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NOVEMBER 24, 2024
SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD
JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

PASTOR

Rev. Jeff Walker
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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 Joan McClintock and Shirley Hamilton

Dear Friends,

What a wonderful weekend to welcome Bishop Walsh back to our parishes in Delphos, Landeck, and Spencerville! Special thanks to all of the volunteers who made our liturgies beautiful last weekend and to all those who worked to make the reception at the Knights of Columbus hall a success. At his ordination Mass, Bishop Walsh mentioned that the most influential practice for his faith was instilled by his parents—to attend Mass every Sunday and on Holy Days of Obligation without fail. We're going to have a special opportunity for grace coming up in just a few weeks...

December 7-9 is going to prove to be a busy few days! Bishop Thomas will be here that weekend to install me as pastor of all three parishes. I warmly invite you to join the Bishop and I for Holy Mass on Saturday, December 7 at 4:30pm in Delphos, Sunday, December 8 at 8:30am in Landeck, and Sunday, December 8 at 10:30am in Spencerville.

Monday, December 9 is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is normally celebrated on December 8, but because that falls on a Sunday of Advent this year, the Solemnity—and the obligation to attend Holy Mass—is transferred to Monday, December 9 this year. Since there are *two* days of obligation (Sunday of Advent and Monday Holy Day), that means you'll need to plan to attend *two* Masses during that three-day weekend. Please see the chart enclosed to help you fulfill your obligation to attend Mass for both days—choose one from each section and you're good to go.

Please note that the 4pm Mass on Sunday, December 8 will be in Spanish. This will be our annual celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe, to which the entire parish is invited! Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, ruega por nosotros!

Yours in Christ, Fr. Jeff

Landeck 5:30 p.m. Mass Cafe Team

We would like to extend an invite for all to come and eat delicious meals every 2nd and 4th Sunday of each Month. Bring your family. Come and enjoy time with fellow parishioners. No need to cook anything. Just bring your love for food. Want to share a recipe with parishioners? We, of course, welcome new recipes. Landeck St John Facebook page will have more details of food. Come where friends meet!

Gift of Parish Patrons

Last weekend, Bishop Dennis Walsh was gifted with matching gold framed photos of the patron saints of our three sister-parishes: the large St. John the Evangelist painting which hangs in the back of our Delphos parish, the original 1873 painting of St. John the Baptist baptizing Jesus, which now adorns the front and center of our restored Landeck Church and the statue of St. Patrick in the front left side of our Spencerville parish. We hope that Bishop Walsh will continue his prayers for us here in NW Ohio! Also, we are grateful to Andrea Renner of Landeck who took the photos and selected the frames.

Christmas Shoebox Project

Saint Patrick's will once again be heading up the *Christmas Shoebox Project* for the Spencerville Community Samaritans Food Pantry. Look below for how you can help prepare gift boxes for our local youth (age 0-14 yrs.).

- 1) Select a star from the board at the Church entrance and return an unwrapped \$5-10 gift for your specific 'star-child'
- 2) Donate small items for the shoeboxes (Ex: art supplies, winter hats, socks, hot wheels, small dolls, balls, hair necessities, small hygiene items, individually wrapped candies, any items for children up to 14 yrs.)
- 3) Give a monetary donation, and let our PSR students do the shopping for you! (Monetary donations will be collected on November 24th and December 1st)

All items and donations must be turned in by **December 8**, so that we can complete the project in a timely manner. Thank you for your wonderful generosity every year!

~ It's that time of year again to bring a little JOY to some young children of Spencerville. St. Patrick's is 1 of 8 churches in Spencerville that participate in the Community Samaritan ANGEL Tree Program. St. Patrick's has been assigned 2 local children to provide basic clothing gift items, (socks, shirts, pants). Please see the board in the entry of church to choose an ANGEL to help make their Christmas bright! Each ANGEL identifies which item, gender, and size it is for. Your ANGEL gift should be wrapped with the ANGEL tag attached to the package. Please return wrapped gifts to St. Patrick's by December 8, 2024. If you have any questions, please contact Terry or Robin Lammers.

Advent Booklets

Our parish has purchased Advent booklets with daily reflections, practices, and prayers. I hope that you will use them to help grow closer to the miracle of the birth of Jesus!

