



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

# THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF SAINT JOSEPH

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## PARISH STAFF

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**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.

<b>MASS TIMES</b>	Saturday	4:00 p.m.
	Sunday	8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
	Mass in Spanish	Sunday 1:30 p.m.
	Holy Days	Check inside of bulletin
	Weekdays	Tuesday 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:15 a.m.

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00-3:45 p.m. | Sunday 12:30-1:15 p.m.  
or anytime by appointment

**MARRIAGES** Arrangements should be made through the Parish  
Office at least eight months before any other planning.

**BAPTISMS / BAUTISMOS** Baptisms are celebrated on Sunday  
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. *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.*

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS** Please have bulletin  
announcements to the Parish Office by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, or  
e-mail [stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com](mailto:stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com).

**St. Joseph Church**  
**Dover, Ohio 44622**  
**The Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
**May 13 and 14, 2023**  
**13 y 14 de Mayo del 2023**



**Mass Intentions**

**Monday, May 15**

**No Mass**

Readings: 29: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149/Jn 15:26-16:4a

**Tuesday, May 16**

**6:00 p.m.** Anna Mae

Readings: 292: Acts 16:22-24/Ps 138/Jn 16:5-11

**Wednesday, May 17**

**8:15 a.m.** Jerry Bryan

**9:00 a.m.** Rosary

Readings: 293: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Ps 148/  
Jn 16:12-15

**Thursday, May 18**

**8:15 a.m.** Nicole Carpio

**9:00 a.m.** Eucharistic Adoration

Readings: 294: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98/Jn 16:16-20

**Friday, May 19**

**8:15 a.m.** Sandy Wagner

Readings: 295: Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47/Jn 16:20-23

**Saturday, May 20**

**The Vigil of The Ascension of the Lord**

**4:00 p.m.** Ray and Mary Shotwell

**Sunday, May 21**

**The Ascension of the Lord**

**8:30 a.m.** Carmella Urfer

**11:00 a.m.** Walter Stockert

**1:00 p.m.** The People of the Parish  
(Spanish Mass)

**3:00 p.m.** The Special Intentions of the  
Confirmandi (Confirmation)

Readings: 59: Acts 1:12-14/Ps 27/1 Pt 4:13-16/  
Jn 17:1-11a

**Ministry Schedule**

**Tuesday, May 16** – 6:00 p.m. – Mary Salvo

**Wednesday, May 17** – 8:15 a.m. – Jack Burnham

**Thursday, May 18** – 8:15 a.m. – Jeannine Kennedy

**Friday, May 19** – 8:15 a.m. – TCCES Students

**May 20, 2023**

**4:00 p.m.**

Lectors: Lyle Tope – 1st Lector

Mary Salvo – 2nd Lector

Eucharistic Ministers: Tim Avon, Beth Cecil,

Kateri Renicker, Cindy Bartz, Bill Bartz,

Jackie Hostetler, Mary DeBois

Ushers: Tim Avon, Roy Montan, Steve DeBois

Servers: Angel Gonzalez, Luna Gonzalez, Gabe Winnie

**May 21, 2023**

**8:30 a.m. Mass**

Lector: Jeannine Kennedy – 1st Lector

Tony Incarnato – 2nd Lector

Eucharistic Ministers: Laura Barkett,

Jan Michael LaBrake, Matt Ritzert, Lou Settimio,

John Kuczirka, Sharon Kuczirka, Doug Telle,

Jack Burnham

Ushers: Chris Chaney, Kelly Chaney, John Karl,

Max Burnham, Ronnie Saffell

Servers: Servers will be called

**11:00 a.m. Mass**

Lectors: Anne Bruno – 1st Lector

Mark Clemence – 2nd Lector

Eucharistic Ministers: Patti DeVault, Joe Sciarretti,

Mike Ernest, Beth Ernest, Elizabeth Clemence,

Marcus Clemence, Sue Worth

Ushers: Patti DeVault, Larry and Linda Clawson,

Beth Ernest

Servers: Patrick Sciarretti, Vince Sciarretti, Izzy Murphy

**Offertory for May 6 and 7, 2023**

Loose Cash and Checks	\$ 9,958.00
Adult Weekly Envelopes	\$ 5,235.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,255.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 16,448.00</b>
<b>Other Funds</b>	
Poor Fund	\$ 372.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 10.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 190.00
St. Joseph School Subsidy	\$ 50.00
Other Collections	\$ 57.00

**Thank you for your generosity.**

**Your contributions make the mission of St. Joseph Parish possible and keep our parish financially sound.**

**If you know of a friend or family member that 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.**



**Prayer Chain:** To place your request on the prayer chain, please call the Parish Office or Charlene Herzig at 330-343-1063. If no one is available, please leave a message.

