

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In today's Gospel, Jesus gave us the famous proverb: "Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." Obviously, our first allegiance is to God over all else including our country. We should give our best efforts to the Lord, our worship and our good works. We should do so out of love. With this proverb, given to us by Jesus, we also realize that we have obligations to the common good of the society. We have a government that provides order and is responsible for the well-being of its citizens and therefore, it requires our support, financial and otherwise. Our understanding of God as Trinity, a community of persons, teaches us that no person lives in isolation but was created for community and society. Thus, we have an innate relationship with one another and are naturally drawn together in society. Out of justice, we give what is owed to each other – their proper respect and dignity as human beings. We see to their needs. In this Respect Life Month in the Catholic Church in the United States, we strive to see and support the dignity of all human beings, to reflect upon the sacredness of the human being in all stages of life. Each of us, from the tiny embryo, to the child, to the adult, those suffering and those dying, are uniquely created for this world of ours and for the next world – the kingdom of heaven. Let us pray that we always see this in our fellow man and our communities.

Have a blessed week!

Fr. Kitsmiller
Associate Administrator
Sacred Heart and St. John the Baptist

MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Sun., 10/22	9:30 a.m.	Charles Agriesti by Bonnie, Maria & Teresa
Sun., 10/29	9:30 a.m.	Mary Flynn by Bill and Margie Butz

Blessed Sacrament & Marian Lights Intentions:

Blessed Sacrament: Tony Solazzo by Gerardo & Pina Cugini
Marian Lights: Joyce Tisone by Carl Tisone

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sun., 10/22	4:30 p.m.	San Giovanni Dance Group Practice (Marrapese Hall)
Mon., 10/23	6:00 p.m.	Italian Village Men's Faith Sharing Group (Marrapese Hall) SJB Women's Faith Group (Classroom)
Thurs., 10/26	6:30 p.m.	Amici D'Oro Halloween Party (Marrapese Hall) Please wear a costume!

Just a reminder – If anyone uses the halls or classroom after hours, please remember to shut off all the lights. Thank You!

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
Sun., 10/22 9:30 a.m.	Nicolas D'Alberto, Antonio D'Alberto	Leslie Pasian, Pat Rossetti, Andrea Myers, Sharon D'Alberto & Margaret Panico-Harn
	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
Sun., 10/29 9:30 a.m.	Adolfo Gastaldo, Ed Pagnanelli	Bob Contino, Claudio Pasian, Margaret Panico-Harn, Judy Pishitelli, & Marge Contino

Please remember in your prayers those who are sick or suffering, especially those who are in Hospitals, Nursing Facilities or Homebound suffering.

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR KNOWN ILL AND ELDERLY IN YOUR PRAYERS**

MOTHER ANGELINE McCRORY: Marie Tarantelli
Friendship Village – Joe Agriesti

****If you know of any additions or corrections, please call the parish office. Due to privacy laws, we depend on your input.**

The Rosary before Mass on Sunday: We begin the Rosary around 9:00 -9:05 a.m., and it takes about 15-20 minutes to pray the Rosary. If you would like information on how to lead the Rosary, please contact the Men's Faith Sharing group. Leaders for **October** are:

October 22 Norma Jean Finissi
October 29 Leslie Malek-Pasian
November 5 Gary Bosco

2017 Liturgical Calendar & Mass Readings

October 22 – Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 45:1, 4-6/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21

October 23 – Weekday

Saint John of Capistrano, Priest

Rom 4:20-25/Lk 12:13-21

October 24 – Weekday

Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Lk 12:35-38

October 25 – Weekday

Rom 6:12-18/Lk 12:39-48

October 26 – Weekday

Rom 6:19-23/Lk 12:49-53

October 27 – Weekday

Rom 7:18-25/Lk 12:54-59

October 28 – Saints, Simon and Jude, Apostles

Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16

October 29 – Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 22:20-26/1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40

* Pray for our Priests and seminarians

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN'S

October 15, 2017

Number of Envelopes Used – 44

In Envelopes: \$2,090.00 Loose Money \$130.00

All Saints Day	\$ 10.00
Regular Collection	\$ 2,230.00
Less Diocesan 6% Assessment	-\$ (133.80)
	\$ 2,096.20
Votives	\$ 13.00
St. Anthony's Bread – JOIN	\$ 10.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 10.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 47.00
50/50 Drawing	\$ 10.00
	\$ 90.00

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Budgeted Offertory for Fiscal Year (07/01/17 – 06/30/18)

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference (\$)	(%)
This Week:	\$ 2,885.00	\$ 2,230.00	-\$ (655.00)	23%
FYTD:	\$ 46,160.00	\$ 40,440.00	-\$ (5,720.00)	-12%



Office Hours:

The Parish Office hours are **Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

SJB Collection Counters for

Monday, October 23, 2017

Maruja Paule, Donna Veri, & Darlene Rauch

SJB Collection Counters for

Monday, October 30, 2017

Mary Spellacy, Maria Lucchin, & Tom Elliott

Reconciliation: The Sacrament of Reconciliation offers a wonderful opportunity to experience God’s mercy on a very personal level. The Sacrament of Penance is a beautiful sacrament through which we are reconciled to God, ourselves and our neighbors. Remember, the words of St. Paul, “God is rich in mercy; because of His great love for us, He brought us to life with Christ when we were dead in sin.” (Eph 2:4). Father is available for Confession before Mass.

