

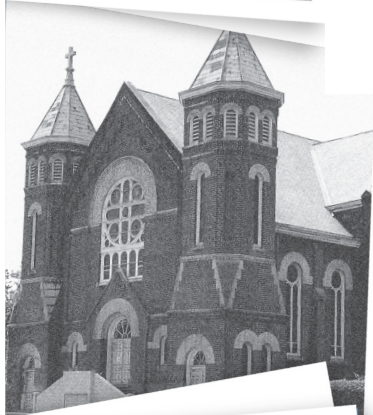


*In the spirit of St. Joseph, we lovingly
serve Jesus Christ and His people.*

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF

SAINT JOSEPH

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Dover, Ohio 44622
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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.

MASS TIMES

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.



St. Joseph Church

Dover, Ohio 44622

The Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 18 and 19, 2023

18 y 19 de Noviembre del 2023



Mass Intentions

Monday, November 20

No Mass

Readings: 497: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/
Ps 119/Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday, November 21

5:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary

6:00 p.m. Berdie Liegl

Readings: 498: 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3/Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday, November 22

8:15 a.m. Teresa Anne Rupp

9:00 a.m. Rosary

Readings: 499: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17/Lk 19:11-28

Thursday, November 23 (Thanksgiving)

9:00 a.m. Teresa Doriche

Readings: 684A: Sir 50:22-24/Ps 138/1 Cor 1:3-9/
Lk 17:11-19

Friday, November 24

No Mass

Readings: 501: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/(Ps) 1 Chr 29/
Lk 19:45-48

Saturday, November 25

**The Vigil for Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe**

4:00 p.m. Louis Magnacca

Sunday, November 26

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:30 a.m. Felicia Capozella

11:00 a.m. John and Katherine Gopp

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

Readings: 160: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23/
1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

Ministry Schedule

Tuesday, November 21 – 6:00 p.m. – Mary Salvo

Wednesday, November 22 – 8:15 a.m. – Matt Ritzert

Thursday, November 23 – 9:00 a.m. – Jeannine Kennedy

Friday, November 24 – No Mass

November 25, 2023

4:00 p.m.

Lectors: Bonnie Edwards - 1st Lector

Debbie Tristano - 2nd Lector

Eucharistic Ministers: Tim Avon, Jackie Hostetler,

Beth Cecil, Kateri Renicker, Steve DeBois,

Susan Murphy, Jessica DeBois

Ushers: Tim Avon, Roy Montan, Steve DeBois

Servers: Sofia Ionno, Alex Utuy, Dylan Utuy

November 26, 2023

8:30 a.m. Mass

Lectors: Keith Knestaut - 1st Lector

Nancy Allen - 2nd Lector

Eucharistic Ministers: Jan Michael LaBrake,

Andrea Settimio, Lou Settimio, Jack Burnham,

Matt Ritzert, John Kuczirka, Sharon Kuczirka

Ushers: Chris Chaney, Kelly Chaney, John Karl,

Max Burnham, Ronnie Saffell

Servers: Easton Pope, Nadia Pope, Brady Pope

11:00 a.m. Mass

Lectors: Mike Ernest - 1st Lector

Mark Clemence - 2nd Lector

Eucharistic Ministers: Elizabeth Clemence,

Marcus Clemence, Mary Elco, Patti DeVault,

Beth Ernest, Erin Deeds, Sue Worth

Ushers: Patti DeVault, Lindsay Williams,

Larry and Linda Clawson

Servers: Izzy Murphy, Nick Civiello, Megan Martinez

Offertory for November 11 and 12, 2023

Loose Cash and Checks	\$ 7,390.00
Adult Weekly Envelopes	\$ 5,039.00
Online Giving	\$ 675.00
Total	\$ 13,104.00

Other Funds

Poor Fund	\$ 281.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 60.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 20.00
St. Joseph School Subsidy	\$ 45.00
Other Collections	\$ 95.00

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.

