You can help foster Catholic devotional reading in prisons through a tax-deductible donation. A gift of \$45 allows 150 copies of Living Faith to be sent to prison chaplains for distribution. Make your check out to **LF Foundation**, and mail it to

Living Faith Foundation, 1564 Fencorp Dr, Fenton, MO 63026.

Why no do a little something to share your Living Faith?

Daily Scripture Readings

Mon: Jb 1:6-22 / Lk 9:46-50

Tues: Dn 7:9-10,13-14 / Jn 1:47-51

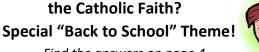
Wed: Jb 9:1-12,14-16 / Lk 9:57-62 Thurs: Jb 19:21-27 / Lk 10:1-12

Fri: Jb 38:1,12-21; 40:3-5 / Mt 18:1-5,10 Sat: Jb 42:1-3,5-6,12-17 / Lk 10:17-24 Sun: Is 5:1-7 / Phil 4:6-9 / Mt 21:33-43

Our Prayers and Sympathy are Extended

to the family and friends of Judy Pressler, who died September 21st.

How Much Do YOU Know About the Catholic Faith?



Find the answers on page 4.

- 1. The patron saint of schools is?
 - (a) St. Gemma Galgani
 - (b) St. Augustine
 - (c) St. Thomas Aquinas
 - (d) St. Katherine Drexel
- 2. Which order of religious sisters does not teach in Catholic schools?
 - (a) the Sisters of Christian Charity
 - (b) the Ursulines
 - (c) the Poor Clares
 - (d) the Dominican sisters
- 3. The word *catechesis* comes from the Greek word which means
 - (a) to echo through oral instruction
 - (b) to be a light
 - (c) to present systematically
 - (d) to teach answers
- 4. Paul studied with the famous Jewish teacher
 - (a) Abraham Heschel
 - (b) Moses Malone
 - (c) Gamaliel
 - (d) Elie Wiesel
- 5. This first American-born saint established an order of religious women to teach and care for the poor.
 - (a) St. Katherine Drexel
 - (b) St. Theodore Guerin
 - (c) St. Frances Cabrini
 - (d) St. Elizabeth Ann Seton



RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults September 27th

October 4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th

September 27th - God's Promise for the Journey

11:30 PM St. John Undercroft

Class forming during this Period of Inquiry!

If you're interested in becoming Catholic, or you know someone who may be interested, please call the parish office 422-0602.

The Word Among Us October

Complete Catholic Mass & Daily Meditations
This booklet is especially nice if you regularly
attend the weekday Masses or Communion
Services. Pick up your free copy at the doors
of both churches.



Living Faith Meditation Booklets

These popular daily prayer booklets for October, November and December are available at the doors of both churches.



Do You Have the DRIVE to End Alzheimer's?

Hospice Care

4th Annual Golf Outing Monday, October 12th

Monday, October 12"
Noon Shotgun Start
Wildwood Golf Course



Here's a great excuse to knock off work early and play a round of golf on a beautiful autumn afternoon, all the while helping to end Alzheimer's!

This event is a four person scramble with a shotgun start at noon and prizes for First and Second Place.

The cost of \$75 includes the cart, snacks, and an All American Grill Out. Please make checks payable to Cecilie Ricke/ALZ. Find a registration form at the parish website www.holyfamilymiddletown.com or call parishioner and Director of Bickford Senior Living, Middletown, Cecilie Ricke 937-503-6548.

Introductions to Sunday Readings

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



First Reading - Ezekiel 18:25-28

Ezekiel was an Old Testament prophet who ministered to the Jewish people exiled in Babylon six centuries before Christ. In today's reading, he takes up a question we have probably asked ourselves: Is God fair or unfair in his dealings with people?

Second Reading - Philippians 2:1-11

Paul wrote from prison to his Christian converts in Philippi, a city in what is today northeastern Greece. While he was in prison, the Philippians had sent someone to bring money for his support and to stay with him. Paul thanks them by quoting an early Christian hymn which he felt described Christ as a model for the way all Christians should live.

New Phone Number? Dropping Your Land Line?

Please call the parish office 422-0602 so we can update your information. Thank you!

Join the Team! Make \$202.05! Precinct Election Officials Needed for the November 3, 2020 Election



The Butler County Board of Elections —BOARD OF ELECTIONS—
is currently looking for Precinct Election Officials to
serve their community by helping friends and neighbors
cast their votes while earning extra spending money!
It is our priority to keep you safe. We'll supply masks,
hand sanitizer and gloves for each worker. Make a
minimum of \$202.05 while learning more about our
election and the voting process. Add a new experience
to your resume and serve your country on the front
lines of democracy. You must be 18 years of age or
older, a citizen of the United States, fluent in English,
and have no prior felony convictions. Just click the
POL WORKERS tab at elections.bcohio.us or call
513-785-5711 if you're interested.