AROUND US

Fresh Florida Citrus Sale: Representatives of the local chapter of the “Troops of St. George” (TSG), a Catholic moral alternative to the Boy Scouts, will be available after all Masses next weekend (Saturday, October 28, and Sunday, October 29th), and also the following weekend (November 4th and 5th), to take orders for fresh Florida citrus (oranges, grapefruit, and tangerines). The fruit is from the Langdon Barber Groves, of Ft. Pierce, FL and orders placed after these Masses will be delivered in mid-December. Please consider this excellent Christmas gift opportunity, which will help form young Catholic men both physically and spiritually, and assist with outfitting them with camping and hiking equipment. It is requested that orders be paid for in advance, please.

Care for Creation – Feast of St. Francis Program: St. Francis of Assisi Church, 386 Buttles Avenue, Columbus, will host the Feast of St. Francis Program on Tuesday, October 24 at 7:00 p.m. All are invited to attend. The Feast of St. Francis celebrates the saint who saw all created beings as his brother or sister. Inspired by this example, there will be a 90-minute program to explore how to better care for God’s creation and the poor. The theme is “Befriend the Wolf: Blessing All God’s Creation.” For questions, contact the diocesan Office for Social Concerns at 614-241-2540.

SPICE Mass: St. Catherine Church, Columbus, in partnership with the SPICE (Special People in Catholic Education) ministry, will host a Mass for People with Special Needs November 5, 11:00 a.m.; a reception will follow. This Mass will celebrate the unique gifts of those with physical and mental disabilities as well as their caretakers. To encourage an inclusive, welcoming environment, there will be American Sign Language interpretation, wheelchair accessibility, and low-gluten hosts for those with dietary restrictions.

Your Church at Work: The Catholic Church is one of the largest disaster response organizations in the world. Several Catholic organizations have established emergency relief operations for the thousands of people affected by Hurricane Irma in the Caribbean and southeastern United States and for those still recovering from Hurricane Harvey in Texas and Louisiana. Contributions can be made to:

- Catholic Charities USA: online at <https://catholiccharitiesusa.org/donate-to-disaster-relief>; telephone (800) 919-9338; mail to Box 17066, Baltimore, MD 21297-1066 and write “Hurricane Relief” in the memo line of the check.
- Catholic Relief Services is taking donations for emergency shelter, water, and critical supplies for families in Haiti, the Dominican Republic, Cuba, and Caribbean islands: <https://www.crs.org>.

ST. MATTHEW HOMETOWN BAZAAR: St. Matthew School Home and School Association’s annual Hometown Bazaar will be Saturday, November 11, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. at St. Matthew School, 795 Havens Corners Road, Gahanna. The Bazaar features handcrafted holiday and traditional decorations, woodcrafts, ceramics, fabric items, prints, floral arrangements, jewelry, wreaths, and more from over 150 vendors!! Visit our Hometown Bakery for all your homemade treats to take home. Our Hometown Café will satisfy your shopping cravings with snacks and lunch food available. Along with all of the wonderful shopping, we have a basket raffle! Test your luck with tickets that fit any budget – \$1.00 for one or \$5.00 for six! Admission is \$3.00 (sorry no strollers). Additional parking with a free shuttle to the Bazaar is available at Gahanna Middle School South, 349 Shady Spring Drive, Gahanna.

Columbus Theology on Tap: Theology on Tap is a discussion series for Catholic young adults and their friends, married and single, in their 20s and 30s. Theology on Tap was instituted to promote religious discussion in an unconventional setting. The Columbus group meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month, August-May. For more information, visit the Columbus Theology on Tap Facebook page.

Holy Father’s Intention for the Month of October 2017

You are invited to answer the Holy Father’s request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for the following intention:
That journalists, in carrying out their work, may always be motivated by respect for truth and a strong sense of ethics.



The world tells us to seek success, power and money; God tells us to seek humility, service and love.

~ Pope Francis



Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God. Mark 12:17

Prayer

*Father in Heaven,
ever-living source of all that is good,
keep me faithful in serving You.
Help me to drink of Christ’s Truth,
and fill my heart with His Love
so that I may serve You in faith
and love and reach eternal life.
In the Sacrament of the Eucharist
You give me the joy of sharing Your Life.
Keep me in Your presence.
Let me never be separated from You
and help me to do Your Will.
Amen*