

WELCOME:

A warm welcome to all visitors who are with us this weekend enjoying our Annual Summer Festival. Thank you for worshipping with us and we hope you have a great time at our festival!

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK:

Monday, June 5

8:30 a.m.

Tuesday, June 6

8:30 a.m. Jack Frueh +

Wednesday, June 7

8:30 a.m. Deceased of the
Sliemers Family +

6:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 8

8:30 a.m. Ida Bonofiglio +

Friday, June 9

8:30 a.m. Deceased of the Clem
Honigford Family +

Saturday, June 10

8:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of
the Gremling &
Metzger Families

5:00 p.m. Living & Deceased of
the Nartker & Palte
Families +

Louis Acerro +

Sunday, June 11

8:30 a.m. Vern & Pat Muhlen-
kamp +
Robert Good +

11:00 a.m. Living & Deceased
members of St. Gerard
Class of 1956

1:30 p.m. Spanish Mass

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH:

Sunday, June 4

Masses at 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

1:30 p.m. - Spanish Mass

12:00 Noon - Parish Festival

Monday, June 5

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday, June 6

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, June 7

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

1:00 p.m. - OLPH Novena

6:00 p.m. - Rosary/Benediction/Mass at the grotto

Thursday, June 8

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

7:30 p.m. - Holy Name Meeting in the Parish Hall

Friday, June 9

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Saturday, June 10

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Mass at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 11

Masses at 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

1:30 p.m. - Spanish Mass

MARRIAGE BANNES:

Jillian Conrad & Trent Kottenbrock, III
Christa Leary & Matthew Holt, II



PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
May, 4th week On-line: \$ 1,800.00	\$ 9,405.58	\$ 11,024.47
# of Envelopes	237	247
YTD Totals:	\$ 535,530.09	\$ 510,552.17

ONLINE GIVING:

If you would like to give online, just go to our website at: www.stgerardchurch.org and click on the "On-line Giving" tab at the top. It's a safe and convenient way to donate to St. Gerard.



St. Gerard Festival ~ June 2-3-4



ST. GERARD SUMMER FESTIVAL, 2017

Menu featuring our own
**BBQ CHICKEN DINNER OR
PULLED PORK DINNER**
in our air-conditioned Parish Hall:

**One-half BBQ chicken or our
delicious pulled pork
Potato salad or baked beans
Applesauce
Roll & butter**

Drive-up carry-outs are available.

Our food booth features: ***Bratwurst,
Italian Meatball, Shredded Chicken,
Cheeseburgers*** and more!

RIDES-RIDES-RIDES

Get to ride ALL the rides from noon
until 8:00 p.m. for only \$20.00. Purchase
the special wristband on the grounds
today and enjoy!

**FREE ENTERTAINMENT
under the
big tent all day!**

**GRAND PRIZE
RAFFLE DRAWING**
Sunday Evening at 9:00 p.m.!

It's never too late to bake your cakes,
cupcakes, brownies, pies,
breads and cookies and drop them off at
the **CAKE WHEEL** today!

***A special THANKS to all our
volunteers who are working so
hard this weekend! What a
wonderful parish we have!***

ROSARY AND MASS AT OUR LADY'S GROTTTO:

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 avail-
able, 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.



A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:

As Jesus appointed apostles, he also appoints parents to represent Him in the family; "make disciples of your children, baptizing and teaching them all I have taught you. Don't worry, I am with you always."

NOVENA TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP:

At the weekend Masses of June 24-25th, we will celebrate the Feast of Our Mother of Perpetual Help. In preparation for the feast, we will pray a novena to our Lady each day starting on Friday, June 16th at the morning Masses and ending on Saturday, June 24th. Please come and bring your needs to our Mother Mary who is our Perpetual Help ~ always there to bring us comfort and peace.



PRAYER CLOTH:

In the rectory office, we have "PRAYER CLOTHS" available to anyone wishing to have one. These cloths were crocheted by a parishioner and were donated to the church. Each cloth is about 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.

