

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Feast of the Holy Trinity

June 11, 2017



Dear parishioners,

If you saw the movie or read the book The Shack, you will know it is an effort (in a very limited, human way) to describe the love and mercy of the Holy Trinity. However, this effort falls far short of definition and explanation of the profound mystery on which our faith rests.

“Christianity is not for those who insist, theologically and spiritually, that seeing is believing, or that everything believable has a rational explanation. God becoming fully human while remaining fully divine is not rational. Bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ cannot be proven by scientific inquiry. The Church has many rules, rubric, and requirements, but the core beliefs that must be held are few, and call for faith in mystery. The Holy Trinity is our most fundamental belief: three distinct but equal Persons in one God, a God whose very nature is community, relationship.

“When the worshipping community prays the Creed each Sunday, we say ‘I believe.’ Even in moments of doubt, we proclaim ‘I believe.’ This belief without scientific proof is not lazy or naïve; rather, it acknowledges our humanness and our trust in God ‘who so loved the world. St. Francis cried, ‘Who are you, O God, and who am I?’ Like Francis, we accept our flawed but loved humanity with humility and gratitude when we proclaim ‘I believe.’

“If the very nature of God is love expressed in relationship, then our faith must be three dimensional: love God, love others, love myself. So simple and yet so challenging.”

Sister Carol

This is an excerpt from “Faith Rests on Mystery” an article by Sr. Marie Lucey, OSF, Franciscan Action Network

Weekend Masses

Sat June 10	4:00 p.m.	For the parish
Sun June 11	10:00 a.m.	Janet Maenle
Sat June 17	4:00 p.m.	Ike Businger
Sun June 18	10:00 a.m.	Dennis Warren

Communion Services

Fri June 16 8:00 a.m. St. Mary's

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Adults	\$3,297.00	Loose	\$509.00
Children	\$57.10	Total	\$3,863.10

76 envelopes returned = 37%

Thank you for your generosity!

Thank you also to those who give electronically!!

Assignments for June 17 & 18, 2017

Money Counters: Deb Goldenetz and Barb Galvan

4:00 p.m.

Greeter: Jeanne Parinello

Cantor: Steve McCullough

Ushers: John Parinello and Chuck Niese

Lector: Jim Kinn

E.M.: Diana Bucher and Jennifer Tschuor

Servers: Brayton and Addison Businger and Caitlyn Couch

10:00 a.m.

Greeter-East door: Steve and Kelly Yarnell

Greeter-West Door:

Cantor: Steve McCullough

Ushers: Greg and Gabe Denecker

Lectors: Chris Denecker and Joe Herrmann

E.M.: Amy Marcum, Mark Zwiebel,

Tricia Herrmann, Hank Schroeder

Servers: Luke Denecker, Olivia Smallcombe and Kendal Giesige

Readings for June 18, 2017

Feast of the Body and Blood of the Lord

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:16-17

Gospel Reading: John 6:51-58

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Pray for our Mission Team:

Mike and Val Klima, Jerry Wehri, Dan Garrett, Jeff Goldenetz, Mary Flickinger, Rachel Welch, Sister Carol, Michelle and Veronica Risner!



The 3rd Annual Parish

Picnic will be Sunday, August 13, immediately after the 10 o'clock Mass. There is no cost to you. There will be a picnic meal and then games for the kids and Bingo for



the grown-ups or younger. It's going to be good! We'll be celebrating the 50th anniversary of the building of our present church.



The Family Promise families will be arriving on Sunday, June 18. We need food for their breakfasts and lunches. The giving board is ready for you to take a tag or two. Bethany Barnhart and Nancy Benroth are our coordinators. If you want to help with a meal, stay overnight a night or two, or help entertain the families on Saturday please talk to Bethany or Nancy. Please remember this is a parish ministry that depends on the support of all of us.

Operation Artic

The community Vacation Bible School for this summer will be held at English Lutheran Church, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 16 through Thursday, July 20.



- Registration forms are in the magazine rack in the main entrance
- A sign-up sheet for those who want to help is also on the shelf in the main entrance
- We need plastic gallon milk jugs for building an igloo. There is a box in the main entrance.

This is for children who will be four years old by July 1, 2017, through Grade 5. There is no cost.

Diocesan Youth Day at Cedar Point Join Bishop Daniel Thomas in the park throughout the day & especially for Mass at 4pm Tuesday, June 20, 2017 (10am-10pm). Open to all Middle School (Grades 6, 7, 8) & High School Youth & their families. \$40 per ticket (Ages 3 and older) Children 2 & under are FREE. (The regular single day pass is \$67.00 plus tax). Tickets will be sold the day of the event at a window designated for the "Diocese of Toledo" just to the right of the Main Entrance. Tickets will be sold from 9am-Noon. Additionally, Beverage Bracelets will be sold for \$8. This will allow you to receive FREE refills throughout the day.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter invites you to the Sauder's Heritage Inn and Campground Event on August 4-6, 2017. You can stay at the campground or in the Inn or even just come up for the fun and games, buffet, and mass in the grass on Saturday. Reservations for a campsite or a hotel room can be made by calling Sauder's Heritage Inn at 1-800-590-9755. Be sure to mention that you are with the Worldwide Marriage Encounter group (6357). The camping and room block ends July 3, 2017. If you have any questions, please contact Todd & Michelle Pester at 419-523-5893 or estimatortodd@yahoo.com.

As they begin the Spring General Assembly, Bishops from across the U.S. will gather at Ss. Peter and Paul Cathedral in Indianapolis for a Mass of Prayer and Penance for survivors of sexual abuse within the Church. The Mass is being held in response to a call from Pope Francis for all episcopal conferences across the world to have a Day of Prayer and Penance for victims of sexual abuse within the Church and will be held June 14, 2017. Please join us in praying for survivors of sexual abuse.

Is your marriage going down the right road . . . or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. For more information about our July 21-23rd Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact our registration team: **Joe and Arlene @ 419-841-1116** or visit our website: **HelpOurMarriage.com**.