

# ST. JOSEPH & MOST PURE HEART OF MARY PARISHES

September 18, 2016

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sometimes the Holy Spirit is at work in places we least expect.

After my pilgrimage to Lourdes, I was looking for some spiritual reading that would follow well with my retreat and consecration to Mary. I had used a book written by Fr. Gaitley, to prepare for my consecration, and I had found that he wrote a book on Divine Mercy. Recognizing that it's the Jubilee Year of Mercy I picked up a copy and put it on my bookshelf. After perusing through it, I noticed that it focused on the teachings of St. Therese of Lisieux. I had been to Lisieux on my pilgrimage and had read about her before, but I wasn't completely sure if it was where I should direct my attention.

A few days later, I was trying to find something in the parish office and discovered a room that I (kind of) didn't know was there. I assumed that the "Archive Room" is where the old finance files and baptismal records were kept, and while that is true, I discovered that it is also where precious articles from our past are housed. One such treasure, is a First Class relic of St. Therese of Lisieux, the co-patroness of our parish and our diocese. That was enough for me, so I started reading the book and studying mercy.

A couple weeks later, I was visiting a parishioner who is home-bound. She was asking about trust and wondered if there were any resources that she could turn to. I was thinking about the book I am reading, but I wasn't sure if it was right. Just then, she pulled out her own copy and said, "my niece just gave me this. Would it help." I ecstatically told her yes, and that I was thinking about that exact book. As we continued discussing, she asked one more question: "do you think other people in the parish would be interested in this?" I took the idea to Barb P. and found that she was looking for something in the study/formation department.

It is amazing how just little pokes from the Holy Spirit can work in our lives, if only we are paying attention to them.

If you haven't yet considered joining the Year of Mercy study group, I invite you to do so (there's more information on page 4 of this bulletin.) It is an opportunity to take away some very practical things from this Extraordinary Year of Mercy.

Together, let's see what the Holy Spirit can do in us when we trust what the Lord has promised,

- Fr. Chris



## YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

SLAM continues this Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup> with your host Father Chris! Get to know him better and ask some questions that you have always wanted to ask a priest. All 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited! SLAM will meet in the youth room from 7:00-8:30 p.m. If you can't make it this week, or couldn't make it last week, you are always welcome to join us when you are free! We would love to have you!

The Youth Room will NOT be open before CCD and Deeper this Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>.

Deeper continues Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the youth room for all of those who are in high school! Bring some quarters for drinks and snacks. A huge thank you to Patti Lauderbaugh and our other adult leaders for holding down the fort this week.

Next Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, SLAM will be hosted by Father Chris once again. SLAM will meet from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the youth room. All 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited!

Kari got married! If you did not receive an invitation to the SLAM Wedding Reception on Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, please text/call Kari at 419-571-3803 or e-mail her at [kowens@stmaryshelby.org](mailto:kowens@stmaryshelby.org) with your address. If you have received your invitation your RSVP is appreciated.



**The Annual Rosary Rally will be held Saturday, October 15 at noon in Roush Park, Shelby.**



## CYO BASKETBALL SIGN-UP:

Attention all 3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls!! We are currently in the process of sign-up's for CYO basketball teams. To be eligible you must be a registered parishioner of Most Pure Heart of Mary Parish, Plymouth St. Joseph Parish, or a student at

St. Mary's School. If you have not received a sign up form, they are available in the back of church at Most Pure Heart of Mary or in the Bulletin Kiosk at St. Joseph. If you have any questions please contact Scott Kurtzman at 419-989-1269. Please **return sign up forms** to the Parish Office no later than Friday, **October 14<sup>th</sup>**. If you are interested in coaching please contact Scott as well at your earliest convenience.

