

ST. JOSEPH & MOST PURE HEART OF MARY PARISHES

August 21, 2016

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time



Dear Friends:

Earlier this week I received the following letter. It is such a beautiful statement of faith from one of our young people that I wanted to share it with you all. May we all be as open to seeing the truth of our faith in our lives!

I wanted to share a story/experience about Deacon Fred that happened this past week while we were on vacation.

My husband had told me the news of his passing on Thursday. Later in the day, I was on my phone looking through Facebook and I saw his obituary come up. My daughter, who is 8, was with me at this time, so I explained to her what happened. She was sad.

Later that evening, we were sitting out at our campsite because my friend told us there was going to be a meteor shower that could start around 10:45 p.m. Everyone else had gone to bed, but we thought we would sit out for awhile and see if we could see anything. In the first 15-20 minutes she saw two little shooting stars, but I must have missed them because I wasn't looking in the right spot and they happen so quickly. About a half hour had gone by and I was getting ready to call it a night. Then we saw the clouds and an unusual cloud formation come across the sky. I said wow, that looks like a man's face and right away she says, "maybe it is Deacon Fred". Right when she said that the biggest shooting star came across the entire sky.....it gave me the chills and we both said wow, that was a sign from God. It is so hard to describe, but this cloud figure actually looked just like his face. It was laying flat down like he was sleeping and my daughter even said it looked like he was snoring.

So, that was really neat, but what was even neater was listening to you in church on Sunday morning and at the very end of mass, you said, "please pray for Deacon Fred that he is in the cloud of witnesses". After mass, she picked up one of his funeral cards and on it, it said, "Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him..." I told her when we got back to the car so that she could make the connection and she got a big smile on her face. It was such an amazing experience I can't stop thinking about it. I shared it with my mother-in-law last night and got a little emotional.. He is in the cloud of witnesses.

AMEN!

- Fr. Chris

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21 FOLLOWING 10:30 A.M. MASS



YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Continued prayers for all the students who will be starting school this week. We will not have any events this week so you can get back into the swing of all things school.

On Sunday, August 28th we will have our SLAM Kickoff for the 2016-2017 school year! We will meet at 6:00 p.m. for dinner and spend three hours in fellowship and having fun. Check next weekend's bulletin for more details!

Deeper will start Wednesday, September 7th. Stay tuned for more details!



We look forward to an exciting year! Registrations have been mailed. If you have not received yours in the mail please contact the parish office. Any questions, please feel free to email me at lmetzger@stmaryshelby.org or contact me at 419-347-2381.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SCHEDULE

Grades: 1 - 6	Time: 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Grades: 7 - 8	Time: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Grades: 9 - 12	Time: 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Laurie Metzger, Religious Education Coordinator

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Liturgical Calendar

Monday, August 22--Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 a.m. Mass @ MPH M Church
2 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 11-12; Psalm 96:1-5; Matthew 23:13-22

Tuesday, August 23

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph Church
9:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word & Communion at MPH M (Parish Office)
2 Thessalonians 2:1-3a, 14-17; Psalm 96:1-13; Matthew 23:23-26

Wednesday, August 24--Feast of St. Bartholomew, Apostle

9:00 a.m. Mass at MPH M (Parish Office)
Prayers for all parishioners, living and deceased
Revelation 21:9b-14; Psalm 145:10-13, 17-18; John 1:45-51

Thursday, August 25

9:00 a.m. Mass at MPH M (Parish Office)
Prayers for Carl Keller
6:00 p.m. Holy Hour (church)
1 Corinthians 1:1-9; Psalm 145:2-7; Matthew 24:42-51

Friday, August 26

9:00 a.m. Mass at MPH M (Parish Office)
Prayers for David Riehl
1 Corinthians 1:17-25; Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11; Matthew 25:1-13

Saturday, August 27--Memorial of St. Monica

5:00 p.m. Mass at MPH M Church
Prayers for Walter & Gertrude Bishop, Carol Young
1 Corinthians 1:26-31; Psalm 33:12-13, 18-21; Matthew 25:14-30

