ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

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May 11, 2025 Fourth Sunday of Easter 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.

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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 is in honor of Don and Nicky Davis and all Mothers and Grandmothers

Congratulations

Blessings on all Mothers, Grandmothers and all mother figures in our lives. Please know today we take time to thank God for the gift of YOU!

Landeck CLCs

Meeting this Tuesday, May 13th, 6:30 p.m. We will have a carry-in plus entertainment. Please come and bring a covered dish. Main meat dish will be provided.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Today is the 62nd World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Catholics throughout the world are invited to pray for and promote vocations. Initiated by Pope Paul VI during the Second Vatican Council in 1964, the purpose of this day is to help all of us respond to God's call in our own lives and to support all those who are discerning how to best respond to the needs of today in the vocation to which God calls them. In March, Pope Francis wrote a message for this day: "Every vocation gives rise to an impulse of love and service, as an expression of hope and charity, rather than a means of self-promotion. Vocation and hope go together in God's plan for the happiness of each person, all of whom are called to give their lives for others."

Speaking of vocations, on Thursday Pope Leo XIV's middle brother, John Prevost, told a newscaster (our new Pope is the youngest of three boys): "When Robert was in the first grade, a neighbor told him he would be the first American pope. He always wanted to be a priest. He knew right away. I don't think he's ever questioned it." As a child, he "played priest. The ironing board was the altar." Do you know someone in your family or neighborhood who would make a great priest or sister? Now is the time to tell them!

Congratulations

Congratulations to all our High School and College graduates. Please remember our seniors at Delphos Jefferson who will graduate on May 17th, Saint John's who will graduate on May 18th and <u>Spencerville on</u> <u>May 25th.</u> Please know that your fellow parishioners are extremely proud of you. May you always know and experience the great love that God has for you. As you continue on your path to holiness, please remain close to God and surround your life with people who help you on your journey. <u>We will celebrate our High</u> School seniors at our 10:30 Mass on May 25th. Graduates contact Sister Immacolata if you are able to attend.

"Make a Difference Day" More than a dozen students from Spencerville High School arrived at St. Patrick's Church on Wednesday



morning, May 15, at 8:00 a.m. to give helping hands and youthful energy to a day of service to our parish. We are grateful for their work of cleaning, washing, wiping down, polishing, dusting, etc. inside the church and outdoors. We are also grateful to the generous group of parish volunteers who offered their services guiding and directing the students for the day. Our parish is most grateful to all who came and "made a difference."

Last Day of PSR Class, 6:00 p.m. Mass

This coming Wednesday, May 14, will be the last session of our PSR Program for this scholastic year. The evening will begin with **Holy Mass at 6:00 p.m**. followed by an outdoor Procession to Our Lady's Grotto and **May Crowning**. The evening will close with a **picnic supper** (hamburgers on the grill) and games, prepared by the Confirmation Class and HS students.



40th and 50th Wedding Anniversaries

During the Mass on First Communion Day, two special wedding anniversaries were celebrated. A renewal of the Marriage Vows and Nuptial Blessing

of Brad and Sharon Keeran (40th) and Terry and Robin Lammers (50th), were included in the Liturgy. The witness of the fidelity of these couples over so many years was an inspiration to us all.

Please pray for...

Mel and LouAnn Klima, Tom Klausing, Rory Krouskop, Bob Lammers, Kevin Schnipke and Hailey Wannemacher.

Prayer for our New Pope XIV

The election of Pope Leo XVI was a gift to both the universal church and our own United States of America! As we offer him our loyalty and continuing prayers, let us join the entire Church in praying for him with these words from the Roman Missal.

O God, who in your providential design willed that your Church be built upon blessed Peter, whom you set over the other Apostles, look with favor, we pray, on Leo our Pope, and grant that he, whom you have made Peter's successor, may be for your people a visible source and foundation of unity in faith and of communion. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

Wednesdays for Jesus (May 21-September 3)

Everyone in the parish is invited to draw closer to Christ this summer. In addition to our Sunday Mass at 10:30 a.m., we are blessed to have a mid-week evening Mass at 6:30 p.m. followed by Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary and the opportunity for Confession. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament closes each evening at 8:00 p.m. If you haven't yet experienced this time of grace, peace and spiritual growth, please put it on your summer schedule. You will be happy that you did! Wouldn't it be wonderful if our young people (and all of us) would come—and deepen our faith!

Maintenance Team Meets

Our maintenance team has identified several projects which we need to accomplish for the upkeep of our church building and property. They include the following:

- Renovation of the basement bathrooms
- Painting the basement
- Replacing all screens in church (completed)
- Repairing spouting
- Stopping bathroom leak to basement
- Checking/touching up calking around all windows
- Dealing with the chipping around the outside of the garage

- Identifying storage space for basement items during epoxying process



In addition, we are also looking into the need to replace the gutters on the right south side of the church. If anyone is able to offer help with any of the above mentioned projects, kindly contact Sister Immacolata. Thank you very

Last Weekend's Gifts May 4, 2025 Landeck St. John the Baptist **Catholic Church** Total Offering: \$ 2,265.00 Sunday Envelopes: \$1,1185.00 BREAKFAST Music Ministry: \$25.00 SAUSAGE, PANCAKES, EGGS, Maintenance: \$832.00 **COFFEE & JUICE** PSR Envelopes: \$20.00 SUNDAY, May 18th Loose: \$203.00 in the Landeck Church Basement Serving 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Parish Development Goal: **Free Will Offering** Total \$83,000 Received as of May 6th: \$35,655 Proceeds go toward Capital Campaign **Thank You!**

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Ministry Schedule

Fourth Sunday of Easter May 11 th ~ 10:30 a.m. Mass		Fifth Sunday of Easter May 18 th ~ 10:30 a.m. Mass	
Commentator	Scott Brown	Commentator	Kathy Keller
Reader	Tiffany Seibert	Reader	Bev Wisher
Communion Distributors	Robin Lammers Terry Lammers Janessa Minch Choir: Sister Immacolata	Communion Distributors	Sharon Keeran Alan Wynk Marie Wynk Choir: Ericka Aller
Servers	Lillie Seibert Sophia Seibert Angel Seibert	Servers	Aliyah Minch Owen Klausing Parishioner Needed
Money Counters	Scott and Pam Brown Pat Warnecke	Money Counters	Scott and Pam Brown Pat Warnecke
Mass Set-Up	Cody Minch	Mass Set-Up	Bill Wisher

Our Parish History

In 1877, St. Patrick Parish became a mission of St. Mary's, Van Wert after being a mission of Landeck since 1868. At this time Masses in Spencerville began to be celebrated on a monthly basis. Around this time, the parish of 12 families grew to 50 families. This was because of the discovery of oil in the area. Sometime in the 1880s, the parish became a mission of Delphos, St. John. The parish would remain a mission of Delphos until about 1954. ~Written by Jack Bockey

