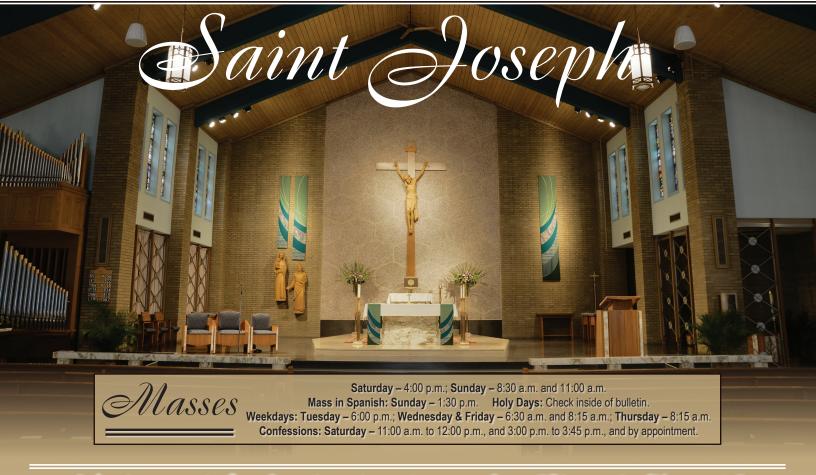
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## "In the spirit of St. Joseph, we lovingly serve Jesus Christ and His people."

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- PARISH STAFF: Rev. James Hatfield, Pastor; Deacon Ronald Fondriest, Retired; Ms. Brenda Stilgenbauer, Pastoral Associate; Mr. Matthew Nadalin, Director of Music Ministry; Mr. Jacinto de Paz, Hispanic Minister; Ms. Julie Gatelaro, Bookkeeper; Ms. Cindy Teynor, Director of Religious Education; Mr. Coleman Boring, Youth Minister; Mrs. Bettty Bidinger, Coordinator of Family Life Center; Mr. Don Ballantyne, Church and Cemetery Maintenance
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- MARRIAGES Arrangements should be made through the Parish Office at least eight months before any other planning.
- ◆ BAPTISMS Baptisms are celebrated on the second Sunday of each month at 12:30 p.m. (outside of Mass). Parents must attend the Baptismal Preparation Program. This is at 7:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month in the Family Life Center. Godparents are also welcome to attend. Please pre-register by calling the Parish Office.
- ◆ BAUTISMOS Bautismo en español se celebran una vez al mes después de la Misa el Domingo. Los padres y padrinos deben recibir charles de preparación en el Centro Familiar. Deben inscribirse llamando a las Oficinas de la Parroquia.
- ♦ NEW PARISHIONERS Please register in person at the Parish Office or complete a registration form (available in church). Please return to Parish Office or put in collection.
- ◆ BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS Please have bulletin announcements to the Parish Office by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, or e-mail <a href="mailto:stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com">stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com</a>.

Parish Office: 330-364-6661

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## St. Joseph Church Dover, Ohio 44622

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist June 23 and 24, 2018 23 y 24 de Junio del 2018

#### **Mass Intentions**



Monday, June 25, No Mass

Readings: 371: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60/Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday, June 26

6:00 p.m. Sandy Deetz

Readings: 372: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a/Ps 48/

Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday, June 27

**6:30 a.m.** Tom Langford **8:15 a.m.** Ann Leibfarth

9:00 a.m. Rosary

Readings: 373: 2 Kgs 22:8-13, 23:1-3/Ps 119/Mt 7:15-20

Thursday, June 28

8:15 a.m. Maude and Maureen May 9:00 a.m. Adoration of the Eucharist

Readings: 374: 2 Kgs 24: 8-17/Ps 79/Mt 7:21-29

Friday, June 29

**6:30 a.m.** Special Intention **8:15 a.m.** Margaret Berdak

Readings: 591: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/

Mt 16:13-19

Saturday, June 30,

The Vigil of The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 p.m. Irene Capps

Sunday, July 1,

The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. Mary McConnell

11:00 a.m. Michael and Margaret Zifer

1:30 p.m. The People of the Parish (Mass in Spanish)

Readings: 98: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30/

2 Cor 8:7-9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43

#### Offertory for Sunday, June 16 and 17, 2018

Loose	\$ 1,829.00
Adult Weekly Envelopes	\$ 6,526.00
Online Giving	\$ 685.00
Total	\$ 9,040.00
Contributions needed each week	\$12,192.00
	Other Funds
Capital Improvement	\$ 227.00
Poor Fund	\$ 195.00
St. Joseph Catholic Schools Subsidy	\$ 155.00
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Thank you for your generosity.