Sunday, August 28

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph Church
Prayers for Alfreda Dannemiller
10:30 a.m. Mass at MPH M Church
Prayers for Kenny Karl, Sr. Bernadette Sifferlin
Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Psalm 68:4-7, 10-11;
Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a; Luke 14:1, 7-14

ROB KREIM BENEFIT: A benefit will be held on August 27 for the family of Rob Kreim. Rob recently passed away unexpectedly and leaves behind a wife and four children. The event will be hosted by his coworkers from Copperweld from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Union Hall at 30 Mohican St., Shelby. There will be a 50/50 raffle, a pie and cake auction, and baked goods for purchase.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Mondays 10:00 a.m.

for the upcoming weekend.

**Anything received after this time
will be in the following bulletin.**

**Watch for special deadlines
during the holidays.**

VOCATION RETREAT: September 9-11, "A Discernment Weekend". Dominican Sisters of Peace invite single, Catholic women, ages 18-45, to attend a free "Come and See" Discernment Retreat designed to explore contemporary Dominican life for women. Experience Dominican prayer and community with the Sisters, reflect on God's call for your life and explore contemporary Dominican life as a Sister. The retreat begins at 4:30 p.m. Friday, September 9 and concludes at noon, Sunday, September 11 at the Dominicans Sisters of Peace Motherhouse, 1230 W. Market St., Akron, OH 44313. For more information, call or text Sister Pat Dual at 614-216-7688 or email pdual@oppeace.org. Participants may register online for the retreat or request a registration form at <http://www.oppeace.org/thinking-about-religious-life>. (We can offer some travel assistance on a need basis.)

COME & SEE WEEKEND: Precious Blood Sisters host Come and See discernment weekend. Join the Sisters of the Precious Blood Sept. 23-25 in Dayton to experience a weekend of prayer, reflection, conversation and fun. We'll share our stories and perhaps you'll discover the life to which God is calling you. Register online at vocations@cpsadmin.org or call Sr. Patty Kremer at 937-609-0653 for more information.

YOU ARE INVITED!: Have you ever wanted to share your faith with our youth, but were uncomfortable with taking on a teaching position in our Religious Education program? How about being a volunteer assistant for our group of Religious Education teachers? You would be able to enhance our teachers in classes for grades 1, 2, 3/4, 5/6 & 7/8. Take a moment, consider this opportunity, and call Laurie Metzger at the school, 419-342-2626 or the parish office, 419-347-2381.

Sponsor of the Week

**Fenner Plumbing,
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Reflections on the Readings

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time taken from St. Joseph Sunday Missal.

First Reading--Isaiah 66:18-21

This reading from Third Isaiah rejects all clannishness on the part of the Jewish people. Although they are God's chosen people, this does not mean that others cannot be saved. When the Messiah will establish God's kingdom on earth, people from all over the world will come to Jerusalem to worship. The early Christians saw this vision fulfilled when the Gentiles joined the Church. And it will be fully realized when the Son of Man, Jesus will gather all nations into his own.

It often happens that people who joined the Church at a late age make those born and raised in the family ashamed by being more serious than they are. We should be appreciative, "for steadfast is his kindness toward us, and the fidelity of the Lord endures forever."

Second Reading--Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

"Whom the Lord loves, he disciplines": suffering and pain are part of the human condition. Guided by God, the Hebrew sages searched for some insight into the mystery of both mental and physical pain. "The discipline of God" might be one. It is better to be punished now than later. Suffering, if well accepted, may open our eyes to the real values of life and lead to repentance.

Gospel--Luke 13:22-30

Luke puts a question into the mouth of "someone": "will only a few people be saved?" He answers by placing three parables of our Lord in a row. The first parable is the one about the narrow door. There are a few conditions if we want to be saved. We know them! "Oh, when the Saints go marchin' in...."

The second parable is directed to those who are late. They have not repented in time and miss the boat by their own fault: "Depart from me, all you evildoers!"

The third parable warns Israel not to have pretensions as God's chosen people. Only those who repent, both Jews and Gentiles, will be saved. Constant conversion is part of a Christian life-style!