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

### Spiritual Notes

In the Gospel today, Jesus continues to speak to the disciples at the Last Supper. Knowing that He is about to leave them, He promises "I will not leave you orphans," pledging gifts of the Holy Spirit "to be with you always." Jesus' death and Resurrection are part of God's plan and will lead to a deeper union between Jesus and His followers. The gift of another advocate assures us of His never-ending presence. Ironically, the persecution of the church leads to its growth. In Acts, after Stephen's death, Philip, another deacon, goes to Samaria proclaiming the Christ to them. That he is empowered by the Spirit is indicated by the fact that he speaks with power. The crowds paid attention to what was said, and he performs miracles, exorcizing demons and healing those who are paralyzed or crippled. He is doing the work of Jesus. This evangelization leads to a visit from Peter and John, who prayed for them and laid hands on them, as a result of which they received the Holy Spirit. Peter writes with an awareness that believers will suffer for their faith. But this should not discourage us, for Christ also suffered. We are called to be examples of integrity, practicing gentleness and reverence, even in our dealings with those who persecute us. We are also called to be a people of hope, because Christ's suffering has a uniqueness about it that leads us to God. Christ's suffering unites us to God in a way that our suffering alone could never achieve. He died the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous.

*For reflection: Do I see value in suffering in my life? In the lives of others? How do I experience the presence of the Spirit in the church?*



"FORWARD WITH JESUS" We are moving forward in the Light of Christ Jesus and ever more dependent on our Lord who is with us always. The Appeal is a major source of funding for evangelization, vocations, Catholic school tuition assistance, and social concerns efforts throughout the diocese. Your contributions help diocesan ministries and services in providing a path to move forward. Our parish goal is \$69,680.00; please prayerfully consider your gift today and contribute to The Appeal. Any amount raised over our goal will be returned to our parish for our needs. Thank you for your generosity!

### Save the Date

**Sunday, June 25, 2023 - 4:00 p.m.**

Bishop Fernandes will celebrate our Anniversary Mass, followed by dinner at the Union Country Club.

Everyone is invited!

For more information, please call  
Brenda in the Parish Office.



**Confirmation Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, May 21, 2023 at 3:00 p.m.** This will be Bishop Fernandes' first trip to our parish. Everyone is welcome to attend! A reception will follow in the Family Life Center.

### "Mark Your Calendars!"

#### May 17th

St. Joseph Seniors  
Manor Restaurant - 12:00 p.m.

#### May 21st

Confirmation  
Mass - 3:00 p.m.

#### May 29th

Parish Office Closed

#### June 2nd

First Friday  
Eucharistic Adoration - 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.  
Divine Mercy Chaplet - 3:00 p.m.

#### June 2nd

Last day of school

#### July 4th

Parish Office Closed

#### July 14th and 15th

St. Joseph Festival

### Youth Ministry News

#### Sunday, May 21st

No Meeting

#### July 7th to July 9th

Franciscan Youth Conference

The Memorare Mom's Group continues to meet in the Family Life Center on Friday mornings after the 8:15 a.m. Mass. All mothers of school-age children and younger are invited to attend.

### 175th Anniversary!

**We need your help!**

**Do you have photos from parish events in the past?**

We are doing a video to celebrate our 175th Anniversary, and are looking for more candid pictures, if you have some you would like to share. We are also looking for mementos that you may willing to share to display the Anniversary Dinner; they will be returned to you. Please contact Brenda in the Parish Office.