#### Ministry Schedules June 30 and July 1, 2018

#### 4:00 p.m. Mass

**Lector:** Janice Cosenza – 1st Reading Anthony Incarnato – 2nd Reading

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary DeBois, Beth Cecil,

Vicki Wilhelm, Marlo Nowak, Vicki Avon, Tim Avon,

Jeri Middaugh

Servers: Felipe Garcia Paez, Isa Garcia Paez,

Olivia Brady (Alt: Charlie Montan)

#### 8:30 a.m. Mass

Lector: Bill Bartz – 1st Reading Keith Knestaut – 2nd Reading Eucharistic Ministers: Milt Hamilton,

Jeannine Kennedy, Christine Ayers, Monica Boring,

Rachel Thomas, Emily Conrad, Carl Conrad,

John Kuczirka, Sharon Kuczirka

**Hospitality:** Joan Wenzel

**Servers:** David Maxwell, Alex Selinsky, Sydney Selinsky (Alt: John Chaney)

#### 11:00 a.m. Mass

Lector: Mike Ernest – 1st Reading Bonnie Edwards – 2nd Reading Eucharistic Ministers: Chris Helbling,

Kevin Fitzgerald, Stacy Savage, Joe Sciaretti,

Doug Telle, Ann Telle, Becky Nylund **Servers:** Luke Telle, John Telle, Paul Telle

(Alt: Katie Bruno)

If you know of a friend or family member who is in the hospital for surgery or due to illness, or is currently homebound, please call the Parish Office and someone will visit them as soon as possible.

#### Pray for the Priest, Deacon, or Seminarian of the

**Day:** Posted on the bulletin boards are calendars with the names of Priests, Deacons, and Seminarians. As you come into the church, you may want to look at the calendar and pray for the designated person of the day.

**Please Note:** If you would like to present the gifts at the Offertory, please contact the Ushers before Mass.



**Prayer Chain:** To place your request on the Prayer chain, please call the Parish Office or Charlene Herzig at 330-343-1063.

#### **Spiritual Notes:**

John the Baptist's birth - six months to the day before Christmas – is a major milestone on the road to salvation history. The Gospels present John as the forerunner of the Messiah. Luke in particular places John and Jesus side by side. The announcements of births, their nativities, and their being given names are presented alternately - John, then Jesus. But Jesus is always the greater figure. In Isaiah, the mysterious Servant of the Lord speaks of having been called in the womb by God. Like the prophet Jeremiah, his mission is part of the fabric of his being. It is an awareness of a lifelong mission in service to the Lord. Though frequently frustrated, the Servant is called to speak God's word and to be "a light to the nations" (v6). In the Acts of the Apostles, Paul is preaching in the synagogue of Antioch in Pisidia. He proclaims that Jesus, a son of David, was sent by God as our savior in fulfillment of His promise. Paul speaks of how John the Baptist prepared people for the coming of Jesus by announcing a call to repentance. Paul's homily in the synagogue serves as an invitation to the people of Antioch to also repent and believe. The name John means "Yahweh has compassion." This name, given to the child by the angel before he was born, indicates the importance of the child: he will be the one who announces God's good news of the coming of the Messiah, the ultimate act of divine compassion. Like the Servant in Isaiah, John has been designated before his birth for God's mission. The mysterious events surrounding his beginnings in Luke's text indicates that "the hand of the Lord was with him (v66), as the evangelist writes. Elizabeth and Zachariah may not fully understand God's plan, but they cooperate with it.

For Reflection: Do I have a sense of having been called by God for a mission? How have I experienced God's compassion in my life and shared it with others?

The U.S. Catholic Bishops condemn recent policies to strip away asylum for immigrants who lack adequate protection and for the continued use of family separation at the U.S./Mexico border as an implementation of the Administration's zero tolerance policy. Families are the foundational element of our society and they must be able to stay together.

The bishops also call on fair solutions for Dreamers and unaccompanied migrant youth. As Congress debates immigration reform, we stand in solidarity with our brothers and sisters. We pray for a just and compassionate solution to fix the broken immigration system.

For Church teaching on immigration and ways you can respond, visit the websites for the U.S. Catholic Bishops' Justice for Immigrants campaign at www. justiceforimmigrants.org and Pope Francis' Share the Journey Campaign at www.sharejourney.org.



#### Save the Date!

**St. Joseph Church Benefit Golf Outing**July 14, 2018 – Wilkshire Golf Course
More information to follow!

#### **BISHOP'S 2018 ANNUAL APPEAL**

#### "Sharing his Love, Encouraging Hope"

We have three weeks remaining! Thank you to the 24% of our parishioners that have already contributed, \$66,588.00! Our goal is \$71,303.57. Any amount raised over our goal will be returned to our parish. Please pray for the success of the appeal.