-- Submitted by Barb Pifher



Diocesan Details

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18th Annual Tiffin St. Joseph Reverse Raffle:

You are invited on Saturday, October 1! Each \$90 ticket includes dinner for two and 1 entry into the raffle. Only 250 tickets will be sold for a chance to win up to \$3,000! There will also be Sideboards, Instant Games, Big Board Bingo, a 50/50 Raffle and many nice Door Prizes! Those who purchase their tickets by September 6 will be entered into the Early Bird Drawing for a 43" Toshiba Flat-Screen TV! Except for the door prizes, you do not need to be present to win. On October 1, the Activity Center doors will open at 5:30 pm with cash bar and sideboard sales. Appetizers begin at 6:00 pm followed by an Italian Buffet at 7:00. The Reverse Raffle is at 8:00 pm. To order tickets, call, stop by, or send payment to the parish office: St. Joseph Church, 36 Melmore Street, Tiffin, OH 44883. Include your name, address and phone number. Checks payable to St. Joseph Reverse Raffle. We also accept payment via credit card. Call the parish office at 419-447-5848 or Paul Berman at 419-447-0740 for more information. Get a group of friends together for a fun evening! Tables for 8 may be reserved. All proceeds benefit Calvert Catholic Schools. Thank you for your support!

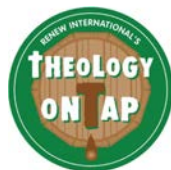


LIVE Laudato Si': Together, let us care for each other and our planet. Join Bishop Daniel E. Thomas, Sister Sharon Havelak, OSF, and others, to discuss Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si' on Saturday, August 27th beginning at 1:00 p.m. at Our Lady Queen of the Most Holy Rosary

Cathedral School Auditorium, 2535 Collingwood Blvd., Toledo, Ohio. The afternoon will include a keynote from Sister Sharon Havelak, OSF, followed by breakout sessions, and time to network with community organizations/resources. The day will conclude with Mass celebrated by Bishop Daniel E. Thomas at 5:00 p.m. Please RSVP to Jill Holmaas at jholmaas@toledodiocese.org. Join us, so together, we can Live Laudato Si'!



What's Happening Around the Deanery



This Theology on Tap is a gathering for you adults, ages 18 (post high school) to 39. It is an opportunity to talk about God and faith in a relaxed, comfortable setting. Fr. Eric Culler, Pastor of St. Francis & St. Bernard is the speaker for this gathering:

Thursday, August 25

6:00 p.m.

(Reservation made under Theology on Tap)

RSVP is appreciated but not required one week prior
fatherericculler@yahoo.com or 419-775-9902

Brass Pelican Holiday Lakes

13 Lake Holiday Lane, Willard, OH

Topic: TBA

Mark your Calendars for Thurs., September 22

Place & Time: TBA

Thirsting for More? Theology on Tap is a lecture and discussion series for people single or married. We meet in a local bar or restaurant for food, drink and lively discussion about things that matter to you and the Catholic faith. Come make new friends through faith-filled and thought provoking conversation in a casual, relaxed atmosphere. All young adults are welcome. For more information please contact Sheila at cre@willard-oh.com 419-935-1149.

CATHOLIC WOMENS CLUB: The next luncheon will be Wednesday, September 14. It will start with Mass at St. Peter's Church in Mansfield at 11:00 am. The Luncheon will follow in the Ontario Event Center at the Brown Derby, 12:30 p.m. All Catholic Women in the St. Juan Diego Deanery are invited. If you are new, we encourage you to join us and get to know the Catholic women in the area. Please call Sharon Houseworth at 419-347-1631 or 419-545-2242. Reservations must be made by September 9 before noon.

TEMPORARY CHANGE IN MASS TIME AT ST. JOSEPH, CRESTLINE--

St. Joseph Crestline's Thursday evening Confession and Mass times will be temporarily changed. From now until October 13th Confession will be Thursday evenings at 4:00 pm with Mass following at 5:00 pm. Normal Confession (5:30 pm) and Mass (6:30 pm) times will resume on Thursday, October 20th.



