ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

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February 9, 2025 Fífth Sunday ín Ordínary Tíme

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Mass 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Mass 6:30 p.m. Confessions 7:10 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Benediction 8:00 p.m.

PASTOR

Rev. Jeff Walker jwalker@delphosstjohns.org

ASSOCIATE PASTORS

Rev. Thomas Hunyor thunyor@delphosstjohns.org

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PARISH MANAGER

Sister Immacolata, SCC sccjoy@yahoo.com 570-815-1179

MUSIC DIRECTOR

Sister Mary Edward, SCC

BAPTISM

Please call the parish office three months prior to your child's baptismal date to schedule pre-baptismal instructions.

MATRIMONY

Please contact Sister Immacolata at least six months in advance to schedule your wedding preparation and celebration.

Today's Mass Intentions are for Jim Sindlecker and Danelda Roberts

You are Invited to a Birthday Party

The family of Father Hunyor wants to celebrate his entry into the "fabulous 40's." This milestone birthday party will take place on Saturday, February 22, in the basement of Landeck St. John the Baptist Church. Father's family wants us to join them, after their family dinner, for an enjoyable evening together—from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Mark your calendar now! If anyone would like to bring cookies, cupcakes, snacks, desserts, etc. or make a monetary donation, please see Sister Immacolata

Praying the Angelus

In response to a recent homily of Fr Jeff, we will be praying the Angelus after the Rosary on Sunday morning and Wednesday evening. Ken and Karen Schafer suggested that it would be a valuable addition to our parish prayer. Laminated copies of the prayer, with a picture of the Annunciation on the front, are available in the back of church. You are welcome to take one and learn or remember to pray it. The Angelus (named for the first word of the prayer) "The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary," recalls the moment of the Incarnation of the Lord. It is traditionally prayed at 6:00 am, noon, and 6:00 pm—accompanied by church bells, but is fitting to pray it at any time. Praying the Angelus is a way to sanctify the hours of the day and be conscious of God's presence morning, noon and night.

Opportunity to Serve OCIA Group

This year's group in the OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults; formerly RCIA) has been meeting every Thursday evening at one of our three parish sites: Delphos, Landeck, Spencerville. At present, they are in Landeck on Thursday evenings. We will start in Saint Patrick's on March 13th. If you would like to prepare a meal and/or a dessert for them, kindly contact Sister Immacolata.

Serra Club

The Serra Club of Lima Area, which exists to promote and support vocations to priesthood and religious life, will be meeting Thursday February 13 at Lima Central Catholic High School. Mass will begin at 5:45PM followed by dinner and a program. This month's speaker will be Matthew Etzkorn, VP of Mission for Mercy Health-Lima speaking on" Vocation in Health Care". Persons who have an interest in this topic or the mission of the Serra Club are welcome to attend as guests. If interested in attending, please respond to Kathy at 419-303-0339 no later than Tuesday, Feb 11.

Dilexi Nos

On February 14, we celebrate Valentine's Day. Throughout the month, on TV and internet, we are invited to remember those we love with a greeting or gift. Our



stores feature "hearts" of all sizes in their displays. What a perfect time to remember that Heart which loves all of us in a way surpassing all others: the Sacred Heart of Jesus! Here in St. Patrick's Church, the statue of the Sacred Heart is placed to the right of the Tabernacle, with the Immaculate Heart of Mary on the other side. Devotion to the Sacred Heart has existed in the Church for centuries. This year marks the 350th Anniversary of the apparitions of the Sacred Heart to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque. To mark this event, and to respond to the needs of our times, Pope Francis has written an encyclical letter on the Human and Divine Love of the Heart of Jesus Christ. It is entitled Dilexi Nos (He Loved Us) and calls for the rediscovery of "heart" as a way toward unity, peace and reconciliation in our world today.

The heart, the pope says, is the core of the person, the inner source that provides meaning and direction to all that a person experiences. The Heart of Jesus, he adds, "is an abyss of mercy and love," a love embracing us individually, and as a human family. He concludes: "Every one of us needs a change of heart...We need the help of God's Love. Let us turn, then, to the Heart of Jesus, that core of His being, which is a blazing fire of divine and human love and the most sublime fulfillment to which humanity can aspire. There, in that Heart, we truly come at last to know ourselves and learn how to love." If you want to be spiritually refreshed, take some time to google Dilexi Nos and read the history and testimony of the saints regarding devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, the King and Center of ALL Hearts.