Spiritual Notes

The Book of Proverbs is a collection of wise advice that was used for instruction of ancient Israel. Traditionally attributed to Solomon because of his reputation for great wisdom, many of these sayings were originally intended for young men. Their inclusion in the biblical text gives them a wider audience: all people are called to seek and embrace the way of the wise. In today's reading, we hear of the value of a "worthy wife." This text is sometimes read at funerals as a tribute to a woman whose value is far beyond pearls. The text reminds us of the importance of associating with good people in our lives. Paul's letter to the Thessalonians reminds us that there is more to life than this world. As Christians, we anticipate the day of the Lord. As believers, we are children of the light and we are called to live lives worthy of our status as God's children. We are called to stay alert and sober, not becoming distracted by unimportant things or falling into darkness. The apostle calls us to encourage one another in our common faith. In the parable of talents, Jesus calls us to make good use of what we have been given. The talents given to each of the servants represent a great amount of money. One talent was equivalent to approximately 6,000 days' wages. Each servant was given a different amount, according to his ability. The parable focuses on what each one did with the talents received. The master accuses the third servant of laziness. The third servant knew his master was demanding, but he didn't even put the money to work in what we would call a conservative financial plan "in the bank" to accrue interest; he merely buried the talent in the ground. Like him, we are called to make good use of what has been entrusted to us, for one day we will be called to give an accounting for our actions.

For reflection: What is my belief about the day of the Lord? How can I prepare for it?

The Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday, November 22nd, Thursday, November 23rd, and Friday, November 24th. If you have a Sacramental emergency, please call the office and leave a message. The voicemail is checked routinely.



A Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated on Thursday, November 23, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. This Mass gives each of us an opportunity to thank God for all the many blessings we enjoy each day. Each year, this

Mass concludes with a special blessing of the foods we will eat at our Thanksgiving Day meal. A table will be set up in front of the church for those foods. The collection at this Mass will be to support our Poor Fund.

O.C.I.A. Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

If you know of anyone who is interested in learning more about Catholicism and The Church's process for becoming Catholic, please encourage them to contact John Kuczirka at 330-343-9988.

Mark Your Calendars!

November 23, 2023

Thanksgiving Day

Mass – 9:00 a.m.

December 3, 2023

Confirmation Session 1

11:00 a.m. Mass

Followed by Session in the Family Life Center

**** Please note schedule change****

December 5, 2023

TCCES Reconciliation Service

10:00 a.m.

December 9, 2023

Knights of Columbus Spaghetti Dinner

Knights Hall – 5:00 p.m.

December 10, 2023

Lessons and Carols

6:00 p.m.

December 13, 2023

TCCES Christmas Play

St. Joseph Church - 6:00 p.m.

December 16, 2023

Breakfast with Santa!

Knights Hall – 9:00 a.m.

December 17, 2023

Family Faith Formation Family Day

TCCES Gym – 9:45 a.m.

December 20, 2023

St. Joseph Seniors

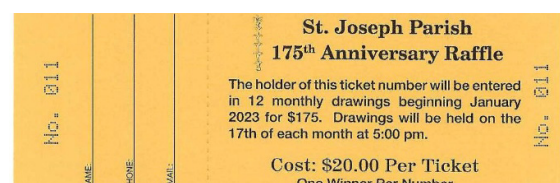
Ricardo's Party Center - Noon



The Giving Tree is displayed with multiple tags listing items needed for St. Joseph Families, Share A Christmas, Birthright, and Tuscarawas County Fostering Love. Unwrapped gifts should be placed under the tree with the tag attached. All cash donations should be placed in an envelope and put in the Collection Basket. **All gifts for Share A Christmas and Fostering Love must be received no later than Thursday, November 30th. Gifts for Birthright and donations for needy St. Joseph Families should be returned to the Parish Office by Sunday, December 10th.**

Our Advent Bible Study, Rejoice!

We will delve into the Sunday readings via brief videos and daily journal. The introductory session will be Sunday, November 26th and the brief weekly video plus group discussion will be all four Sundays of Advent, December 3, 10, 17, and 24 after the 8:30 a.m. Masses.



The last drawing of the year will be Sunday, December 17th at 5:00 p.m.
There are a few tickets still available!



Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary School



2023-2024 First Quarter Awards Congratulations! Well Done!