<b>St. Joseph Parish</b>		
<b>175th Anniversary Raffle</b>		
The holder of this ticket number will be entered in 12 monthly drawings beginning January 2023 for \$175. Drawings will be held on the 17th of each month at 5:00 pm.		
Cost: \$20.00 Per Ticket One Winner Per Number		
No. 011	NAME _____	PHONE _____
	EMAIL _____	No. 011

**Our next drawing will be**  
**Wednesday, May 17th at 5:00 p.m.**  
**Each drawing will be livestreamed!!**

### **Birthright Playpen**



Each year beginning on Mother's Day and continuing until Father's Day, St. Joseph Parish conducts our annual playpen collection for Birthright of Tuscarawas County. Items needed are the usual baby items: disposable diapers, baby wipes, baby bath towels, shampoo, baby wash, crib sheets, sleepers, bibs, etc. You may also make a cash donation. Please put it in the collection basket in an envelope marked "Birthright."



### **Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary School**



**A Catholic education is a priceless investment in the future of our children. In addition to strong academic programs, we offer:**

- Safe, loving environments where we believe every child is a gift from God and can succeed.
- Moral and character development based on the teachings of Jesus Christ.
- Opportunities for participation in many co-curricular activities.
- Small class sizes where every student receives the attention and support they deserve.

Registration is now underway from preschool to grade 12. We are affordable. We are open to all. We invite you to Be A Saint. For more information, please call the school office at 330-343-9134.

### **St. Joseph Soup Kitchen**

**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 Settimo or the Parish Office.**

May 17, 2023 - Team M (Fran Mason)

May 24, 2023 - Team O (Pat Figuly)

May 31, 2023 - Team A (Dooling/Comg)

**Please keep our guests and volunteers in your prayers!**

### **Mini Food Pantry**

Our Mini Food Pantry box, located at the Family Life Center, has been able to provide food for many people in need. Our volunteers are restocking several times a week. The items most in need are:

Canned Fruit	Applesauce
Canned peas	Rice
Canned Baked Beans	Cereal

**If you would like to contribute items, there is a tote in the Vestibule of the church; or you can make monetary donations by placing an envelope in the collection basket marked "Mini Pantry."**

### **Discipleship Quads**

#### **Grow as a disciple and form other disciples.**

##### **Are you interested in forming a Quad?**

A Discipleship Quad is a group of four people who journey together as disciples through weekly gatherings of fellowship, ongoing conversation, and learning. This 12-month path of accompaniment fosters growth through prayer, accountability, and authentic relationships. For more information, please contact Judy Burnham at 330-340-2077 or the Parish Office.



### **St. Joseph Parish Festival!!**

**July 14 and 15, 2023**

**5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.**

#### **Bands are booked**

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

Badstone - Friday, 8:00-11:00 p.m.

Larry Notz and Mandolin Dave -  
Saturday, 5:00-7:30 p.m.

Moonlyterz - Saturday, 8:00-11:00 p.m.

**Booth Chairpersons, we will have a Festival Committee Meeting on May 18th at 6:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center.**

#### **Festival Sponsors**

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

**If you would like to volunteer to help at the Festival, please contact Joe and Sarah Sciarretti, or you may call the Parish Office.**

**More information coming soon!**

**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.

**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:** \_\_\_\_\_

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# Lectio Divina

## SCRIPTURE READING + MEDITATION + PRAYER + CONTEMPLATION

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“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)

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*The month of May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

***"Devotion to the Blessed Virgin is actually necessary, because there is no better means of obtaining God's graces than through His most holy mother."***

**~SAINT PHILIP NERI**

**Monday, May 15 ~ Sixth Week in the Season of Easter**  
**Optional Memorial: Saint Isidore the Farmer**

**Holy Gospel: John 15:26-16:4a** Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Advocate comes whom I will send you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, he will testify to me. And you also testify, because you have been with me from the beginning. "I have told you this so that you may not fall away. They will expel you from the synagogues; in fact, the hour is coming when everyone who kills you will think he is offering worship to God. They will do this because they have not known either the Father or me. I have told you this so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you."