St. Bernard, New Washington

Saturday, August 27

5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 28

Noon - 9:00 p.m.

Most Pure Heart of Mary, Shelby

Saturday, September 10

5:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.

Holy Trinity, Bucyrus

Saturday, September 17

5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 18

11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

St. Francis Xavier, Willard

Sunday, September 25

11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Mother of Sorrows, North Auburn

Sunday, October 2

Noon - 6:00 p.m.

SUMMER FESTIVAL AT ST. BERNARD: On August 27 & 28, come to New Washington for 2 days of festival fun. Saturday, starting at 5:00 p.m. (Mass will be at 4:00 p.m. instead of 6:00 p.m.): BBQ pulled pork & beef sandwiches, beer garden, ice cream, live entertainment, children's games. Sunday: BBQ chicken or ham dinners with homemade dressing served from 11:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. (drive-thru & carry-out available). Bingo 1:00-4:00 p.m., dulcimer music 4:00-6:00 p.m., New Washington Band 6:00-7:00 p.m., Small Town Singers 7:00-8:30pm, raffles, hourly drawings, crafts, games, refreshments and \$1,000 Reverse Raffle, 33rd Annual Dutchtown 5K Run starts at 10:30 a.m.

Volunteers Needed at Mansfield's HOPE

Pantry: Catholic Charities seeks volunteers for our Mansfield HOPE Food Pantry at 523 Park Avenue East. Volunteers assist guest check in, stock shelves, sort donations, and perform various other tasks from 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Please Contact Susan Dyson 419-524-0733 or email her at sdyson@toledodiocese.org. Thank you and God Bless!

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Sacraments

BAPTISM: Contact the Parish Office 1 month in advance.

RECONCILIATION: Sunday before Mass, 7:30 a.m.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Notify the Parish Office to arrange.

COMMUNION: Arrange through the Parish Office to be placed on the home bound lists.

MARRIAGE: Please notify either a priest or the Parish Office 6 months in advance.

R.C.I.A.: Interested in the Catholic Faith? Contact the Parish office.

MASS STIPENDS: St. Joseph's always accepts Masses for the deceased and special intentions. Please call Sharon on Tuesdays between 9:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m. to schedule your Masses.



Sunday, August 28-- 8:30 a.m.

- Greeters:** Blum Family
- Eucharist:** Jim Blum, Mary Rietschlin
- Servers:** Luke Blum, Ben Blum, Cadence Fairchild
- Lector:** Heather Fairchild
- Ushers:** Louis Lynch, Henry Phillips
- Music:** St. Joseph Choir
- Collection Counters:** Pat Bond, Carolyn Carnahan, Ashley Bond



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Lori Strohm, Catherine Kanney, Sarah Heydinger, Madalyn Fidler



R.C.I.A.

DO YOU OR DO YOU KNOW OF SOMEONE that comes to Mass regularly or on occasion? Perhaps they've been attending worshipping and praying the Catholic Tradition

but are not Catholic. The time is now to explore, without commitment the faith! The Rite of Christian Initiation is meant for those who have never been baptized. There is another option for those who have been baptized in the Trinitarian Form, Father, Son & Holy Spirit. Sessions and planning is underway... now is the time to look at your options! Contact St. Joseph Parish office for more discussion, to voice your desires, your wishes, and ideas. We would love to hear from you!

FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Budget Needed \$1,440

August 14

Sunday Offering.....	\$ 1,039.00
Donations	\$ 1,000.00
Maintenance	\$ 10.00
Year-to-date	
Over/Under Budget.....	\$ 265.00

Thank You!

Attendance: 125

August	Month to Date	1st Quarter to Date	
Goal:	\$ 5,792.00	July, August, September	
Collected:	\$ 3,171.00	Goal:	\$ 18,824.00
		Collected:	\$ 9,702.70
100%		100%	
80%		80%	
60%		60%	
40%		40%	
20%		20%	
0%		0%	
55% of Monthly Goal		52% of Quarter Goal	

SOON the parking lot will be sealed and restriped here in our parish. Thanks to those who continually contribute to our parish allowing projects like this to happen without additional fundraisers.



