



MASSES FOR THIS WEEK:

Monday, June 19

8:30 a.m. James & Patricia
Christen +

Tuesday, June 20

8:30 a.m. Steve & Rosena
Verhoff +

Wednesday, June 21

8:30 a.m. Jim Taflinger +
6:30 p.m. Robert Good +

Thursday, June 22

8:30 a.m.

Friday, June 23

8:30 a.m. Judy Brennan +

Saturday, June 24

8:30 a.m. Clarence Helmig +
Living & Deceased of
Diosdado Macapagal &
the Macapagal family
5:00 p.m. Charles & Katy
Fellhauer+
Living & Deceased of
Mike & Louise O'Brien
and the McGrivey &
Lory Families

Sunday, June 18

8:30 a.m. Doug Baker +
Lois Lambert +
11:00 a.m. James & Claire Hartin+
Jim Ladden +
1:30 p.m. Spanish Mass

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH:

Sunday, June 18 - FATHER'S DAY

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

Monday, June 19

Mass at 8:30 a.m.
5:00 p.m. - Widows/Widower's Support Group Mtg. in P. Hall

Tuesday, June 20

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, June 21

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

Thursday, June 22

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, June 23

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Saturday, June 24

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

Sunday, June 25

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

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
June, 1st week On-line: \$ 1,733.00	\$ 8,788.85	\$ 9,729.00
# of Envelopes	207	221
YTD Totals:	\$ 554,808.57	\$ 530,411.14

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.

PETER'S PENCE

COLLECTION:

Next week, our second collection will be for Peter's Pence, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence

COUNTRY FEST:

Maria Stein Country Fest will be held June 23-25, 2017 in Maria Stein, OH. Free entertainment, free parking and free admission. All are welcome!



A REQUEST FROM OUR BISHOP

Dear Faithful of the Diocese of Toledo,

It is only by your prayers and the tremendous assistance of so many tireless coworkers, that I have been sustained by the Lord in my duties of shepherding two dioceses.

As I enter the sixth month of serving as Apostolic Administrator of Cleveland, I ask you to redouble your prayers that the Lord may give every grace to fulfill this role. Please also remember the intentions of Bishop Richard Lennon in retirement, and of Pope Francis, as we await his appointment of a new bishop for the Diocese of Cleveland.

With deep thanks in Christ Jesus,

+ Daniel E. Thomas
Most Reverend Daniel E. Thomas



LAWN ANGEL:

Lawn Angel is a joint venture by Fits Lawn Care and The Salvation Army to provide affordable lawn care services to elderly and disabled individuals that do not have the ability or means to maintain their lawn. Qualifying individuals would be shut-ins, older individuals with no family, disabled individuals without the means or ability to maintain their lawns. Often these individuals are taken advantage of or have to deal with code enforcement problems. That's where Lawn Angel can help. There are NO contracts to sign, only a minimal fee of \$15.00 per lawn. The Salvation Army will process individuals for approval. Once approved, Fits Lawn Care will contact them to access the lawn care need and schedule. The program is limited to 100 lawns. For more information, contact Angie Long at 419-224-9055, ext. 216.

ROSARY AND MASS AT OUR LADY'S GROTTA:

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.



A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:

Parenting is a Eucharistic activity because from the first moment of conception, children consume us, our flesh, blood, energy, time and resources. If we don't sacrifice ourselves, our children would not have life. This is the priesthood of parenting. Christ is present in this self-sacrifice.



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.

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:

We are currently out of the prayer cloths . . . more are being made at this time. If you would like one, please call the rectory at 419-224-3080 and we will put you on a list. When we have them available, we will give you a call. Thank you.

A Prayer For Fathers

God our Father,

In your wisdom and love you made all things.

Bless those fathers who have taken upon themselves the responsibility of parenting.

Bless those who have lost a spouse to death, separation, or divorce, and who are parenting their children alone.

Strengthen all Dads by your love that they may become the loving, caring persons they are meant to be.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

Amen!

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER'S SCHEDULE:

Saturday, June 24:

5:00 p.m. *J. Wolff, B. VonLehmden, B. Peebles
C. Hinds, M. Hinds, L. Makley,
B. Flynn, C. Diaz, M. DeVita,
K. Canavan*

Sunday, June 25:

8:30 a.m. *M. Meyer, J. Sroufe, T. Sroufe,
S. Martin, L. Hahn, M. Hickey,
N. Jenkins, P. Nutter, M. Mays,
S. Nocera*

11:00 a.m. *R. Karbowiak, S. Morrissey,
K. Spears, M. Spears, M. Ayers,
R. Vagedes, J. Landwehr, S. Dew,
K. Ladden, R. Carder*

LECTOR'S SCHEDULE:

June 24: 5:00 p.m. - *J. Wolff*

June 25: 8:30 a.m. - *A. Mefferd*
11:00 a.m. - *J. Kahle*

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE:

June 24: 5:00 p.m. - *I. Langhals, G. Langhals,
K. LaRotonda*

June 25: 8:30 a.m. - *R. Moore, E. Gamble,
K. Rigg*
11:00 a.m. - *A. Christoff, K. Meyer,
A. Carter*

SACRISTY WORKERS FOR JULY:

Joyce Cira, Carol Helmig, Linda Dodge

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! 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.



90TH BIRTHDAY
"OPEN HOUSE"

Who: Sr. Elizabeth Marie Brell
What: 90th Birthday Celebration
Where: St. Gerard Parish Hall
When: Sunday, July 16, 2017
Time: 12:00 noon

All are invited to stop by the Parish Hall and wish ***Sr. Elizabeth Marie*** a "Happy 90th Birthday!" on Sunday, July 16th following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. As many of you will recall, Sr. Elizabeth Marie was the former principal at St. Gerard School. Come and reminisce with her! Light refreshments will be provided.

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; Mike Bosch at 419-236-5168 or email: bosco2@woh.rr.com. We would like to hear from you even if you don't want to come.

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.



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, call the Ministry to Catholic Charismatic Renewal at 419-691-6686 or please email: mccrholyspirit@gmail.com



Summer Office Hours

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 open Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. through the month of June.

RETROUVAILLE:

Is your marriage going down the right road . . . Or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenge you face in marriage.

Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths, as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. For more information about our July 21-23rd Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact our registration team: Joe and Arlene at 419-841-1116 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.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. The camping & room block ends July 3, 2017. Questions? Please contact Todd & Michelle Pester at 419-523-5893 or estimatortoddp@yahoo.com.



Diocesan Youth Day at Cedar Point
Tuesday, June 20, 2017 (10am - 10pm)

Open to all Middle School (Grades 6,7,8)
& High School Youth & their families
\$40 per ticket (Ages 3 and older)
Children 2 & under are FREE
(The regular single day pass is \$67.00 plus tax)

Tickets will be sold the day of the event at a window
designated for the "Diocese of Toledo"
just to the right of the Main Entrance.

Tickets will be sold from 9am-Noon.

Additionally, Beverage Bracelets will be sold for \$8.
This will allow you to receive FREE refills throughout the day.

Mass will be celebrated
at 4pm.
Celebrant will be
Bishop
Daniel E. Thomas



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