**Meditation:** What does Jesus tell us about the Holy Spirit? First, the Holy Spirit is inseparably one with the Father and the Son. It is the Holy Spirit who gives life – the very life of God – and who kindles faith in hearts receptive to God's word. The Spirit makes it possible for us to know God personally. He gives us experiential knowledge of God as our Father. The Spirit witnesses to our spirit that the Father has indeed sent his Son into the world to redeem it and has raised his Son Jesus from the dead and has seated him at his right hand in glory and power. The Holy Spirit reveals to us the knowledge, wisdom and plan of God for the ages and the Spirit enables us to see with the "eyes of faith" what the Father and the Son are doing. Through the gift and working of the Holy Spirit we become witnesses to the great work of God in Christ Jesus. Jesus warned his disciples that they could expect persecution just as Jesus was opposed and treated with hostility. We have been given the Holy Spirit to help us live as disciples of Jesus Christ. The Spirit gives us courage and perseverance when we meet adversities and challenges. Do you pray for the Holy Spirit to strengthen you in faith, hope and love and to give you courage and perseverance?

**Prayer:** Grant, O merciful God, that we may experience at all times the fruit produced by the paschal observances. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Prayer ~ Saint Isidore the Farmer:** Lord God, to whom belongs all creation, and who call us to serve you by caring for the gifts that surround us, inspire us by the example of Saint Isidore to share our food with the hungry and to work for the salvation of all people. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Special Prayer for Farmers:** God our Father, we pray for the farming community as they continue to work hard to grow the crops and raise the livestock that we enjoy. Bless all who focus their time and God-given talents in growing crops and raising livestock. Surround them with your love so they may know they are cared for and valued. Help us to be thankful for the food they produce and not to waste it. Amen.

**Contemplation:** Have you ever given any thought as to where you turn for help and support when you most need it? True friendship is strengthened in adversity. Jesus offers his disciples the best and truest of friends. Who is this promised friend? Jesus calls the Holy Spirit our *Counselor* and *Advocate* (also translated *Paraclete* or *Helper*). Counselor is a legal term for the one who will defend someone against an adversary and who guides that person during the ordeal of trial. The Holy Spirit is our Advocate and Helper who brings us safely through the challenges and adversities we must face in this life. As Jesus approaches the hour he was to be glorified – through his death on the cross and his resurrection – he revealed more fully to his disciples the person and role of the Holy Spirit.

## **Tuesday, May 16 ~ Sixth Week in the Season of Easter**

**Holy Gospel: John 16:5-11** Jesus said to his disciples: "Now I am going to the one who sent me, and not one of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I told you this, grief has filled your hearts. But I tell you the truth, it is better for you that I go. For if I do not go, the Advocate will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes he will convict the world in regard to sin and righteousness and condemnation: sin, because they do not believe in me; righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will no longer see me; condemnation, because the ruler of this world has been condemned."

**Meditation:** Have you ever felt like God is far from you at times? Separation and loss of relationship often lead to grief and pain. The apostles were filled with sorrow when Jesus spoke about his imminent departure. Jesus explained that it was for their sake that he must leave them and return to his Father. He promised, however, that they would never be left alone. He will send in his place the best of friends, the Holy Spirit. Paul reminds us that "nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus" (Romans 8:39). By sending the Holy Spirit to his followers, the Lord Jesus makes his presence known to us in a new and on-going way. We are not left as orphans, but the Lord himself dwells within us through the power of the Holy Spirit (2 Corinthians 4:9; 6:16b). Jesus tells his disciples three very important things about the work of the Holy Spirit – to convince the world of sin and of righteousness and of judgment. The original word for convince also means convict. The Holy Spirit is our Sanctifier. He makes us holy as God is holy. He does this first by convicting us of our sin and by bringing us humbly to the foot of the Cross. The Spirit convinces us of God's love and forgiveness and of our utter dependence on God for his mercy and grace. We need the power of the Holy Spirit to lead us from the error of our sinful ways and to show us the way of love and truth.

**Prayer:** Grant, almighty and merciful God, that we may in truth receive a share in the Resurrection of Christ your Son. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** The Jews who condemned Jesus as a heretic and blasphemer thought they were serving God rather than sinning when they crucified Jesus. When the gospel was later preached on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:37), many were pricked in their heart and convicted of their sin. What made them change their mind about Jesus? It is the work of the Holy Spirit to both convict us of wrongdoing and to convince us of God's truth. The Spirit convinces us of the righteousness of Christ, backed by the fact that Jesus rose again and went to his Father. The Holy Spirit also convicts us of judgment. The Spirit gives us the inner and unshakable conviction that we shall all stand before the judgment seat of God. God's judgments are just and good. When we heed his judgments we find true peace, joy and reconciliation with God. Do you allow the Holy Spirit free reign in your life that he may set you free from the grip of sin and set you ablaze with the fire of God's love?