† August 30th, Reflecting the Face of Mercy Workshop
Tiffin- 9:00 to 3:30 p.m.

Most Pure Heart of Mary Parish

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Sacraments

BAPTISM: Call the Parish Office to set up an appointment.

RECONCILIATION: 3:45-4:30 p.m. Saturdays, anytime by request.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Available on request. Call the Parish Office/Rectory at 419-347-2381. Same for visitation of the sick.

COMMUNION: Contact the Pastoral Associate to be placed on the home bound lists.

MARRIAGE: Arrange through the Parish Office at least 6 months in advance.

R.C.I.A.: Persons wishing to inquire about and/or joining the Catholic Church, call Parish Office.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: New parishioners--WELCOME. Please call the Parish Office to register. When changing address, please notify the Parish Office.



Saturday, August 27, 5:00 p.m. Mass

Lector: Mary Durkin

Servers: Jesse Lauderbaugh, Kira Metzger, Guinevere Wagner

Eucharistic: Mary Fike, James & Marge Karl, Janet Kehres, Mary Martin-Bandman, Dave Yetzer

Ushers: Kevin & Mitchell Noel, Jeff Peiffer, Steve Stump

Greeters: Barry & Trudi Britt, Andy & Joni Parks

Music: Christi Smith

Sunday, August 28, 10:30 a.m. Mass

Lector: Lori McCartney

Servers: Alex Bruskotter, Theresa Dannemiller, Casey Lantz

Eucharist: Deanie & Todd Kehres, Casey Kerr, Ann Logan, Kathy Lowe, Lori McCartney, Karen Winters

Ushers: Clem Kanne, Lee Kaple, Scott Kurtzman, Jeff Murray

Greeters: Veronica Dannemiller, Ann Hemmerly, Dave & Nita Walsh

Music: Maddie & Colton

Collection Counters: Jeff Fenner, Scott Kurtzman

CALENDAR of Events

Monday, August 22

6:00 p.m. Comfort Care Team Meeting
--Lower Level Meeting Room

Tuesday, August 23

7:00 p.m. Pastoral Council Meeting

Sunday, August 28

6:00 p.m. SLAM Kick-off--Youth Room



Wedding Banns II:

Laura Spangler

&

Jake Hummel

J-O-Y (Just Older Youth) will meet on September 8th, at 9:45 am, in the lower level meeting room. It is the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We will be watching Mary of Nazareth. A special 2-DVD on the life of Mary, mother of Christ, from her childhood through the Resurrection of Jesus. Coffee and donuts will be provided. J-O-Y (Just Older Youth) is for anyone 55 and older, however, everyone is welcome to come and watch the Christian movies.



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CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Children's Liturgy of the Word is a ministry that continues to grow each year. It is held during the 10:30 am Mass, from September to May. With the number of children attending each week, I will need at least 2 or 3 adult leaders each week. I would like to have the mothers of the children attending to volunteer to help at least one Sunday a month. If this is something you might be interested in helping with, please call Barb Pifher at 419-347-2381. If I have no one to do it on a particular Sunday, then the children miss out on hearing God's word and how to apply it to their lives.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Carmen Fox, Paul Athy, Briton Lash, Marie Little, Ann McDowell, Teresa Armstrong, John Bandagski, Lisa Noel, Mabelle Ramion, Alysha Little, Cody Wagers, Aubrey Lay, Karel VanOoyen, Julio Bueno, Kathleen Stanton, Reginald Lowe, Cassidy Thomas, Janey Lay, Marilyn Moore, John Weaver, Jodie Gumbert, Theresa Roth, Kevin Spangler, Katherine Putnam, Darien Payne, Frank Reith, Connie Riley, James Wechter, Alice Patton, Janel Tuttle, Deanie Kehres, Amare Beam, Joseph Wagner, Bridget VanBuskirk, Benjamin Walsh, Tanner Elliott, Wesley Korbas, Dorothy Miller, Frank Elias, Roy Sifferlin, Ray Sifferlin, Brittany Stumbo, Taylor Evans, Rose Frangella, Susan Kirkendall, Catherine Spangler, Jeffrey Love



Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless.

