ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

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July 27, 2025 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS SCHEDULE Sunday Mass 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Mass 6:30 p.m.

(Rosary 6:10 p.m.) Adoration/Confessions 7:10 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Benediction 8:00 p.m.

PASTOR

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ASSOCIATE PASTORS

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PARISH MANAGER

Sister Immacolata, SCC sccjoy@yahoo.com 570-815-1179

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 Gene Lenhart, Margaret Lenhart Fischer and Frank & Helen Lenhart

Gifts/Memorials Available Now

Several items are available at this time for anyone who wishes to contribute to our parish's liturgical worship and devotional prayer. If interested in purchasing any item (or making a donation toward it) please see Sister Immacolata.

+Processional and altar candles (4 of them; 2 have already been donated) at \$1800 for a set of 2 +Outdoor prayer-bench to be placed near our Marian Grotto at \$813.20 (with engraving) Any of these items can be engraved or inscribed as a memorial or in honor of a loved one or a family.

Praying the Our Father

In today's Gospel, the disciples ask Jesus to teach them to pray. He responds with the Our Father. This prayer holds a central place in Catholic worship. In each Mass it is recited before Communion, emphasizing unity and preparing our hearts for receiving the Eucharist. Here's what some of the great spiritual masters have said about it:

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St. Teresa of Avila: "Say the Our Father – but take ar hour to say it." She encouraged a slow, meditative approach to the prayer, finding it refreshing and spiritually beneficial.

St. Augustine: He emphasized that "the Our Father, given by Christ, is the perfect prayer."

St. Thomas Aquinas: "It is the most perfect of all prayers."

St. Ignatius: Suggested to those searching to grow in prayer to pray the Our Father very slowly in harmony with your breathing. "Pray only one word with each slow breath, letting the mind, heart and imagination dwell on that single word."

The Catechism of the Catholic Church: The Lord's Prayer is truly the summary of the whole Gospel... It is not just a prayer to be recited, but a prayer to be lived, shaping our hearts and actions in accordance with God's will and love.

Let us pray every OUR FATHER with deeper thought and understanding

Walk for Vocations: Sept 28-Oct.1

Join Msgr Tad Oxley, Fr. David Kidd, and Fr. Joseph Mominee for a 65+ Walk for Vocations to pray for an increase in Diocesan priestly vocations. The walk will take place over four days, from Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Bono to Our Lady of Consolation in Carey. All are welcome to walk part of the route or to join in prayer and fasting. Details and daily schedules can be found at toledopriesthood.org.

<u>Diocesan Jubilee Pilgrimage with Bishop</u> Daniel E. Thomas

All are invited to join Bishop Thomas and fellow pilgrims from across the Diocese of Toledo for a special *one-day Jubilee Pilgrimage* on **Sunday**, **September 14, 2025.** Together we'll visit three designated pilgrimage sites, celebrating Mass, praying before the Blessed Sacrament, and honoring Our Blessed Mother. Stops include the *Sorrowful Mother Shrine*, *Belleview* – 11:00am Mass and picnic lunch; *Our Lady of Hope*, *Attica* – 2:30pm Holy Hour; *Basilica and National* Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, Carey-5:00pm Solemn Vespers. Pilgrims may join for part or all of the day. Please provide your own transportation and bring a picnic lunch. This is a beautiful opportunity to travel, pray and grow in faith as a diocesan family.

Update on Sister Immacolata

Sister has been in and out of the hospital this past week. She is now at home, but needs to rest. Please keep her in your prayers as she continues to recover. This week, Sister will continue home care with CHP Physical and Occupational Therapy. Thank you for your best wishes, gretings and powerful prayers!

CAFÉ MEAL

Join us after the Landeck 5:30 Mass today, July 27.

The Café Team invites you for a delicious meal every other week. Today, we will be serving Buffalo and BBQ wings and pulled pork with lots of sides and desserts. Everyone is welcome! Bring a friend and enjoy!

