

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:

As the Father "sent his son into the world" so parents send their children into the world "so that the world might be saved."

This is the missionary role of the Christian family. Your family is a school where your children develop convictions which enable them to make a difference in the world.

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK:

Monday, June 12

8:30 a.m. Deceased of the J. B. Walsh family +

Tuesday, June 13

8:30 a.m. Louise Williams + Joe & Josephine Pike+ Living & Deceased of the Mark Thompson & Moyer families

Wednesday, June 14

8:30 a.m. Living & Deceased of the Bryan & Stippich families

6:30 p.m. Vince DeVita +

Thursday, June 15

8:30 a.m. Isabell Kramer +

Friday, June 16

8:30 a.m. Michael Conner +

Saturday, June 17

8:30 a.m. Ida Bonofiglio +
5:00 p.m. Father's Day Intentions

Sunday, June 18

8:30 a.m. Father's Day Intentions
11:00 a.m. Father's Day Intentions
1:30 p.m. Spanish Mass

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH:

Sunday, June 11

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

Monday, June 12

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday, June 13

Mass at 8:30 a.m.
7:00 p.m. - Liturgy Meeting in the Parish Hall

Wednesday, June 14

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

Thursday, June 15

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 16

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Saturday, June 17

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

Sunday, June 18

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

MARRIAGE BANN:

Christa Leary & Matthew Holt, III



PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>
May, 4th week On-line: \$ 1,310.00	\$ 10,489.63	\$ 10,129.97
# of Envelopes	269	251
YTD Totals:	\$ 546,019.72	\$ 520,682.14

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.



St. Gerard Festival ~ June 2-3-4



2017 ST. GERARD FESTIVAL RAFFLE WINNERS

Thanks to all who sold tickets and also those who purchased tickets.

The lucky winners were:

- \$10,000 – Jolene Radel**
- \$1,000 – Bill Warner**
- \$1,000 – Ginny Rockhold**
- \$1,000 – Phil Sellati**
- \$1,000 – Bob Coffey**
- \$1,000 – Tom Ralston**
- \$500 – Chad Piper**
- \$500 – Bob Brinkman**
- \$500 – Sanna Rohrbach**
- \$500 – Barb & Mike Flynn**
- \$500 – Norma Miller**
- \$500 – Jeremy Miller**
- \$500 – Jordan Walsh**
- \$500 – Michael D. Stewart**
- \$500 – Mike Laderer**

Congratulations!

THANK YOU!

*Another successful festival
has come to a close.*

*We feel very blessed to have such
dedicated parishioners and volunteers
who chair and work our festival.
It is amazing to see the transformation
of our grounds the week before
and after the festival.*

*We are so very thankful to all those who
baked for the cake wheel,
those who set-up and tore down, those
who chaired booths,
those who volunteered countless hours
and those who supported
the festival. We were very blessed with
wonderful weather which we were very
thankful for.*

God bless you everyone!

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.



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.

With summer right around the corner, we ask that you be aware of what you choose to wear to God's house. Please be sure it is appropriate and respectful. Thank you.

Father's Day

FATHER'S DAY CARDS:

Father's Day cards are available at the exits of church. Please place your donation in the envelope provided for your intentions. Please return them in the collection basket or to the rectory office. Thank you.



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.



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 estimator toddp@yahoo.com.

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.

LCC NEWS:

The Lima Central Catholic Board of Governors seeks three candidates to fill three-year terms beginning August, 2017. If you are interested, please send a letter of intent and your resume by June 12th to: John Neville, Governance Committee, 1425 County Road 50, Ada, Ohio 45810 or email him at: jneville@bright.net. For more information, please call John at 419-236-2038.

ATHLETIC PROJECT WINNERS FOR MAY:

Congrats to our \$100.00 winners: Tom Say, Rosemarie Jamroz, John T. Jacobs, Carol Gronas Odenweller, Matt Huffman, M/M Greg Garlock, Margaret Rizer & Jim Bresson.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER'S SCHEDULE:

Saturday, June 17:

5:00 p.m. *D. Hollingsworth, J. Hollingsworth,
J. Stewart, M. DeVita, M. Hinegardner,
Mike Hinegardner, B. Muskus,
L. Makley, S. Parker, B. Peebles*

Sunday, June 18:

8:30 a.m. *P. Huffman, T. Martin, G. Merkel,
B. Pinney, C. Altenbach, M. King,
S. Martin, S. Nocera, J. Place,
T. Place*

11:00 a.m. *C. Coleman, T. Meyer, F. Thompson
D. Vondrell, G. Vondrell, C. Wreede,
S. Young, J. Kahle, V. Carter,
J. Neville*

LECTOR'S SCHEDULE:

June 17: 5:00 p.m. - *B. Flynn*

June 18: 8:30 a.m. - *V. Koza*
11:00 a.m. - *E. Truex*

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE:

June 17: 5:00 p.m. - *D. Dawson, S. Parker,
A. Parker*

June 18: 8:30 a.m. - *E. Hahn, J. Hahn,
M. Chamber*
11:00 a.m. - *E. Truex, S. Santaguida
B. Truex*

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.

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 6-7, 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

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