## **Wednesday, May 17 ~ Sixth Week in the Season of Easter**

**Holy Gospel: John 16:12-15** Jesus said to his disciples: "I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth. He will not speak on his own, but he will speak what he hears, and will declare to you the things that are coming. He will glorify me, because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you. Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason I told you that he will take from what is mine and declare it to you."

**Meditation:** Jesus told his disciples that he would send them the Spirit of truth who will guide you into all the truth...and declare to you the things that are to come (John 16:13). Through the gift and working of the Holy Spirit poured out on the new community of faith on the day of Pentecost, we too are able to profess the same creed which the apostles proclaimed – that Jesus died, and was buried, and rose again on the third day, and will come again to judge, raise the dead, and give everlasting life (the Apostles Creed). We not only have the same faith given to the apostles and early believers, but we have the same Spirit in us who raised Jesus from the dead. The Lord Jesus gives each of us his Holy Spirit as our divine Teacher and Helper that we may grow in the knowledge and wisdom of God. Do you listen attentively to God's word and allow his Holy Spirit to give you understanding of God's truth and will for your life?

**Prayer:** Grant, we pray, O Lord, that, as we celebrate in mystery the solemnities of your Son's Resurrection, so, too, we may be worthy to rejoice at his coming with all the Saints. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** What we would all give to know all truths! Truth, however, is not something we create nor is it our discovery. It is the gift of God who is the possessor and the giver of all truth. Jesus tells his disciples that it is the role of the Holy Spirit to reveal what is true. How can this be? Skeptics of truth don't want to believe in an absolute Truth. If truth is objective then it must be submitted to as authoritative. Some fear the truth because they think it will inhibit their freedom to act and think as they wish. Jesus told his disciples that the truth will set you free (John 8:32). The truth liberates us from doubts, illusions, and fears. Since God is the source of all truth, then the closer we draw to him and listen to his word, the more we grow in the knowledge of him and of his great love and wisdom for us.

### **Thursday, May 18 ~ Sixth Week in the Season of Easter**

**Holy Gospel: John 16:16-20** Jesus said to his disciples: "A little while and you will no longer see me, and again a little while later and you will see me." So some of his disciples said to one another, "What does this mean that he is saying to us, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me,' and 'Because I am going to the Father'?" So they said, "What is this 'little while' of which he speaks? We do not know what he means." Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, "Are you discussing with one another what I said, 'A little while and you will not see me, and again a little while and you will see me'? Amen, amen, I say to you, you will weep and mourn, while the world rejoices; you will grieve, but your grief will become joy."

**Meditation:** The world says take your joy now in whatever pleasures you can get from this present life. Jesus points to an "other-worldly" joy which transcends anything this world can offer. Jesus contrasts present sorrows with future joy. A woman in labor suffers the birth-pangs first, but then forgets her sorrow as soon as her new-born child comes to birth. We cannot avoid pain and sorrow if we wish to follow Jesus to the cross. But in the cross of Christ we find freedom, victory, and joy. Thomas Aquinas said: "No one can live without joy. That is why a man or woman deprived of spiritual joy will turn to carnal pleasures." Do you know the joy of the Lord?

**Prayer:** O God, who made your people partakers in your redemption, grant, we pray, that we may perpetually render thanks for the Resurrection of the Lord. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Prayer ~ Saint John I:** O God, who reward faithful souls and who have consecrated this day by the martyrdom of Pope Saint John the First, graciously hear the prayers of your people and grant that we, who venerate his merits, may imitate his constancy in the faith. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** How do "weeping" and "rejoicing" go together? Jesus contrasts present sorrows with the future glory to be revealed to those who put their hope in God. For the people of Israel time was divided into two ages – the present age and the age to come. The prophets foretold the coming of the Messiah as the dawn of a new age. Jesus tells his disciples two important truths. First, he must leave them to return to his Father and second, he will surely come again at the end of time to usher in the new age of God's kingdom. Jesus' orientation for the time between his first coming and his return in glory at the end of the world is a reversal of the world's fortunes. Do you find yourself weeping and rejoicing in the Lord?

