Weekly Calendar

Weekday Masses and one Sunday Mass, are live-streamed on the parishes face book pages

Saturday, July 24	7:00 am	Morning Prayer with Mike	Saint Michael-Gibsonburg
	5:00 pm	Mass — Barb Hammer+	Saint Michael Church
Sunday, July 25	7:00 am	Morning Prayer with Mike	Saint Michael-Gibsonburg
	9:00 am	Mass- Andy Wonderly+	Saint Mary Church
			Saint Mary-Millersville
	11:00 am	Mass– For the People of our Parishes	Saint Michael Church
Monday, July 26	7:00 am	Morning Prayer with Mike	f Saint Michael-Gibsonburg
	5:30 –8:00 pm	Vacation Bible School	Saint Michael Hall
Tuesday, July 27	7:00 am	Morning Prayer with Mike	Saint Michael-Gibsonburg
	5:00 pm	Mass- Nancy Hiser+	Saint Michael Church
	5:30–8:00 pm	Vacation Bible School	Saint Michael Hall
	5:45-6:00pm	Reconciliation	Saint Michael Church
Wednesday, July 28	7:00 am	Morning Prayer with Mike	Saint Michael-Gibsonburg
	8:30 am	Mass– Helen Durst +	Saint Mary Church
	5:30—8:00pm	Vacation Bible School	Saint Michael Hall
Thursday, July 29	7:00 am	Morning Prayer with Mike	Saint Michael-Gibsonburg
	8:30 am	Mass– Luis & Margarita Mendoza+	Saint Michael Church
	5:30—8:00pm	Vacation Bible School	Saint Michael Hall
Friday, July 30	7:00 am	Morning Prayer with Mike	Saint Michael-Gibsonburg
	8:30am	Mass– Carolyn Davidson+	Saint Mary Church
	9:15 –9:45am	Reconciliation	Saint Mary Church
	5:30—8:00pm	Vacation Bible School	Saint Michael Hall
Saturday, July 31	7:00 am	Morning Prayer with Mike	f Saint Michael-Gibsonburg
	5:00 pm	Mass — People of Our Parishes	Saint Michael Church
Sunday, August 1	7:00 am	Morning Prayer with Mike	f Saint Michael-Gibsonburg
	9:00 am	Mass– Bob & Jean Wonderly+	Saint Mary Church
	11:00 am	Mass- Tim Reed+	Saint Michael Church
			f Saint Michael-Gibsonburg

Financial Stewardship

Saint Mary July 18, 2021

Sunday Offertory \$2965.00 Loose Offering \$92.00 Annual Catholic Appeal \$12,060 (67) Goal \$10,710

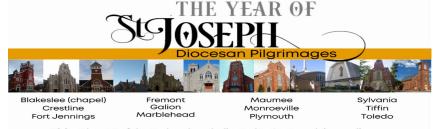
Saint Michael July 17-18, 2021

Sunday Offertory \$2382.00 Loose Offering \$241.00 Special Improvements \$130.00 **Food Pantry** \$68.00 Religious Ed. \$192.00 Cemetery \$25.00

Annual Catholic Appeal \$15,306.88 (90)

Goal \$11,097

A Rosary for the Nation will be prayed on Tuesdays at 7:00pm weather permitting around the Mary statue at Saint Mary Church. If weather is not agreeable, it will be prayed in church. All are welcome to come for this time of prayer.



Visit at least 5 of the 12 churches dedicated to St. Joseph in our diocese to receive a commemorative magnet!

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July 25, 2021 + Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We're taking a break from our ongoing examination of what we do at Mass and why we do it in order to reflect together on another very important Catholic teaching, Natural Family Planning (NFP). July 25-31 is Natural Family Planning Awareness Week in the United States, so we've included an insert about NFP in today's bulletin in order to help all of us better understand what has unfortunately been a well-kept secret in our Church. Next week, then, we'll include a listing of NFP practitioners (couples who are well-versed in this science – yes, it is a science – as well as medical providers who are knowledgeable and supportive of NFP).

It is my hope that one or two couples from our parishes might be willing to learn more about this important teaching and be willing to share that wisdom with couples preparing for marriage. We are currently exploring how we can be much more intentional in sharing this wisdom from our Church for society with engaged couples so that they can have the information they need in order to better aid them in conscience formation according to the Truth the Church has received from Him who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

Now, I want to invite you to take in a brief reflection prepared by Mary and Dave Gutschalk from Saint Mary Parish, who practiced NFP and also shared the wisdom of it with others for many years. I want to thank the Gutschalks for sharing with us from their experience, and I express gratitude to each of you who struggle mightily by God's grace to use well the sexual energy God has poured into each one of us for His glory and the good of His holy People. Let us pray for one another as we strive to do just that.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Very Reverend Scott S. Woods, V.F.

Pastor

NFP REFLECTION FROM DAVE & MARY GUTSCHALK

Using natural family planning in marriage is accepting all of each other including the gift of fertility; it is an openness to the gifts of new life God wants to give to your family.

Learning the method in a short series of classes enables a couple to together understand the symptoms of fertility and chart them each month. Then, using this information, relations can be timed to achieve, delay, or avoid pregnancy for any given month. In this way, couples cooperate with God's gifts to plan their family.

Using NFP in our marriage has required working together, and lots of understanding and patience—all things needed for a lasting marriage.

Using NFP does not require the woman to ingest any chemicals, which can cause unwanted side effects. The method is 100% natural, and over 99% effective, if followed correctly. It is the method of family planning that is accepted and recommended by the Catholic Church.