6th Grade

Honor Roll

Belinda Ajanel Gonzalez
Marleny Ajanel Tecum
Katelyn Breehl
Colt Fisher
Keily Gonzalez Hernandez
Lee Lee Plants

5th Grade

Honor Roll

Arabella Ankrom
Erick Bautista Garcia
Ethan Clements
Adeline Delahunty
Norelyz Duent
Gavin Goodall
Sofia Ionno
Levin McCahill
Marcus Plants
Dylan Utuy Rodriguez

6th Grade

Life Skills Award

Belinda Ajanel Gonzalez
Marleny Ajanel Tecum
Jennifer Ajanel Toc
Ella Bertsch
Adamari Huinac Santiago
Owen Menges
Cristian Sica Calel

5th Grade

Life Skills Award

Jocelyn Ajanel Tecum
Arabella Ankrom
Erick Bautista Garcia
Adeline Delahunty
Norelyz Duent
Gavin Goodall
Sofia Ionno
Dylan Utuy Rodriguez

The Neal Kwasnicka Tuition Assistance Catholic Foundation Endowment Fund

The Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary School, Tuition Assistance Fund named in honor of longtime custodian at Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary School, is being established by the St. Joseph Parishioners at his retirement with love and gratitude for his service to the community. If you would like to make a contribution to this new endowment fund that will provide tuition assistance to deserving students, who will attend TCCES in the future, please make your checks payable to either TCCES or the Catholic Foundation. For more information, please call the St. Joseph Parish Office.

Do you want to help our Catholic Schools financially?

In 2021, the Ohio Legislature created a new dollar for dollar tax credit for donations made to certified Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO) for nonpublic schools. What does this mean to you? Donors can receive up to \$750.00 per person per year or \$1,500.00 for those married filing jointly when you donate to scholarships for Catholic education. Donations can be restricted for scholarships at a specific school, or given to the unrestricted fund which can aid students in any school in the diocese. If you are interested in taking advantage of this tax credit or learning more information, please visit emmausroadscholarship.org.

St. Joseph Youth Ministry

Upcoming Dates!

November 19th – 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Holy Trinity

December 3rd – 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Family Life Center

More details to come!

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 Settimio or the Parish Office.

November 22, 2023 – Team L (Chrissie DeBois)

November 29, 2023 – Team M (Fran Mason)

December 6, 2023 – Team O (Pat Figuly)

December 13, 2023 – Team A (Mike and Jack)

**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	Canned Vegetables
Mac and Cheese	Pancake Mix
Spaghetti-Os	Deodorant

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



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For more information, visit www.kofcoho.org and click on JOIN US! Or contact Grand Knight, Larry Cihon at Lcihon@yahoo.com or 330-365-0393 for more details.

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)*

The month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

"Lord, teach me to be generous, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to look for any reward, save that of knowing that I do your holy will."

+PRAYER OF SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

Monday, November 20 ~ Thirty-Third Week in Ordinary Time

Holy Gospel: Luke 18:35-43 As Jesus approached Jericho a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging, and hearing a crowd going by, he inquired what was happening. They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." He shouted, "Jesus, Son of David, have pity on me!" The people walking in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent, but he kept calling out all the more, "Son of David, have pity on me!" Then Jesus stopped and ordered that he be brought to him; and when he came near, Jesus asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" He replied, "Lord, please let me see." Jesus told him, "Have sight; your faith has saved you." He immediately received his sight and followed him, giving glory to God. When they saw this, all the people gave praise to God.

Meditation: Have you ever encountered a special moment of grace, a once in a life-time opportunity you knew you could not pass up? Such a moment came for a blind and destitute man, named Bartimaeus (Mark 10:46-52). He was determined to get near the one person who could meet his need. He knew who Jesus was and had heard of his fame for healing, but until now had no means of making contact with the Son of David, a clear reference and title for the Messiah. It took raw courage and persistence for Bartimaeus to get the attention of Jesus over the din of a noisy throng who crowded around Jesus as he made his way out of town. Why was the crowd annoyed with the blind man's persistent shouts? He was disturbing their peace and interrupting Jesus' discourse. It was common for a rabbi to teach as he walked with others. Jesus was on his way to celebrate the Passover in Jerusalem and a band of pilgrims followed him. When the crowd tried to silence the blind man he overpowered them with his emotional outburst and thus caught the attention of Jesus.