--Blessed Teresa of Calcutta



Sunday Collections August 6 & 7, 2016:

Offertory	\$	9,452.00
Religious Education	\$	305.00
Children's	\$	1.55

Holy Day Collections:

Assumption	\$	115.00
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TOTAL SUNDAY AND HOLY DAY COLLECTIONS \$ 9,873.55 up \$2,710.55 from 2015/2016

Total Sunday and Holy Day Collections to Date \$ 49,737.29 down \$1,69.00 from 2015/2016

Other Parish Collections:

Capital Improvement \$ 340.00 Support Your School \$ 300.00



Sunday Collections August 13 & 14, 2016:

Offertory	\$	6,011.00
Religious Education	\$	205.00
Children's	\$	5.00

Holy Day Collections:

Assumption	\$	155.00
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TOTAL SUNDAY AND HOLY DAY COLLECTIONS \$ 6,376.00 down \$1,967.00 from 2015/2016

Total Sunday and Holy Day Collections to Date \$ 56,113.29 down \$3,658.00 from 2015/2016

Other Parish Collections:

Capital Improvement \$ 12.00 Initial Offering \$ 5.00
Support Your School \$ 10.00

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Raffle Ticket Sales

As of Monday, August 15th, we have sold 135 tickets. We have 365 tickets left to sell. Don't put off until tomorrow what you can do today. Get your tickets now!



R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

is a journey that allows those who might wish to grow in their faith and those who might be looking to become Catholic to inquire and explore. Sessions will be starting in September! If you would like to just update your faith or know of someone who might be interested at looking at the faith, call Barb Pifher at 419-347-2381, day and evening classes are available. There is no commitment during this process...just to look and explore.



Winner, Winner Chicken Dinner Dessert Donation



Looking for those wonderful dessert makers in our parish to provide desserts for our dinner on September 10.

**Drop off all donations at the school kitchen
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Saturday, September 10.**



Back-to-School Prayer

Dear Lord,

Please guard our children's hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Help them focus and learn this year. Give them favor with their teachers and peers. And help them make godly friends and be a godly friend.

In Jesus' Name. Amen.

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Back to School



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- Book
- Study
- Bus
- Math
- Quiz
- Ruler
- Friends
- Teacher
- Pencil
- Reading
- Sports
- Writing



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Our Parish School News



A note from the
Principal

Let the children come to me, and do not prevent them; for the Kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.

Matthew 19:14

The acceptance and openness of children is refreshing. Their enthusiasm is contagious and their minds are like sponges taking in water. Jesus enjoyed the children tremendously. St. Mary's School wants to welcome children to Jesus and give them a place where they learn and feel loved. Let us all revive our childlike honesty and excitement as we encourage kids and pray for them. Can we all resolve to make a difference in the life of a child? They are the future of our church and community.

Anticipation! That's what we were feeling this past week as we prepare for a new school year that starts Monday, August 22nd. It's a challenge to get everything done but our team is super excited. We were trained in CPR/ First Aid and children's behavior. Our preparation entailed a teacher workday with team building and important discussions to ensure we are READY to welcome the children. Our enrollment is growing weekly. We feel blessed to have the complications of finding enough teacher's aides (Let us know if you know someone.), scheduling the space, and ensuring enough supplies. Your prayers, generosity and advocacy means so much to us.

SCHOOL LUNCHEON AFTER MASS

- Welcome parish family and friends to school after church **Sunday, August 21st**.
- Back to School Rally in gymnasium (Father Chris & Principal Stover)
- Lunch served in the gym (pasta bar/donations support 6th grade Mohican trip) until 1:00 p.m.
- Explore our facility and meet all of our staff team.

Thank you.

Kim Stover



2015-16 SCHOOL YEARBOOKS

The 2015-2016 Yearbooks are in and look fabulous! No pre-orders were taken so it is first come-first serve! At only \$10., it is certainly the bargain of the summer!! Stop by and pick one up! We also have some prior years yearbooks too if you are missing any for your collection.



