

MASS INTENTIONS

- April, 7-13
- MONDAY, 7** 8:30 a.m. Elizabeth Hewett
- TUESDAY, 8** 8:30 a.m. Bridie Tulley (June King)
- WEDNESDAY, 9** 7:00 p.m. Bernie Pleiss (Jane Drake)
- THURSDAY, 10** 8:30 a.m. Ginny Kiener (Ray Tebbe)
- FRIDAY, 11** 8:30 a.m. **Communion Service**
- SATURDAY, 12** 5:00 p.m. Jim Haley
(John and Jean Holtzhauer)
- SUNDAY, 13** 8:00 a.m. For the Parish
10:30 a.m. Wally Walendzak (Linda Fishbach)

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. Doris Marchal, Jerry Marchal, Bill Minnich, Sally Minnich
- **SUNDAY**
 - 8:00 a.m. Ron Mettert, Jean Mettert, Dwight Miller, Ginny Miller
 - 10:30 a.m. Jim Sommer, Greg Bruening, Richard Heberling, Joe Regelski

SERVERS

- **SATURDAY**
 - 5:00 p.m. Brooke and Ashley Aselage, Morgan Cundiff
- **SUNDAY**
 - 8:00 a.m. Barb and Bruce Batty
 - 10:30 a.m. Hannah Coty, Joshua and Maddy May

LECTORS

- **SATURDAY**
 - 5:00 p.m. Steve McCrillis, Sandra Hoy
- **SUNDAY**
 - 8:00 a.m. Mike Droesch
 - 10:30 a.m. Allison/Melissa Sinning, Doug Black

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.....Isaiah 50:4-7
 Second Reading Philippians 2:6-11
 GospelMatthew 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Adult	\$ 6,615.00
Loose Checks & Currency	\$ 593.00
Total	\$ 7,208.00
St. Vincent Outreach	\$ 65.00
Major Repair Fund Total	\$ 50,482.95

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.

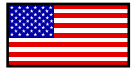
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COFFEE, DONUTS AND BAGELS is this Sunday, April 6th, in the Banquet Hall. Shawl Ministry will host this month.

PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON APRIL 18-19th for EASTER

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, April 27th. 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.

Saturday, April 12th, 7:00 p.m. – Craft Night

Thursday, April 17th, 9:30 a.m. – Kids' Easter Egg Hunt

Thursday, April 24th, 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; June 1, August 3, and October 5. Contact

Deacon Chuck Wright at charleswright@woh.rr.com or by calling 667-3419, ext. 203 to RSVP for a session or if you have questions.



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 book pertaining to Lent.

Easter Basket Project: Thanks to all who contributed to the Easter Basket Project. It is not too late to donate. 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 are assembling the baskets on **Tuesday, April 15th, in the parish banquet hall at 7:00 p.m.** If you have time, please come. We would appreciate your help.

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, please contact Jennifer Weir (jweir1@woh.rr.com) or Theresa Ewing (theresae@woh.rr.com). We look forward to hearing from you.

TIRED OF WINTER AND SHOVELING SNOW? THINK

GOLF AND THINK FUN! – The Duffer's League is looking for some golfers, good or bad, to share Fellowship and Food on Friday evenings this summer. This is a combined league of St. Chris and St. John. Golf is at Homestead Golf Course with tee times between 4:45 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. No experience required. This is a male/female best ball league with some unusual scoring twists. If you are a single, we will try to find a someone to golf with you. We can always use subs! Best of all is the food and drink shared following golf. Kick-off party is **April 25, at 6:00 p.m., in St. Christopher's Emmaus Center** multipurpose center, 435 E. National Road, Vandalia. Golf begins May 2. Cost is \$13.00 walking or \$19.25 with a riding cart. Contact Ty Macalpine (264-0231, tmacam@aol.com) or Dave Koch (335-0831, ckoch2c@aol.com).

VIRTUS SESSION: Do you work with children? Do you Teach PSR, VBS, chaperone for youth events, or anything else that brings you into contact with children? If you answered yes to any of these, you need to attend a Virtus Protecting God's Children session before June 30th so that you can continue to do these things. Even if you have done the old Child Protection Decree Workshop, you will need to complete and stay current with Virtus before June 30th. To find and register for a Virtus session, you should go to www.virtusonline.org at this website click on the word "Registration" on the left hand side bar, you will be guided to create a user name and password, you will also be able to search for and register for a session. Sessions are listed for the whole Archdiocese, so you can look for a time and location that best suits your calendar. Preregistration is required for attendance at any session in the Archdiocese, of Cincinnati. Sessions are free of charge. You will also be given a chance to do your background check through Selection.com. Talk with your Ministry leader about reimbursement for this. **ST. JOHN WILL HAVE A VIRTUS SESSION HERE ON APRIL 23, 2014, AT 6:00 P.M., IN ROOM 107 if you plan on attending go to the Virtus website to register.** If you have any questions, contact Deacon Chuck Wright at charleswright@woh.rr.com or call 667-3419, ext. 203.

RITA MARKER TO SPEAK ON LIFE ISSUES APRIL 25-26

Rita Marker, Executive Director of Patients Rights Council, will deliver two talks in Dayton, Ohio on April 25 and 26. The practicing attorney will discuss an individual's rights as a patient and how to obtain a well-drafted advance directive or living will which respects your Catholic faith plus legal and ethical end of life issues. Friday's talk will be at 7:00 p.m. in The Engineers Club of Dayton, 110 E. Monument Avenue. Saturday, the talk will begin at 10.00 a.m. in the basement of Holy Family Church, located at Fifth Street and Findlay. There will be no charge for admission. Friday night seating is limited to 350 and Saturday to 150 persons. Holy Family's basement is not handicap-accessible.