Calendar Planning

The Parish Staff will have their annual calendar planning meeting on Wednesday, June 27th. Committee Chairpersons, please have the dates of your upcoming events/activities to Brenda, no later than June 25th. Thank you!

#### Parish School of Religion

Registrations for next year's P.S.R. classes were mailed out to all who registered last year. If you have any questions or concerns, or are a new family to our program and need registration forms, please call the Parish Office.

#### **Spiritual Life of Saint Joseph Parish**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday Confession times are 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 3:00 to 3:45 p.m.

**Adoration of the Eucharist:** The Eucharist will be exposed for Adoration every Thursday morning after Mass until 9:30 a.m.

**Rosary:** Each Wednesday Morning after the 8:15 a.m. Mass, join us as we pray the Rosary.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Anointings will take place on the second Sunday of each month following each of the Masses.

#### **Upcoming Meetings in the Life of the Parish**

**Secular Franciscans** invite everyone wishing to attend the first Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. for Morning Prayer and Eucharistic Prayer, followed by coffee and donuts.

**Knights of Columbus:** The first and third Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Dover. For more information, contact John Kuczirka.

**L.C.B.A. and Crafty Ladies:** Will not meet in July or August.

**Men's Bible Study Group:** Monday, June 25 at 7:00 p.m. Please read chapter 7 of the Matthew Series.

## St. Joseph Parish Festival July 20th, 21st, and 22nd

#### **Entertainment**

Friday: 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. -Tequila Mary

8:00 to 11:00 p.m. - Badstone

**Saturday:** 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. - Larry Notz

8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. - Moonlyterz

**Sunday:** 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. – Jericho

#### **Dinners**

**Friday:** Swiss Steak Dinner – \$10.00, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. **Saturday:** Spaghetti Dinner – \$8.00, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Sunday: BBQ Chicken Dinner - \$10.00, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

#### **Festival Sponsors**

If you and/or your company are interested in becoming Festival Sponsors for our Parish Festival, we are accepting donations. For more information, please contact Milt Hamilton, or the Parish Office.

**L.C.B.A.** and the St. Joseph Crafty Ladies are accepting donations for the Fancy Booth at the Festival. Please bring your handmade items, arts, crafts, jewelry or other creations to the Parish Office. For more information, please contact Charlene Herzig at 330-343-1063 or Mary Pusateri at 330-364-2775.

#### Help Needed

If you are interested in volunteering for the Festival this year, please contact Cathy and Dan Galbraith at 330-340-3729.

**Festival Setup:** July 18th to July 20th **Festival Teardown:** July 23rd

If you would like to volunteer to work at the Festival, please fill out this form and drop it in the collection basket.
Name:
Phone:
Where you would like to work:
Available day and times:

**Living Bread Radio Network** 

The Living Bread Radio Network AM1060 (Canton, Akron, Cleveland) and 94.5 (Canton, vicinity) produces 12 local programs, making it the largest Catholic radio station in Ohio! Visit livingbreadradio.com for schedules and a free app to listen live 24/7.

#### St. Joseph Soup Kitchen

Everyone is welcome!!

The intention for the Soup Kitchen is to serve God's children in need: the poor in spirit, as well as the needy.

Teams, if you need assistance, please contact Andrea Settimio or the Parish Office.

June 27, 2018 – Team B (Sue Capozella) July 4, 2018 – Team C (Milt Hamilton) July 11, 2018 – Team D (Lisa Weigand) July 18, 2018 – Team E (Pastoral Council)

Soup Kitchen Captains, please remember to pick up your key in the Parish Office no later than 4:00 p.m.

Please keep our guests and volunteers in your prayers.



## Tuscarawas Central Catholic High School



Earn Money by Eating Wings! Help the TCC Booster Club earn money by eating wings at BW3! Every time you eat at "bdubs" through August 12, tell your waiter you are on Home Team Advantage Team "H." "H" for "HOT." 10% of your food bill will go right back to the TCC Booster Club.

#### **Dress A Child**

For over 40 years, the Dress A Child Program has been blessed with generous support of the people, churches, and groups from Tuscarawas County. All money raised stays in Tuscarawas County, and 100% of all donations go to the clothing vouchers! Dress A Child remains committed to providing new school clothes to the children whose families meet the federal poverty guidelines. Last year they were able to provide 1,348 children with a voucher for \$50.00. New volunteers are also welcome to help with planning and organization. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Beth Rafter at 330-365-1307 or Mary Kay Reed at 330-343-6782.

