

# HOLY FAMILY PARISH

A Catholic faith community called to serve God and others through Eucharist, prayer, education, and daily living of the Gospel values.

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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

*August 29, 2021*

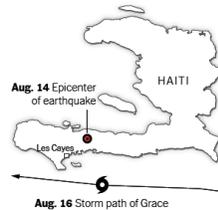
*22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

## Special Collection for Haiti

A 7.2 magnitude earthquake that rocked Haiti on August 14<sup>th</sup> has left thousands injured and many more have lost their homes and loved ones. Then on the following Tuesday, Tropical Storm Grace hit Haiti. That day Catholic Relief Services (CRS) distributed tents to 194 families in Les Cayes before Grace arrived. The next day tarps, hygiene and kitchen kits, and metal sheets were delivered by CRS to 180 affected families in Les Cayes. Families in Haiti face tragedy from these devastating events. CRS is on the ground, in the places most heavily hit in Les Cayes and Jeremie, working with partners and affected communities to identify most urgent needs. Food is in short supply as stores and stocks have been destroyed and a landslide has blocked access.

**Your gift will help provide essential relief, likely to include clean water, sanitation, shelter and emergency supplies, giving immediate aid to families affected. Thank you for all your support and prayers for affected communities in Haiti.**

**To make a donation online, please Google CRS Haiti Earthquake Relief or find the link on the parish website. You can also donate by check to Haiti Response, Catholic Relief Services, PO Box 17090, Baltimore, MD 21297-0303**



## RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Informational Meeting TODAY

**11:30 AM St. John Rectory**



Are you interested in learning about the Catholic faith? If so, RCIA is for you! The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the term for the way in which adults are initiated into full membership with the Roman Catholic Church. There is no obligation to go further, but if you wish to continue, RCIA is the process for entering the Catholic Church. **RCIA will be meeting on Sundays at 11:30 a.m. beginning September 12<sup>th</sup> in the St. John Rectory following the 10:30 AM Mass.** If you can't make today's meeting but you're interested in learning about RCIA, we invite you to call the parish office 422-0602.

## COMING EVENTS



Labor Day ..... Mon Sep 6  
SJ23 Back to School Bash ..... Sat Sep 11  
Annual Parish Picnic ..... Sun Sep 12  
Grandparents Day Mass 8:15 AM @ SJ ..... Mon Sept 13  
Monday Night PREP Begins ..... Mon Sep 13  
Baptismal Preparation Class ..... Wed Sep 15

## HOLY FAMILY MASS SCHEDULE

### Saturday and Sunday - August 28 & 29

4:30 PM Mass SJ Jeanne & Jack Buckley

9:00 AM Mass HT Richard Clark

*9:00 AM Mass live streamed and available on the website anytime.*

10:30 AM Mass SJ Kiesewetter & Meister Family

### Tuesday, August 31

8:15 AM Mass SJ23 Ed Dobrozsi - *students staff only!*

12:10 PM Mass HT Janet Sack - Birthday Remembrance

### Wednesday, September 1

12:10 PM Mass HT Marie Slezak

### Thursday, September 2

12:10 PM Mass HT Josephine Soppanish

### Friday, September 3

8:00 AM Mass HT Rose-Marie Steere

### Saturday, September 4

4:30 PM Mass SJ Arthur & Frances Diver

### Sunday, September 5 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Mass HT Catherine & Howard Dorenbusch

10:30 AM Mass SJ John Ptaszkiewicz - Birthday Rem.

### Weekly Collections Stewardship

Sunday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> \$18,534.50

*Thank you for your generous stewardship!*

## MINISTERS NEXT WEEK

Sept 4/5	4:30 PM SAT	9:00 AM SUN	10:30 AM SUN
Eucharistic Ministers	Paul Presta 1B	Ginger Bruggeman 1B	John Lyons 1B
	Kathy Kraft 2B	Janet Chase 2B	Sue Mulligan 2B
	Pat Montgomery 3B	Kathleen Wourms 3B	Linda Jester 3B
Lector	Monica Cummins	Amy Bray	Janet Zappia
Greeters	Marilyn Abbott D1	Don Accurso D1	Kathy Harden D1
	Monica Cummins D2	Kathy Farler D2	David Harden D2

## Butler County COVID-19 Information

### COVID-19 Community Transmission

According to the CDC the level of community transmission in Butler County is now **HIGH** - the highest level of transmission and the CDC recommends wearing a mask in public indoor settings, **REGARDLESS OF VACCINATION STATUS!**

Thank you for wearing a mask at Mass!



