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JULY 21, 2024
16TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday 6:00 p.m.

PASTOR

Bishop Elect Dennis Walsh
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ASSOCIATE PASTORS

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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 intention is for Dorothy Shafer

Invitation to "Source and Summit"



This afternoon, from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. at Delphos St. John the Evangelist Church, there will be a "Eucharistic Learning Session" followed by a period of prayerful Adoration. Father Joseph Mominee will be presenting a sacred lesson on how the Mass is the beginning and completion of all our prayer: "The Source and Summit of the Christian Life."

History of OUR Local Parishes



In early 1867, Fr. Frances Westerholt made monthly trips from Delphos to the Catholics of Van Wert. A mission was established and served by the pastors of Delphos. Until 1869, a room

at the home of Peter Roach was used for mass. In July 1869, Fr. Hoeffel purchased two lots facing South Chestnut Street. There was a small house on one of the lots, which was converted into a chapel. In the summer of 1874, work was begun on a brick church. Volunteers from Van Wert and from St. John's in Delphos hauled the donated stone for the foundation of the new church. The new St. Mary's Church, costing \$4,000, was dedicated in 1876. St. Mary's continued to be a mission church until December of 1876 when the Bishop of Cleveland appointed Fr. J. H. Leddy as the first resident pastor. In 1957, ground was bought on Jennings Rd. for a new school and church. The new church was dedicated in May of 1965.

Fr. Brem of Landeck would also occasionally travel to Van Wert to say Mass, making Van Wert a daughter parish of Landeck. ~Written by Jack Bockey

Helpers Needed at Van Wert Fair

The *Sausage Trailer* of the Venedocia Lions needs workers for the Van Wert Fair! Adults and teens are invited to volunteer some time and energy at this popular summer event from August 26 – September 2. If there is not more help available, the Trailer may have to cut back or eventually stop its service. Please contact Sister Immacolata if you are able to help! Thank you.



Bishop- Elect Walsh Prepares for New Mission

Our pastor is in the midst of making preparation for his consecration as the Bishop of Davenport, Iowa. As we give thanks for his years of service here in our three sister-parishes, we also want our prayers, best wishes and support to accompany him in his new call to serve! At times like this, people often ask "Is there something he needs that we can give him?" A monetary gift is always welcome. However, there are several liturgical vestments and specific items which a Bishop needs in order to fulfill his tasks properly. If anyone would like to give a very practical gift, which he will definitely use, you can contact Sister Immacolata, who has a registry and is willing to coordinate requests from parishioners of Spencerville St. Patrick, Landeck St. John the Baptist and Delphos St. John's. Thank you!

Basement Renovation Continues

Each week there are new developments in the renovation of our Church basement! The walls have now been primed and painted and the floor scrubbed several times. New ceiling tiles are being donated by a generous family and will be installed in the near future. Because of financial constraints, the epoxy flooring may have to be postponed for a while. (*A letter explaining our current financial situation and itemizing costs will be mailed to every family during the next week. After that, we can determine what is possible*). The sliding walls are being donated by a generous donor and will be shipped in the coming days. When they arrive and are installed, we will need a volunteer team to get the PSR classrooms ready. In the meantime, we hope to have a summer social (with refreshments) to clean the lights, windows and entire kitchen area with its appliances, dishes, cupboards, etc. and the pre-K room with its furniture. How grateful we all can be for the wonderful work that is being done here at St. Patrick's! Thank You!

Renowned Catholic Speaker

Save the date! On Tuesday, September 10, Delphos St. John is hosting an event with Catholic speaker Jason Evert. Jason has traveled 6 continents and spoken to more than 2 million people. You won't want to miss this event for teens and parents!

Offertory Gift Bearers

If your family would like to take up the gifts, please approach the gift table as soon as the ushers are past the front section of pews when taking up the collection. Please wait and stand by the table until Father and the servers approach the steps.