Prayer: Stir up the will of your faithful, we pray, O Lord, that striving more eagerly to bring your divine work to fruitful completion, they may receive in greater measure the healing remedies your kindness bestows. 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: This incident reveals something important about how God interacts with us. The blind man was determined to get Jesus' attention and he was persistent in the face of opposition. Jesus could have ignored or rebuffed him because he was disturbing his talk and his audience. Jesus showed that acting was more important than talking. This man was in desperate need and Jesus was ready not only to empathize with his suffering but to relieve it as well. A great speaker can command attention and respect, but a man or woman with a helping hand and a big heart is loved more. Jesus commends Bartimaeus for recognizing who he is with the eyes of faith and grants him physical sight as well. Do you recognize your need for God's healing grace and do you seek Jesus out, like Bartimaeus, with persistent faith and trust in his goodness and mercy?

Tuesday, November 21 ~ Thirty-Third Week in Ordinary Time **Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Holy Gospel: Matthew 12:46-50 While He was still speaking to the people, behold, His mother and His brethren stood outside, asking to speak to Him. But He replied to the man who told Him, "Who is My mother,

and who are My brethren?" And stretching out His hand toward His disciples, He said, "Here are My mother and My brethren! For whoever does the will of My Father in heaven is My brother, and sister, and mother."

Meditation: Jesus is God's love incarnate - God's love made flesh (ref. 1 John 4:9-10). That is why Jesus describes himself as the good shepherd who lays down his life for his sheep and the shepherd who seeks out the sheep who have strayed and lost their way. God is like the father who yearns for his prodigal son to return home and then throws a great party for him when he repents and comes back. Jesus offered up his life on the cross for our sake, so that we could be forgiven and restored to unity with God. It is through Jesus that we become the adopted children of God - his own sons and daughters. That is why Jesus told his disciples that they would have many new friends and family relationships in his kingdom. Whoever receives the Sacrament of Baptism and who does the will of God is a friend of God and a member of his family.

Prayer: As we venerate the glorious memory of the most holy Virgin Mary, grant, we pray, O Lord, through her intercession, that we, too, may merit to receive from the fullness of your grace. 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: Our life with Jesus Christ changes the order of relationships and shows that true kinship is not just a matter of flesh and blood. Our adoption as sons and daughters of God transforms all our relationships and requires a new order of loyalty to God first and to his kingdom of righteousness and peace. The Sacrament of Baptism begins our life with Christ. "God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has freed you from sin, given you a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and welcomed you into his holy people" (Rite of Baptism). "*Name of Baptized*, you have become a new creation, and have clothed yourself in Christ" (Rite of Baptism). "Dearly beloved, this child has been reborn in baptism. He (she) is now called the child of God, for so indeed he (she) is" (Rite of Baptism). Do you want to grow in love and friendship? Allow God's Holy Spirit to conform your heart, mind, and will, enabling you to faithfully live and love as Christ does.

Wednesday, November 22 ~ Thirty-Third Week in Ordinary Time **Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr**

Holy Gospel: Luke 19:11-28 While people were listening to Jesus speak, he proceeded to tell a parable because he was near Jerusalem and they thought that the Kingdom of God would appear there immediately. So he said, "A nobleman went off to a distant country to obtain the kingship for himself and then to return. He called ten of his servants and gave them ten gold coins and told them, 'Engage in trade with these until I return.' His fellow citizens, however, despised him and sent a delegation after him to announce, 'We do not want this man to be our king.' But when he returned after obtaining the kingship, he had the servants called, to whom he had given the money, to learn what they had gained by trading. The first came forward and said, 'Sir, your gold coin has earned ten additional ones.' He replied, 'Well done, good servant! You have been faithful in this very small matter; take charge of ten cities.' Then the second came and reported, 'Your gold coin, sir, has earned five more.' And to this servant too he said, 'You, take charge of five cities.' Then the other servant came and said, 'Sir, here is your gold coin; I kept it stored away in a handkerchief, for I was afraid of you, because you are a demanding man; you take up what you did not lay down and you harvest what you did not plant.' He said to him, 'With your own words I shall condemn you, you wicked servant. You knew I was a demanding man, taking up what I did not lay down and harvesting what I did not plant; why did you not put my money in a bank? Then on my return I would have collected it with interest.' And to those standing by he said, 'Take the gold coin from him and give it to the servant who has ten.' But they said to him, 'Sir, he has ten gold coins.' He replied, 'I tell you, to everyone who has, more will be given, but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. Now as for those enemies of mine who did not want me as their king, bring them here and slay them before me.'" After he had said this, he proceeded on his journey up to Jerusalem.