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General Health District  
Ohio



## Daily Scripture Readings

Mon: 1 Thes 4:13-18 / Lk 4:16-30

Tues: 1 Thes 5:1-6,9-11 / Lk 4:31-37

Wed: Col 1:1-8 / Lk 4:38-44

Thurs: Col 1:9-14 / Lk 5:1-11

Fri: Col 1:15-20 / Lk 5:33-39

Sat: Col 1:21-23 / Lk 6:1-5

Sun: Is 35:4-7a / Jas 2:1-5 / Mk 7:31-37



## Our Prayers & Sympathy are Extended

to the family and friends of Frankie Jones, who died August 19<sup>th</sup>.

## In Your Prayers Please Remember

Alice Brown and Mary Chase at Atrium Medical Center and Mary Lewis in Hospice Care at Otterbein Cottages this week.

## Health Ministry:

**5 Sundays in August - 5 Short Stories That May Change the Way You Think**  
**Story 5 - The Starfish**



Once a man was walking along a beach. The sun was shining and it was a beautiful day. Off in the distance, he could see a person going back and forth between the surf's edge and the beach. Back and forth this person went. As the man approached, he could see that there were hundreds of starfish stranded on the sand as the result of the natural action of the tide. The man was struck by the apparent futility of the task. There were far too many starfish. Many of them were sure to perish. As he approached, the person continued the task of picking up starfish one by one and throwing them into the surf. As he came up to the person, he said: "You must be crazy. There are thousands of miles of beach covered with starfish. You can't possibly make a difference." The person looked at the man. He then stooped down and picked up one more starfish and threw it back into the ocean. He turned back to the man and said: "It sure made a difference to that one!" *Author Unknown*

**When you change your mindset from 'I can't change the world but I can change the world for one person,' almost anything seems possible. You don't need to choose all or nothing. Simply trying can make a huge difference.**

[www.consciouspanda.com](http://www.consciouspanda.com)

## Happy 60th Wedding Anniversary!

Al Heckler & Gerry Putman were married sixty years ago on August 26, 1961! The Hecklers moved to Indiana and watch the streaming Sunday 9 AM Mass.

**Congratulations & Happy Anniversary Al & Gerry!**



## Introductions to Sunday Readings

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

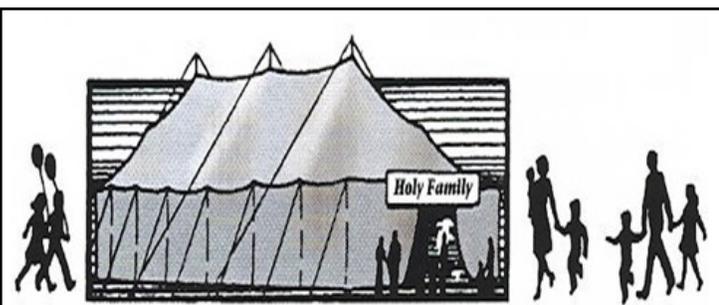


### First Reading - Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

The book of Deuteronomy contains a lengthy farewell speech of Moses as the people prepared to enter the Promised Land. Moses makes it clear that they are expected to remain faithful to the Lord after they have settled in their new land.

### Second Reading - James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

Today and for the next four Sundays, we will read passages from the letter of James. Two points will be helpful background to today's passage. First: In the Jewish law, the first fruits of the harvest are given to God. This expresses the truth that the whole harvest ultimately belongs to God. Second: In the Old Testament, widows and orphans were classic examples of poor and defenseless people.



## ANNUAL HOLY FAMILY PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>  
4 to 7 PM Dinner at 5 PM

Under the Tent at St John XXIII School

## P R E P

### Parish Religious Education Programs

Elementary PREP for Children in Grades K - 8 begins Monday, Sept 13<sup>th</sup>

6:30 - 7:30 PM

Classes are held Mondays from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. and *at this time* we plan to be back in the St. John Center with in-person classes this year.

These classes are for all children who attend public school. **Register all NEW students by contacting Dee Golembiewski via email [dee@holymiddletown.com](mailto:dee@holymiddletown.com).**



## Baptismal Preparation Class

Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>

7 PM St. John Rectory



If you are expecting your first baby or want your first child baptized we ask that you attend a baptismal preparation class, offered quarterly throughout the year. Please call the parish office 422-0602 if you'd like to register for this class.

**A Thank You to the Bereavement Luncheon Ministry Volunteers... and An Invitation to Join Us in Sharing Your Faith and Making a Real Difference**



You could join volunteers who donate a prepared side dish or dessert or join a team of volunteers who call donors and host the luncheons. Please call the office 422-0602 and join us caring for others at this sad time.

## Are You Missing Fr. Civille's Friday Robocalls?

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



## The Fifth Sunday Collection for the St. Vincent de Paul Society is this Weekend.

Please place your donation in the baskets at the front of church at all Masses this week, drop it through the mail slot in the parish office front door, or mail it to the parish office. Thank you for supporting the SVDP Pantry, Help Line and Outreach Ministries!



