

ALL SAINTS DAY:

Please note that All Saints Day is Wednesday, November 1st. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. We will have Masses at 8:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on that day.



MASSES FOR THIS WEEK:

Monday, October 30

8:30 a.m. Twylah Hoehn +
Katherine M. Job +

Tuesday, October 31

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

Wednesday, Nov. 1 - All Saints Day

8:30 a.m. Joe & Josephine Pike +
12:10 p.m. Ed Nixon +
7:00 p.m. Louis Acerro +
Jack Frueh +

Thursday, Nov. 2 - All Souls Day

8:30 a.m. Marjorie Debacher +

Friday, November 3

8:30 a.m. Paul Sr. & Martha Eley +
Helen Moore +

Saturday, November 4

8:30 a.m. All Souls Memorial
Mass
Ida Bonofiglio +
5:00 p.m. Living & Deceased of
the Murphy & the John
Christoff families
Gilbert Hyland +

Sunday, November 5

8:30 a.m. Pete Leugers +
11:00 a.m. Roy Tobe +
Mary Reaman +
1:30 p.m. Spanish Mass

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH:

Sunday, October 29

Community Meal in the Parish Hall from noon until 2:30 p.m.

Masses at 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m. - RCIA classes in the RCIA Rm. in Cafeteria Bldg.
9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. - Parish School of Religion
1:30 p.m. - Spanish Mass

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Wednesday, November 1 - ALL SAINTS DAY

Masses at 8:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m. - OLPH Novena
6:00 p.m. - Rosary/Benediction/Mass at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 2 - ALL SOULS DAY

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, November 3

Mass at 8:30 a.m.
4:00-6:00 p.m. - First Friday Devotions

Saturday, November 4

All Souls Memorial Mass at 8:30 a.m.
Mass at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 5

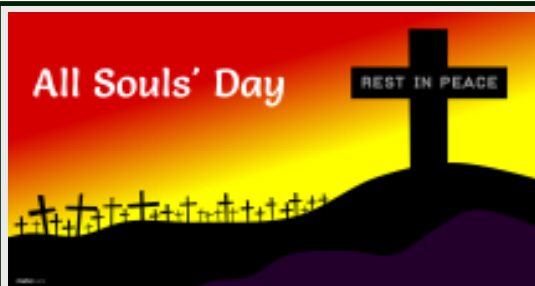
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4:00 p.m. - Confirmation Sponsor & Parent Mtg. in Church

MARRIAGE BANNS:

Joe Burnett & Kendall Kaskocsak, I

FINANCIAL REPORT:

DATE	2016	2017
Oct., 3rd week	\$ 12,085.74	\$ 10,503.43
On-line: \$ 1,195.00		
# of Envelopes	295	282
YTD Totals:	\$ 172,761.15	\$ 172,758.66



ALL SOULS DAY:

The All Souls Day Mass for those who have been buried from St. Gerard Church since last October will be remembered in a special Mass on Saturday,

November 4th at 8:30 a.m. Families will be invited to come and light a candle in memory of their loved ones. A light reception will follow in the gathering space in church. All families who have buried a loved one in the last year will be receiving an invitation in the mail and we ask that you RSVP as soon as possible.

If you have a deceased relative who has died from outside the parish, who you would like to have included in the candle lighting at Mass, please call the parish office at 419-224-3080 and let them know their name. Thank you.

ST. GERARD PARISH

DIRECTORIES/HISTORY ALBUM:

The St. Gerard Parish Directories/History Album is here and can be picked up at the rectory office. Our hours are Monday-Thursday from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. On Fridays, we are open from 8-1 p.m. If you have a shut-in that ordered the book, we will make sure that one is delivered to them. We thank Michael Ayers for all of his hard work on this project. It was quite the undertaking but we think everyone will love looking through the book!



YARN REQUEST:

The inmates at ACI are asking for donations of yarn to help them with their many projects they do for the Lima community. They can use any kind and size of yarn, including no. 10 thread with which they make our prayer cloths. The men greatly appreciated you past donations of yarn because it enables them to give back to the community. Please leave your donated yarn in the west entrance of the church or at the rectory. Thank you.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:

In today's gospel, the Pharisee was talking about commandments (Something we are forced to obey by external pressure) and Jesus was talking about love (an internal exhortation to give our heart, soul and mind to another). One demands allegiance, the other requires personal commitment. In our families we daily lay down our lives for each other not because we "gotta" but because love compels us.