<u>Mass Assistants</u> if you would like to serve in any of these ministries, please contact Kathy Otermat at kotermat@stmaryandstmichael.org

Saint Michael - July 31, 5:00pm

Ambassadors Kevin Williamson

Amy Williamson

Server Abby Williamson Lector Robert Valle EMOHC Gerry Williams

Saint Mary-Sunday Aug. 1, 9:00 am

Rosary
Server
Maria Reinhart
Cantor
Lector
Communion

Jim & Betty Hoffman
Maria Reinhart
Amber Hoffman
Harold Foos
Rebecca Rich

Ambassadors Nick Foos Tracy Foos

Count Neil & Wanda Hoffman

Clean Mary Gutschalk

Saint Michael Sunday Aug. 1, 11:00 am

Ambassadors Wellons Family

Server Annie Wellons Lector Chris Lau EMOHC Verna Konesky



Please remember in prayer:

Alicia Casselman, John & Susie Bricker, Sister Maria Miguel, Jim Steinmetz, Larry Elchert, Harry Teeple,

Christi Holman, Linda Hoffman, Emma Wasserman, Steve Woods and all our loved ones in nursing homes, or staying at home and not able to safely leave.

If you have a prayer request for members of either of our parishes please email the name to be listed (make sure you have the consent of the person first) to msmparishoffice@gmail.com. Each name will be listed for one month. If you would like your name or the name of your loved one listed longer, kindly message the Saint Mary Parish Office each month.

If you get <u>Give Us This Day</u> monthly and enjoy it, please sign up that you would like a renewal of your subscription. If you would like to start getting <u>Give Us This Day</u> monthly, please sign up as well. We need to turn in our numbers for renewal <u>by July 31</u>, to start getting our new subscriptions in October. Sign up sheets are in the back of each parish, or email treinhart@stmaryandstmichael.org



Please make plans to attend a Presentation and Question and Answer Session about Saint Mary, Sanctuary Renewal, on Sunday, August 1st at 3:00 pm in

Saint Mary Church. We will look at Saint Mary's Architectural Evolution and learn a bit about Art and Architecture, along with questions and answers and discussion.

To the St. Michael Church Community,

Thank you so much for providing food for our mother's funeral luncheon. During such a sad time, it was comforting to know the kindness of others. We also deeply appreciate the service and all who came together to provide a beautiful Mass for our mom. It was perfect and exactly as she would have wanted it to be. The music was so moving and Father Scott's words and kindness were so comforting. We are blessed to have such a wonderful and caring community.

Thank you, Brian Liskai & Julie Ash (Family of Sherry Liskai)

To Father Scott and all St. Mary's Parishioners that made our brother Jim Wonderly's funeral Mass and luncheon so nice and memorable, we the Wonderly family give a great big Thank You! The sermon was wonderful and inspiring and gave us all a side of Jim not all of us knew.

Again, Thank you so much, The family of Jim Wonderly

Each year, the diocese of Toledo is required to undergo an audit to ensure that it is in compliance with the articles of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People. Bishop Daniel Thomas is pleased to announce that the Diocese was found to be in full compliance with the requirements in the Charter following the audit for fiscal year 2019-2020. The Diocese of Toledo remains committed to ensuring the protection of children and providing a safe environment for all young people. If you have any knowledge of abuse that has been committed by a cleric or by any personnel of the Catholic Church, you are urged to report the abuse to your local police department. Children Services, and to contact the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at 419-214-4880; or to write to the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at 1933 Spielbusch Ave. Toledo, Ohio 43604

> May God diffuse the light of Christ's resurrection to all the world, by the power of the Holy Spirit working through the Church. Amen

From the desk of Patti Wasserman...

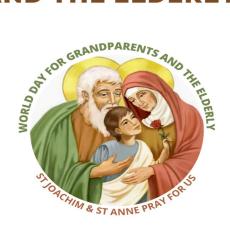
Family Catechesis Looking ahead to fall, it is time for families to register for Faith Formation. If your family participated last year your child(ren) will be moved up a Formedin Faith grade level. If you are new to the parish, or have a child, Pre-K through

8th grade that did not participate last year, but will be joining us this year, I need you to fill out the online registration form linked below.

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The Good News is we can once again meet in person, although our class time will look different. We will begin Year Two with the Family Faith Formation Packets for Pre-School through 6th grade. This curriculum is structured for parents and students to meet once a month with everyone altogether, then the youth go off to their classrooms and the parents stay for a session about the next three lessons they will be teaching at home or a topic led by a member of the PLT or a speaker may be brought in. Grade 7 and 8 will have a mix of in person sessions and small group work. More information to follow once our schedule is complete.

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY



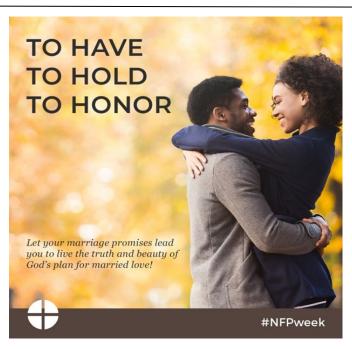
Grandparents are a treasure in the family. Please, take care of your grandparents: love them! **POPE FRANCIS**





Cowgirl Jo and Cowboy Joe are rarin' ta go and can't wait to welcome all you youngins' headin' over to VBS this week! Y'all be a hearin' stories about good 'ol Saint Joseph, playin' some of them thar games the ranch hands have come up with, spendin' time in the carpenters shop, learin' how to carry a tune at the music station and startin' yer evenin' off with a homecooked meal from the Chuck Wagon Gang from 5:30-6:15pm.

SAINT JOSEPH PRAY FOR US!



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