March Chili-Cook Off

Cathy Lammers and Ericka Aller have consented to chair this enjoyable community building event. If you are interested, in making a chili please contact Cathy or Ericka ASAP. Now that our basement has become so much more family-friendly, we might relish the idea of taking time to be together in some flavorful, fun-filled, family-competition!

LANDECK CATHOLIC ORDER OF FORESTERS ANNUAL PRE-LENTEN MEAL Carry Out Only

Tuesday, March 4th 3:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Meal consists of...
Pulled pork, baked potato, coleslaw, baked beans, dinner roll, pickle & cookie
Everyone is Welcome/Presale
preferred

~Drive Thru Only~

\$10.00

Starting at 3:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Tickets will be sold on Sunday after 10:30 Mass

Welcome Retreat VII for Women

Women from St. John the Evangelist Parish in Delphos, St. John the Baptist Parish in Landeck and St. Patrick Parish in Spencerville are hosting a Women's Welcome Retreat on April 5th and 6th, 2025, at Delphos St. John. This is a spiritual renewal weekend designed to help women grow in their personal relationship with Jesus Christ and others in their faith community. It's a great opportunity for you, as a Catholic woman, to spend some time on yourself, while also renewing your understanding of the basic beliefs and traditions of your faith. Limited space is available. Please see Sister if you would like a registration form. For questions or additional information, please contact Lisa Recker at 419-236-3108 or Rosie Hoersten 419-204-5701. Please join us on April 5th and 6th as we all grow in our faith together...We hope to see you there.

Mark Your Calendars

March 2nd ~ Chili Feast after Mass

March 16th ~ Celebrate Parish Feastday ~Saint Patrick

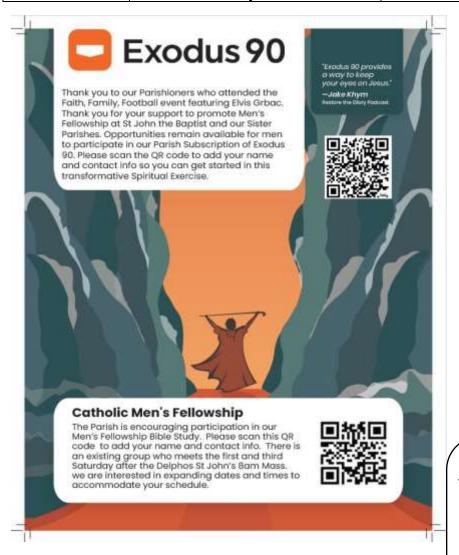
(More information will be coming.

If you can help with any of these events, please see Mic and Cathy Lammers, Ericka Aller or one of the Sisters.)



Ministry Schedule

| Fifth Week in Ordinary Time February 9 th ~ 10:30 a.m. Mass | | Sixth Week in Ordinary Time February 16 th ~ 10:30 a.m. Mass | |
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| Commentator | Scott Brown | Commentator | Kathy Keller |
| Reader | Elisha Wiss | Reader | Charlotte Goecke |
| Communion Distributors | Ann Bonito Sharon Keeran Colleen Richmond Choir: Ericka Aller | Communion Distributors | Kathy Goecke Janessa Minch Bill Wisher Choir: Mary Ellen Lenhart |
| Servers | Sam Goecke Cory Wannemacher Server Needed | Servers | Cooper Bowersock Owen Klausing Server Needed |
| Money Counters | Lynn and Mary Fell Tony and Amy Kahle | Money Counters | Lynn and Mary Fell Tony and Amy Kahle |
| Mass Set-Up | Henry Wiss | Mass Set-Up | Cody Minch |



Last Weekend's Gifts

February 2, 2025

Total Offering: \$ 1,607.00

Sunday Envelopes: \$ 972.00 Children's Loose: \$21.00

Loose: \$247.00

Latin America Churches: \$17.00

PSR: \$4.00

Parish Development Goal: Total \$83,000 Received as of February 6th: \$32,500

Thank You!

Looking toward LENT (Plan Now!) Additional Mass:

Thursdays -7:00 a.m. at Saint Patrick's

(Confessions follow at 7:30)

Begins March 6th.