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JULY 14, 2024
15TH 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 intentions are for Melissa Lehmkuhl and Danelda Roberts

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

A resounding “thanks” to everyone who has volunteered time and service to the renovation of our church basement! The beautification has begun! Many hands, offered in service, are making this community project a blessing for us all. We're at the point where a good cleaning will be the next step. Please see Sister Immacolata today if you are able to lend a helping hand sometime this week. God bless you!

Invitation to “Source and Summit”

On Sunday afternoon, July 21, 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

The establishment of the “daughter parishes” of our parish Part 3: In the 1840's, the construction of the Miami-Erie Canal drew a number of Irish immigrant families to the area in Allen County, Ohio, now known as Spencer Township. The first priest to serve the Catholics in Spencerville was Fr. Patrick Henneberry a missionary of the precious blood from St. Mary's, Ohio. In 1858, Bishop Rappe officially established St. Patrick's Parish as a mission of St. John the Evangelist Parish in Delphos. Fr. Frances Westerholt guided the small Catholic community as they acquired a tract of land on the banks of the canal measuring 360' x 180. In 1860, a 26' x 36' log church was built. In 1876, a frame building measuring 36' x 60' was built at a cost of \$1200. In 1948, a new yellow brick church was constructed due to the poor condition of the 1876 frame church. The last Mass in the old church was held on January 9, 1949.

~Written by Jack Bockey

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.

Helpers Needed at the 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!

Mass on the Anniversaries of Marriage

Each year, the Diocese of Toledo celebrates the gift of marriage with the annual Mass on Anniversaries of Marriage. If you are celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary in 2024 – 25, 40, 50, 60, or 60+ years – plan to join Bishop Daniel E. Thomas for the Order of Blessing Married Couples within Holy Mass on Sunday, October 27, 3:00 p.m. at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral, 2535 Collingwood Blvd, Toledo.

Mass Intentions

Just a reminder, if anyone would like a Mass offered in memory of someone that has gone before us, or for an anniversary, birthday, etc, there are many dates available. A Mass donation is \$10.00. Since in reality, one Mass has infinite value, we could never pay for a Mass, but the donation helps with the cost of the wine and hosts that are used and transformed into the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.

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!

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 7, 2024**

Total: \$1,780.00
 Sunday Envelopes \$ 1,211.00
 Loose: \$255.00
 Children's Loose: \$10.00
 Maintenance: \$304.00

Thank You!

Ministry Schedule

15 th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 14 th ~ Mass Liturgy- 10:30 am		16 th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 21 st ~ Mass Liturgy- 10:30 am	
Commentator	Dorothy DeVilbiss	Commentator	Scott Brown
Reader	Elisha Wiss	Reader	Mary Ellen Lenhart
Communion Distributors	Ann Bonito Colleen Richmond Bill Wisher Choir: Kathy Goecke	Communion Distributors	Jim Bowersock Mike Lammers Mary Ellen Lenhart Choir: Dave Butorac
Servers	Sam Goecke Reagan Mack	Servers	Aliyah Minch Noah Stewart
Money Counters	Brian and Gina Clement Dan and Tiffany Seibert	Money Counters	Brian and Gina Clement Dan and Tiffany Seibert
Mass Set-Up	Henry Wiss	Mass Set-Up	Don Wiechart

More Important Information

Statewide Eucharistic Pilgrimage to Mark the Year Going Out On Mission: Basilica & National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey

August 14, 2024

To mark this year of going out on mission during the National Eucharistic Revival, the Catholic Bishops of Ohio invite all the faithful to make a pilgrimage to the Basilica & National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey on Wednesday, August 14, 2024, to celebrate the Vigil of the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Candlelight rosary procession begins at 9:00 p.m. followed by Outdoor Mass at Shrine Park. Visit www.ohiocathconf.org/pilgrimage for details.

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.

DIOCESE OF TOLEDO IN COMPLIANCE FOLLOWING SAFE ENVIRONMENT AUDIT

Each year, the Diocese of Toledo is required to undergo an audit to ensure that it is in compliance with the articles of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*. The past year's audit was a data collection process, examining the period of July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022. Bishop Daniel Thomas is pleased to announce that the Diocese was found to be in full compliance with the requirements in the *Charter* following the audit.

The Diocese of Toledo remains committed to ensuring the protection of children and providing a safe environment for all young people. If you have any knowledge of abuse that has been committed by a cleric or by any personnel of the Catholic Church, you are urged to report the abuse to your local police department, Children Services, and to contact the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (419) 214-4880; or write to the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at 1933 Spielbusch Avenue; Toledo, Ohio 43604.

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 each evening.

(Sign –Up Sheets are in the entrance)