### **Friday, May 19 ~ Sixth Week in the Season of Easter**

**Holy Gospel: John 16:20-23** Jesus said to his disciples: "Amen, amen, I say to you, you will weep and mourn, while the world rejoices; you will grieve, but your grief will become joy. When a woman is in labor, she is in anguish because her hour has arrived; but when she has given birth to a child, she no longer remembers the pain because of her joy that a child has been born into the world. So you also are now in anguish. But I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy away from you. On that day you will not question me about anything. Amen, amen, I say to you, whatever you ask the Father in my name he will give you."

**Meditation:** Why does Jesus tell his disciples to weep and mourn? Jesus was neither a pessimist nor a masochist, and he was certainly more than a realist! The way to happiness and joy in the kingdom of God is through the cross. Sin must be brought to the cross of Jesus Christ and evil can only be completely mastered by the power of God's redeeming love. Jesus told his disciples that it was more blessed to mourn for sin because it would yield the fruit of peace, joy, and righteousness. Jesus knew that the cross would be a stumbling block for those who refused to believe in him. The cross for Jesus was not defeat but victory – victory over sin, over the forces of evil in the world, and over Satan, the arch-enemy of God, humankind, and all that is right and good and true.

**Prayer:** Hear our prayers, O Lord, so that what was promised by the sanctifying power of your Word may everywhere be accomplished through the working of the Gospel and that all your adopted children may attain what the testimony of truth has foretold. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** We must remember that through his death on the cross, Jesus won for us new life and freedom over the power of sin, despair, and death. The Easter victory of Jesus teaches us courage in the face of suffering and death. In the resurrection of Christ our fears are laid to rest. His resurrection is total, final triumph, and for us peace and joy at the end. We will have troubles in the present reality. Through the eyes of faith, we know the final outcome – complete victory over sin, suffering, and death in Jesus Christ. That is why we can pray confidently now, knowing that the Father will give us everything we need to live as his children and as disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ. Do you know the Easter joy of Christ's victory over sin and death?

Scripture passages (NAB translation) courtesy of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops; prayers are from *The Roman Missal*, Catholic Book Publishing, 2011; Daily meditations and contemplations adapted from the Irish Jesuits' *Sacred Space* web page and *Biblical Medications for Easter* by Rev. Carroll Stuhlmüller, C.P.; information about saints, solemnities, feasts and memorials courtesy of the Catholic Culture web site.

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*MONTH OF MAY*  
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF A FAMILY TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY*

Most Blessed Virgin Mary,  
Immaculate Queen and Mother,  
the refuge and consolation of all troubled souls!  
I kneel here before thee with my family  
and choose thee for my Lady, Mother,  
and Advocate with God.

I dedicate myself and all who belong to me to thy service forever.  
I beg thee, O Mother of God,  
to receive us into the company of thy servants.  
Take us under thy protection.  
Help us in life and at the hour of our death.

Mother of Mercy,  
I name thee Lady and Queen of my family and relatives,  
my interests and all my undertakings.  
Take charge of them;  
dispose of everything as it pleases thee.

Bless me and all my family.  
Never let any of us offend thy Son.  
In every temptation defend us;  
protect us in every danger;  
provide for us in the necessities of life;  
counsel us in doubt;  
comfort us in every sorrow;  
in every sickness;  
and especially in the final sorrow of death.

Never let the powers of Hell boast that they have  
enslaved any of those who here consecrate themselves to thee.  
Grant that we may all enter into Heaven to thank thee and, in thy company,  
to praise and love Jesus our Redeemer for all eternity.

Amen.

### **SWAP- Sharing with Appalachian People** **Mission Trip**

All those planning to participate in the St. Joseph Church mission trip in June, please turn in your forms and payments to the Parish Office as soon as possible. If you have questions, please contact Matt Ritzert.

### **National Shrine of St. Dymphna**

**St. Mary Catholic Church**  
**206 Cherry Road N.E., Massillon, Ohio.**  
**Sunday, May 21, 2023**

You are invited to come celebrate St. Dymphna's Feast Day. Veneration and Novena beginning at 1:00 p.m. followed by Mass at 2:00 p.m. Following Mass there will be light refreshments and fellowship in the school gym.