## Keeping Students in College Connected To The Catholic Church.

Parents, grandparents, and family members of students heading off to college next fall. You can encourage them to be active in campus ministry through the Newman Connection. This website provides information for more than 1,300 Catholic campus ministries, their Mass times, and some scheduled activities, please visit <a href="https://www.NewmanConnection.com">www.NewmanConnection.com</a>.

#### St. Joseph Cemetery

If you are interested in purchasing lots, or if you have questions regarding rules and regulations, please call Don in the Parish Office, and he will be happy to assist you.

## Office of Social Concerns - Action Alerts! For Action Alerts visit <a href="http://socialconcerns.colsdioc.org">http://socialconcerns.colsdioc.org</a> Care for the Unborn

Several pro-life bills calling for a reduction of abortions will work their way through the Ohio General Assembly and Congress. For updates, visit www.ohiocathconf. org/I/AB/Abortion.htm.

#### **Immigration Reform**

With a new Congress, comes a renewed debate on immigration reform. The immigration system is broken. Visit the USCCB's Justice for Immigrants Campaign website for the latest action alerts and education resources, www.justiceforimmigrants.org.

#### Religious Freedom Week June 22 to 29

The U.S. Catholic Bishops remind us of our call to follow Christ as missionary disciples by serving others and living our faith in all we do. During Religious Freedom Week, we are asked to pray, reflect, and take action on religious liberty, both here in this country and abroad. For resources, visit <a href="https://www.usccb.org">www.usccb.org</a>.



#### **Other Information to Note:**

**Mass Intentions:** Please be reminded that any parishioner is welcome to request Masses be celebrated for deceased or living loved ones. To schedule a Mass Intention, please contact the Parish Office.

**Low-Gluten Hosts:** If you are a person who needs to receive a **low-gluten host** because of wheat allergies or celiac disease, please call the Parish Office.

**Bulletin deadline:** The bulletin deadline is Monday at 12:00 p.m. Please include your contact information with phone number and email address. Bulletin notices may be in writing, faxed to 330-602-7488, dropped off, or emailed to stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com.



When traveling and you need to know where the closest Catholic Church is and the times for their Masses, please check out www.masstimes.org.

#### Marriage is a Sacrament

What exactly does that mean? You'll learn a new way to find the Lord in your home at a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next two weekends are July 13-15 and September 14-16, both in Central Ohio. For more information or to apply, contact Paul and Marilou Clouse at 614-834-6880 or by visiting <a href="https://www.wwmecolumbug.org">www.wwmecolumbug.org</a>.

#### Stand up and be counted!

Are you a registered parishioner? Do we have your current phone number? Registering in the parish is a declaration of your desire to be a part of the Catholic community and commitment to the life of our parish. If you want to register, there are forms in the Vestibule, simply fill one out and drop it in the collection basket or stop in the Parish Office during the week or on Sunday mornings after the Masses and request a form.



Your last will and testament can leave a legacy of your faith by helping to pass it on to others. When drafting your will, after taking care of your family, please consider naming St. Joseph Parish or the Diocese of Columbus as a recipient of your estate. For more information, contact James Anzelmo at the Catholic Foundation at 1-866-298-8893 or JAnzelmo@catholic-foundation.org.



**Online Giving.** If you manage your bills online, we're sure you'll like giving to your church online. It's safe and secure, and you

decide exactly when your gift is made and where it goes. To get started, please visit <u>www.stjosephdover.org</u>. If you have any questions or need assistance, please call the Parish Office.



Please remember in your prayers all the sick, homebound, and recovering in our parish. Also, pray for those coping with physical or mental conditions. Please include all those on

our prayer lists who have asked for our prayers and those who have no one to pray for them.

#### The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions

#### June 2018: Universal - Social Networks

That social networks may work towards that inclusiveness which respects others for their differences.

#### **OUR ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK**



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# Lectio Divina

SCRIPTURE READING + MEDITATION + PRAYER + CONTEMPLATION

"What page, what passage of the inspired books of the Old and New Testaments is not the truest of guides for human life?" ~Saint Benedict, from the *Rule of Saint Benedict* (73:3)

"Don't forget that you are a temple of God. The Holy Spirit – the Paraclete – is in the center of your soul: listen to Him, and follow His inspirations with docility."

-SAINT JOSEMARIA ESCRIVÁ

#### Monday, June 25 ~ Twelfth Week in the Season of Ordinary Time

**Holy Gospel: Matthew 7:1-5** Jesus said to his disciples: "Stop judging, that you may not be judged. For as you judge, so will you be judged, and the measure with which you measure will be measured out to you. Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own eye? How can you say to your brother, 'Let me remove that splinter from your eye,' while the wooden beam is in your eye? You hypocrite, remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter from your brother's eye."