Thanksgiving Day Mass in Landeck

Will be at 9:00 a.m. This is a beautiful way to Thank God for all the many blessings we have received. The offertory collection is saved for the needs of the poor and needy throughout the year. All are invited!

Important Information About PSR/Holy Mass

Our **new 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 will open with Mass each week. Class will follow. Parents and families (drop-offs and pick-ups) will now have an option for prayer together at both the beginning and end of the evening.

Dates to Put On Your Calendar!

- Sunday, **December 8**, Bishop Daniel Thomas will be here at the 10:30 am Mass to install Father Jeff Walker as the new pastor of Saint Patrick Church.
- Monday, **December 9**, is the transferred Holy Day of Obligation for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Mass attendance is required.
- The Delphos Ministerial Group will host their annual Advent/Christmas Concert at 7:00 pm that evening at Delphos St. John's Church on December 9th. All are invited.

Save the Date

We are excited to announce St. John's will return to 4 - H Camp Palmer May 29 - May 31. This is for anyone currently in grades 3 - 12. Stay tuned for more information.

An Invitation to Stewardship

Now that the harvest season is here, there are opportunities to support your local parish and its needs "Through Gift of Grain." Your participation can help with current improvement projects, and serve both the Lord and our community with a grain gift. Pray about it.

Immaculate Conception Parish in Ottoville is now accepting resumes for a Parish Secretary! We are seeking to fill this position as soon as possible. We are looking for a candidate with office and software experience and has a service-oriented disposition. Experience with Microsoft Publisher is also very helpful for the weekly parish bulletin work. This position is ideal for a candidate looking for a 25-30 hour per week job. This position is benefits eligible and is great for candidates who are looking for free afternoons and evenings and weekends off. Please stop by Immaculate Conception Parish Office to drop off a resume and pick up the job description and application.

Thanks,

Jill Hablitzel

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Last Weekend's Gifts November 17, 2024

Total: \$1,613.00

Sunday Envelopes: \$1,252.00

Loose: \$185.00

Children's Loose: \$70.00

PSR: \$40.00

Campaign for Human Devel: \$66.00

Thank You!



Ministry Schedule

| 34 th Sunday in Ordinary Time November 24 th ~ Mass Liturgy- 10:30 am | | 1 st Sunday of Advent December 1 st ~ Mass Liturgy- 10:30 am | |
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| Commentator | Dorothy DeVilbiss | Commentator | Scott Brown |
| Reader | Mary Ellen Lenhart | Reader | Ann Bonito |
| Communion Distributors | Jim Bowersock Mary Ellen Lenhart Bill Wisher Choir: Kathy Goecke | Communion Distributors | Mike Lammers Robin Lammers Terry Lammers Choir: Dave Butorac |
| Servers | Cooper Bowersock Owen Klausung Angel Seibert | Servers | Will Sensabaugh Owen Sensabaugh Blake Sensabaugh |
| Money Counters | Mark and Kathy Goecke Brad and Sharon Keeran | Money Counters | Bill and Bev Wisher Alan and Marie Wynk |
| Mass Set-Up | Henry Wiss | Mass Set-Up | Bill Wisher |

A Note from Mary Lou Weber

In appreciation for Sister Immacolata's countless hours of work here in Spencerville, St. Patrick and Landeck St. John the Baptist Parish, we would like to send her on a well-deserved vacation to Italy to see some of her family. She always said, after we get the two churches complete, she would love to go to Italy. As we all heard from Bishop Walsh last week at Mass, we are collecting money to make this happen. If you would like to donate to this very worthy cause, please see Ann Bonito or Bill Wisher. If you want to write a check, please make it out to Sister Immacolata with Italy in the memo line. If you have any questions, please call the office. 419-692-0636. Thank you!

THANK YOU!

Parish Development Goal: Total \$83,000
Received as of November 22nd: \$29,566

Christmas Poinsettias

Once again, we will be decorating the church for Christmas with beautiful poinsettias. The cost is a donation offering of whatever you feel is appropriate and can afford. Please fill out this form and place it in the collection with your payment or drop it off at the Parish Office by **Sunday December 15th**.

Purchaser's Name: _____

In memory of (someone that has passed away)

In honor of: (ex. Birthday, Ann., Thinking of You, etc....)