Last Weekend's Gifts July 20, 2025

Total Offering: \$ 1,544.00

Sunday Envelopes: \$987.00 Maintenance: \$3.00 Loose: \$283.00 Children's Loose: \$2.00

PSR: \$60.00

Catholic Home Missions: \$211.00

Parish Development Goal: Total \$83,000

Received as of July 25th: \$38,633.50

Thank You!

Work on the Basement Floor to Begin

The epoxying of our entire basement floor will begin on Monday, July 28. The "Sure Seal Concrete Protector and Epoxy Company" from Findlay will be doing the job. Kindly stay tuned, because when the work is completed, we will need an enthusiastic crew for clean up! We are inviting parishioners of all ages to join in this parish project! Because of the amount of dust which the epoxying will raise, it will be necessary to wipe down all the walls, etc. So we're asking the clean-up crew to bring your own buckets and rags. After that, everything in the entire basement needs to be returned to its rightful place. When the work is completed and dried, a date/time will be set for the clean-up. Donations will be welcomed for this wonderful improvement to our church. The estimated cost is \$30,000. Thank you!

Forester Meeting on Wednesday, July 30th at 7 pm at the Landeck Forester Hall.

2025 Fatima-USA Celebrates at Maria Stein

The Spiritual Center of Maria Stein will commemorate Our Lady's Apparition and Message at Fatima on Friday, August 8, at 7:30 p.m. An outdoor Mass will be celebrated by Father Sean Wilson. There will also be Confessions available before Mass, and a candlelight rosary with a procession through the woods following. Please bring your rosary, lawn chair, flashlight and clothing appropriate for outdoors.

Ministry Schedule

17 th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 27 th ~ 10:30 a.m. Mass		18 th Sunday in Ordinary Time Aug 3 rd ~ 10:30 a.m. Mass	
Commentator	Bev Wisher	Commentator	Dorothy DeVilbiss
Reader	Christy Wilker	Reader	Mary Ellen Lenhart
Communion Distributors	Mike Lammers Alan Wynk Marie Wynk Choir: Colleen Richmond	Communion Distributors	Bill Wisher Mary Ellen Lenhart Janessa Minch Choir: Kathy Goecke
Servers	Reagan Mack Aliyah Minch Owen Klausing	Servers	Sam Goecke Aliyah Minch Cory Wannemacher
Money Counters	Brian and Gina Clement Tiffany Seibert	Money Counters	Brian and Gina Clement Tiffany Seibert
Mass Set-Up	Henry Wiss	Mass Set-Up	Cody Minch

St. John's Open Positions: Director of Maintenance

Posting Date: July 14, 2025

Delphos St. John's is seeking a passionate/dedicated Director of Maintenance. The Director of Maintenance oversees all aspects of maintaining the physical plant of St. John the Evangelist Parish and all associated properties, including the Church, Ministry Center and all School campuses and facilities. We invite prospective candidates who welcome the challenge of continuing our strong tradition of faith and excellence to come join our Blue Jay family. Negotiated Salary based on experience. To apply for this position, please submit a Cover Letter, Resume and three letters of recommendation to Delphos St. John's Head of School, Mr. Nathan R. Stant, either by mail or email: stant@delphosstjohns.org

Open Position: Weekend and Evening Parish/School Custodian

Posting Date: July 11, 2025

Delphos St. John's is seeking a dedicated Custodial Maintenance Worker to maintain the buildings and property of the parish & school buildings during weekends and evening events. The Weekend and Evening Parish/School Custodian will show great care in ensuring that all facilities and grounds are safe, clean, neat, and appealing. Works with the maintenance supervisor, performing other projects/repairs (as needed). Hours needed for this position are Saturdays, Sunday Mornings and three evenings per week. Hourly wage based on experience and compensated for weekend and second shift hours. To apply for this position, please submit a resume and cover letter to Delphos St. John's Head of School: Mr. Nathan Stant, either by mail or email: stant@delphosstjohns.org

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