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## Liturgical Calendar

### Monday, September 19

9:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word & Communion at MPHM (Parish Office)  
*Proverbs 3:27-34; Psalm 15:2-5; Luke 8:16-18*

### Tuesday, September 20--Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest & Paul Chong Hasang and companions, Martyrs

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph Church

9:00 a.m. Liturgy of the Word & Communion at MPHM (Parish Office)  
*Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13; Psalm 119:1,27,30,34-35,44; Luke 8:19-21*

### Wednesday, September 21--Feast of St. Matthew, Apostle & evangelist

9:00 a.m. Mass at MPHM Church  
Prayers for Carol Young, David Yosick  
*Ephesians 4:1-7,11-13; Psalm 19:2-5; Matthew 9:9-13*

### Thursday, September 22

9:00 a.m. Mass at MPHM (Parish Office)  
Prayers for Mickey Friebel

6:00 p.m. Holy Hour (church)  
*Ecclesiastes 1:2-11; Psalm 90:3-6,12-14,17bc; Luke 9:7-9*

### Friday, September 23--Memorial St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

9:00 a.m. Mass at MPHM (Parish Office)  
Prayers for Deacon Fred Stockmaster  
*Ecclesiastes 3:1-11; Psalm 144:1b,2-4; Luke 9:18-22*

### Saturday, September 24

5:00 p.m. Mass at MPHM Church  
Prayers for Walter & Gertrude Bishop, Larry, Lucy, Charlie & Midge Fike, Leon, Bernie & Kenny Miller  
*Ecclesiastes 11:9-12:8; Psalm 90:3-6,12-14,17; Luke 9:43b-45*

### Sunday, September 25

8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph Church  
Prayers for Alfreda Dannemiller

10:30 a.m. Mass at MPHM Church  
Prayers for Ed & Keith Combs, Marlene Yetzer  
*Amos 6:1a,4-7; Psalm 146:7-10; 1Timothy 6:11-16; Luke 16:19-31*

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**ALL YOU CARE TO EAT FISH FRY** or a Chicken Tenders Dinner, Friday October 7<sup>th</sup>, at the K of C Hall, 11 Heyman Drive, Attica, OH, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. The dinner includes baked potato or french fries, coleslaw, apple sauce, bread & drink. Adults are \$9.00 and Children \$6.00

## ATTENTION CONFIRMATION CLASS OF 2015

This would be anyone currently in the 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> grade who was Confirmed in May of 2015.

## ALSO THE CLASS OF 2011

This would be anyone 19-20 yrs. old who was Confirmed in 2011.

We are looking for a group picture to put on the wall of history in St. Mary's School. If you were able to get a nice group shot where we can see all of the confirmands you can either email a digital copy to Kari, [kkrebs@stmaryshelby.org](mailto:kkrebs@stmaryshelby.org) or bring a print to the parish office. Your help in this matter is greatly appreciated.



## INTERVENTION SPECIALIST NEEDED:

St. Mary's School is in need of a part time or full time Intervention Specialist. Please if interested email [kstover@stmaryshelby.org](mailto:kstover@stmaryshelby.org) or call 419-342-2626.

## 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.**

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## YEAR OF MERCY STUDY

**GROUP:** I would like to conclude the Year of Mercy with a Year of Mercy Study Group on the book *33 Days of Merciful Love* by Fr. Michael Gaitley.

Participant's Packet with 33 Days of Merciful Love book is \$25.00. This packet includes Retreat Companion workbook, Prayer of Consecration to Merciful Love prayer card, Consecration to Merciful Love certificate, St. Therese 5 x 7 card and a DVD.

If you already have 33 Days of Merciful Love book, the Participant's Packet is only \$15.00.

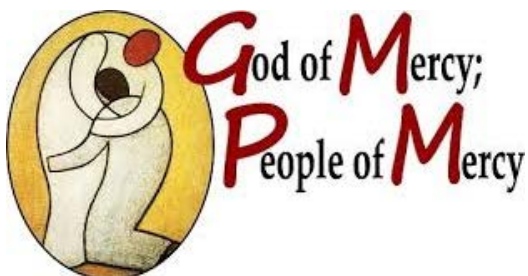
If interested in joining the Year of Mercy Study Group, please stop by the parish office to register and pay. Materials will be ordered on September 26th, in order to get our discount. This book is highly recommended by Fr. Chris, who is currently doing this study.

St. Therese was declared a Doctor of the Church by St. John Paul II, because she had developed a specific spirituality that is recognized as something new and important for the Church. This book hones in on that spirituality, and how it connects with Divine Mercy. Therese made a consecration to Divine Mercy which she calls her Offering to Merciful Love, which is really the culmination of her whole spiritual teaching on her Little Way. Fr. Gaitley thinks this is the most powerful form of consecration to Divine Mercy, and understandably so, since it made her such a great saint in such a short time (24 yrs.).