DRESS CODE FOR CHURCH:

Something to think about: Clothes say something about what we think, what we value. They also influence how we behave and feel. Our culture has become so casual about everything and that says something about us. It might seem to convey that "nothing is really all that important." But that is not true. Going to God's home is important. Being ministered to by the King of Kings and Lord of Lords is astounding. Sunday is special, God's house is special. Some things really ARE important and our clothing and demeanor ought to reflect this truth.



VOTIVE CANDLE

REMINDER:

Just as a reminder, **PLEASE**, make sure that when you light a votive candle, that the stick you lit it with is completely extinguished in the container provided. The "live matches" are in one container and a container of "water" is on the other side. We have found quite a few of the "used" matches in the "unused" container. This poses the opportunity for a fire. We are currently looking at the safest way of disposing the used matches without risking another fire. We ask you to please double check to be sure your lit match is indeed "out" and properly discarded. Thank you.

It's not too late to drop off your cakes, brownies, cookies and baked goods at our cake wheel today. We are always in need of more baked goods.





A WARM WELCOME
TO THE NEWEST MEMBER
OF OUR PARISH ~
MR. RUSS MASON

For some time now, Russ Mason has been desiring to become a Catholic (his being married to a devout Catholic, Marsha, for 45 years didn't hurt!), but sporadic health problems prevented him from entering the RCIA Program. With some prompting from his loving wife, Fr. Jim worked out an arrangement resulting in Russ receiving all three Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation), on Saturday, May 20, 2017, in a private service with his family in attendance.

The small service was very powerful!

Congratulations Russ and welcome to our parish community!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:

We know your child/children will want to be a part of this year's Vacation Bible School "MAKER FUN FACTORY" - featuring the "Maker" ~ God! This VBS will be held from June 12-16th at St. John Catholic Church, Lima, in the church basement. For additional information, or a registration form, please contact Mary Blanche Hengstler at 419-236-1484 or email her @ blanchdance56@gmail.com. "Maker Fun Factory" will be a "blast" and you won't want to miss it.



PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Our summer office hours are as follows:

Monday - Thursday,
8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Closed Friday

COME TO THE W.E.L.L. (We Explore Living Literature):

On Wednesday's evenings, following the Rosary & Mass, we will meet and discuss books. Our first book will be "Fatima For Today: The Urgency Marian Message of Hope" by Fr. Andrew Apostoli, C.F.R., an appropriate topic for this summer of Fatima's 100th Anniversary. Come and join us for great discussion and fellowship. We will begin this discussion on June 7, 2017 and will be discussing chapters 1 through 5. This book can be found on Amazon and various other discount sites. Come as you can (nothing rigid or formal). If you would like more information, please call or text Lisa Taylor at 419-303-3448 or Deb Bartlett-Karbowiak at 419-236-6133.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER'S SCHEDULE:

Saturday, June 10:

5:00 p.m. *B. Flynn, L. Makley, S. Parker,
K. Canavan, J. Wolf, D. Griffo,
M. Hinegardner, C. Diaz, C. Hinds,
M. Hinds*

Sunday, June 11:

8:30 a.m. *L. Hahn, M. Hickey, P. Nutter,
M. Mays, P. Huffman, N. Jenkins,
M. Meyer, C. Wright, T. Martin,
J. Korzan*

11:00 a.m. *R. Carter, S. Dew, K. Ladden,
J. Landwehr, S. Morrisey,
F. Thompson, R. Vagedes,
K. Wreede, J. Kahle, F. Gallegos*

LECTOR'S SCHEDULE:

June 10: 5:00 p.m. - *D. Mack*

June 11: 8:30 a.m. - *M. Kleffner*
11:00 a.m. - *B. Smith*

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE:

June 10: 5:00 p.m. - *D. Wilson, K. LaRotonda,
G. Gandy*

June 11: 8:30 a.m. - *N. & H. Chambers,
C. Bacome*
11:00 a.m. - *B. Bourk, A. Schultz,
N. Stolly*

SACRISTY WORKERS FOR JUNE:

Pat Azzarello, Volunteers needed!