**Meditation**: Everybody has the potential to be rather critical at times (and not of the "constructive criticism" variety), but nobody wants to be judged or condemned. Then why is judgementalism so rampant, even among Christians? Often times people don't hear what is actually being said, but instead their hearing gets impaired by their prejudices or biases which, in turn, impacts their thought process. Thinking the best of other people is necessary if we wish to grow in love. And kindliness in judgment is nothing less than a sacred duty. The Rabbis warned people: "He who judges his neighbor favorably will be judged favorably by God." How easy it is to misjudge and how difficult it is to be impartial in judgment. Our judgment of others is usually "off the mark" because we can't see inside the person, or we don't have access to all the facts, or we are swayed by instinct and unreasoning reactions to people. It is easier to find fault in others than in oneself.

**Prayer:** Grant, O Lord, that we may always revere and love your holy name, for you never deprive of your guidance those you set firm on the foundation of your love. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** Jesus reminds each of us of a heavenly principle that we can stake our lives on: what you give to others (and how you treat others) will return to you. The Lord knows our faults and he sees all, even the imperfections and sins of the heart which we cannot recognize in ourselves. Like a gentle father and a skillful doctor he patiently draws us to his seat of mercy and removes the cancer of sin which inhabits our hearts. Do you trust in God's mercy and grace? Ask the Lord to flood your heart with his loving-kindness and mercy that you may only have room for love, charity, compassion and forbearance towards your neighbor.

## Tuesday, June 26 ~ Twelfth Week in the Season of Ordinary Time Saint Josemaría Escrivá, Priest; Founder of Opus Dei

**Holy Gospel: Matthew 7:12-14** Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not give what is holy to dogs, or throw your pearls before swine, lest they trample them underfoot, and turn and tear you to pieces." Do to others whatever you would have them do to you. This is the Law and the Prophets. "Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the road broad that leads to destruction and those who enter through it are many. How narrow the gate and constricted the road that leads to life. And those who find it are few."

**Meditation:** Jesus' expression about "pearls before swine" is concerns not exclusivity, but with purity — the purity of the faith which has been entrusted to us by an all-loving and all-wise God. The early church referenced this expression with the Eucharist or the Lord's Table. In the liturgy of the early church, a proclamation was given shortly before communion: Holy things to the holy. The *Didache*, a first century church manual stated: Let no one eat or drink of your Eucharist except those baptized into the name of

the Lord; for, as regards this, the Lord has said, `Give not that which is holy unto dogs.'" The Lord invites us to his table, but we must approach worthily.

**Prayer:** O God, who alone are holy and without whom no one is good, command, we pray, through the intercession of Saint Josemaría Escrivá, that we be numbered among those who do no deserve to be deprived of your glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** Jesus concludes his discourse with the reminder that we must treat our neighbor in the same way we wish to be treated by God and by others. We must not just avoid doing harm to our neighbor, we must actively seek his or her welfare. In doing so, we fulfill the law and the prophets, namely what God requires of us – loving God with all that we have and are and loving our neighbor as ourselves. The personal love we show to our neighbor is fueled by the love that God has poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit (Romans 5:5). The Holy Spirit is every ready to transform our lives in Jesus' way of love. Do you thirst for holiness and for the fire of God's love? If not, or if you find yourself repeatedly falling short in this regard, pray the prayer of St. Clement XI of Rome: "Let me love you, my Lord and my God, and see myself as I really am – a pilgrim in this world, a Christian called to respect and love all whose lives I touch, those in authority over me or those under my authority, my friends and my enemies. Help me to conquer anger with gentleness, greed by generosity, apathy by fervor. Help me to forget myself and reach out towards others."

#### Wednesday, June 27 ~ Twelfth Week in the Season of Ordinary Time Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

**Holy Gospel: Matthew 7:15-20** Jesus said to his disciples: "Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but underneath are ravenous wolves. By their fruits you will know them. Do people pick grapes from thorn bushes, or figs from thistles? Just so, every good tree bears good fruit, and a rotten tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a rotten tree bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. So by their fruits you will know them."

**Meditation:** What do grapes, thorns, figs, and thistles have to teach us about the kingdom of God? The imagery used by Jesus would have been very familiar to his audience. A certain thorn bush had berries which resembled grapes. And a certain thistle had a flower, which at least from a distance, resembled the fig. Isn't it the same today? What we "hear" might have a resemblance of the truth, but, in fact, when you inspect it closely, it's actually false. False prophets or teachers abound today as much as they did in biblical times. But with the internet and plethora of cable TV channels, the messages of an army of false prophets have the ability to work their way into our homes, into our family lives, and – if we're not careful – into our minds and hearts. Keep up your spiritual guard! Don't let your moral compass be misguided by false prophets!