Her Offering to Merciful Love is based on her profound insight that the Heart of Jesus is full of mercy, and he longs to pour out that Merciful Love on us sinners. Therese realized that sinners often close their hearts to the Lord's great mercy, and their rejection actually causes Jesus deep suffering. So for the purpose of consoling the Heart of Jesus, Therese asked the Lord to pour into her soul all the mercy rejected by others - and He did. That experience set her on fire with Merciful Love, so that everything she did, no matter how small, was done for love of Jesus.

So whether you want to deepen your love of Divine Mercy or have a devotion to St. Therese, 33 Days to Merciful Love is the book to transform you in this "Year of Mercy." Watch the bulletins for dates and times. Please call the parish office if you have any questions, 419-347-2381.

--Barb Pifer



## Diocesan Details

### KEEP UP ON ALL NEWS AND EVENTS OF THE DIOCESE OF TOLEDO

Stay current with news, information and events of the Diocese of Toledo by visiting:

[www.toledodiocese.org](http://www.toledodiocese.org).

In addition, you can follow the Diocese of Toledo:

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*"Marriage is the icon of God's love for us"*

*—Pope Francis*



### 2016 DIOCESAN CELEBRATION OF WEDDING JUBILEES:

Join Bishop Daniel Thomas and the Office of Marriage and Family to commemorate 25, 40, 50, 60, and 60-plus years of marriage for couples in the Diocese of Toledo at Our Lady Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral October 23, 3:00 p.m. Mass includes the renewal of matrimonial vows, and registered couples will receive a commemorative certificate. To register go to: [www.1023mass.eventbrite.com](http://www.1023mass.eventbrite.com), contact Marsha Rivas, 419-214-4938, or call your parish office. Registration deadline is October 13.

**ROSARY/RESPECT LIFE EVENT:** On Sunday, October 2 at 2:30 p.m. there will be a special Rosary/Respect Life event at the Sorrowful Mother Shrine south of Bellevue, OH. At 2:30 we will begin with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. At 2:45 we will begin in a procession through the shrine woods with the recitation of the various mysteries of the Rosary. Those who wish to may remain in the Outdoor Pieta Chapel for Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament and a Blessing with the Relic of the True Cross

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. This three hour Rosary is for refugees, immigrants and all those displaced by war or natural phenomena.

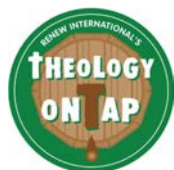
The First Sunday of October is also Respect Life Sunday. This Respect Life March is meant to be witness to the sanctity of all life, from conception to natural death.

Sorrowful Mother Shrine, 4106 State Route 269 (between the intersections of Route 547 & Route 4), Bellevue, OH. 419-483-3435 [www.sorrowfulmothershrine.org](http://www.sorrowfulmothershrine.org)





## 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.

**Speaker:** Fr. Eric Culler,  
Pastor of St. Francis & St. Bernard  
Thursday, September 22

**Place:** La Campesina Shelby  
147 Mansfield Ave., Shelby, OH

**Topic:** Angels & Arch Angels  
Warriors and Messengers

**Time:** 6:00 pm

(Reservation made under Theology on Tap)  
RSVP is appreciated but not required one week prior  
fatherericculler@yahoo.com  
419-775- 9902.

Theology on Tap is a lecture and discussion series. For more information please contact Sheila at cre@willard-oh.com 419-935-1149.

