

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Marietta, Ohio 45750-6530

Founded 1841—Completed 1867

*A parish of the Roman Catholic
Diocese of Steubenville*

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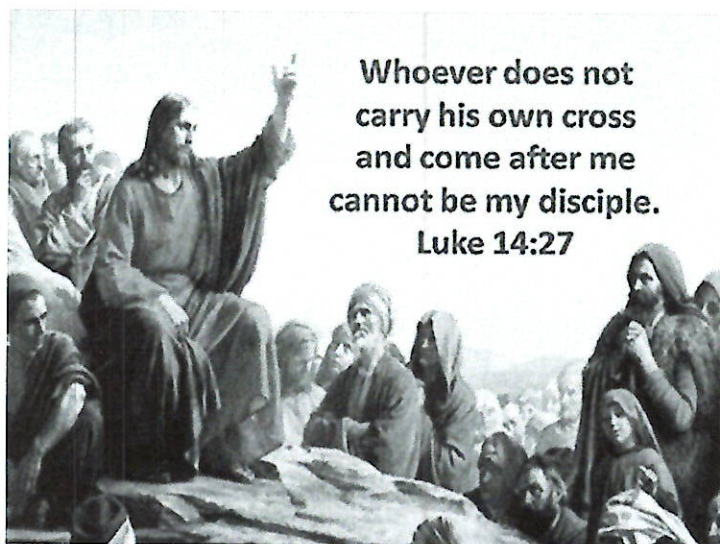
Fr. David Gaydosik, Pastor

Cell number 740-391-1093

Fr. Walter E Heinz, retired/in residence

Fr. Dale Tornes, retired

23RD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME September 4, 2022



Whoever does not
carry his own cross
and come after me
cannot be my disciple.
Luke 14:27



Faith - Tradition - Family

Good News!

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Wis 9:13–18b; Phlm 9–10, 12–17; Lk 14:25–33

Paul urges Philemon to treat a runaway slave, Onesimus, as a brother in Christ, not a slave. He didn't ask Philemon to free the man. Nor did he encourage him to work for the eradication of slavery. Why not? The letter doesn't tell us. Yet if we look deeply at this issue, we might discover that Paul was asking for something much more profound than a change in law.

The United States outlawed slavery more than 150 years ago. But that change did nothing to erase the political, economic, and social biases of many citizens. Some people still consider African Americans and other people of color as inferior, untrustworthy and dangerous. Laws cannot change thinking or prejudices.

Had Philemon simply freed Onesimus, would the slave's situation have been improved? In the ancient world, slaves were often branded, thus alerting everyone to their servile position in society. Might this have prevented him from living a full life as a free man? Even if the law had changed, would ancient Rome have provided for former slaves any better than contemporary America has?


Paul pressed Philemon to go deeper into his heart, to change his perception of Onesimus' status in his household. Paul is probably not talking about a blood bond, but the bond that joins Christians to each other as brothers and sisters in Christ. If we really treat each other in this way, discriminatory customs will crumble and there will no longer be any kind of slavery.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	OLM	09/03	4:00	P.M.	+Earl and +Francis Thieman (Cindy Schwendeman)
	SJB	09/03	6:00	P.M.	+Mark Bradley Family (Charles Tornes)
	SJB	09/04	7:30	A.M.	+Edward Brooker (Family)
	OLM	09/04	9:30	A.M.	+Howard and +Patricia Huck (The Huck Family)
	SJB	09/04	11:00	A.M.	+Gertrude Arnold (Larry and Nora Huffman)
Monday	SJB	09/05	8:00	A.M.	+Patricia Gaydosik (Parish)
	OLM	09/05	8:30	A.M.	+Cheryl Brooker (Brian Brooker)
Tuesday	SJB	09/06	8:00	A.M.	+Irene Abele (Charlotte Lang and Family)
Wednesday	SJB	09/07	8:20	A.M.	+Linda Schott (Tim and Judy Best)
Thursday	SJB	09/08	8:00	A.M.	+Irene Lang (Vincent Huck Family)
	OLM	09/08	5:00	P. M.	+Harold "Sonny "Offenberger (Matt and Tricia Schaad)
Friday	SJB	09/09	8:00	A.M.	+Dave Pottmeyer (Bernard and Marilyn Schilling)
School Mass Happy Birthday Fr. Gaydosik					
Saturday	OLM	09/10	4:00	P.M.	+Larry Zwick (Larry and Sandy Harris)
	SJB	09/10	6:00	P.M.	+Penny Schwendeman (Tom and Elaine Wells)
Sunday	SJB	09/11	7:30	A.M.	+Vincent Huck (Charlotte Lang and Family)
	OLM	09/11	9:30	A.M.	+Raymond and +Mary Brooker (Julia Brooker)
	SJB	09/11	11:00	A.M.	+Alice Lang (Dave Schaad Family)

