

**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:**

Parents plant values in their children anticipating the tiny seeds of honesty, respect, commitment and fidelity will grow with their child and one day become "a safe haven" to many.

**MASSES FOR THIS WEEK:**

**Monday, July 24**

8:30 a.m.

**Tuesday, July 25**

8:30 a.m. Rose & Walter  
Schoenbeck +

**Wednesday, July 26**

8:30 a.m. Patricia E. Christen +  
6:30 p.m. Louis Acerro +

**Thursday, July 27**

8:30 a.m. Ida Bonofiglio +

**Friday, July 28**

8:30 a.m. Deceased of the  
Kolhoff, & Harrington  
Families +

**Saturday, July 29**

8:30 a.m.  
5:00 p.m. Jamie McNamara  
Jackson+

**Sunday, July 30**

8:30 a.m. Special Intention  
11:00 a.m. James Wiechart +  
Joseph Mazzie +  
1:30 p.m. Spanish Mass

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on facebook.**

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH:**

**Sunday, July 23**

Masses at 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
1:30 p.m. - Spanish Mass

**Monday, July 24**

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

**Tuesday, July 25**

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

**Wednesday, July 26**

Mass at 8:30 a.m.  
1:00 p.m. - OLPH Novena  
6:00 p.m. - Rosary/Benediction/Mass at the grotto

**Thursday, July 27**

Mass at 8:30 a.m.  
2:00-5:00 p.m. - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
7:00 p.m. - Charismatic Prayer Group Mtg. in the Rectory

**Friday, July 28**

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

**Saturday, July 29**

Mass at 8:30 a.m.  
Mass at 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday, July 30**

Masses at 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
12:00 Noon - Reception for Sr. Regina Morrissey in church  
12:00-2:30 - Community Dinner in the Parish Hall  
1:30 p.m. - Spanish Mass

**PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT:**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
July, 2nd week On-line: \$ 1,285.00	\$ 10,369.80	\$ 10,632.35
# of Envelopes	248	279
<b>YTD Totals:</b>	<b>\$ 23,014.01</b>	<b>\$ 22,598.34</b>

**ONLINE GIVING:**

Going on vacation? Please use Online Giving to catch up on offertory. Go to [www.stgerardchurch.org](http://www.stgerardchurch.org) and click on the Online Giving link - it's quick and easy! Your support during summer months helps sustain our parish!



**COMMUNITY MEAL:**

We will be having our next Community Meal on Sunday, July 30th from noon until 2:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. We are asking for donations of school supplies for the upcoming school year. Feel free to donate crayons, pencils, paper, notebooks, glue, boxes of Kleenex, wipes, markers, folders or any other school supplies a child might need. Boxes will be provided at the exits of church. Thank you!

**FAREWELL AND GOD BLESS  
to  
*SISTER REGINA MORRISSEY***

When: Sunday, July 30th  
Time: 11:00 a.m. Mass  
Where: St. Gerard Church

On Sunday, July 30th at the 11:00 a.m. Mass, we will be honoring and bidding farewell to Sr. Regina Morrissey. Sr. Regina was Director of Religious Education here at St. Gerard from 1994 to 2006. She directed our Parish School of Religion, trained the teachers, lectors and Eucharistic ministers, among many other things. Since 2006, she has remained a part of our parish. For these 11 years, she has taught Sacred Scripture sessions in her home several times a week to many small groups. Sr. Regina is a member of Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters. On August 5th, she will celebrate her 64th year as a religious sister. After Mass, please come and wish her well in the gathering space in the rear of the church. She has been the source of many blessings to our parish. We wish her only the best!

**ROSARY AND MASS AT OUR LADY'S GROTTO:**

During the summer on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m., Rosary and Mass will be held at the Grotto of Our Lady on the west lawn of St. Gerard Church. Rosary will begin at 6:00 p.m. with Mass at 6:30 p.m. Chairs will be available, but feel free to bring your own lawn chair. In the event of inclement weather, services will be held in the church. Come spend a summer evening with Our Lady and others who love her.





**FATIMA, USA:**

On Friday, August 11th at 7:30 p.m. outdoors on the grounds of The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein, they will be celebrating the 100th year Anniversary of Fatima. Bishop Joseph Binzer will celebrate the Mass. There will be confessions and a candlelight rosary procession. Please bring your own lawn chair for seating and dress appropriately. Come join us for this Centennial Celebration!