**JOIN US AT THE LIFE CHAIN:** October is Respect Life Month. Join us on Sunday, October 2 from 2:30-3:30 p.m. at the corner of West 4th and Lex-Springmill Road, rain or shine, for the Respect Life, Life Chain. Pope Benedict XVI tells us that life is His gift, a gift to be welcomed with love and preserved with care always and at every moment. Please only park in the mall area parking spaces in respect for the area stores. Sponsored by St. Peter's Respect Life Chapter. Contact Mary Rennpage with any questions 419-524-8162 or terryrennpa@earthlink.net



**Matrimony: A calling to forgive!** "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope." Retrouvaille offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope of a different and better marriage. Retrouvaille helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems/difficulties/crises. For more information about our **October 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Retrouvaille Weekend** program for couples, contact registration team: **Joe and Arlene @ 419-841-1116** or visit our website: **HelpOurMarriage.com**

**UPCOMING DEANERY**

**FESTIVALS**

**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.

**ST. FRANCIS XAVIER FESTIVAL:** On Sunday, September 25th, Come to St. Francis, Willard church festival, 11:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Chicken dinners, sandwich stand, authentic Hispanic cuisine, craft show, kids & tweener games, BINGO and instant bingo, raffles, card games, antique cars and live entertainment throughout the day. Come and join in on all the fun!

**HARVEST FESTIVAL AT MOTHER OF SORROWS CHAPEL, NORTH AUBURN:** Sunday, October 2, 7212 N. Auburn Road, Tiro, OH (3 mi. east of New Washington). Pork & chicken dinners with sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, green beans, applesauce and dessert served from 11:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Carry-outs available. Outside concession stand serving bratwurst, apple dumplings, ice cream. Arts & Crafts booth, Farmers Market booth, Beer tent, bingo from 1:00-4:00 p.m, instant bingo, 50/50 raffles, Reverse Raffle with \$1,000 grand prize, kids games, refreshments and music throughout the entire afternoon. Everyone is welcome!

## Reflections on the Readings

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

### First Reading--Amos 8:4-7

Amos of Tekoa (750 B.C.) is the well-known prophet of social justice. Though living in the Southern Kingdom, he went to the Northern Kingdom of Israel, the sanctuary of Bethel, where he delivered his message. Imagine that during the worship service in your church, a stranger would stand up and address the congregation as Amos did! ("New moon" and "Sabbath": the first day of each lunar month and the Sabbath were days of rest; the "ephah" was a standard of measure.) Small wonder that the priest of the sanctuary told Amos to leave.

God's word is that we should be concerned about the rights and needs of fellow humans. God is! "He raises up the lowly from the dust; from the dunghill he lifts up the poor".

### Second Reading--1 Timothy 2:1-8

Our petitions during Mass should be universal, not only for the needs of the congregation. We pray that all human beings may be saved. We pray for our politicians and those in authority, that they may do an honest job. Do you try to make the petitions your prayer?

### Gospel--Luke 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

The Longer Form of today's Gospel consists first of the parable of the wily manager. Notice that the owner, Jesus, does not praise the dishonesty of the manager, but rather his cleverness in acting decisively in a moment of crisis. The second part consists of statements on the right use of money. Since this is the topic of the First reading, and the Shorter Form restricts itself to these statements, obviously the Church wants to focus our attention on these statements concerning trustworthiness.

'You cannot serve both God and mammon': the meaning is obvious. If you sever the management of your possessions from your religious faith, you will soon be going by a double standard. The motto "To each his/her own" should be our guide whenever we handle money and do business. Only then can God trust us!

-- Submitted by Barb Pifher



**Fall Time!**  
Autumn is a second spring  
when every leaf is a flower.

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TPJGLLAFIHAHLF  
NUSOIQHVDKEXC  
DMANMAKFORERKR  
TPCLTYAHFVVS GS  
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PIHRRRSEASLGZL  
MNQLGNUBD TDCHP  
WINDERMCQQENEP  
ACORNSYTLRS GRA

Leaves  
Wind  
Apples  
Hay  
Rake  
Corn  
Acorns  
Harvest  
Fall  
Pumpkin

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# St. Joseph's Parish News

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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, September 25-- 8:30 a.m.

