

MASS INTENTIONS

January 27-February 2

- MONDAY, 27 8:30 a.m. Communion Service
- TUESDAY, 28 8:30 a.m. Communion Service
- WEDNESDAY, 29 7:00 p.m. Communion Service
- THURSDAY, 30 8:30 a.m. Communion Service
- FRIDAY, 31 8:30 a.m. **Communion Service**
- SATURDAY, 1 5:00 p.m. **For the Parish**
- SUNDAY, 2 8:00 a.m. David Fallert
(Fran and Charles Skira)
- 10:30 a.m. Daniel McKitrick
(Judie McKitrick)

Just a note to let you know when you request a Mass Intention the schedule may change according to Father's commitments.

USHERS

- SATURDAY
 - 5:00 p.m. Brad Gross, Michael Gross, Betty Gross, Mike Gross
- SUNDAY
 - 8:00 a.m. Ralph Barhorst, Jim Hamberg, Matthew Hamberg, Dave Koch
 - 10:30 a.m. Frank Catrone, Douglas Slagel, Jim Smith, Mark Sojda

SERVERS

- SATURDAY
 - 5:00 p.m. Spencer Brackman, Laura Fink, Clay Vaughn
- SUNDAY
 - 8:00 a.m. Morgan Cundiff, Kirsten Hartke
 - 10:30 a.m. Zach Bonifas, Mason Bonifas, Trey Davis

LECTORS

- SATURDAY
 - 5:00 p.m. Philip Ratermann, Irene Crawford
- SUNDAY
 - 8:00 a.m. Tim Riley
 - 10:30 a.m. Cindy Griffin, Scott Lawson

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

- SATURDAY
 - 5:00 p.m. 7 volunteers needed
- SUNDAY
 - 8:00 a.m. 7 volunteers needed
 - 10:30 a.m. 7 volunteers needed

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading.....Malachi 3:1-4
 Second Reading.....Hebrew 2:14-18
 Gospel.....Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Adult	\$ 4,824.00
Loose Checks & Currency	\$ 589.00
Total	\$ 5,413.00
St. Vincent Outreach	\$ 180.00
Major Repair Fund Total	\$ 48,678.19

ST. CHRISTOPHER

435 E. National Road, Vandalia, OH 45377

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. –
 Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
 Holy Day vigil: 7:00 p.m. – Holy Day: 9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
 (Collection envelopes will be forwarded to the proper Parish.)



COFFEE, DONUTS AND BAGELS is

Sunday, February 2nd in the Banquet Hall. Women of Spirit will host this month.

Our thoughts and prayers remain with those serving our country at this time and with their loved ones at home. We pray for a safe homecoming and that the world may one day be at peace.



ST. VINCENT HOTEL – Parishioners are reminded the hotel is in constant need of casseroles to serve the homeless guests. Completed casseroles can be placed in the Parish freezer and will be periodically delivered to the hotel by Parish volunteers. For further information, contact Mike Begley at 667-2882 or the Parish Office at 667-3419. **The next opportunity to serve the evening meal to the guests at St. Vincent Hotel will be Sunday, January 26th. Please meet in the North parking lot of the Church for a 5:45 p.m. departure if you would like to volunteer.**



St. John's MOM's Group –

The St. John's Mom's Group would like to invite all mothers of young children to attend our meetings and/or events. The group meets in

Room 107 with the exception of the summer months. Babysitting is provided in Room 108.

February 6th	Thursday	6:30 p.m.	Mom's Night Out
February 13th	Thursday	9:30 a.m.	Kid's Valentine Party
February 15th	Saturday	7:00 p.m.	Craft Night
February 27th	Thursday	9:15 a.m.	Meeting in Room 107 with Babysitters



BAPTISMAL PREPARATION:

Attendance at a Baptismal Preparation Session is required to have your child baptized. Sessions are in Room 101 at 1:30 p.m. on the following dates:

February 2, April 6, June 1, August 3, and October 5. Contact Deacon Chuck Wright at charleswright@woh.rr.com or 667-3419, ext. 203 to RSVP for a session or if you have questions.

Travel Ministry – The Best of Ireland – an 11-day pilgrimage:

Fr. Chris Coleman leads a pilgrimage to the Emerald Isle from April 22 to May 2, 2014. There, you'll experience the breathtaking countryside of Ireland, the traditions of our faith and the legends of her people. The itinerary includes the Cliffs of Moher, Galway, Croagh Patrick, Kylemore Abbey, Connemara, Knock, Limerick, Dingle, Killarney, Blarney, Cork, Glendalough, Dublin and much, much more. For more information, visit www.pentecosttours.com or contact Pentecost Tours at (800) 713-9800. Brochures for this trip may be found in the Narthex. In them, you'll find more information about prices and a detailed itinerary.

BIG THANK-YOU to St. John's parishioners from the people at Randall Residence for the gifts they received. They are so appreciative of your thoughtfulness and kindness to them. It meant so much to be remembered during the Christmas season. May God bless you all!

BIG THANK-YOU to St. John's parishioners for all the wonderful gifts sent to Miami County Right to Life. The families really appreciate receiving something new for their small children and want to say thanks for your generosity! **Special thanks to Betty Voisard** for organizing the "Shower for Baby Jesus" and for transporting all the gifts to the Right to Life office. Many blessings to you and yours!