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

<u>MASS</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>EUCH. MINISTER</u>
<u>SATURDAY 6:00 P.M.</u>	Cody and Emma Schaad	Jerry Smith	Jessi Henke
<u>SUNDAY 7:30 A.M.</u>	Connor McCartney, Henry Huffman	Kelly Miller	Veronica Bosner
<u>SUNDAY 11:00 A.M.</u>	Connor and Finn Lauchard	Angie Henniger	Tonia Skinner

<u>COLLECTION</u>	<u>DPSC</u>	<u>BINGO</u>
Total Collection \$2,970 Needed to meet parish needs \$4,750 Thank you for your generosity!	2022 Goal \$26,332 2022 Collected \$54,710 Thank you!	August 21-Group 2 \$5,837 If you are unable to attend, please find a replacement.
<u>ST. JOHN BINGO WORK SCHEDULE</u> Sept 4 Group 4 with Derrick Pottmeyer Sept 11 Group 5 with Kenley Schwendeman Sept 18 Group 6 with Jeff Canterbury Sept 25 Group 7 with BJ Davis Oct 7 Group 8 with Russ Lang	<u>C.W.C. WORK GROUPS</u> The CWC will meet on Monday, September 12, 6:30 p.m. in the Sr. Center. 	<u>PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY</u> Please pray for all of the men and women who are serving our country in the military. May God watch over them and keep them safe.

CONDOLENCES

Please keep Fr. Gaydosik and his family in your prayers for the passing of their Mother Patricia on August 25. Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to Patricia's family and friends. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and may perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

EUCHRE

Euchre will be held at the Sr. Center on September 14 and 28, at 1:00 p.m. Chips and drinks will be provided.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Our Parish Religious Education programs will begin on October 2. Class will be held from 9-10:30 am at the school on the first three Sundays of each month. A link to the registration form can be found on our church website at www.stjohnchurchtown.com. We are also in need of teachers and aides. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact the PSR Coordinator Andrea Ralston 740-350-4669 or email andreabralston@gmail.com.

ST. JOHN SCHOOL MUM SALE

St. John School is taking orders for mums. There are several different colors to choose from. Cost for an 8" container is \$6.50 each or 5-\$30; 12" Terra Cotta containers are \$20 each. You may place an order with any St. John Student, or call the school office 896-2697 before September 9.

DRIVE-THRU FUNDRAISER

St. John Central School will be hosting its first ever Drive-Thru Fundraiser, Saturday, September 17 from 5:00 - 7:30pm in the school parking lot. You have your choice of two different meals: Meal #1 - Hamburger OR Cheeseburger; Meal #2 - 2 Hot Dogs. Both meals come with the following sides: Baked beans, Macaroni and cheese, Chips, Cookie, and a Drink. Meals are \$6 each and orders & money MUST be received NO LATER than, Friday, September 9. You may contact the school at 740-896-2697. All proceeds will benefit the St. John Central School Music Program.

BAPTISM

We welcome into our parish family through Baptism: Kamren Roush, daughter of Jesse and Tracie (Treadway) Roush. May God bless this family now and always.

SECOND GRADE TEACHER NEEDED

There is an opening for a Full-Time Second Grade Teacher at St. John School in Churchtown. A certified teacher is needed. Interested applicants should contact Michelle Schwendeman 740-896-2697 (school) or (740) 525-7925 (cell) or Karen Pottmeyer (Principal) at 740-525-3623 (cell) for additional information.

CWC MONTHLY MEETING

The CWC will hold their monthly meeting on Monday, September 12 at the Sr. Center. Praying the Rosary will begin at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting will follow. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Schedules for Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers are located in the church vestibule. The schedule is up to December 18. If you are unable to serve, please try to find a replacement.

BINGO WORK GROUP LIST

In each bulletin this weekend is the list of bingo work groups and the new schedule to begin in November. Please check the list as new names have been added. If you are not listed and would like to be, please contact Betina at the Rectory.

LADIES RETREAT

Renew Your Spirit Ladies Retreat is scheduled for October 1, 2022 from 8:30 – 3:30 at St. Ambrose Church in Little Hocking, Ohio. There will be uplifting music, life changing speakers, confessions, group discussion, divine mercy chaplet and lunch. Forms are located in the church vestibule. Cost is a \$10 donation. For more information, please contact Rita Rodgers 740-423-5697 or Becky Hennen 740-989-2460.