**American Association of University Women  
AAUW - 65<sup>th</sup> Annual Used Book Sale**

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Donations Accepted  
Tuesday, Thursday and  
Saturday 10 AM - 11:30 AM!

Donations of gently used books, children's books, puzzles, games, CDs, DVDs and records to promote literacy, recycle, and raise money for area scholarships. **The last day for donations is THIS Saturday, September 4<sup>th</sup>.**

More details can be found on the AAUW website [middletown-oh.aauw.net](http://middletown-oh.aauw.net), on Facebook - AAUW Middletown, or email Chris [tcbuch@yahoo.com](mailto:tcbuch@yahoo.com). **This year's sale will be held Thursday - Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> with a bonus Saturday, Sept 18<sup>th</sup>.**

**C A S H O N L Y!!!**

THURSDAY, SEPT 9 <sup>TH</sup>	5 PM - 8 PM	\$5 PRE-SALE
FRIDAY, SEPT 10 <sup>TH</sup>	10 AM - 8 PM	
SATURDAY, SEPT 11 <sup>TH</sup>	10 AM - 6 PM	
SUNDAY, SEPT 12 <sup>TH</sup>	NOON - 5 PM	\$7 BAG SALE
SATURDAY, SEPT 18 <sup>TH</sup>	10 AM - 4 PM	\$4 BAG SALE

**Middletown Interfaith Clothes Closet!**

*The Middletown Interfaith Clothes Closet is an interfaith group of local organizations and churches coming together to give families in need access to gently used, clean clothes and footwear.*

**St. Paul's United Church of Christ  
114 South Broad Street**

**DROP OFF CLEAN CLOTHES  
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**Wanted:**

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- 2) Shelving - any garage, basement, clothing shelving you no longer use can be donated!

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We Cancel a Weekday Mass?**

If so, please call the parish office 422-0602 or email [monica@holyfamilymiddletown.com](mailto:monica@holyfamilymiddletown.com) to have your name and phone number added to the special list of parishioners who will receive a robocall alerting you of a weekday Mass cancelation.



**Special Collection for a Craft Project -  
Clean, Empty Wine Bottles**

Please bring your clean, empty wine bottles to the parish office Monday - Friday 9AM - 5PM or call ahead 422-0602 to let us know when you plan to leave them on the office back porch. Thanks!



**Stay In Touch With Your Catholic Faith!**

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**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP OFF  
Every Thursday, Aug 5<sup>th</sup> - Nov 18<sup>th</sup> 2PM - 7PM  
US Ecology, 3555 Yankee Road, Middletown 45044**

Accepted Items: Oil-based paint, varnish, stains, antifreeze, gasoline, motor oil/heating oil, pesticides & fertilizers, solvents, thinners, cleaners, household and auto batteries, fire extinguishers, propane tanks, mercury thermometers, fluorescent bulbs (all sizes), driveway sealer, thermostats, smoke detectors, lawn and pool chemicals. **DO NOT bring LATEX PAINT!** Got Latex Paint? Use it up! Dry it up! Pass it on!

**COMPUTER & TELEVISION RECYCLING DROP OFF  
Every Friday, Aug 6<sup>th</sup> - Oct 29<sup>th</sup> 9AM - 1PM**

**Two Cohen Locations:  
Hamilton - 105 Black Street, 45011  
Middletown - 3120 S. Verity Pkwy, 45044**

Accepted Items: tube and flat screen TVs (any size), monitors, computer towers, laptops, fax machines, printers, scanners, cell phones, batteries (all types), calculators, video game consoles, DVD players, computer peripherals (keyboards, mics, speakers).

**No Charge to Butler County residents. Do NOT drop items outside of designated service day or time.**

## Glenmary Annual Country Raffle Drawing THIS Friday, Sept 3<sup>rd</sup>



Glenmary annual Country Raffle returns in 2021, giving participants an opportunity to win big while supporting a good cause! The Country Raffle is a yearly sweepstakes that raises money for Glenmary, allowing priests, brothers and lay co-workers to continue nurturing the Catholic Church in areas of our country without an effective Catholic presence. Without outside support, Glenmary missionaries and coworkers could not care for the spiritual and material needs of all those living in mission counties. **The main prize winners will take home \$5,000, \$3,000 and \$1,500 respectively. There will be 10 additional \$100 prizes and one winner will earn a homemade artisan quilt. A suggested donation of \$10, \$20, \$40 or more will help support Glenmary's home mission ministry and give you the opportunity to win one of the raffle cash prizes.** To participate in this year's raffle contact Betsy - Glenmary's Donor Services Dept. 800-935-0975 X7449 and make a suggested donation via telephone. (A donation is not necessary to participate. But, we certainly hope you will support Glenmary's home missions.) Once you have contacted us, the specified number of tickets will be filled out in your name and placed in the raffle bin. **Orders must be received prior to the drawing THIS Friday, Sept 3<sup>rd</sup>.** You can also register securely online at [www.glenmary.org/donate/](http://www.glenmary.org/donate/) or find the link on the parish website [www.holyfamilymiddletown.com](http://www.holyfamilymiddletown.com). Glenmary Country Raffle!