Meditation: How does God establish his kingdom here on the earth? The Jews in Jesus' time had a heightened sense that the Messiah would appear soon to usher in the kingdom of God's peace and righteousness on the earth. Jesus, in fact, spoke in messianic terms of the coming reign of God. Perhaps his entry into Jerusalem would bring about such a change and overthrow of Roman domination. Jesus speaks to their longing for a new kingdom in the parable of a nobleman who went away to receive a kingdom. The parable reveals something important about how God works his plan and purpose with humans. The parable speaks first of the king's trust in his subjects. While he goes away he leaves them with his money to use as they think best. While there were no strings attached, this was obviously a test to see if the king's subjects would be faithful and reliable in their use of the money entrusted to them. Third, the king rewards those who are faithful and he punishes those who sit by idly and who do nothing with his money.

Prayer: O God, who gladden us each year with the feast day of your handmaid Saint Cecilia, grant, we pray, that what has been devoutly handed down concerning her may offer us examples to imitate and proclaim the wonders worked in his servants by Christ your Son. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Contemplation: The Lord Jesus has brought us his kingdom of righteousness and peace and he calls us to live as citizens of this kingdom where he rules as Lord and Master. The Lord entrusts us with his gifts and graces and he gives us freedom to use them as we think best. With each gift and talent, the Lord gives sufficient grace and energy for using them in a fitting way. As the parable of the talents shows, God abhors indifference and an attitude that says it's not worth trying. God honors those who use their talents and gifts for doing good. Those who are faithful with even a little are entrusted with more! But those who neglect or squander what God has entrusted to them will lose what they have. There is an important lesson here for us. No one can stand still for long in the Christian life. We either get more or we lose what we have. We either advance towards God or we slip back. Do you trust in God's grace to make good use of the gifts and talents he has given you?

**Thursday, November 23 ~ Thirty-Third Week in Ordinary Time
~ Thanksgiving Day ~**

Holy Gospel: Luke 17:11-19 As Jesus continued his journey to Jerusalem, he traveled through Samaria and Galilee. As he was entering a village, ten lepers met him. They stood at a distance from him and raised their voice, saying, "Jesus, Master! Have pity on us!" And when he saw them, he said, "Go show yourselves to the priests." As they were going they were cleansed. And one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned, glorifying God in a loud voice; and he fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. He was a Samaritan. Jesus said in reply, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" Then he said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."

Meditation: When we think about giving thanks to God, are you like the one leper who returned, or are you with the other nine who did not give thanks? Why would only one leper out of ten return to show gratitude? Gratefulness is related to "grace" – which means the release of loveliness. Gratitude is the homage of the heart which responds with graciousness in expressing an act of thanksgiving. The Samaritan approached Jesus reverently and gave praise to God. If we do not recognize and appreciate the mercy shown us we will be ungrateful. Ingratitude is forgetfulness or a poor return for kindness received. Ingratitude easily leads to lack of charity and intolerance towards others. It easily leads to lack of charity and intolerance towards others, as well as to other sins, such as discontent, dissatisfaction, complaining, grumbling, pride and presumption. How often have we been ungrateful to our parents, siblings, priests, teachers, co-workers, neighbors, waiters and waitresses, store clerks, and so many others? How often have we failed individually and collectively to give thanks to God? Now ask yourself: Why do I act this way? Am I that self-centered? Is not giving thanks part of my being? Let us give thanks to God today and every day, and adopt a life expressing gratitude and thanks to all from the heart, beginning first and foremost with God.

Prayer: Father all-powerful, your gifts of love are countless and your goodness infinite; as we come before you on Thanksgiving Day with gratitude for your kindness, open our hearts to have concern for every man, woman, and child, so that we may share your gifts in loving service. 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.

