



**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
*Your Local Chapter of the Body of Christ since 1858!*  
**A Pastoral Region in the Dayton Deanery with St. Christopher, Vandalia**

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Sunday Masses:**

**Saturday:** 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday:** 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

**Holy Day Masses:**

**Eve:** 7:00 p.m.

**Day:** 8:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

[except Dec. 25 & Jan. 1]

**Misa en Español:**

El Primer Sábado de cada mes a las 7:00 p.m.

**Daily Masses:**

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.

**COMMUNION SERVICE**

Friday: 8:30 a.m.

**RECONCILIATION**

[Confession]

Saturday: 4:00-4:30 p.m. or by appointment

**BAPTISMS:** Except during Lent, 12:00 noon the 2nd Sunday of the month and during the three weekend Masses the 3rd Sunday of the month when available. Baptism Program for parents required.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** For parishioners suffering from a serious illness, preparing for serious surgery or suffering from age. Please call the Pastor.

**MARRIAGES:** Preparations must begin at least six months before the wedding. Please call the Pastor.

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** We extend you a hearty welcome! Please call the Parish Office to register.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS:** Please notify the Parish Office if you have a change of address or phone number or if you are moving from the parish.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** 12:00 Noon on Monday.

# MASS INTENTIONS

March 17-23

- MONDAY 17 8:30 a.m. Nancy Drewry (Embree)
- TUESDAY 18 8:30 a.m. Jack Kristzter (Family)
- WEDNESDAY 19 7:00 p.m. David Fallert  
(Lonnie and Eleanor Warf)
- THURSDAY 20 8:30 a.m. Dominic Petrofes (Dick Clawson)
- FRIDAY 21 8:30 a.m. **Communion Service**
- SATURDAY 22 5:00 p.m. **For the Parish**
- SUNDAY 23 8:00 a.m. Jerome Heitkamp (Barb Batty)  
10:30 a.m. David Fallert (Francis Fallert)

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

## USHERS

- SATURDAY
  - o 5:00 p.m. Megan Miller, Tom Miller, Gene Trimbach, Kathy Trimbach
- SUNDAY
  - o 8:00 a.m. George Doviak, Andy Droesch, Russ Haley, Alan Leingang
  - o 10:30 a.m. Julie Lawson, Scott Lawson, Bill Lewis, Darlene Lewis

## SERVERS

- SATURDAY
  - o 5:00 p.m. Annie and Meredith Richters, Clay Vaughn
- SUNDAY
  - o 8:00 a.m. Frankie, Jack and Nick Catrone
  - o 10:30 a.m. Trey Davis, Audrey Fairbanks, Logan Jones

## LECTORS

- SATURDAY
  - o 5:00 p.m. Ed Cubick
- SUNDAY
  - o 8:00 a.m. Bruce Batty
  - o 10:30 a.m. Jenny Swigart, Phil Cox

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

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

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading ..... Exodus 17:3-7  
 Second Reading ..... Romans 5:1-2, 5-8  
 Gospel..... John 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Adult	\$ 7,859.50
Loose Checks & Currency	\$ 750.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,609.50</b>
St. Vincent Outreach	\$ 85.00
Major Repair Fund Total	\$ 49,574.19
Ash Wednesday	\$ 1,707.75

### 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.)

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, March 23. 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.  
 March 15th, Saturday, 7:00 p.m. – Craft Night  
 March 27th, Thursday, 9:15 a.m. – Meeting 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: April 6, June 1, August 3, and October 5. Contact Deacon Chuck Wright at [charleswright@woh.rr.com](mailto:charleswright@woh.rr.com) or by calling 667-3419, ext. 203 to RSVP for a session or if you have questions.

**On behalf of Pope Francis, the Mission Office of the Archdioceses of Cincinnati thanks you all for your donations to his Society for the Propagation of the Faith this past World Mission Sunday in October.**

Thousands of seminarians, novices in convents, struggling school students, orphans, or children caught up in human trafficking, and many others in 1,150 mission dioceses will be served through your contributions. As the Holy Father stated, "Everyone should be able to experience the joy of being loved by God, the joy of salvation! It is a gift that one cannot keep to oneself, but it is to be shared." Please check this website to see how your gift makes a difference ([www.iamamissionary.org](http://www.iamamissionary.org)) and/or visit your local mission office for all kinds of great information at [www.catholiccincinnati.org/mission](http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/mission).