# St. John XXIII

## Catholic School Pre-K to Grade 8

by Dawn Pickerill / Principal

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If you are interested in a Catholic education that provides a challenging, structured and thoughtful learning environment led by highly qualified and experienced teachers, contact Principal Dawn Pickerill 424-1196.

### WE MISSED YOU

Before I started to write this column, I went back and checked when my last submission was – it is hard to believe but it was 17 months ago! In some ways it seems like it was just yesterday, but in others it seems like it was a lifetime ago.

During the time that I have been away, so much has changed in our world, in our community, and in our school. I am proud to say that despite everything going on last year, St. John XXIII Catholic School was able to open on our starting date and remain open every single day for the entire year. This is a feat that not many other schools were able to accomplish.

While we were here every day of the 2020-21 school year, there were, of course, days and weeks when all our students could not be present due to quarantine or sickness. For those students, we were able to live-stream them into our classrooms via Zoom. They were able to see their classmates, participate in discussions, and ask the teacher for help and clarification.

While we are all back together again this year, we're still not quite back to normal. Things like social distancing, more frequent cleanings, optional masking of students, etc. are in place to keep all the students and staff safe. While we pray for a day when we don't have these worries, we are thankful for our school, all that we have, and all that we were and are able to accomplish.

## Matthew 25: Ministries Pill Bottle Donations

Matthew 25: Ministries accepts donations of empty plastic pill bottles for inclusion in shipments of medical supplies and for shredding and recycling. The pill bottle program fulfills the dual needs of improving medical care in developing countries and caring for our environment. Acceptable collection items include:

- Prescription and over-the-counter pill bottles
- Large and small pill bottles
- Pill Bottles with and without secure caps

Pill bottles that are not appropriate to include with shipments of medical supplies are recycled and may generate revenue that supports Matthew 25: Ministries' programs. **If you wish to prepare bottles for shipment rather than recycling, please adhere to the following guidelines:**

- Bottles included in shipments of medical supplies must have an all plastic lid.
- Sort bottles by color and type.
- Remove labels, leaving no glue or residue.
- Wash bottles in very hot water and dish soap.
- Rinse and dry thoroughly.
- Replace lids on clean, dried bottles.
- Place clean, recapped bottles in large Ziploc bags marked "**Clean Bottles.**" These will be blended with medical supplies.

Check out [www.safe.pharmacy/drug-disposal/](http://www.safe.pharmacy/drug-disposal/) to find a list of safe, medication disposal boxes in your area.

## Two Separate "Healing the Broken Hearted" Retreats Friday - Sunday, Sept 17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>

**The Consolation of the Holy Spirit:**  
**Strength in the Challenge of Widowhood**  
**AND Retreat for the Divorced and Separated**



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## ***The Word Among Us - September*** **Complete Mass & Daily Meditations**



This booklet is especially nice if you regularly attend the weekday Masses. Pick up your free copy at the doors of both churches this weekend.

## **A Weekend of Discovery...A Lifetime of Love!**

Fall is right around the corner - a beautiful season full of color and crisp fresh air. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter is like autumn because it's full of fresh air and new beginnings!  
**Oct 15 - 17 at the Holy Spirit Center, Cincinnati, OH**  
**Nov 5 - 7 at Maria Stein, Maria Stein, OH**  
For more information, contact Andy and Melanie Reinersman 859-653-8464 or [esharing.org](http://esharing.org).  
*In the event the experiences cannot be held in person, they will be held virtually via Zoom.*



**SCAM Alert!!** We're getting reports from parishioners regarding telephone scams.

These scams obviously are convincing, but be vigilant! **How can you tell it's a scam?**



✓ if they ask for money ✓ if they ask for gift cards ✓ if they ask for personal information such as your social security number, bank account number, or credit card number. **Get off the phone as soon as possible by saying you're looking up the information then "accidentally" hang up.** If you're told a family member is in trouble, begging you not to tell anyone else, use the same 'accidental' hang up technique then check in with another family member. You don't even have to mention the trouble stated in the call - just ask how they're doing, what they're up to, when you might get to see them... You'll find out in no time that there's no emergency. **The best option is to do what may seem rude to you - JUST HANG UP. These people are skilled at playing on your courtesy and keeping you talking.**



**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!

# Holy Family Parish

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## Prayer Chain

Beth Kast.....424-6100

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**Knights of Columbus.....513-360-4760**

**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](http://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@holymiddletown.com](mailto:monica@holymiddletown.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 - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade - [www.stjohn23school.org](http://www.stjohn23school.org).

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