Contemplation: Is today, Thanksgiving Day, simply a day for feasting and football? Or have you given any thought to what this day is truly about – giving thanks to God for all that he has done for you, the great and the simple things in life, and life itself. Begin the day by giving true thanks to God – begin the day with Mass; family football games and community 5k runs and such can begin later, or our participation in them can be curtailed until *after* we have begun our day in prayer and in thanksgiving by attending Mass. As Americans, but more importantly as Catholics, may we be blessed with a fresh awareness of the loving Most Blessed Trinity from whom all good things come, may we give thanks for what has been bestowed upon us. On this Thanksgiving Day, and as we quickly approach the Season of Advent, may all of us have a renewed interest in helping those who are less fortunate – especially those with inadequate food, clothing and shelter, and reach out to help our brothers and sisters in Christ through our parish Saint Vincent de Paul Society, those served through other outreach locations throughout our Diocese (JOIN, Saint Joseph Cathedral Back Door Ministry, Saint Lawrence Haven, Bishop Griffin Center, Saint Francis Outreach Center (Vinton County), and many others).

About Thanksgiving Day: Many people assume that the United States has celebrated Thanksgiving Day since the time of the pilgrims as a sign of thanksgiving for the harvest season. This is not exactly true. President Abraham Lincoln instituted the holiday in 1863 during the Civil War. However, he did not have the harvest in mind. He wanted Americans to celebrate the holiday as a sign of unity and thanksgiving to God.

I do therefore invite my fellow citizens in every part of the United States, and also those who are at sea and those who are sojourning in foreign lands, to set apart and observe the last Thursday of November next, as a day of Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens” (President Abraham Lincoln, Proclamation, October 3, 1863).

There is no American holiday that so closely resembles the symbolism and meaning of the sacrament of the Eucharist. We celebrate Thanksgiving as a sign of American unity and thanksgiving to God who has given us great gifts.

Friday, November 24 ~ Thirty-Third Week in Ordinary Time Saint Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions, Martyrs

Holy Gospel: Luke 19:45-48 Jesus entered the temple area and proceeded to drive out those who were selling things, saying to them, “It is written, My house shall be a house of prayer, but you have made it a den of thieves.” And every day he was teaching in the temple area. The chief priests, the scribes, and the leaders of the people, meanwhile, were seeking to put him to death, but they could find no way to accomplish their purpose because all the people were hanging on his words.

Meditation: What do God's acts of judgments teach us? Do they inspire reverence for God, and for his holiness and majesty? Few seem to pay much attention to God's judgments today. His acts of judgments, nonetheless, are intended to bring us into greater purity, holiness, and reverence for God's word of truth and love. Jesus went to Jerusalem, knowing he would meet certain death on the cross, but victory as well for our sake. His act of judgment in the temple is meant to be a prophetic sign and warning to the people that God takes our worship very seriously. In this incident we see Jesus' startling and swift action in cleansing the temple of those who were using it to exploit the worshipers of God. The money changers took advantage of the poor and forced them to pay many times more than was right— in the house of the Lord no less! Their robbery of the poor was not only dishonoring to God but unjust toward their neighbor.

Prayer: O God, source and origin of all fatherhood, who kept the Martyrs Saint Andrew Dung-Lac and his companions faith to the Cross of your Son, even to the shedding of their blood, grant through their intercession, that, spreading your love among our brothers and sisters, we may be your children both in name and in truth. 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: The message in today's Gospel is short and simple: Grow in what you know is right, give praise to God for all the beauty and knowledge that continues to be created for us to enjoy and learn from the beauty and knowledge that enriches our lives. To be true to ourselves and not steal the qualities, the success, or what we see as the riches of others. Jesus has shared with us the Good News about how to love one another, to appreciate one another, to praise one another and to praise God for all that has been given uniquely to each of us. We are asked to continue to grow in our love of God and our fellow human beings and to not let those who are fearful, resentful or wrongfully prideful; steal our gifts or put to death our abilities to use our gifts to continue to enrich all of human kind.

Scripture passages (NAB translation) courtesy of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops;
prayers are from *The Roman Missal*, Catholic Book Publishing, 2011;
information about saints, solemnities, feasts and memorials courtesy of the Catholic Culture web site.

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*During November – the “Month of All Souls”— and beyond, really, please pray the following prayer
which was dictated to Saint Gertrude by Our Lord for the release of souls from Purgatory...*

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son Jesus Christ, in union with the most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the Universal Church, those in my own home, and within my family.
Amen.