Senior Brunch: Senior Mass and Brunch will be Sunday, May 4 at 10:30 a.m. If you did not receive a letter in the mail, please contact the parish office at 667-3419 or sjbsecretary@woh.rr.com and we will get you one.

CRS Rice Bowl Reflection: Haiti – This week, CRS Rice Bowl invites us to enter into solidarity with the people of Haiti. We are encouraged to reflect on the Catholic social teaching principle, *Call to Family, Community and Participation*, and reminded that, as social beings, we are called to seek God together. Let us pray this week for our brothers and sisters in Haiti and all around the world, that our families and communities may be strengthened and blessed.

Women of Spirit Planning Meeting – Hello Ladies of the Parish! Come join us on Wednesday, April 9, from 7:00-9:00 p.m., in classroom 107 in St. John's Center for a Women of Spirit Planning Meeting. All of our programs and events are ideas from women like you and we need to know what you're looking for. Please consider coming and letting us know what you think or simply come for the fun and great company. Please feel free to contact Amy Puthoff at 937-776-5642 with any questions.

"Happy are those who concentrate on following the will of God in all their actions. They will enjoy a deep peace because they find their happiness in doing God's will." – St. Jane Frances de Chantal

Today is the Fifth Sunday of Lent. In today's Gospel, when Jesus received word that his friend Lazarus was ill, He said, "This illness is not to end in death, but is for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it." One wonders if His apostles understood what He was saying. When Martha and Mary took Jesus to the tomb of Lazarus, Jesus wept. He said to Martha and Mary, "Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?" One wonders if Jesus was weeping for His dear friend Lazarus, who He eventually raised from the dead or for those who were of little faith. The last word of the story is not death; death will not triumph. The last word is resurrection and eternal life. (Excerpts from "Living Faith," April 2014)

FUNERAL DISHES: In the Kitchen, we have many dishes leftover from funeral dinners. If you know you left one behind, please come pick it up. What doesn't go will be put into the Flea Market for the Festival. Thank you!

The Volunteers at Needy Basket of Southern County

deeply appreciate your very generous contribution of \$3,866.35 in support of our efforts to continue our ministry of aiding families requiring assistance in Southern Miami County. In 2013, Needy Basket filled 1,372 requests for food under our Emergency Food Program. This represents an increase of 6.5% over last year. As part of this program, 191,173 lbs. of food and personal items were distributed. Needy Basket also has a Migrant Workers Program to assist migrant workers when they arrive here during the summer months to work on various farms in our area. During this past year, we provided assistance to 23 families, 84 individuals, by distributing 437 lbs. of food. In addition, we continued our support for the "Lunch on US" and "Kids Summer Supplement" programs. These programs provided lunches to children of low income families during the summer when they are out of school. This year, Needy Basket delivered Holiday Food Baskets to 208 families during our annual Holiday Baskets Program. This last year, we served 319 children and 458 adult. In total, Needy Basket distributed 12,215 lbs. of food; toys, valued at \$9,020.00; \$2,172.00 worth of coupons from McDonald's, Wendy's, Arby's, Frisch's and Dairy Queen; and Teen Gift Cards, valued at \$5,050.00 as part of Our Holiday Program. In total, this represents an increase of 14% over last year's programs. With your very generous support, we will be able to continue to provide assistance to those families of Sothern Miami County needing help in 2014. Thanks again for your generous contribution!!

The Knights of Columbus invite you to participate in a patriotic community service program called Flags for Tipp. This fund raiser supports needy individuals in our parish and the Tipp City community. \$40.00 per flag, per year, provides the display of an American flag in front of your home or business on five of our US flag holidays (Memorial Day, Flag Day, July 4th, Labor Day and Veteran's Day). Those who live outside the community can display their flag at St. John's church. To learn more and participate, please pick up an application from the information rack at church or on our web site at www.KofC5129.org, or call Patrick O'Brien at 937-638-1385.

Lay Ministry Formation Opportunities: Grow in faith, knowledge, and skills in The Athenaeum of Ohio's Lay Pastoral Ministry Program. This program has both degreed and non-degreed options that equip men and women to evangelize and catechize more effectively in their families, communities, and workplaces. Classes are available on Saturdays and weeknight evenings that fit into a busy adult schedule. Learn about all aspects of the program in an informational meeting which will be held on Wednesday, April 9, at 7:00 p.m. at the main campus, Room 114. You can also call 513-231-1200 to schedule a personal appointment.

Divorce/Separated Ministry Healing/Informative Events at the Daniel E. Pilarczyk Center – Needmore Road Dayton, OH Tuesday, May 13th – 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

Sr. Victoria Vondenberger – "Declaration of Nullity" – Sr. Victoria will give basic information on the procedures and why the Catholic Church has this practice. She will go through different cases so that attendees will know how to choose witnesses and be less fearful and even angry over the process. \$10.00 Fee.

Wednesdays: May 21st & May 28th, 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. – Counselor, David Riley – "Transitions-Forgiveness-Transformation"

David Riley will help those experiencing divorce/separation navigate through the difficult transitions that this life event presents (anger, loneliness, confusion, disorientation...) and help them through the "forgiveness" that may need to be confronted and lead them to a transformation; to help them see the Hope and Healing and growth that can come from this complicated life event. \$10.00 Fee per evening. Questions? Noreen Wendeln – Family & Respect Office: 937-222-0227.