- Greeters:** Blum Family
- Eucharist:** Jim Blum, Leonard Fenner, Ken Studer
- Servers:** Luke Blum, Ben Blum, Zeb Finnegan
- Lector:** Sandy Blum
- Ushers:** Ed Kanney, Henry Phillips
- Music:** St. Joseph Choir
- Collection Counters:** Pat Bond, Carolyn Carnahan, Ashley Bond



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Dennis Jaeckin, Karla Tucker, Molly Bond, Abbegail Heydinger, Cori 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

### September 11

Sunday Offering.....	\$ 1,410.00
Maintenance.....	\$ 50.00
Catholic Youth.....	\$ 5.00
Year-to-date	
Over/Under Budget.....	- \$1,144.00

**Thank You!**

**Attendance: 126**

August	Month to Date	1st Quarter to Date	
Goal:	\$ 5,792.00	July, August, September	
Collected:	\$ 2,816.00	Goal:	\$ 18,824.00
		Collected:	\$ 12,777.01
	100%		100%
	80%		80%
	60%		60%
	40%		40%
	20%		20%
	0%		0%
	49% of Monthly Goal		68% of Quarter Goal

# FOOD PANTRY

# & UPSTAIRS STORE

### Tuesday, September 27

10:00 a.m.-noon, Food Pantry (Shiloh)

9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m., Upstairs Store (Plymouth)

### Thursday, September 29

5:00-7:00 p.m., Food Pantry (Shiloh)

5:30-7:00 p.m., Upstairs Store (Plymouth)



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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/Rector 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, September 24, 5:00 p.m. Mass

**Lector:** Dave Winans  
**Servers:** Gloria & Julia Gutchall, Caleb Vogt  
**Eucharistic:** Todd Kehres, Kari Krebs, Marilyn Moore, Mike & Christi Smith, Vince Studer  
**Ushers:** Jim Yetzer, Tom Yetzer, Mark Young, Michael Zappa  
**Greeters:** Dorothy Chew, Julie & Ken Ensman, Monika Shuler  
**Music:** Jenna & Guinevere

### Sunday, September 25, 10:30 a.m. Mass

**Lector:** Amy Dannemiller  
**Servers:** Theresa Dannemiller, Zeb Finnegan, Remy Rhodes  
**Eucharist:** Bill Houseworth, Colton Penwell, Linda Shaughnessy, Dave & Lois Steele, Karen Winters, Angela Yetzer  
**Ushers:** Ken Ensman, Ed Friebe, Joe Gies, John Gies  
**Greeters:** Lynelle Boyce, Veronica Dannemiller, Dave & Nita Walsh  
**Music:** Suzon & Joy  
**Counters:** Dick & Becky Young, Marty Penwell

## CALENDAR of Events

### Monday, September 19

7:00 p.m. D of I meeting--Parish Center LLMR

### Tuesday, September 20

7:00 p.m. A & R Meeting--Parish Center LLMR

### Wednesday, September 21

10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl--Parish Center LLMR

5:30 p.m. Rel.Ed. grades 1-6--School

6:00 p.m. Adult Choir Potluck--Parish Center LLMR

6:45 p.m. RCIA Meet & Greet--Parish Center Conference Room

7:00 p.m. DEEPER--Youth Room

### Thursday, September 22

7:30 p.m. Disciples of Song--Church

### Sunday, September 25

7:00 p.m. SLAM--Youth Room

LLMR = Lower Level Meeting Room



**THANK YOU!** I would like to thank whoever bought me a ticket for the "Winner Winner Chicken Dinner". It was greatly appreciated.

--Paula Straka



The Global Catholic  
Climate Movement

**The Catholic Climate Covenant wants you to make a difference in our world.**  
**WAYS YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN GOD'S WORLD.** " Leave your car at home. If you can stay off the road just two days a week, you'll reduce greenhouse gas emissions by an average of 1,590 pounds per year [source: EPA]. Combine your errands -- hit the post office, grocery store and shoe repair place in one trip. It will save you gas and time.

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

will have a meet and greet on **September 21 at 6:45 p.m.**, in the parish center conference room. RCIA 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. If you would like to update your faith or know someone who might be interested at looking at the faith, please invite them on the 21<sup>st</sup>. Any questions, please call Barb Pifher at 419-347-2381. There is no commitment during this process....just to look and explore.