**Prayer:** O God, who made the Bishop Saint Cyril of Alexandria and invincible champion of the divine motherhood of the most Blessed Virgin Marty, grant, we pray, that we, who believe she is truly the Mother of God, may be saved through the Incarnation of Christ your Son. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** What's the test of a true or false teacher? Jesus connects soundness with good fruit. Something is sound when it is free from defect, decay, or disease and is healthy. Good fruit is the result of sound living – living according to moral truth and upright character. The prophet Isaiah warned against the dangers of falsehood: Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness (ref. Isaiah 5:20). The fruits of falsehood produce an easy religion which takes the iron out of religion, the cross out of Christianity, and any teaching which eliminates the hard sayings of Jesus, and which push the judgments of God into the background and makes us think lightly of sin. How do we avoid falsehood in our personal lives? By being true – true to God, his word and his grace. And that takes character! Those who are true to God know that their strength lies not in themselves but in God who supplies what we need. The fruit of a disciple is marked by faith, hope and love, justice, prudence, fortitude and temperance. Do you cultivate good fruit in your life and reject whatever produces bad fruit?

**About Saint Cyril of Alexandria:** Saint Cyril is one of the great Greek Fathers of the Church. He was chosen by Divine Providence to be the shield and champion of the Church against Nestorius, who denied the unity of persons in Christ. If this heresy had succeeded, Mary would not be called the Mother of God. Excepting Sts. Athanasius and Augustine, his equal as a defender of orthodoxy can hardly be found in the

Church's history. His greatest achievement was the successful direction of the ecumenical council at Ephesus (431), of which he was the soul (Pope Celestine had appointed him papal legate). In this council two important dogmas were defined—that there is but one person in Christ, and that Mary (in the literal sense of the word) can be called the Mother of God (Theotokos). His successful defense of the latter doctrine is his greatest title to honor. His writings show such depth and clarity that the Greeks called him the "seal of the fathers." He died in 444 A.D., after having been bishop for thirty-two years. In Rome, the basilica of St. Mary Major stands as a most venerable monument to the honor paid Mary at the Council of Ephesus. On the arch leading into the sanctuary important incidents in the lives of Jesus and Mary are depicted in mosaic.

## Thursday, June 28 ~ Twelfth Week in the Season of Ordinary Time Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr

**Holy Gospel: Matthew 7:21-29** Jesus said to his disciples: "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the Kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven. Many will say to me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name? Did we not drive out demons in your name? Did we not do mighty deeds in your name?' Then I will declare to them solemnly, 'I never knew you. Depart from me, you evildoers.' "Everyone who listens to these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and buffeted the house. But it did not collapse; it had been set solidly on rock. And everyone who listens to these words of mine but does not act on them will be like a fool who built his house on sand. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and buffeted the house. And it collapsed and was completely ruined." When Jesus finished these words, the crowds were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as their scribes.

**Meditation:** What's the significance of the story for us? The kind of foundation we build our lives upon will determine whether we can survive the storms and trials of life that are sure to come. Builders usually lay their foundations when the weather and soil conditions are at their best. It takes foresight to know how a foundation will stand up against adverse conditions. Building a house on a flood plain, such as a dry riverbed, is a sure bet for disaster! Jesus prefaced his story with a warning: We may fool one another with our words, but God cannot be deceived. He sees the heart as it truly is – with its motives, intentions, desires, and choices (Psalm 139:2). There is only one way in which a person's sincerity can be proved, and that is by one's practice. Fine words can never replace good deeds. Our character is revealed in the choices we make, especially when we must choose between what is true and false, good and evil. Do you cheat on an exam or on your income taxes, especially when it will cost you? Do you lie, or cover-up, when disclosing the truth will cause you pain or embarrassment? A true person is honest and reliable before God, neighbor, and oneself. Such a person's word can be taken as trustworthy.

**Prayer:** O God, who called the Bishop Saint Irenaeus to confirm true doctrine and the peace of the Church, grant, we pray, through his intercession, that, being renewed in faith and charity, we may always be intent on fostering unity and concord. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** If you could foresee a threat to your life and the loss of your home and goods, wouldn't you take the necessary precautions to avoid such a disaster? Jesus' story of being swept away by flood waters and wind storms must have caught the attention of his audience who knew that terrific storms did occasionally sweep through their dry arid land without any warning signs. When Jesus described the builders who were unprepared for such a life-threatening storm, he likely had the following proverb in mind: When the storm has swept by, the wicked are gone, but the righteous stand firm for ever (ref. Proverbs 10:25).

