

**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:**

Today's gospel is about missionaries. As Jesus received a mission today, parents accept the mission of raising a family. Parents are not alone in this exhausting and difficult mission. Today, Jesus tells us, "Come to me and I will give you rest."

**MASSES FOR THIS WEEK:**

**Monday, July 10**

8:30 a.m. Ida Bonofiglio +

**Tuesday, July 11**

8:30 a.m.

**Wednesday, July 12**

8:30 a.m.

6:30 p.m. Living & Deceased of the Kaple & Becker Families

**Thursday, July 13**

8:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of the Mark Thompson & Moyer Families

**Friday, July 14**

8:30 a.m. Joe & Josephine Pike +

**Saturday, July 15**

8:30 a.m. Christopher Blosser +  
5:00 p.m. Katherine & Lorenz Ganshirt +

**Sunday, July 16**

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



**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH:**

**Sunday, July 9**

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

**Monday, July 10**

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

**Tuesday, July 11**

Mass at 8:30 a.m.  
7:00 p.m. - Liturgy Committee Mtg. in the Rectory

**Wednesday, July 12**

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

**Thursday, July 13**

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 14**

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

**Saturday, July 15**

Mass at 8:30 a.m.  
Mass at 5:00 p.m.  
6:00 p.m. - Festival wrap-up meeting/potluck

**Sunday, July 16**

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, 4th week On-line: \$ 1,030.00	\$ 11,571.41	\$ 7,997.16
# of Envelopes	261	258
<b>YTD Totals:</b>	<b>\$ 588,515.57</b>	<b>\$ 563,160.53</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!

## **FESTIVAL WRAP-UP MEETING/POTLUCK**



All booth chairpersons and their families are invited to celebrate another successful festival on **Saturday, July 15th** following the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

The potluck will be held in our Parish Hall. The meat will be provided. We ask that you please bring a dish to share with everyone.

Hope to see all of you there to celebrate all of your hard work!

### **YOU'RE INVITED:**

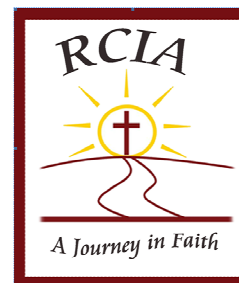
Our Lady of Consolation Shrine, Carey, Ohio invites you to "Our Journey with Our Blessed Mother." The third "Journey" will be on Sunday, July 16th at the noon Mass with the Diocese of Toledo, Bishop Daniel Thomas. Plan to attend our monthly "Journey." Any questions, call 419-396-7107 or look us up at [olcshrine.com](http://olcshrine.com).

### **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.



### **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 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.





**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.

**PRAYER CLOTH:**

In the rectory office, we have "PRAYER CLOTHS" available to anyone wishing to have one. These cloths were crocheted by three of our parishioners and were donated to the church. 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:**

On 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. followed by a parish luncheon which will include fried chicken, rolls, baked potato, green beans, salad and many desserts. Also, the day will feature a 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. This will be a great day for families to thank God for our parish, parishioners and heritage. For more information, please go to the parish website at [stjohnthebaptistchurchlandeck.org](http://stjohnthebaptistchurchlandeck.org) or call the parish office at 419-692-0636. All are welcome!



**"STANDING ON THE EDGE: THE JOURNEY OF A VATICAN II PRIEST,** by Fr. Dan Tormey.

I met Fr. Dan Tormey while I was stationed at our retreat house in Canandaigua, New York. One day, he and I had lunch together. He asked me where I was from and what ministries I have done. I then asked him about his ministry and I was very impressed. He told me that some of his friends wanted him to write a book about his ministry. About a year later, he did and it is entitled "Standing on the Edge: The Journey of a Vatican II Priest." I offer this book to you. In it, you will get a glimpse into the life of a priest. You will hear of the successes and the failures. You will see how through all of this his faith never wavered. It is an easy book for your summer reading.

P.S. Fr. Tormey is now 93 years old and still working!

*By Fr. Mike Sergi*

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTER'S SCHEDULE:**

**Saturday, July 15:**

5:00 p.m. *C. Hinds, M. Hinds, B. Flynn,  
B. Muskus, D. Griffo, M. Hinegardner  
Mike Hinegardner, B. Peebles,  
B. VonLehmden, M. DeVita*

**Sunday, July 16:**

8:30 a.m. *M. Hickey, J. Korzan, T. Martin,  
M.J. Miller, C. Altenbach, L. Dodge,  
P. Huffman, E. Orwick, R. Orwick,  
C. Wright*

11:00 a.m. *F. Gallegos, M. Ayers, C. Coleman,  
R. Karbowiak, S. Young, J. Neville,  
F. Thompson, J. Kahle, M. Mays,  
S. Dew*

**LECTOR'S SCHEDULE:**

**July 15:** 5:00 p.m. - *J. Wolff*

**July 16:** 8:30 a.m. - *T. Parker*  
11:00 a.m. - *A. Neville*

**ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE:**

**July 15:** 5:00 p.m. - *A. Parker, An. Parker,  
D. Wilson*

**July 16:** 8:30 a.m. - *K. Rigg, E. Gamble,  
M. Chambers*  
11:00 a.m. - *A. Carter, G. Sutton,  
K. Helmig*

**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](mailto:tmulcahyiii@aol.com); Mike Bosch at 419-236-5168 or email: [bosco2@woh.rr.com](mailto:bosco2@woh.rr.com). We would like to hear from you even if you don't want to come.



**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)

**RETROUVAILLE:**

***Not willing to let go of your marriage? Many couples continue to struggle in a marriage, but are not willing to give up on each other. There is hope.***

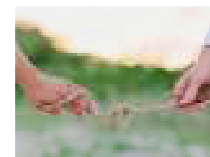
Retrouvaille is a program designed to help struggling marriages regain their health. It helps a husband and a wife rediscover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. 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. 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](http://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. 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>.



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



## **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!