ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

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February 2, 2025 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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PARISH MANAGER

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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 Paul and Danelda Roberts and Gertrude Corl

Blessing of Throats

TOMORROW Monday, February 3, the feast of St. Blaise, a 4th century Bishop and Martyr, there will be an individual blessing of throats at the 8:00 a.m. Mass at Delphos St. John the Evangelist and the 7:00 p.m. Mass at Landeck St. John the Baptist Churches. This long-standing tradition has its roots in the life of St. Blaise who, on his way to martyrdom, miraculously cured a young boy who was choking on a fish bone. The blessing asks that the recipient be delivered from any illness of the throat and every other illness. It will take place after the General Intercessions.

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. If you would like to prepare a meal and/or a dessert for them, kindly contact Sister Immacolata.

Consecrated Life: What Really Is It?

Consecrated life is a gift to the Church. It is a call from God to a particular way of following Him. A call to belong completely to Christ and to live as He did – in celibacy, obedience and poverty. A call to live a rule (way of life) written by holy men and women with a particular spirituality—ex. Franciscan, Blood, Jesuit, Notre Dame, Mercy, Redemptorist, Dominican. Those in consecrated life respond to this call through the vows, lived in community, for the sake of a mission entrusted to them by the Church. They live for God. God is the primary focus and center of all they are and do! Like Christ, they give themselves in service to others in many different ministries, ex: education, healthcare, retreat work, contemplative life, service to the poor. Our two Sisters here, the Sisters of Christian Charity, follow the charism of Blessed Pauline von Mallinckrodt. It is one of joy, energy and enthusiasm in works of charity, flowing from intimacy with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. We live a Godcentered life in active service to others. "My hands at work, my heart with God." The simple, gold 'wedding band' on our finger expresses the reality that we are His. Completely. And therefore, sent to share His Love and Life with the world. If you would like to know more about consecrated life, or have any questions, just talk to any of our Notre Dame Sisters in Delphos, or to either of us here. We would enjoy sharing more about the gift of consecrated life in the Church!

Blessing of Candles

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, commonly known as Candlemas Day, is being celebrated **TODAY**, February 2. The blessing of candles, used for church and for individual homes, will take place immediately before all the Masses in Delphos, Landeck and Spencerville. Blessed candles celebrate Christ as the Light of the World and His abiding presence with us.

Women of Welcome

Save the Date - The Women of Welcome will be having their Annual Retreat on April 5-6, 2025. This is a spiritual renewal weekend designed to help women grow in their personal relationship with Jesus Christ and others in their faith community. More details to follow. You do not want to miss this opportunity. Mark your calendar for April 5-6, 2025.

March Chili-Cook Off

It has been suggested that we think about hosting a pre-Lenten "Chili-Cook-off" here at St. Patrick's. Ash Wednesday is on March 5 this year. Sunday, March 2, is available for this great event! 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. Thank you to all who have contributed their signature soups to our monthly Souper-Sundays from November-February. 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!

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.

Mark Your Calendars

<u>February 9th</u> ~ Second Sunday soup sale after Mass <u>March 2nd</u> ~ 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 or one of the Sisters.)



A Mission For Revival

THREE EVENINGS WITH FR. JEFF WALKER

Pray the Mass more actively.

Receive Communion more fruitfully

Adore the Lord more faithfully.

The Mission begins at 7:00pm each evening.

The two missions will be identical, so feel free to mix-and-match locations.

The CATHOLIC PARISHES of DELPHOS, LANDECK, and SPENCERVILLE

Saint John the Evangelist | Saint John the Baptist | Saint Patrick



REMEMBER

Sunday, March 9 - Spencerville Monday, March 24 - Delphos



RECIEVE

Monday, March 10 - Spencerville Tuesday, March 25 - Delphos



REMAIN

Tuesday, March 11 - Spencerville Wednesday, March 26 - Delphos

Ministry Schedule

Fourth Week in Ordinary Time February 2 nd ~ 10:30 a.m. Mass		Fifth Week in Ordinary Time February 9 th ~ 10:30 a.m. Mass	
Commentator	Dorothy DeVilbiss	Commentator	Scott Brown
Reader	Cristy Wilker	Reader	Elisha Wiss
Communion Distributors	Deacon John Robin Lammers Terry Lammers Choir: Ben Wilker	Communion Distributors	Ann Bonito Sharon Keeran Colleen Richmond Choir: Ericka Aller
Servers	Lillie Seibert Sophia Seibert Angel Seibert	Servers	Sam Goecke Cory Wannemacher 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	Allen Merricle	Mass Set-Up	Henry Wiss

Looking toward LENT (Plan now!)

Additional Mass:

Thurdays-7:00 a.m. at Spencerville (Confessions follow at 7:30)

Begins March 6.

More Important Information

Mass Offerings

If anyone would like a Mass offered, we have many Sunday and Wednesday evenings open at either 10:30 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. Please stop by the parish office or put a note in the collection basket. The requested donation is \$10.00. Masses are a beautiful gift for the living and deceased as well as for a birthday, anniversary, or special intention.

Last Weekend's Gifts

January 26, 2025

Total Offering: \$ 1,430.00

Sunday Envelopes: \$ 1,232.00 Children's Loose: \$31.00

Loose: \$96.00 Initial Offering: \$10.00 Latin America Churches: \$41.00

PSR: \$20.00

Parish Development Goal: Total \$83,000 Received as of January 30th: \$30,500

Thank You!

Are you in need of a Full-Service Venue?

Wedding * Graduation * Reunion Birthday * Retirement * Anniversary

Services: Full Linen, Set-Up, Catering, Complete Bar Packages, Event Coordinators

Delphos Knights of Columbus #1362 1011 Elida Road

419.692.7731 – webmaster@delphoskofc.org

ALL MARRIED COUPLES - UPCOMING DATE NIGHT

We invite ALL Married couples to the Marriage Encounter Dinner and Dance. It is not necessary to have been encountered.

WHEN: Sunday, Feb 2, 2025

MASS: 3 p.m. at Holy Family Catholic Church, New Cleveland, Ohio

DINNER: 4:30 p.m. at the Ottawa K of C Hall

DANCE: 5:30 p.m.

TICKETS: \$40.00 per couple. Cash Bar

Contact Gene and Janet Siefker at 419-234-2572 to purchase your ticket. We hope you will join this event celebrating the sanctity of marriage! Come for one part of the event or all.

Our Wednesday evening schedule for parish Mass and PSR classes.

6:30 p.m. Holy Mass

7:15 p.m. Adoration and Confession

8:00 p.m. Benediction

Our PSR program opens with Mass each week. Class follows. Parents and families (drop-offs and pick-ups) have an option for prayer at both the beginning and end of the evening.