## Friday, June 29 ~ Twelfth Week in the Season of Ordinary Time Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

**Holy Gospel: Matthew 13:16-19** When Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" They replied, "Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter said in reply, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus said to him in reply, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the

netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."

**Meditation:** Today the Apostles Peter and Paul are commemorated for tirelessly working for the spread of the gospel, not only to the people of Israel, but to all the nations as well. They risked their lives in the process and gladly poured out their blood in loyalty to their Master, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. As Paul so eloquently stated in his second epistle to Timothy: "they courageously fought the good fight, finished the race, and kept the faith" (2 Timothy 4:7). So it is worth asking: How firm is your faith in the Lord Jesus Christ?

**Prayer**: Grant, we pray, O Lord our God, that we may be sustained by the intercession of the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, that, as through them you gave your Church the foundations of her heavenly office, so through them you may help her to eternal salvation. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Prayer to Sts. Peter and Paul:** O holy Apostles, Peter and Paul, I choose you this day and forever to be my special patrons and advocates; Saint Peter, Prince of the Apostles, because you are the Rock upon which Almighty God has built His Church; Saint Paul, because were chosen by God as the Vessel of election and the Preacher of truth in the whole world. Obtain for me, I pray you, lively faith, firm hope, and burning love; complete detachment from myself, contempt of the world, patience in adversity, humility in prosperity, attention in prayer, purity of heart, a right intention in all my works, diligence in fulfilling the duties of my state of life, constancy in my resolutions, resignation to the will of God and perseverance in the grace of God even unto death; that so, by means of your intercession and your glorious merits, I may be able to overcome the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and may be made worthy to appear before the chief and eternal Shepherd of souls, Jesus Christ, Who with the Father and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns forever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** When Jesus asks: "Who do people say the Son of Man is?" he poses that question to each of us. Our response is twofold – first by our *words*, and second by our *actions* – the way we live our lives. We can proclaim Christ as our Lord and Savior, and share in his saving mission through word by sharing the message found in sacred scripture. But most important is to put the teachings of sacred scripture into action and "living" the word fully in our daily lives. If you are firm in your faith, this is something that occurs naturally. If you find yourself hesitating out of "fear" or "embarrassment" then there is work to be done in making sure that when you proclaim to be a Catholic, a Christian, a disciple of Christ, that you mean what you say and say what you mean. Don't insult Jesus with lip service – prove to him and to the world that you are a true disciple by living the Word day in and day out.

**About Saints Peter and Paul:** Veneration of the two great Apostles, Peter and Paul, has its roots in the very foundations of the Church. They are the solid rock on which the Church is built. They are at the origin of her faith and will forever remain her protectors and her guides. To them Rome owes her true greatness, for it was under God's providential guidance that they were led to make the capital of the Empire, sanctified by their martyrdom, the center of the Christian world whence should radiate the preaching of the Gospel. St. Peter suffered martyrdom under Nero, in A.D. 66 or 67. He was buried on the hill of the Vatican where recent excavations have revealed his tomb on the very site of the Basilica of St. Peter's. St. Paul was beheaded in the Via Ostia on the spot where now stands the basilica bearing his name. Down the centuries Christian people in their thousands have gone on pilgrimage to the tombs of these Apostles. In the second and third centuries the Roman Church already stood pre-eminent by reason of her apostolicity, the infallible truth of her teaching and her two great figures, Sts. Peter and Paul.

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## Pastoral Care of Immigrants & Refugees

USCCB Fact Sheet

National and local Catholic charitable agencies around the country have long provided services to people in need, regardless of immigration status. However, several states have passed laws that forbid what state legislatures consider "harboring" of undocumented immigrants—and what the Church considers Christian charity and pastoral care to those immigrants.

In Alabama, for example, the Catholic bishops, in cooperation with the Episcopal and Methodist bishops of Alabama, filed suit against a law prohibiting "harboring" of undocumented immigrants. Together, they explained that the "law makes illegal the exercise of our Christian religion which we, as citizens of Alabama, have a right to follow." They expressed concern that laws prohibiting "harboring" (when there is knowledge or reckless disregard of the fact that persons are undocumented immigrants) would substantially burden their churches in their mission to serve undocumented immigrants.

The law would have a chilling effect on their ministries—among other things, these church leaders feared that the prohibition on "harboring" would extend to activities like "encourag[ing immigrants] to attend Mass or giv[ing] them a ride to Mass;" "counsel[ing] them in times of difficulty or in preparation for marriage;" and inviting "them to come to Alcoholic Anonymous meetings or other recovery groups at our churches."