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Walking with Moms in Need

The Parishes of Tuscarawas County recently joined a nationwide effort to increase outreach and support for pregnant and parenting mothers entitled, "Walking with Moms in Need." You are invited to follow our journey. We are also inviting you to join us in prayer for all of the mothers and families who are in need of support. But mostly, we are inviting you to join us in forming the most expansive network of people who want to do better at "Walking with Moms in Need."

To follow us, use the forms located in the vestibule to provide your name and email address. If you prefer, you can also share that information with us on our local website at WWMINTusc.com. Once a month, we will provide updates, progress reports, and stories of how we as a community can participate in the "Walking with Moms in Need" program.

To learn more about the nationwide initiative, you can visit walkingwithmoms.com. Thank you for joining us in this important journey!



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For more information on end-of-the-year giving to benefit St. Joseph, please contact Christy Steffy at 614-443-8893, ext. 110 or csteffy@catholic-foundation.org.



Christmas Flower Donation Envelopes are in your envelope packets for December. The cost is \$20.00 for three names. They must be returned by December 14, 2023.

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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.

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

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.

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When traveling, and you need to find information on the closest Catholic Church and the times for their Masses, please check out www.masstimes.org.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions November 2023

For The Pope

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

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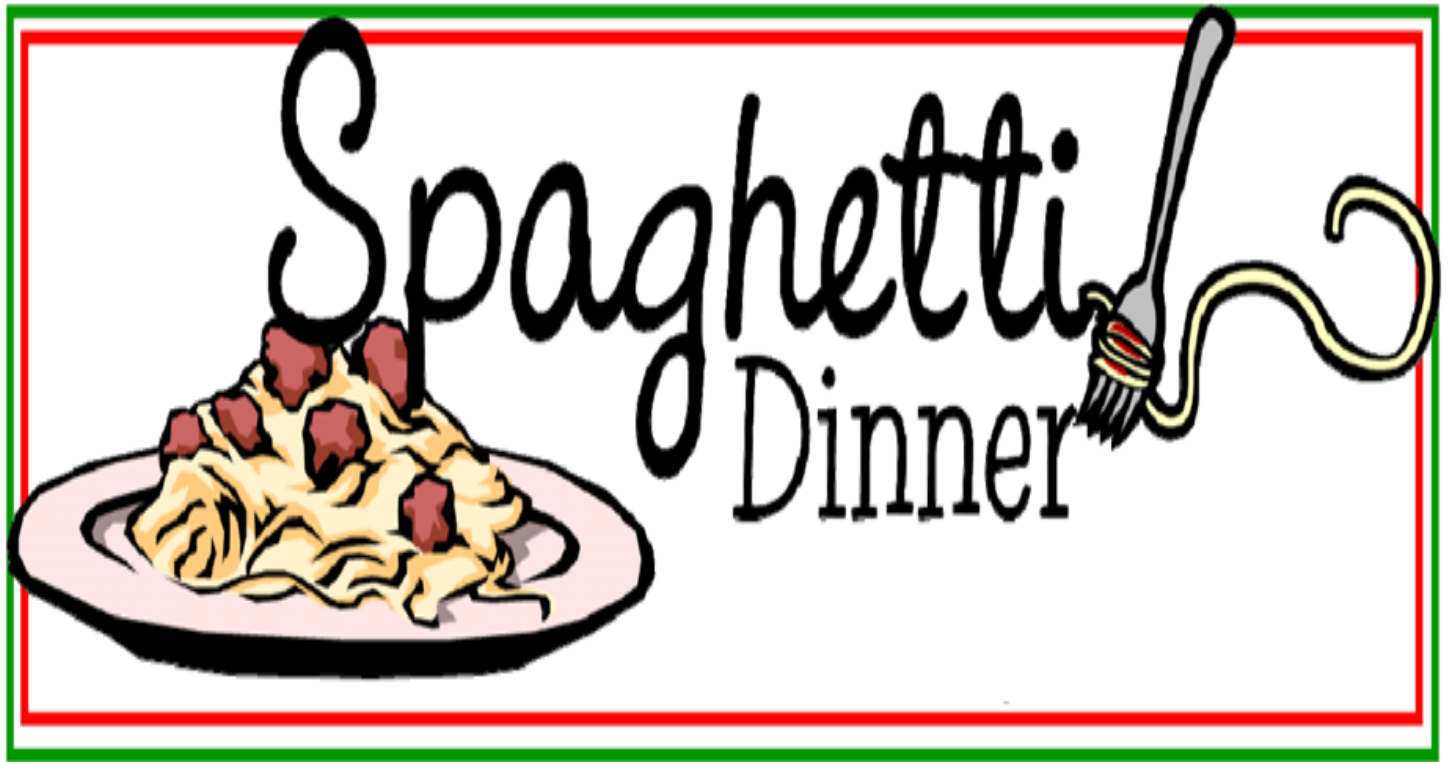