JUBILEE OF MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES

The Diocese of Steubenville will be offering Mass to recognize significant marriage anniversaries. This year's celebration is offered for couples celebrating their 10th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, 55th, 60th and 60+ (every year thereafter) anniversary of marriage. Mass will be held at Noon on Sunday, November 6 at St. Mary Basilica. A reception will be held after Mass. If you would like to register, please contact the Rectory no later than October 1 to complete a registration form.

Gratitude isn't only a celebration when good things happen.
Gratitude is a declaration that God is good no matter what happens.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE
Knights of Columbus 4617

FAMILY PICNIC

OUR BACK PATIO, CHURCHTOWN, OH

ALL MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES WELCOME!

SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 18TH

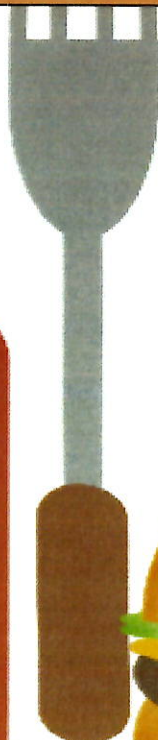
NOON UNTIL 3PM

GAMES, PRIZES,
AND MORE!

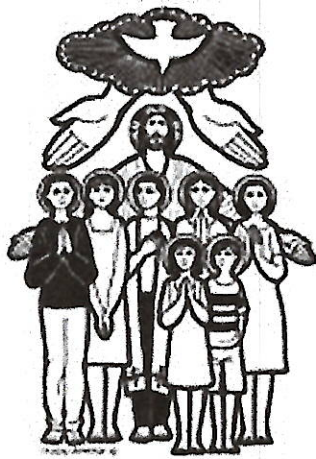


HAMBURGERS & HOT DOGS PROVIDED
PLEASE BRING:
A SALAD OR DESSERT TO SHARE

FREE
ADMISSION



QUESTIONS:
TEXT/CALL IAN @
740-525-4898



RENEW YOUR SPIRIT LADIES RETREAT DAY

SATURDAY OCTOBER 1, 2022

8:30 AM - 2:30 PM

*ST. AMBROSE CHURCH
5080 SCHOOL HOUSE ROAD
LITTLE HOCKING, OHIO*

SPEAKERS:

Sharon Feeney-Jones is a native of West Virginia and currently a member of St Ambrose Catholic Church in Porterfield, OH. She has a vast and varied work experience in Nursing and the Army Nurse Corps which includes Staff Nurse Wheeling Hospital, Head Nurse and Director of Nursing St Joseph's Hospital, Parkersburg, WV. While servicing in the military her assignments included Ft Sill, OK; Berlin West Germany, Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Ft Eustis, VA, Personnel Command, Arlington, VA and Officer in Charge, Dover Port Mortuary. Of all the positions and assignments Dover Mortuary was the most challenging and rewarding. She is currently living in Coolville, Ohio with Sister Rita VonBerg, Asunta Damron, three dogs and two cats.

Mary Vesel was born in the Bronx, NY and grew up in the New York and New Jersey area.

Mary met her husband in NJ and they were married in their last year of college. They moved to this area to retire, but somehow Mary missed the retirement part. Mary has worked as a speech language pathologist for 45 years. She has worked with mentally and physically challenged children to adult aged clients. She has worked in inpatient rehab Encompass in Florida, treating patients and developing a swallowing program. Mary worked in skilled nursing facilities as a treating therapist, rehab manager, corporate consultant, and corporate rehab manager. The corporate jobs required travel so Mary visited multiple states and required licensing in the 10 states that her job covered. She is now working full time at the Willows in Parkersburg, WV. Mary and Andy never had any children but have rescued many animals. Currently they have 6 cats that needed a home and a rescue dog adopted in January who will be having his 12th birthday in August.

ACTIVITIES:

UPLIFTING MUSIC *** LIFE CHANGING SPEAKERS *** CONFESSIONS
*** GROUP DISCUSSION *** DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET *** LUNCH ***

FOR RESERVATIONS OR MORE INFORMATION:

Rita Rodgers 740-423-5697 drrodgers2417@gmail.com
Becky Hennen 740-989-2460 becky1097@windstream.net

*** In order to cover our expenses, we are requesting a \$10 donation. ***

Name _____ Phone _____ E-mail _____

Please make checks payable to St. Ambrose CWC and mail with the bottom of this form to Rita Rodgers 2417 Norris Ave. Belpre, Ohio 45714 before September 22th.