"My mother, Charlotte Cekun, is in SpringMeade Nursing Home. I wanted to thank you for the great lap blanket. She is always cold so I know she appreciates the softness and kindness. Have wonderful holidays. Sandy Stefanko (daughter)"

Women of Spirit Game Night: Hello, Ladies! Looking for something fun to do this winter? Join the Women of Spirit for Game Night here at the Parish Banquet Hall on Friday, January 31 from 7:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. We'll have cards, dominos, board games or bring along your favorite game to teach the rest of us. The WOS will provide beverages, cups, plates, napkins and you bring a snack to share. Please contact Kathy McGrath (937-667-4932) or Betsy Koehl (937-573-8767) with any questions. Call your girlfriends, bring your sisters, grab your Mom, and join us on the 31st!!!

WOMEN OF SPIRIT PLANNING MEETING –

FEBRUARY 11: If you are a woman over the age of 18 and a member of St. John the Baptist Parish... you're a member of the Women of Spirit!!! Come join us for a planning meeting here at the Parish Center, classroom 107, on Tuesday, February 11, from 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. All of our activities and events are ideas from women like you. If you have an interest or idea you'd like to see the WOS explore, chances are several other women would like to see that too. It just takes you to come to one of our planning meetings and share your idea. No roll call or membership dues are requested, just your presence at any and all events that interest you. For more information, contact Amy Puthoff at 937-776-5642.

"One must accept the call, one must listen, one must receive, one must measure one's strength, and answer, 'Yes, yes.' Fear not."

Bl. Pope John Paul II

In today's Gospel, Jesus calls His first disciples. Peter and the others were called to break with their past and to help Jesus with His mission. The call that the disciples received is the basic vocation each one of us as Catholics has received from God. What are we called to? Simply, to continue the mission of Jesus. To make Him and His gospel known and loved. As we begin a new calendar year, we don't want to be satisfied with merely "marking time." We want to be faithful, wholehearted disciples of the Lord Jesus. Try to begin each day by asking: "What can I do today to reveal the love and compassion of Jesus to the people I encounter?" (Excerpts from *Living Faith*, January 2014)

The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass for couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary will be **Saturday, May 3, 2014**, at 2:00 p.m., with Bishop Joseph R. Binzer, located at Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception in Dayton. Couples celebrating their Golden or Silver Wedding Anniversary during 2014 should notify the parish office by **March 3, 2014**.

One Rose for life: The one rose for life will be held in area churches on Saturday and Sunday, January 25-26. Artificial roses will be available. Donations for Miami County Right to Life will be accepted at that time.

The Athenaeum's Lay Pastoral Ministry Program

is delighted to offer a Couple Communication Workshop, instructed by Dr. Tom Giordano, 7:15-9:15 p.m., March 6, 13, 20 and 27 in the Bartlett Center of the Athenaeum of Ohio, 6616 Beechmont Avenue, Mount Washington. \$75.00 per couple. Couple Communication is an easy-to-learn, award-winning educational program in which partners participate together. As a couple, they learn 11 communication skills for talking, listening, making decisions and resolving conflicts together effectively. Please RSVP by February 26th, to the LPMP office (ltgge@athenaeum.edu or 231-1200).



Reminder: The Gmail account is a great way to get information out to the parish quickly. However, it's an outgoing email only and we do not check it often, so please don't respond to it. If you would like to email any information to the Parish Office, please do so by contacting the Parish Secretary at sjbsecretary@woh.rr.com. Thank you!

All St. John's Volunteers during 2013 are invited to an Appreciation Dinner, Friday, February 7, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., in the Parish Banquet Hall (Please return by Monday, January 27th)

NAME _____
coming _____

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD – SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord is celebrated each year on February 2, 40 days after Christmas. Since this feast is also sometimes commonly called "Candlemas Day," we will bless candles for home use during all the weekend Masses February 1-2. The blessed candles [2 to a box] will be available, free of charge, after each Mass. Should anyone wish to make a donation to help defray the cost of the candles, \$2.00/box is suggested.

Marian Manor K of C 3754 First Friday Dinner: Friday, February 7, 2014, from 5:30-7:00 p.m., with Rosary beginning at 5:00 p.m. Our menu will be: Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy or Fried Fish and French Fries, along with Salad, Cole Slaw and Applesauce. Desserts are \$0.50, while they last. Cost is \$7.00/adult, \$4.00/12 and under, \$20.00/family. Address is 6050 Dog Leg Road, Dayton, OH. Receive a free 50/50 ticket when you donate 2 or more canned goods. As always, we appreciate your support and attendance!

"The Light is On for You" is an initiative of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati to invite all Catholics to experience the love and mercy of God through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Confession is a wonderful opportunity to turn away from our sinfulness and to experience the grace of reconciliation with God and with others in our lives. In the Archdiocese of Cincinnati every parish will be celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation by offering private confessions on **Tuesday, March 18, 2014 from 7:00-9:00 p.m.** Every parish church will have their doors open for you. Parishes also have other scheduled times for private confession and communal penance services.