Venedocia Lions Invites New Members

For 60 years, the Venedocia Lions have enriched our area with their works of charity and very famous sausage! Recently, they have been reaching out to nearby towns and villages to strengthen their mission of supporting service projects throughout the Van Wert County community and northwest Ohio. They are recruiting new members—both men and ladies. If you are interested in working with a great organization that exists to do good and help others, kindly consider joining! Their good works include granting scholarships for students, helping families in need, supporting youth at local fairs, collecting eyeglasses, etc. The current membership and calendar of events is listed on their website at venedocia.lions@gmail.com. If interested, contact Sister Immacolata for more information.



**We are grateful that we are able to
have a 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Mass during the
summer months.**

**(Adoration beginning at 5:00 p.m.
Rosary at 5:30 and
then Benediction at 5:50 p.m.)**

**Last Weekend's Gifts
July 14, 2024**

Total: \$1,558.62

Sunday Envelopes: \$ 1,377.00
Loose: \$149.62
Children's Loose: \$3.00
PSR: \$29.00

Thank You!

Ministry Schedule

16 th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 21 st ~ Mass Liturgy- 10:30 am		17 th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 28 th ~ Mass Liturgy- 10:30 am	
Commentator	Scott Brown	Commentator	Elisha Wiss
Reader	Ann Bonito	Reader	Mary Ellen Lenhart
Communion Distributors	Ann Bonito Jim Bowersock Mike Lammers Choir: Dave Butorac	Communion Distributors	Robin Lammers Terry Lammers Mary Ellen Lenhart Choir: Ben Wilker
Servers	Aliyah Minch Angel Seibert	Servers	Copper Bowersock Luke Butorac
Money Counters	Brian and Gina Clement Dan and Tiffany Seibert	Money Counters	Brian and Gina Clement Dan and Tiffany Seibert
Mass Set-Up	Don Wiechart	Mass Set-Up	Bill Wisher

~If there is something you would like placed in the parish bulletin, please contact the Parish Office no later than **Wednesday at 12:00 p.m.** prior to the weekend you want your information published.

More Important Information

Fatima USA

The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein will commemorate Our Lady's apparition and message at Fatima on Friday, August 9, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. Father Nathan Cromly, the Founder and President of the Saint John Institute whose mission is to Raise Up Saints to Lead, will be the celebrant. There also will be confessions, a candlelight rosary, and procession through the woods. All First Communicants are welcome to join in the procession in their attire. Please bring a rosary, lawn chair and appropriate dress for Mass. Come join us for this Fatima celebration!

Annual Catholic Appeal

Our parish goal for the Diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal for this year is \$4,538.00. For the past seven years our parish has met its goal. Please remember that we will receive 50% back from whatever comes in beyond our goal. So far our parish has donated \$2,833.41 of our goal. Any amount received beyond our goal will go to our maintenance fund. Thank you for your contributions!

2024 Century Farm Award Applications

Catholic Charities is now accepting applications for Century Farm Awards. This award designation honors Catholic families who have maintained a farm or homestead within their family for at least 100 years in the Diocese of Toledo, emphasizing well-preserved working farms.

Applicants must submit a registration form, copies of old deeds, and pictures to support claims. The information submitted must show family residence and ownership of a farm for at least 100 years in the Diocese of Toledo.

Applications should be submitted no later than Friday, October 4, 2024.

Bishop Daniel E. Thomas will celebrate a Mass honoring Century Farm Award recipients at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 16, 2024, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 66 Chapel Street, Monroeville, Ohio 44847.

For more information or to request the registration form, please contact: Paula J. Kidney at (419) 214-4898 or email: pkidney@toledodiocese.org.

Summer "Song on the Lawn"

You are invited to join us as we praise God, enjoy folks from our "sister-parishes," and celebrate summer together! **One Wednesday left from 6:45 pm (after 6:00 Mass) – 8:00 p.m.**

AUGUST 7

We will sing hymns, patriotic songs, children's action songs, psalms, selections from musicals, old favorites and modern classics, etc. All children, teens, adults and seniors are welcome! Just bring a lawn chair and/or blanket and the voice God gave you! Get ready for a fun and relaxing time together!

If possible, let Sister Mary Edward (smed@sceast.org) know you are coming! Song sheets and light snacks will be provided.