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Iglesias San José
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Trigésimo tercer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
19 de Noviembre del 2023



Calendario Litúrgico:

Misas en Español

Domingo	26 de Noviembre	1:30 p.m.
Domingo	3 de Diciembre	1:30 p.m.
Domingo	10 de Diciembre	1:30 p.m.

Confesiones

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

Misas en Ingles

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

Capilla de la Virgen de Guadalupe. Todos somos bienvenidos a venerar en la Capilla de la Virgen de Guadalupe. Podemos encender una vela que permanece prendida por tres días, con una donación de \$3.00. (2 velas por \$6.00, etc.). **Por favor usar sólo las velas de la Capilla.**

Notas Espirituales

El libro de Proverbios es una colección de consejos sabios que se utilizó para la instrucción en el antiguo Israel. Tradicionalmente se atribuye a Salomón debido a su reputación de gran sabiduría, muchos de estos dichos fueron pensados originalmente para los hombres jóvenes. Su incorporación en el texto bíblico les da un público más amplio: todas las personas están llamadas a buscar y abrazar el camino de los sabios. En la lectura de hoy escuchamos sobre el valor de "una digna esposa;" este texto se lee a veces en los funerales como un homenaje a una mujer cuyo valor es "mucho más allá de las perlas." El texto nos recuerda la importancia de la asociación con buenas personas en nuestras vidas. La carta de Pablo a los Tesalonicenses nos recuerda que hay más a la vida que este mundo. Como cristianos anticipamos "el día del Señor." Como creyentes somos "hijos de la luz," y por lo que estamos llamados a vivir una vida digna de nuestra condición de hijos de Dios; estamos llamados a "estar alerta y sobrio," no dejarse distraer por cosas sin importancia o caer en la oscuridad. El apóstol nos llama a "animarse unos a otros" en nuestra fe común. En la parábola de los talentos, Jesús nos llama a hacer un buen uso de lo que se nos ha dado. Los talentos dados a cada uno de los siervos representan una gran cantidad de dinero. Un talento era equivalente a aproximadamente a 6,000 días de salario. Cada siervo se le dio una cantidad diferente, según su capacidad." La parábola se centra en lo que hizo cada uno con los talentos recibidos. El maestro acusa al tercer siervo de la pereza. El tercer siervo sabía que su amo era exigente, pero él ni siquiera puso el dinero a trabajar en lo que llamaríamos un plan financiero conservador - "en el banco" a acumular intereses; él simplemente enterró el talento en la tierra. Al igual que él, estamos llamados a hacer buen uso de lo que se nos ha confiado a nosotros, porque un día seremos llamados a dar una explicación de nuestras acciones.

Para la reflexión: ¿Cuál es mi creencia sobre el "día del Señor"? ¿Cómo puedo prepararme para ello?



Día de Acción de Gracias

23 de Noviembre de 2023

Misa 9:00 a.m.

Intenciones de Oración del Santo Padre

Noviembre 2023

Por el Papa

Oremos por el Papa, para que en el ejercicio de su misión siga acompañando en la fe a la grey que le ha sido encomendada, con la ayuda del Espíritu Santo.



Horario de los Coros

26 de Noviembre	El Buen Pastor
3 de Diciembre	Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe
10 de Diciembre	El Nuevo Sembrador
17 de Diciembre	Seguidores de Cristo
24 de Diciembre	Mensajeros de Cristo
Misa a las 7:30 p.m.	

Clase de Bautismo: La próxima clase será en el Centro Familiar San José al 330-364-6661.

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



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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