Jubilee of Marriage Anniversaries

A celebration of the Diocese of Steubenville



Three (3) locations:
Saturday, November 5, 2022
5:15 p.m. Mass at St. Lawrence O'Toole Church, Ironton

Sunday, November 6, 2022
12:00 noon Mass at St. Mary Basilica, Marietta
and
5:30 p.m. Mass at Holy Family Church, Steubenville

PLEASE NOTE: A reception will be held after each Mass.

The Most Reverend Jeffrey M. Monforton, Celebrant

*For couples whose
10th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, 55th, 60th
and 60+ (every year thereafter)
anniversary of marriage is (or was) during 2022.*

To register, please contact your Pastor.
R.S.V.P. by October 17, 2022.

Coordinated by the Office of Marriage, Family and Respect Life
in collaboration with the Office of Worship and the
Diocesan Council of Catholic Women.

Contact Joseph Schmidt, jschmidt@diosteub.org (740) 516-9270, with any questions.

CHURCHTOWN BINGO WORK GROUPS

08/09/22

Group 1: Captain Jeff Brooker, Ian and Lauren Alexander, Dave and Veronica Bosner, Angela Brooker, Cody Brooker, Dan Brooker, Dean and Kerri Brooker, Dennis and Trena Brooker, Kevin and Stephanie Brooker, Pat Brooker, Shoshanna Brooker, Steve and Pam Brooker, Ted Brooker, Mike and Mary Hogan, Chris and Georgia Lang, Scott and Carrie Lang, Stan Lang, Keith and Megan Lang, Evan Schilling, Neil and Donna Schilling, Troy and Teresa Schilling, Derek and Kourtney Thieman.

Group 2: Co-Captain Jessi Henke, Tom and Whitney (Co-Capt.) Ewing, Roger and Kendra Arteaga, Justin and Layne Arthur, Dave and Cindy Bowen, Jason and Heather Casto, Bruce and Lorraine Clarida, Hannah Duff, Hayley Duff, Duane and Tina Duff, Ryan and Erica Dyar, Teresa Haught, Chad and Kylee Knox, Bruce and Jessica Lang, Jeff and Lorinda Lang, Curt and Sharon Loken, Scott and Sonja McCartney, Blake and Jessica Pottmeyer, Chris Pottmeyer, Heath and Sammi Pottmeyer, Ted and Karen Pottmeyer, Bo and Jenna Richardson, Buck and PJ Stanley, Mark Strahler, Toni Wilson.

Group 3: Ryan and Lacey Lauchard (Captain), Hugh and Kelley Arnold, Tom and Barbara Dempsey, Dan and Samantha Franchino, Mike and Zandra Francis, Bryan and Stacie Heiss, Chris and Angie Henniger, Rick and Beth Huck, Scott and Ashley Huck, Shawn and Jennifer Huck, Doug and Laurene Huffman, Abby Huffman, Belle Huffman, Sydney Huffman, Isaac Huffman, Kirk and Maria Huffman, Larry and Nora Huffman, Noah Huffman, Maggie Huffman, Jason and Jennifer Lang, Brad & Katie Marks, Joshua and Elizabeth Moore, Chris and Jennifer Semon, Matt and Ashleigh Strahler.

Group 4: Derrick (Capt.) and Stacey Pottmeyer, Alex (Capt.) and Kristen Pottmeyer, Corey & Kelly Adams Ethan Brooker, Tim Brooker, Montana Brooker, Shawn Brooker, Tom Brooker, Amy Camp, Brad and Becky Kern, Dan and Cindy Kern, Derek and Brittany Kern, Luke Kern, Nathan and Sarah Kern, Russ Kern & Beth Crum, Nathan and Johanna McNabb, Jay and Marilyn Pottmeyer, Cole and Alison Pottmeyer, Dennis and Carla Pottmeyer, Eric and Marilyn Pottmeyer, Erin and Sheri Pottmeyer, Taylor Pottmeyer, Travis Pottmeyer, Ken and Cindy Pottmeyer, Nick and Brandy Pottmeyer, Tanner & Amie Pottmeyer.

Group 5: Captains Kenley Schwendeman and Michelle Schwendeman, Jack & Angie Alvarez, Mark and Lori Brooker, Cody and April Chestnut, Jack and Ann Eichmiller, Eric and Robin Eichmiller, Eric and Tori Hooper, Arnold Huck, Jason and Christina Hyde, Eugene and Teresa Huck, Patrick and Amanda Huck, Alan and Charlene Kern, Landon and Hannah Kern, Jenna Long, Jordan and Louray Fincher, Evan and Heather Schaad, Greg and Alisha Schaad, Tim and Kayla Schaad, Todd and Mitzi Schaad, Doug and Janelle Sprague, Steve and Rose Welch.