COMMUNITY MEAL:

We will be having our Community Meal **TODAY**, October 29th from noon until 2:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All are invited.

SAUERKRAUT DINNER:

St. John the Baptist Church will be having their annual Sauerkraut and Sausage Dinner on Sunday, Nov. 5th from 3:30-7:00 p.m. in the Landeck church basement. Tickets are \$8.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY:

THANK YOU for your generous support on World Mission Sunday. While only some are called to go to the Missions to serve, all of us are called, by our Baptism, to support the Church's missionary work by our prayers and financial help. To continue answering the call, visit MISSIO.org.

ENGAGED COUPLES WORKSHOP:

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

CONFIRMATION MEETING:

Please mark your calendars: Sponsors & parent meeting for students making their Confirmation will be held on Sunday, November 5th at 4:00 p.m. in church.

DONATIONS ACCEPTED:

As many of you have noticed, we offer free rosaries, pamphlets and holy water bottles at the Blessed Virgin Mary's alcove. We are happy to offer these items for free, however, it is an added expense for the parish. Sometimes we have parishioners that would like to donate for "extras" that we need. If this is something you feel called to help with, please feel free to do so. Thanks in advance for considering to help underwrite this expense.

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY:

Priesthood Sunday is **TODAY**, October 29th. Please keep our priests in your prayers on this special day. A life of service needs support from those served.

FINANCE COUNCIL:

St. Gerard Parish is looking for additional members for our finance council. Normal meeting times are on the 3rd Thursday of each month beginning at 11:30 a.m. in the rectory. Anyone interested in becoming a member of this council should contact Marta Truex at 419-222-0431. You may also email her with your letter of interest at: mtruex@sgslima.org.

THANK YOU:

We would like to thank *Keaton Meyer* for all of his time and hard work making the new "Library" sign for our reading library in church. It looks fantastic and we really appreciate it. Be sure to check it out when you are looking for a good book!

USHER'S NEEDED!!!

We are looking to recruit both men and women who would be willing to be Ushers at the weekend Masses, along with special Holy days. Please consider joining our wonderful team of ushers. We would love to have enough people sign up to help lighten the load for everyone! There will be a training meeting once we have enough people signed up. Please fill out the form below and return it in the collection basket or to the rectory office. Thanks for serving St. Gerard Parish in this most important ministry. Questions? Please call the rectory at 419-224-3080.

_____ Yes, I would like to be an usher! Name: _____

Mass I usually attend: _____ Phone: _____



MEN'S NIGHT OUT:

Our annual Men's Night Out will be held on Friday, November 10th in the Parish Hall. Admission price is \$15.00 which includes a chicken dinner, snacks, beverages and door prizes. Carry-out dinners will be available. Raffle tickets are available from any Holy Name member or at the rectory office. Tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00. Winner need not be present to win. 1st prize is \$1,000, 2nd prize is \$500 and 3rd prize us \$200. All monies raised go to the parish for special projects. Please plan on attending!

ST. GERARD ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED:

Would you like your child to become more involved in the church? We are currently looking for new altar servers to be added to our schedule of weekend Masses. All children in the fourth grade and older who are willing to commit to serving weekend Masses are invited to contact Shandra Parker at (419) 224-3080 or email at: sparker@sgslima.org.



ADULT ALTAR SERVERS WANTED:

Would you be willing to become an Altar Server as an adult? We would love to have you! Adults interested in being altar servers for the Wednesday evening Mass and also to serve Funeral Masses are asked to contact Shandra Parker at (419) 224-3080 or email at: sparker@sgslima.org.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA):

RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults into the Catholic faith. 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.