**VOLUNTEER HELP WANTED:**

Summer is here and Christian Corner Community Center is looking for volunteers. Their two main needs are people to help in the kitchen and to help with yard work. Kitchen volunteers are needed on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Yard work can be done Monday, Wednesday or Friday anytime between 7:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. To volunteer, please contact Bethany by email at: christiancornercc@wcoil.com.

**Need some  
summer reading?  
Check our church  
library for a  
large  
selection of  
books!**

**PRAYER CLOTH:**

In the rectory office, we have "PRAYER CLOTHS" available to anyone wishing to have one. Each cloth is about 4-6 inches square and have been blessed with the relic of St. Blessed Francis Seelos and also comes with a prayer card. Whether you need healing in mind or body, this prayer cloth is a reminder of God's love for each one of us. It is also a reminder that St. Gerard Parish is praying for you too.



**150TH ANNIVERSARY:**

Today, July 23, 2017, St. John the Baptist Parish in Landeck will celebrate their 150th anniversary. The day will begin with Mass, with Bishop Daniel Thomas, at 11:30 a.m. Also, the day will feature a luncheon, live auction, silent auction, gift baskets, music, beverage tent, kids' activities and much more. Tickets for the luncheon \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. All are welcome!

**MARY, QUEEN OF HEAVEN ...**

St. Barbara Parish, 160 Main St., Cloverdale, will be having a 5-week video study on Mary that will take us back into the distant reaches of time, before creation itself and explore the Church teaching on Mary as "the predestined mother," before embarking on a trip through Sacred Scripture and the often-sorrowful path she traveled with her Son. We'll examine different aspects of her journey and her role in the early church and development of the great Marian dogmas before leaping into some of her best-known apparitions.

The first night, Sunday, August 6th at 6:00pm, we will be blessed with a mother-daughter team from Luminous Ministries who will energize our faith life and revitalize our souls with song, stories and scripture in "**Who is this Woman Who Simply Said Yes?**" The four following Sundays, (Aug. 13, 20, 27 & Sept. 3) sessions will begin at 2:00pm. All are welcome and are invited to attend.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER'S SCHEDULE:**

**Saturday, July 29:**

5:00 p.m. *B. VonLehmden, J. Wolff, D. Griffio,  
M. Hinegardner, K. Canavan,  
C. Diaz, B. Flynn, L. Makley,  
S. Parker, J. Stewart*

**Sunday, July 30:**

8:30 a.m. *J. Sroufe, T. Sroufe, M. Meyer,  
C. Wright, S. Ellinger, L. Dodge,  
M. Hickey, M. King, J. Korzan,  
C. Altenbach*

11:00 a.m. *R. Carder, M. Mays, T. Meyer,  
S. Morrissey, M. Ayers, F. Thompson,  
D. Vondrell, G. Vondrell, C. Wreede,  
R. Karbowiak*

**LECTOR'S SCHEDULE:**

**July 29:** 5:00 p.m. - *M. Hinegardner*

**July 30:** 8:30 a.m. - *M. Doerter*  
11:00 a.m. - *S. Silone*

**ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE:**

**July 29:** 5:00 p.m. - *N. & H. Chambers,  
K. LaRotonda*

**July 30:** 8:30 a.m. - *E. & D. Martin, K. Rigg*  
11:00 a.m. - *E. & B. Truex, K. Meyer*

**SACRISTY WORKERS FOR AUGUST:**

*Need volunteers!!! Please call the rectory office at 419-224-3080 if you would like to sign-up for cleaning the church in August.*

**REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE:**

To report any suspected or actual sexual abuse of a minor by Diocesan personnel, immediate contact should be made with local civil authorities, and with the Toledo Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, Mr. Frank DiLallo. He can be reached at 419-243-2150 (private line) or 419-244-6711, ext. 4880 in the Toledo calling area, or 1-800-926-8277, ext. 4880 (Outside Toledo, within Ohio).

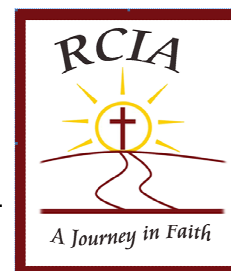
**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

**(RCIA):**

RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults into the Catholic faith. If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, please watch the bulletin for information regarding meeting dates, etc. RCIA is for anyone who:

- Is a non-baptized adult.
- Baptized in another Christian Church and is interested in knowing more about the Catholic Church, with or without the intention of becoming a member.
- A baptized Catholic who never received Reconciliation, Eucharist, or Confirmation.