### **Diocesan Senior Citizens Day**

**Tuesday, June 27, 2023**

**St. Catharine Church**

**500 S. Gould Road, Columbus, Ohio**

This annual event is a great opportunity of prayer, food and fellowship with senior citizens from the Diocese of Columbus. Bishop Fernandes will celebrate Mass at 10:00 a.m. Mass will be followed by a luncheon. The cost is \$20.00 per person. Registrations are requested by June 20th. For more information, please contact the Office of Social Concerns at 614-241-2540.



### **Other Information To Note:**

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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](mailto:stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com).

### **Homebound and Shut-in Ministry**

Do you know of anyone who is currently homebound and not able to get to Mass, but would like to receive the Eucharist weekly? Our Eucharistic Ministers are honored to visit with them. It can be temporary or long-term needs. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.



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### **St. Joseph Cemetery**

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

### **The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions**

**May 2023**

**For church movements and groups**

**We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.**



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# St. Joseph Seniors!

Our next meeting will be  
Wednesday, May 17, 2023  
12:00 p.m. Noon  
The Manor Restaurant in Strasburg.

**The menu will be fried fish and ham.**

## New members are welcome!

Our guest speaker will be  
Sheriff Orvis Campbell

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# Iglesias San José

## Ministerios Hispanos

### Sexto Domingo de Pascua

### 14 de Mayo del 2023



#### Calendario Litúrgico:

##### Misas en Español

**Domingo	21 de Mayo	1:00 p.m.**
Domingo	28 de Mayo	1:30 p.m.
Domingo	4 de Junio	1:30 p.m.

##### Confesiones

Antes de misa de español de 12:30 p.m. a 1:15 p.m.

##### Misas en Ingles

Sábados	4:00 p.m.
Domingos	8:30 a.m. y 11:00 a.m.

#### Intenciones de Oración del Santo Padre

##### Mayo 2023

Por los movimientos y grupos eclesiales  
Oremos para que los movimientos y grupos eclesiales  
redescubran cada día su misión evangelizadora,  
poniendo sus propios carismas al servicio de las  
necesidades del mundo.



#### Horario de los Coros

21 de Mayo	Reina de Los Ángeles
28 de Mayo	El Nuevo Sembrador
4 de Junio	Seguidores de Cristo
11 de Junio	Mensajeros de Cristo
18 de Junio	El Nuevo Sembrador
25 de Junio	Seguidores de Cristo

#### Notas Espirituales

En el Evangelio de hoy Jesús sigue hablando a los discípulos en la Última Cena. Sabiendo que él está a punto de dejar a ellos, él promete: "No los dejaré huérfanos," prometió el don del Espíritu Santo "para estar con ustedes siempre."

Muerte y resurrección de Jesús son parte del plan de Dios y dará lugar a una unión más profunda entre Jesús y sus seguidores. El don de "otro Defensor" nos asegura su presencia nunca acabar.

Irónicamente, la persecución de la iglesia conduce a su crecimiento. En Hechos, después de la muerte de Esteban, Felipe y otro diácono, va a "Samaria... (proclamando) el Cristo a ellos."

Que él es el poder del Espíritu se indica por el hecho de que habla con el poder. "La multitud prestaba atención a lo que se decía," y él hace milagros, exorcizar demonios y sanando a los que están paralizados o lisiado. Él está haciendo la obra de Jesús. Esta evangelización lleva a la visita de Pedro y Juan, que "oró por ellos" y "puso las manos sobre ellos," como resultado de lo cual "recibían el Espíritu Santo."

Pedro escribe con un conocimiento que los creyentes van a sufrir por su fe. Pero esto no nos debe desanimar, "Porque también Cristo padeció." Estamos llamados a ser ejemplos de la integridad, la práctica de la "mansedumbre y respeto," incluso en nuestro trato con los que nos persiguen. Nosotros también estamos llamados a ser un pueblo de esperanza, porque el sufrimiento de Cristo tiene un carácter único en él que nos lleva a Dios. El sufrimiento de Cristo nos une a Dios de una manera que nuestro sufrimiento no bastaría para lograr. Él murió, "el justo por el bien de los injustos."

*Para la reflexión: ¿Veo valor en el sufrimiento en mi vida? En la vida de los demás? ¿Cómo puedo experimentar la presencia del Espíritu en la iglesia?*



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.

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