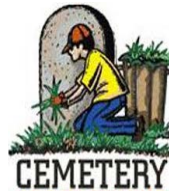
## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Dolores Allwine, Krista Bruskotter, Robert Rager, Warren Schneider, Omar Guimaraes, Allen Gwartz, Casey Sutter, Veronica Dannemiller, Mackenzie Vogt, Ty Keinath, Sara Krietemeyer, JoAnn Peiffer, Sally Shuler, Andrea Downs, Maureen Rupe, Angela Hicks, Chaz Elliott, Daryl Payne, Joni Parks, Erin Moore, Michael Friebel, Adam Niese, Cheryl Gies, Kathleen Kreinbrink, Amy Bonecutter, Christine Gfrer, Teresa Ensmann, Andrea Cooke, Krystal Stone, William Armstrong, Mireya Mendez, Nancy Skarl, Lorene Kleman, Lisa Rhodes, Lisa Gwartz, Beth King, Megan Spangler.



## DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA:

The D of I will meet on Monday, September 19 at 7:00 p.m., in the Most Pure Heart of Mary Parish Center lower meeting room. The speaker will be Fr. Chris Mileski. The committee for the evening is Laura McGarvey, Nancy Metzger, Eileen Studer, and Mary Ann Fraley. Bring a can of food for Shelby Helpline.



**CEMETERY CLEAN-UP:** Please have all ground decorations off of the graves at the cemetery by October 1<sup>st</sup>. Please note this is an earlier deadline than previous years. Thank you! Any questions please call Betty Yetzer at 419-347-2118.



### Sunday Collections September 3 & 4, 2016:

Offertory	\$ 10,667.50
Religious Education	\$ 65.00
Children's	\$ 4.00

**TOTAL SUNDAY AND HOLY DAY COLLECTIONS** \$ 10,736.50 down \$122.00 from 2015/2016

**Total Sunday and Holy Day Collections to Date** \$ 81,985.99 down \$1,470.00 from 2015/2016

### Other Parish Collections:

Capital Improvement \$ 125.00  
Support Your School \$ 1,000.00

### Diocesan Collections:

Catholic University \$ 105.00

### Sunday Collections September 10 & 11, 2016:

Offertory	\$ 6,246.25
Religious Education	\$ 325.00
Children's	\$ 6.00

### Holy Day Collections:

All Saints	\$ 5.00
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**TOTAL SUNDAY AND HOLY DAY COLLECTIONS** \$ 6,582.25 down \$1,997.00 from 2015/2016

**Total Sunday and Holy Day Collections to Date** \$ 88,568.24 down \$3,468.00 from 2015/2016

### Other Parish Collections:

Capital Improvement \$ 130.00



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September 18, 2016

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Rehearsals begin soon! Now is a great time to join one of our music groups. Music, fun, and fellowship for all ages. Bring your instrument whether it's your voice, guitar, wind, string, percussion, or anything else. All are welcome!

Group	Practice	Masses/Month
Adult Choir	Wed., 7:00 p.m.	Twice
Disciples of Song	Thurs., 7:00 p.m.	Twice
SpiritSong	As needed	Once
Youth Praise Team (Grade 7-College)	2 Wed./month, 6:00-6:45 p.m.	Once
Children's Choir (Grades 3-6)	2 Wed./month, 3:30-4:15 p.m.	Once
Cantors	As needed	As needed
Funeral Choir	None	As needed

For more information on any of these groups, contact Joy Wagner, Director of Music: [jwagner@stmaryshelby.org](mailto:jwagner@stmaryshelby.org). or 419-347-2381.



**ALTAR & ROSARY NEWS:** The next Altar and Rosary Society meeting will be on September 20 at 7:00 p.m.

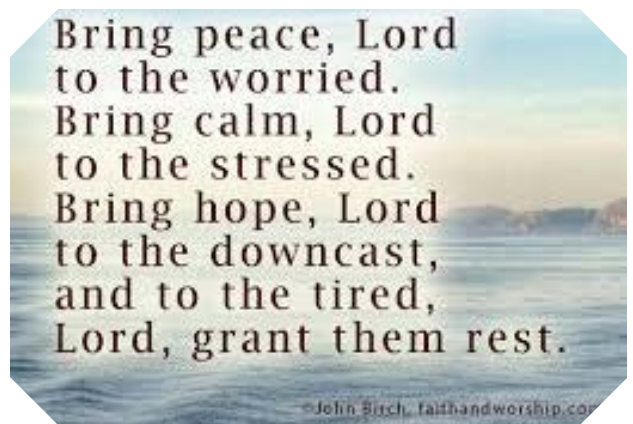
## SAVE THE DATE

The fun of Christmas Bazaar Candy Making is just around the corner. We have a change in the day of the week we will be creating these delicious treats this year. Mark your calendars so you too can join in the fun.