Other states have adopted similar laws that threaten the Church's ministry to undocumented immigrants. In March 2012, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops and several other Christian or-

ganizations filed an *amicus* brief with the U.S. Supreme Court in the case of *Arizona v. United States*. The brief discussed how the Arizona law and many state immigration laws like it threaten the Catholic mission to provide food, shelter, and other care to all. In June 2012, the U.S. Supreme Court issued its decision and found that several of the provisions of the Arizona law were pre-empted by federal immigration law, so these provisions were struck down.

In recent months, the new Administration has sought to restrict refugees—many of whom have suffered severe religious persecution in their home countries—from entering the United States. Fortunately, federal courts have stopped the federal government from enforcing parts of its executive orders restricting refugees because the orders have the effect of discriminating against people of a particular religion, violating the Constitution's Establishment Clause.

#### Is our most cherished freedom truly under threat?

Among many current challenges, these federal and state immigration laws and policies affect the religious liberty of the Church, which seeks to provide Christian charity and pastoral care to people of all backgrounds and faiths. Religious liberty is more than freedom of worship; it includes our ability to make our contribution to the common good of all Americans without having to compromise our faith. Without religious liberty properly understood, all of us suffer, including those who seek a better life here in the United States.



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La Natividad de San Juan el Bautista 23 y 24 de Junio del 2018

#### Calendario Litúrgico:



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Domingo Julio 8 1:30 p.m.

#### Misas en Ingles

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 4:00 p.m.

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 8:30 a.m. y 11:00 a.m.

#### Confesiones

Antes de misa de español de 12:45 p.m. a 1:15 p.m.

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## Invitación al coro "Guadalupe"



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Hombres y mujeres son bienvenidos a unirse a este grupo.

Ya está abierta la registración para la escuela TCCES, si usted tiene niños en edad escolar o conoce a alguien que le interese registrar a sus niños, por favor llame a la oficina de la escuela.

**Clase de Bautismo:** La próxima clase será en el Centro Familiar San José al 330-364-6661 o a los Ministerios Hispanos al 330-432-0811.

**Sacramentos.** Si necesita sacramentos como: Penitencia, Comunión o Confirmación, por favor regístrese en la Iglesia al 330-364-6661.

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#### **Notas Espirituales**

Juan el Bautista, el nacimiento - seis meses, un día antes de la Navidad - es un importante hito en el camino de la historia de la salvación. Los Evangelios presentan a Juan como el precursor del Mesías. Lucas, en particular, John lugares y el costado de Jesús al lado del otro. Los anuncios de nacimientos, sus Nacimientos y los que son nombres dados se presentan alternativamente - Juan, a Jesús. Pero Jesús es siempre la figura mayor. En Isaías, el Siervo misteriosa del Señor habla de haber sido llamado en el seno de Dios. Al igual que el profeta Jeremías, tiene la misión es parte de la estructura de su ser. Se trata de una toma de conciencia de una misión permanente en el servicio al Señor. Aunque con frecuencia frustrados, el Siervo es llamado para hablar la Palabra de Dios y de ser "una luz para las naciones" (V6). En los Hechos de los Apóstoles, Pablo está predicando en la sinagoga de Antioquía de Pisidia. Él proclama que Jesús, hijo de David, fue enviado por Dios como nuestro salvador, en cumplimiento de su promesa. Pablo habla de cómo Juan el Bautista preparó gente para la venida de Jesús al anunciar un llamado al arrepentimiento. Homilía de Pablo en la sinagoga sirve como una invitación al pueblo de Antioquía a arrepentirse y creer también. El nombre de Juan significa." Señor tiene compasión" Este nombre que recibe el niño por el ángel antes de su nacimiento indica la importancia de que el niño: él será el que anuncia buenas nuevas de Dios de la venida del Mesías, el último acto de la compasión divina. Como el Siervo en Isaías, Juan ha sido designado antes de su nacimiento para la misión de Dios. Los acontecimientos que rodearon sus inicios en el texto de Lucas indica que "la mano del Señor estaba con él (v66), como el evangelista escribe. Isabel y Zacarías no puede entender completamente el plan de Dios, sino que cooperar con ella.

Para la reflexión: ¿Tengo la sensación de haber sido llamados por Dios para una misión? ¿Cómo he experimentado la compasión de Dios en mi vida y lo compartió con los demás?



**Por favor, recuerde en su oración,** a todos los enfermos, al salir de casa, y la recuperación de nuestra parroquia. Además, orar por aquellos que sufren de condiciones físicas o mentales.

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