If you are interested in knowing more about our RCIA program, feel free to call the parish office and we will get you in touch with an RCIA team member.



**LCC CLASS OF 1962 REUNION:**

The LCC class of 1962 will have their reunion on August 18th and 19th at the K of C Hall. For more information, please call or email Tom Mulcahy at 419-236-8528 or email: [tmulcahyiii@aol.com](mailto:tmulcahyiii@aol.com); Mike Bosch at 419-236-5168 or email: [bosco2@woh.rr.com](mailto:bosco2@woh.rr.com).

**SILENT KNIGHT, HOLY KNIGHT:**

Friday, Aug. 18th at 7:00 p.m., noted Catholic author and scholar Dr. Scott Hahn will present a talk on "Silent Knight, Holy Knight: St. Joseph for Our Times." This event will be held at the Winner Harvest Barn, 7317 St. Rte. 47 West, DeGraff, Ohio. Advance tickets must be purchased at St. Mary's of the Woods Catholic Church, 464 Madison Ave., Russell's Point, Ohio (\$10 per adult). Children are free, but must have a ticket. No tickets at the door. Dr. Hahn will do a book signing afterwards. Seating limited to 700 persons. On-site parking is free.



**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

Please note that the parish office is open from Monday through Thursday, from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. We are closed on Friday's.

**SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS:**

The school office will be closed the month of July. They will, however, be checking their email and phone messages.



**JUBILEE CELEBRATION:**

**Sanctify & Empower Us! Let Us Proclaim!**

Celebrating 50 years of the Holy Spirit's Power in the Church and our lives - continue to lead us! Join inspirational, international speakers Fr. Dave Pivonka, TOR and James "Butch" Murphy. October 6-7th, 2017 at St. Jerome Parish Center Gym, 300 Warner St., Walbridge, Ohio. For more information, please visit: [www.mccrholyspirit.org](http://www.mccrholyspirit.org), call the Ministry to Catholic Charismatic Renewal at 419-691-6686 or please email: [mccrholyspirit@gmail.com](mailto:mccrholyspirit@gmail.com)

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:**

Worldwide Marriage Encounter invites you to the Sauders Heritage Inn and Campground Event on August 4-6, 2017. You can stay at the campground or in the Inn, or even just come up for the fun and games, buffet, and Mass in the grass on Saturday. Reservations for a campsite or hotel room can be made by calling Sauder's Heritage Inn at 1-800-590-9755. Be sure to mention that you are with WME group. Questions? Please contact Todd & Michelle Pester at 419-523-5893 or [estimatortoddp@yahoo.com](mailto:estimatortoddp@yahoo.com).

**ENGAGED COUPLES WORKSHOP:**

Schedule and registration for Engaged Couples Workshops "Joy-Filled Marriage" and "Cana II" can now be found most easily by visiting <http://ToledoMarriagePrep.org>.



**AREA FESTIVALS:**

**St. Anthony Parish Festival, Columbus Grove**, will be hosting their annual parish festival on Saturday, August 5th and Sunday, August 6th. Saturday's activities include BBQ ribs and chicken dinners beginning at 5:30pm. The 5K race kicks off at 7pm. Sunday's activities include beef and chicken dinners, garage sale, bingo, raffles, kids games, rides, duck races and more. All are welcome!

**St. Joseph Festival, Fort Jennings**, will have their annual festival on Sunday, August 13th. Family style fried chicken and beef dinners with all the trimmings served from 11-1 pm and 4-6pm. Hamburger stand is open 11-7pm. Raffles, kids games, country store and more will be offered. A 5K race is scheduled for Saturday, August 12th at 6pm. Sign-up at <https://runsignup.com/Race/OH/FortJennings/MAB5K>.



## Have you moved, changed your phone number or email?

*Please remember to let the parish office know if your contact information changes!*

*We do our best to keep all of our parish's census data current and accurate ... so it's important to hear from you when you move, change your phone number or set-up a new email address. Correct addresses are needed in order to provide year-end tax statements, etc. Thanks so much!*

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Please feel free to use the form below if you need to update your current information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

New Address: \_\_\_\_\_

New Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

New Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Just drop this information in the collection basket and we will update your information. Thank you!