**Tuesday, November 1**  
**Tuesday, November 8**  
**Tuesday, November 15**

We will make candy in two shifts:  
**1:00-3:00 p.m. and 6:00-9:00 p.m.**

You are welcome to show up for one or both times.



December 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, Most Pure Heart of Mary will host Kelly Croy, speaker, artist, and educator for our Advent Parish Mission. The best speakers are those who entertain, inspire, and challenge. Kelly combines a great keynote message with a live art performance.

He combines the performance with a powerful musical score and then brings the art to life with computer animation. It is a unique, powerful, and entertaining experience for all. "Whether I am in the classroom, speaking on stage, writing, or creating art, my goal is to inspire people to live richer and fuller lives."

Our Advent Reconciliation Service will be held on December 11<sup>th</sup> as well. Watch the bulletin for times of both events.

### 2015-16 Excel Beyond the Basics School Fund Drive

**Our Goal \$67,500**

Collected September 3 & 4	\$ 310.00
Collected September 10 & 11	\$ 135.00
<b>Total Collected for 2015-16 Fund Drive</b>	<b>\$ 62,805.40</b>
<b>Pledged to Date</b>	<b>\$ 64,809.90</b>

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

# CHOOSING YOUR PATH

## SCHOOL FAMILY NEWSLETTER



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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL



*"Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour." ~Matthew 25:13*

After a few weeks of school, I can say my family is settling into the routine pretty well. Routines and good habits help me stay on top of things. My doctor told me it takes 6 weeks of doing something to make it a habit.

Brushing our teeth, eating and exercising are great things to do automatically. Sometimes I feel on autopilot when I pray or worship though. Have you ever been out to eat and see a whole table looking down at their phones? Has your child or spouse ever said "I told you that. Didn't you listen?" At work I can spend a whole day on one spreadsheet. I think this verse is calling us to really pay attention. Awareness will help us focus on the important things.

TV, phones, video games, computers can distract us. Good handshakes and conversations are not as natural for some. Research says for families to try to eat dinner together uninterrupted. Take time to talk and listen. At work, schedule times for priorities and try to stick with it. The other thing I struggle with is saying no. Our schedules are so busy, we can't carve out time. I cherish the days with free time to spend with those I love.

Being mindful will help us connect with God and tune in to those around us. It's not wise to numb ourselves with substitutes and substances. It's the same with work and school. I have to make a conscious effort to stop the busyness and paperwork to observe. I try to be a plugged in Catholic, leader, mom, wife and friend. Although I am a big believer in routines, let us not be monotonous about our faith and important relationships.

Thank you for your continued support and prayers; *Principal Stover*

**EARLY DISMISSAL**- is Wednesday September 21<sup>st</sup>. Dismissal will be at 1:30 pm. Because Shelby City schools are having early dismissal too, buses will run in the afternoon.

**INTERIM REPORTS** go out Friday September 23<sup>rd</sup>. Interims help families stay on top of their child's progress at school, and because they're usually issued half-way through a grading period, they also give families a chance to correct academic problems, if they exist.

### GENERAL REMINDERS

Monday-Computer Class

Tuesday - Gym day-wear athletic shoes

Wednesday-Church day/ Optional Dress up  
\*Early Dismissal 1:30pm

Thursday-Art Class with Mr. Sommer

Friday-Music Class with Mrs. Kurtzman  
\* Interim Reports sent home

### QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, IDEAS?

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### SCHOOL MISSION/ PHILOSOPHY

St. Mary's Catholic School is different by design. With the assistance of the Pastor, Principal, staff, students, parents, and parishioners, we provide an excellent educational environment where students and teachers work together to cultivate, strengthen, and share faith, excel academically by fostering a passion for learning and personal accountability. It is our goal at St. Mary's to commit ourselves to the development of the total person, spiritual and physical, moral and intellectual, individual and social, in an atmosphere filled with the spirit of Christ.