PARISH DIRECTORY/HISTORY

ALBUM:

The 100th Anniversary History Albums will be here soon! Many additional photographs were contributed in February, and we missed our deadline to have all families photographed by Thanksgiving. But the results are better than ever! The publisher should have them finished in about a month. Thank you for your patience! Any questions or to purchase one of the remaining copies, please call or text Michael Ayers at 419-236-8418.



SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED:

Congratulations to our 8th grade students on their graduation from St. Gerard School. The recipient of the Altar/Rosary \$1,000.00 Scholarship to attend Lima Central Catholic was ***Emily Scarberry.***

The St. Gerard Holy Name Society presented \$500.00 scholarships to four students who will be attending St. Gerard School for the 2017/2018 school year. The recipients receiving these scholarships were: ***Tyler Shipman, Joshua Yahl, Colin Gamble and Jacob Scarberry.***

The Joseph & Ellen Mittelkamp Legacy Scholarship was awarded to ***Nicholas Chambers and Karlee Helmig.***

RIGHT TO LIFE WITNESS FOR LIFE

SIGNATURE AD:

The Right to Life Society of Lima and Allen County is publishing the Witness for Life Signature Ad in the Lima News on Father's Day, June 18th. We are also offering the option to honor deceased loved ones. Please fill out the form below, along with your \$5.00 check to: Right to Life, Box 417, Lima, OH 45802.

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
In honor of: _____
Signature: _____
Date: _____



SILVER JUBILEE

Father Dennis Walsh

**"I will appoint for you shepherds after my own heart,
who will shepherd you wisely and prudently."
(Jeremiah 3:15)**

With gratitude to God, the parishes of Saint John the Evangelist, Saint John the Baptist and Saint Patrick are honored to celebrate the priesthood and Silver Jubilee of our pastor, the Very Reverend Dennis Walsh.

Father Dennis will celebrate his Silver Jubilee Mass on Sunday, June 11, 2017 at Saint John the Evangelist Church, Delphos at 11:30 AM. Following Mass, there will be a Silver Jubilee Picnic in honor of Father Dennis at Saint John the Baptist Church, Delphos. We warmly congratulate Father Dennis and offer him our prayers and best wishes on this milestone occasion. Please plan to join us for these celebrations!

*Gracious God, You have nourished and protected Your Church
by providing it with pastors who are stewards
of Your Word and Sacraments.*

*Strengthen Father Dennis as he continues his ministry among us,
and help us all to follow your Son, Jesus Christ,
who is Lord for ever and ever. Amen!*

Silver Jubilee Mass of Father Dennis Walsh
Sunday, June 11, 2017 | 11:30 AM
Saint John the Evangelist Church
331 East Second Street, Delphos, Ohio 45833

Silver Jubilee Picnic in Celebration of Father Dennis Walsh
Saint John the Baptist Church
14755 Landeck Road, Delphos, Ohio 45833
12:30 to 2:30 PM



HOMESCHOOLING MASS:

Are you a Catholic homeschooling family in the Toledo Diocese? Then please join us at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, June 6, 2017, at Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral in Toledo for our 13th Annual Diocesan Homeschooling Mass. The Most Reverend Daniel E. Thomas, Bishop of Toledo, will be celebrating our Mass.

If you have a student who will be graduating 8th grade, or a graduating high school senior, and would like your graduate to participate in the ceremony after the Mass, please email Lisa-Ann Brickner at oyc81@yahoo.com by May 26th. We can't wait to see you there!!!

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 6-7, 2017 at St. Jerome Parish Center Gym, 300 Warner St., Walbridge, Ohio. For more information, please visit: www.mccrholyspirit.org, call the Ministry to Catholic Charismatic Renewal at 419-691-6686, email: mccrholyspirit@gmail.com

ST. JOHN PILGRIMAGE:

The 83rd annual Knights of St. John Pilgrimage will be held on June 25, 2017 this year. The Pilgrimage will begin in front of the St. John Church in Maria Stein at 1:00 p.m. and continue to the Maria Stein Relic Shrine of the Holy Relics. Following the Pilgrimage, you are invited to stay and enjoy the Maria Stein Countryfest activities.