**Reconciliation Begins in Prayer:** Sometimes, the first step to reconciliation is praying for the person with whom we need to be reconciled. Make a commitment this Lent to join us on Tuesday, March 18 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. as we gather for quiet prayer and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This will be an opportunity to pray for all of the situations in our lives that need the healing grace of Jesus' love. The church will be open, and you are welcome to come for a few minutes or for an hour. Learn more at [www.lightison4u.com](http://www.lightison4u.com).

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

St. John's will participate in another 40 Days for Life campaign. This mission began in 2007 and St. John's has participated since 2008. Since that time there have been 600,000 participants in 21 countries. This is a peaceful and prayerful vigil to end abortion. Our presence outside the abortion clinic in Kettering is a very powerful statement to those who pass or enter this facility and all we are asked to do is pray. Won't you please consider giving an hour of your time on Saturday, March 29th? Please contact Judie McKittrick (339-9355 or [mmckittrick@who.rr.com](mailto:mmckittrick@who.rr.com)) to sign up or for more information.

**Easter Basket Project:** Stephen Ministry is again making Easter Baskets for the homebound and nursing home Catholics in St. John area. We are going to try something different. Monetary donation is all we are asking for this year. This new idea will save you a shopping trip. Envelopes, marked Easter Basket Donation, are in an Easter Basket in the Narthex. You can put the envelope back in the basket with information filled out, drop it in the Sunday collection, or bring your donation to the parish office. You can also do the same using your own envelope marked Easter Basket Donation. We think this is a worthwhile project. It is a small way of reaching out to our shut-ins to let them know that St. John's is thinking about them. They sometimes feel left out of the parish because they can't participate anymore. Our shut-ins really do appreciate the baskets. We get many thank-you notes. They also appreciate the visit. We are in extra need this year because we have a new facility in Tipp, The Randall House, with at least 12 Catholics living there. Thanks in advance for your donation.

**St. Christopher's Lenten Dinners:** Fridays during Lent. All-you-can-eat for \$8.00 with reservation, \$11.00 without. Children 6-12 are \$2.00 and under 6 eat free with paying adult. Carry-out available. Fish & sides on most Fridays. **New: March 21 will be a Spaghetti Dinner.** To make a reservation, contact Betty at 264-9691 between 8:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. or [stchrisfshfry@hotmail.com](mailto:stchrisfshfry@hotmail.com). Reservation deadline is 8:00 p.m. Wednesday. For more details, check the website at [stchristopheronline.com](http://stchristopheronline.com) or call 898-3542, ext. 101.

## FAITH AND JUSTICE INTERNSHIP AVAILABLE FOR

**2014-2015:** The Archdiocese of Cincinnati Catholic Social Action Office is hosting a 14-15 hour/week, paid internship to support its activities for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, the U.S. Catholic Church's social justice, anti-poverty campaign in America. The intern helps to administer grants to self-help projects developed by grassroots groups of empowered poor persons who are working to address the root causes of poverty in their communities. He or she also works to increase Catholics' awareness of poverty in the U.S., educate about the Catholic social tradition, and build bridges between poor and non-poor communities. Young Catholics, ages 18 to 30, are welcome to apply. The internship will run from September 2014 to May 2015. To receive an application or learn more, please contact us at (513) 421-3131, ext. 2660 or [csa@catholiccincinnati.org](mailto:csa@catholiccincinnati.org). Applications are due March 24.



St. John the Baptist Parish Library is now **Open. Check it out!** It is located across the hallway from the Banquet Hall. The books have been cataloged, reorganized, and are color coded by topic. Shelves are marked with the topic of the books on the shelf. There is a catalog binder in each shelving unit marked A B C D E. Check out and return policies can be found inside the catalog binder. You may want to look under the topic Seasonal for books pertaining to Lent.