State Route #122 Clean Up Crew - Last Pick Up of the Season! Mark your Calendar! Saturday, October 24th 8:30 AM Jacot Park

In honor of Bob Ryan, the guy who made it fun to wake up early and pick up trash!

Join the gang as we do Bob proud - picking up trash along SR #122 from SR #25 to Breiel Blvd.

Everyope's invited to join in the fun. We'll meet at lacot Park at 8:30 a.m. and should finish up.

Everyone's invited to join in the fun. We'll meet at Jacot Park at 8:30 a.m. and should finish up by 10:30 a.m. A great chance for kids to perform - and for the important adults in their lives to model - community service!

Readings for Saturday and Sunday

First Reading - Ezekiel 18:25-28

Thus says the Lord: You say, "The Lord's way is not fair!" Hear now, house of Israel: Is it my way that is unfair, or rather, are not your ways unfair? When someone virtuous turns away from virtue to commit iniquity, and dies, it is because of the iniquity he committed that he must die. But if he turns from the wickedness he has committed, he does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life; since he has turned away from all the sins that he has committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading - Philippians 2:1-5

Brothers and sisters: If there is any encouragement in Christ, any solace in love, any participation in the Spirit, any compassion and mercy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, with the same love, united in heart, thinking one thing. Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also for those of others. Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel - Matthew 21:28-32

The Lord be with you.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

And with your spirit. Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people: "What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He came to the first and said, 'Son, go out and work in the vineyard today.' He said in reply, 'I will not, ' but afterwards changed his mind and went. The man came to the other son and gave the same order. He said in reply, 'Yes, sir,' but did not go. Which of the two did his father's will?" They answered, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you. When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Answers to the Special "Back-to-School" Quiz

- 1. (c) St. Thomas (1226-1274) was canonized in 1323 and declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope Pius V. A Dominican friar and a university professor, Aquinas wrote the *Summa Theologica*, a summary of theology. His feast day is January 28.
- 2. (c) The Poor Clare Sisters were started by St. Clare of Assisi (1194-1253). They live in an enclosed monastery, embracing a life of community, contemplation, poverty, and joy.
- 3. (a) The Greek word katekhein means "to sound over, to echo the oral teaching."
- 4. (c) Paul studied "at the feet of Gamaliel" (Acts 22:3), a celebrated scholar of the Jewish law. Elsewhere, Gamaliel counsels the Sanhedrin to stay away from the Apostles, who were arrested for proclaiming the Risen Christ (see Acts 5:34).
- 5. (d) Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton founded the Sisters of Charity of Saint Joseph and established a network of schools that became a model for parochial schools throughout the U.S.

Mass Prayers and Responses

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God,
behold him who takes away
the sins of the world.
Blessed are those
called to the supper of the lamb.

All: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, all bow.

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Hymns for Saturday and Sunday

Entrance

Open Wide the Doors to Christ

- Open wide the doors to Christ, Let him shepherd you.
 Welcome him into your heart, That your love be true.
 For Christ is the Light, And Christ is the Way, And Christ is the Love who loves you.
- Open wide the doors to Christ, Show to all his face. Live for others as he lived, Filled with truth and grace. For Christ is the Light, And Christ is the Way, And Christ is the Love who loves you.

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Closing

Christ Be beside Me

- Christ be beside me, Christ be before me, Christ be behind me, King of my heart. Christ be within me, Christ be below me, Christ be above me, Never to part.
- Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand, Christ all around me, Shield in the strife.
 Christ in my sleeping, Christ in my sitting, Christ in my rising, Light of my life.

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Toll-Free Crisis and Information & Referral Hotline

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Communion

Here I Am, Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky,

 I have heard my people cry.
 All who dwell in dark and sin
 My hand will save.
 I who made the stars of night,
 I will make their darkness bright.
 Who will bear my light to them?
 Whom shall I send?

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

- 3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

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Are You Missing Fr. Civille's Friday Robocalls?



Call the parish office 422-0602 and make sure we have your current phone number!!



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!

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Prayer Chain

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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.

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 it under FORMS at www.holyfamilymiddletown.com. Drop your completed form 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 - Due to the coronavirus, the 10:30 AM Mass Nursery is temporarily closed.

Parish Religious Education Program - Due to the coronavirus, Sunday Preschool is canceled and Monday K-8th Grade have an in home program. Contact Dee Golembiewski, DRE, with questions.

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



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