RCIA has begun. There is still time to join the group. If you have any questions, please call the rectory office at 419-224-3080.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER'S SCHEDULE:

Saturday, November 4:

5:00 p.m. *C. Hinds, M. Hinds, S. Tschuor,
K. Canavan, B. VonLehmden,
C. Diaz, M. & M. Hinegardner,
D. & J. Hollingsworth*

Sunday, November 5:

8:30 a.m. *S. Ellinger, J. Place, T. Place,
B. Pinney, S. Nocera, G. Merkel,
M. Meyer, M. Mays, C. Wright,
M. Hickey*

11:00 a.m. *M. Ayers, V. Carter, S. Dew,
F. Gallegos, R. Vagedes, K. Wreede
S. Young, C. Coleman, K. Ladden,
J. Landwehr*

LECTOR'S SCHEDULE:

Nov. 4: 5:00 p.m. - *J. Wolff*

Nov. 5: 8:30 a.m. - *F. Morman*
11:00 a.m. - *S. Cira*

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE:

Nov. 4: 5:00 p.m. - *See new schedule*

Nov. 5: 8:30 a.m. - *See new schedule*
11:00 a.m. - *See new schedule*

SACRISTY WORKERS FOR NOVEMBER:

Kathy Long

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.

LCC NEWS:

LCC ADMISSIONS MEETING FOR 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR:

All parents interested in enrolling new students for the 2018-19 school year should plan to attend the Admissions meeting Monday, October 30th at 7:00 p.m. in the Great Hall at LCC. We will go over how to apply, important dates and financial aid and scholarship information. For questions or to RSVP, contact Kayla Nocera at 419-222-4276 ext. 2108 or knocera@apps.lcchs.edu.

LCC 8TH GRADE VISIT DAY:

LCC would like to welcome any 8th grader to their 8th Grade Visit Day on Thursday, November 2nd from 9am to 1:30 pm. The day is designed to give students a "snapshot" of a typical day at LCC. During the day they will see the campus, meet the faculty, enjoy lunch with fellow students, explore high school curriculum, and learn more about what LCC is all about! Parents are more than welcome to join! Any student not attending St. Charles, St. Gerard or St. Rose schools can RSVP by contacting Kayla Nocera at 419-222-4276 ext. 2018 or knocera@apps.lcchs.edu.



PURSE BINGO

Fabulous Designer Purses

Sat. Nov. 11 ~ at the K of C, Lima

Doors open at 5:30 pm

Buffet Dinner ~ 5:30 to 7:00 pm

20 Games of Bingo starting at 7:00 pm

Bingo ~ Raffles ~ Cash Bar ~ 50/50 & more

Tickets ~ \$35.00 per person

Reserve a table for 8 - Call 419-223-0761

Tickets are available at the K of C or
call Bob Whitlatch at 419-234-6730

**A portion of the proceeds to benefit the
Fr. Herr Scholarship Fund**

Sex in America - The Rules Have Changed!

**St. Gerard Parish Hall
Monday Nov. 6, 2017 - 7pm**

This presentation could change the life of someone you love. If your child goes to a typical middle class Jr. High or High School, already 1 in 4 are infected with a Sexually Transmitted Disease, and don't even know. As a parent or student, you need to know how to deal with this rampant epidemic. More importantly, we need to help our youth deal with the social, emotional, and spiritual consequences of taking sex out of the setting in which it was originally designed.

In this impactful presentation, Dr. Bill & Lori Scherger pull no punches as they give real-world answers regarding the current culture of "free love." Your teen will be presented with valuable tools to help them make wise choices. Our youth do not have to fall victim to the consequences of "sexual freedom." The presentation will include strategies to help you deal with these "sensitive issues" at home.

For the future of your children - don't miss this presentation!

TOPICS:

- Differences between guys and girls re: sex
- Mastering the Media and Culture of Today
- Science of Sex and its effects in the brain
- Meaning and Practice of Sexual Integrity
- Young women's battles: Body image, modesty, flirting, boundaries and tools to win the battle.
- Young men's battles: Lust, porn, "code of silence" about struggles, attitude, "addiction" & tools to win the battle.
- Sexting
- Breaking the Cycle of Sexual Abuse
- Alcohol and Sex
- Four epidemic STDs. HPV, Herpes, Chlamydia, Gonorrhea and their effects on body and soul.
- The myth of "safe sex"
- Winning the battle: Abstinence till Marriage

THIS PRESENTATION IS OPEN TO EVERYONE!

**PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND IF YOU: ARE A PARENT OR GRANDPARENT,
ARE A TEENAGER OR COLLEGE STUDENT!**