**St. John's Knights of Columbus Council 5129** Weekly Raffle winners for February 2014 – Congratulations to Ben Stucke, Kevin McClurg, John Skolnicki and Jeff Makley!

**Thank you** for your generous contributions to the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Your Gift is an expression of solidarity with the suffering people of this region. Through joining in the work of this Collection, you are helping to restore the Church and build the future. Please visit [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org).

## CRS Rice Bowl Refection: Guatemala

This week, CRS Rice Bowl invites us to enter into solidarity with the people of Guatemala. We are encouraged to reflect on the Catholic social teaching principle, *Rights and Responsibilities*, and reminded that as Christians, we are called to uphold and protect the basic rights of others. Let us pray this week for our brothers and sisters in Guatemala and all around the world that we may come to know and protect the rights of all people.

**2014 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)** – We thank everyone from **St. John** who has participated in the 2014 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Our pledges support six critically important ministries benefiting thousands of people right here in our Archdiocese so please be as generous as you can. For more information and to pledge securely online, please visit [CatholicAppeal.info](http://CatholicAppeal.info). Thank you!

**St. Vincent Homeless Casseroles ...** Your next opportunity to help make casseroles for St. Vincent's homeless shelter will be **Monday, March 31 at 7:00 p.m.** Please join others in preparing casseroles for the homeless in the church kitchen. With the continued generous donations of ingredients and cash for this service project we are able to make casseroles to serve one lunch a month to the residents at St. Vincent's shelter. (Cash and/or check donations are to be put in a separate envelope marked "Casseroles" and dropped in the Mass collection basket to be credited to this ministry.) Need more information on this ministry? Please call Kathy McGrath at 667-4932.

**"The name of Jesus: oh, how great is your name, O Lord! It is the strength of my soul. When my strength fails and darkness invades my soul, your name is the sun whose rays give lights and also warmth, and under their influence the soul becomes more beautiful and radiant, taking its splendor from your name."** St. Faustina Kowalska

Today is the Second Sunday of Lent. In the readings today, God is calling us to trust in Him, just as he did Abraham so long ago. Abraham left his homeland and did as the Lord directed. Just as Abraham was called to be transformed as he ventured into unknown territory, God calls us during this Lenten season to use these 40 Days to "transform" our souls to new territory. At the transfiguration, God directed us by saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; **listen to him.**" How can we listen to Jesus to help us in our transformation? *Lord, help me to listen to your Son, and thus behold your glory.*

## Twelve Seats at the Table

Written by Susan Furlong & Marilee Lake  
A Dramatic Portrayal of the Last Supper  
Saturday, March 22 at 7:00 p.m. St. Patrick Church.

Don't miss this dramatic portrayal of the Last Supper set in the Upper Room during the Passover meal celebrated by Jesus and His disciples before His crucifixion. Come hear all the fears, doubts, and devotion they had for Jesus. You will experience the humanness of each of these men in a portrayal that asks:

"Is one of the seats at the table for YOU?"

Join us for Fellowship in the Undercroft following the 5:00 p.m. Mass, Pizza, Cookies & Drinks. Freewill donation to cover Pizza.



## BOOKS, VCRs, AND CASSETTE TAPES SALE



WHEN: MARCH 29-30, 2014 AFTER ALL MASSES

WHERE: IN THE GATHERING SPACE

WHY: TO RAISE MONEY SO NEW BOOKS AND DVDs CAN BE PURCHASED FOR THE CHURCH LIBRARY

Select a book, VCR or cassette tapes and leave a donation!

## FESTIVAL FUN TIME IS HERE

The weather is starting to warm and the Parish Fun Festival is starting to heat up. If you are a current booth chairperson or would like to chair or co-chair a booth, or you just have ideas for the festival, we invite you to our first meeting on March 25 at 7:00 p.m. If you are unable to attend but have input, please contact Jennifer Weir ([jweir1@woh.rr.com](mailto:jweir1@woh.rr.com)) or Theresa Ewing ([theresae@woh.rr.com](mailto:theresae@woh.rr.com)). We look forward to seeing or hearing from you.