Group 6: Captains Jeff and Charlene Canterbury, Chris and Ashley (Capt.) Henry, Terry and Connie Arnold, Tim and Judy Best, Brett and Joanna Burt, Rick Canterbury, Richard Canterbury, Tom Dyar, Jess and Stacey Greenup, Dean and Lori Hart, Tim and Susan Lang, Tony Lang, Brysen and Gretchen Lee, Kyle and Tisa Medlin, Aaron and Alicyn Miller, Andy and Kelly Miller, Brendan and Angie Negi, Ben and Theresa Sauer, Autumn Sauer, Adam and Danette Schaad, Ed and Kerri Schaad, Karen Schwendeman, Jerry and Melinda Treadway, Maddie Treadway, Mike and Ellie Tullius, Jason and Amanda Warner, Bill and Alberta Wesel.

Group 7: Captain BJ and Elisha Davis, Bill and Patty Arnold, Gary and Edna Arnold, Richard and Brenda Arnold, Paul Arnold, Ken Britton, Dana and Tammy Dietz, Jerry and Virginia Dyar, Alecia Fouss, Eric and Sarah Grayson, Sabrina Harra, George and Christy Heiss, Brandon and Ashleigh Hendershot, Ryan and Alana Henry, Deborah Huck, David and Yvonne Kincaid, Kristin Lang, Kyle Lang, Tony and Gail Lang, Kevin and Dawn McCutcheon, Brice and Hannah Miller, Clay and Katlyn Miller, Ted and Trina Miller, Terry and Patty Miller, Heath and Brenda Quimby, Andrea Ralston, Adam & Kelly Schaad Valerie Strahler, Rob and Shelly Sury, Darrell and Gloria Thieman, Blake Tornos, Randy and Jean Tornos, Nate and Sarah Tullius, Scott and Ashly Wells, Madison Wells, Brandon and Aimee Wheeler, Tim and Marilyn Zoller.

Group 8: Captains Russ and Betina Lang and Nate and Amanda Walters, Evan & Allison Arnold, Ferris and Susan Arnold, Bob and Peggy Byers, Josh and Amanda Greer, Alex and Roxanne Heiss, Joe and Kristen Huck, Steve and Rachel Klinger, Adam Lang, Andrew and Alli Lang, Brad and Lindsey Lang, Brady and Cheryl Lang, Casey and Crystal Lang, Frank and Judy Lang, Terry and Karen Lang, Doug and Mary Parks, Rudy and Ashleigh Pennock, Jim and Anna Schaad, Ryan and Kara Schaad, Tyler and Kelsie Schaad, Derrick and Rachel Schott, Jeff and Tonia Skinner, Jerry Smith, Scott and Haley Tebay, Jeff and Courtney Wesel.

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO WORK YOUR SCHEDULED BINGO, PLEASE FIND A REPLACEMENT.

WORKERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO BE THERE NO LATER THAN 3:30 P.M.

WE APPRECIATE AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND EFFORT IN MAKING CHURCHTOWN BINGO A HUGE SUCCESS!

GROUP CAPTAINS

Team 1	Jeff Brooker	749-3538	Team 5	Kenley Schwendeman	525-7466
Team 2	Jessica Henke	896-3705		Michelle Schwendeman	525-7925
	Whitney Ewing	525-5563	Team 6	Jeff Canterbury	984-4827
Team 3	Ryan Lauchard	(614) 284-4851		Ashley Henry	629-1067
Team 4	Derek Pottmeyer	(740) 885-9251	Team 7	BJ Davis	(740) 819-3613
	Alex Pottmeyer	(304) 989-0729	Team 8	Russ Lang	336-0800
				Amanda Walters	516-1860

CHURCHTOWN BINGO GROUP WORK SCHEDULE 2022-23

DATE		GROUP		DATE		GROUP
Nov	6	5		May	7	7
	13	6			14	8
	20	7			21	1
	27	8			28	2
Dec	4	1		June	4	3
	11	2			11	4
	18	3 & 4			18	5
	25	Christmas - No Bingo			25	6
Jan	1	New Years - No Bingo		July	2	7
	8	5 & 6			9	8
	15	7			16	1
	22	8			23	2
	29	1			30	3
Feb	5	2		Aug	6	4
	12	3			13	5
	19	4			20	6
	26	5			27	7
Mar	5	6		Sept	3	8
	12	7			10	1
	19	8			17	2
	26	1			24	3
Apr	2	2		Oct	1	4
	9	Easter-No Bingo			8	5
	16	3 & 4			15	6
	23	5			22	7
	30	6			29	8

Team 1

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If you are unable to work your scheduled shift,
please let your captain know and find a replacement.