Get your children and grandchildren ENROLLED in St. Mary's School. Don't let your seat go to someone else. St. Mary's School is a gift to our children to start them on the right path toward God. Our amazing teaching staff and small class sizes will help your student thrive in Pre-K (3 & 4 Year old)-6th grade. If money is an obstacle, scholarships are available. Our school is a treasure different by design to provide faith based academic excellence to the next generation. It is going to be an amazing year ahead. If you have questions or want more information call 419-342-2626.

2015-16 Excel Beyond the Basics School Fund Drive Our Goal \$67,500

Collected August 6 & 7	\$ 270.00
Collected August 13 & 14	\$ 70.00
Total Collected for 2015-16 Fund Drive	\$ 62,135.40
Pledged to Date	\$ 64,809.90

We're \$2,690.10 away from meeting our pledged goal for 2015/2016 school year.

Slow Down: Back to School Means Sharing the Road

Back to School Safety Tips



School days bring congestion: Yellow school buses are picking up their charges, kids on bikes are hurrying to get to school before the bell rings, harried parents are trying to drop their kids off before work.

It's never more important for drivers to slow down and pay attention than when kids are present – especially before and after school.

If You're Dropping Off

Schools often have very specific drop-off procedures for the school year. Make sure you know them for the safety of all kids. More children are hit by cars near schools than at any other location, according to the National Safe Routes to School program. The following apply to all school zones:

- Don't double park; it blocks visibility for other children and vehicles.
- Don't load or unload children across the street from the school.
- Carpool to reduce the number of vehicles at the school.

Sharing the Road with Young Pedestrians

According to research by the National Safety Council, most of the children who lose their lives in bus-related incidents are 4 to 7 years old, and they're walking. They are hit by the bus, or by a motorist illegally passing a stopped bus. A few precautions go a long way toward keeping children safe:

- Don't block the crosswalk when stopped at a red light or waiting to make a turn, forcing pedestrians to go around you; this could put them in the path of moving traffic.
- In a school zone when flashers are blinking, stop and yield to pedestrians crossing the crosswalk or intersection.
- Always stop for a school patrol officer or crossing guard holding up a stop sign.
- Take extra care to look out for children in school zones, near playgrounds and parks, and in all residential areas.
- Don't honk or rev your engine to scare a pedestrian, even if you have the right of way.
- Never pass a vehicle stopped for pedestrians.
- Always use extreme caution to avoid striking pedestrians wherever they may be, no matter who has the right of way.

Sharing the Road with School Buses

If you're driving behind a bus, allow a greater following distance than if you were driving behind a car. It will give you more time to stop once the yellow lights start flashing. It is illegal in all 50 states to pass a school bus that is stopped to load or unload children.

- Never pass a bus from behind – or from either direction if you're on an undivided road – if it is stopped to load or unload children.
- If the yellow or red lights are flashing and the stop arm is extended, traffic must stop.
- The area 10 feet around a school bus is the most dangerous for children; stop far enough back to allow them space to safely enter and exit the bus.
- Be alert; children often are unpredictable, and they tend to ignore hazards and take risks.

Sharing the Road with Bicyclists

On most roads, bicyclists have the same rights and responsibilities as vehicles, but bikes can be hard to see. Children riding bikes create special problems for drivers because usually they are not able to properly determine traffic conditions. The most common cause of collision is a driver turning left in front of a bicyclist.

- When passing a bicyclist, proceed in the same direction slowly, and leave 3 feet between your car and the cyclist.
- When turning left and a bicyclist is approaching in the opposite direction, wait for the rider to pass.
- If you're turning right and a bicyclist is approaching from behind on the right, let the rider go through the intersection first, and always use your turn signals.
- Watch for bike riders turning in front of you without looking or signaling; children especially have a tendency to do this.
- Be extra vigilant in school zones and residential neighborhoods.
- Watch for bikes coming from driveways or behind parked cars.
- Check side mirrors before opening your door.
- By exercising a little extra care and caution, drivers and pedestrians can co-exist safely in school zones.

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