

My brothers and sisters,

I hope that all of you are off to a good start to the season of Lent. Please remember to take advantage of this wonderful season to draw closer to the Lord through prayer, penance and charity.

Please take advantage of the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** and also by attending the **Wednesday evening Mass at 6:00 p.m.** offered at St. John the Baptist during Lent. Thank you to the parishioners who have begun participating with almsgiving in the Lenten folders; if you do not have one yet they are available near the doors of the church.

Have a great week!

Fr. Tony Lonzo

Associate Administrator

Sacred Heart and St. John the Baptist

**MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**

Sun., 3/12	9:30 a.m.	Joyce Tisone by Carl Tisone
Wed., 3/15	6:00 p.m.	Leo Guglielmi by Celeste & Larry Guglielmi
Sun., 3/19	9:30 a.m.	Charlie Agriesti by Blessed Mother Sodality

**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

Mon., 3/13/2017	Italian Village Men's Faith Sharing Group 6:00 p.m. (Marrapese Hall) SJB Women's Faith Group 6:00 p.m. (Classroom)
Sun., 3/19/2017	St. Joseph's Celebration Breakfast After 9:30 a.m. Mass

There will be NO Amici D'Oro Meeting until March 23, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

**Blessed Sacrament and Marian Lights Intentions:**

**Blessed Sacrament:** Nick Cua by Chris Soteriades

**Marian:** Joyce Tisone by Carl Tisone

*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\*\***

THE BARRINGTON OF CARMEL – CARMEL, INDIANA: Yola Rossi

MOTHER ANGELINE McCRORY: Marie Tarantelli

THE JAMES: Sherri Snoad

AT HOME: Mike Auddino

**\*\*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 March are:

- March 12      Vincent Davis
- March 19      Carl Tisone
- March 26      Margaret Contino OFS

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>
Sun., 3/12 9:30 a.m.	Samantha Fallucco John Snoad	Judy Pishitelli, Pat Rosetti, Karen Quick, Margaret Panico-Harn & Blaise Marcucci
	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>
Sun., 3/19 9:30 a.m.	Gabe Bishop Adolfo Gastaldo	Marge Contino, Ed Pagnanelli, Antonio D'Alberto, Judy Pishitelli & Andrea Myers

**2017 Liturgical Calendar & Mass Readings**

**March 12 – Second Sunday of Lent**

Gn 12:1-4a/2Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

**March 13 – Lenten Weekday**

Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38

**March 14 – Lenten Weekday**

Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12

**March 15 – Lenten Weekday**

Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28

**March 16 – Lenten Weekday**

Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31

**March 17 – Lenten Weekday**

**St. Patrick, Bishop**

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

**March 18 – Lenten Weekday**

**St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**March 19 – Third Sunday of Lent**

Ex 17:3-7/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42

\* Pray for our Priests and seminarians

**WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN'S**

March 05, 2017

Number of Envelopes Used – 54

In Envelopes: \$1,777.00      Loose Money \$271.28

Regular Collection:	\$ 2,048.28
Less Diocesan 6% Assessment	\$ (122.90)
	\$ 1925.38
Votive Lights	\$ 35.00
Catholic Times	\$ 17.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$ 60.00
St. Anthony Bread	\$ 72.00
50/50 Drawing	\$ 60.00
	\$ 244.00

**\$\$\$ ? \$ ? HOW IS ST. JOHN'S DOING? \$\$\$ ?**

**Budgeted Offertory for Fiscal Year (7/1/16-6/30/17)**

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference (\$)	(%)
This Week:	\$ 2885.00	\$ 2048.28	(\$ 836.72)	-29%
FYTD:	\$103,860.00	\$96,681.61	(\$7,178.39)	-7%

**SJB Collection Counters for**

**Monday, March 13, 2017**

Maria Lucchin, Nick Perschetti, & Mary Spellacy

**SJB Collection Counters for**

**Monday, March 20, 2017**

Tom Elliott, Gus Gastaldo & Carl Tisone



**Office Hours:**

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

**The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA):** Are you an **unbaptized** adult who has discerned God’s call to conversion and faith, and are seeking to answer that call? Or perhaps you are a **Baptized** member of another faith, seeking to explore the truth of **Catholicism** and become one in full communion with the Catholic Church? Or have been Baptized into the Catholic Church as an Infant, but as an adult, you feel that you have not been **properly catechized?** Then you may want to consider exploring **RCIA** at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. If you would like to learn more about RCIA here at our church, please contact our parish office at **(614) 294-5319.**

**St. Joseph’s Celebration Breakfast  
After 9:30 a.m. Mass, March 19, 2017**



Please join us in celebrating **St. Joseph’s Celebration** with a breakfast after Mass **Sunday, March 19th**, following **9:30 a.m. Mass.** The cost of the catered breakfast is **\$15.00 per person.** In order to have a proper count for the catered breakfast we ask that you purchase tickets for this breakfast; these tickets will be available after Mass in Sala Hall or in the Parish office. Please bring a classic dessert for the **St. Joseph Table** and bring personal hygiene items (toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, lotion, hand sanitizer lip balm, deodorant, baby wipes, wrapped combs, and feminine items etc... for donating to **Holy Family Soup Kitchen.** For questions, please call the parish office at **614-294-5319.**

**Around Us**

**It’s Fish Fry Time:** One of the great parts of Lent is the return of that wonderful Catholic institution, the Friday Fish Fry. Since you are going to give up meat every Friday, this is a great way to get something extra out of that discipline. The Fish Fry is a chance to not only make a personal sacrifice, but also strengthen your bond with your spiritual community by joining other Catholics at these weekly gatherings. The following is a small sampling of fish fries offered within the Diocese of Columbus:

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION** 414 E North Broadway, Columbus (Marian Hall) Each Friday; **March 3-April 7 • 5:00-7:30 p.m.**

**OUR LADY OF VICTORY CHURCH** 1559 Roxbury Road, Columbus Each Friday; **March 3-April 7 • 5:00-7:30 p.m.**

**ST. ANDREW CHURCH** 1899 McCoy Road, Upper Arlington Each Friday; **March 3-April 7 • 5:00-7:30 p.m.**

**ST. BRENDAN CHURCH** 4475 Dublin Road, Hilliard (In School) Each Friday; **March 3-April 7 • 5:00-7:30 p.m.**

For the complete Fish Fry Guide, visit the Diocese of Columbus website at [www.coltsdioc.org](http://www.coltsdioc.org) and click on “Lenten Activities.”

**Did You Know:** The Gregorian Calendar (1582), now used worldwide, is a fruit of work by Catholic astronomers, as is the development of astrophysics by the spectroscopy of Fr Angelo Secchi (d 1878).

**God’s Creation, Our Common Home Featuring Bishop**

**Fredrick Campbell:** Bishop Campbell has scheduled talks on God’s Creation, Our Common Home. The Bishop will reflect on the encyclical, *Laudato Si.* He will touch on the social, environmental, and moral issues facing all creatures of God. The Bishop will address the suffering caused by the opiate addiction crisis. The Bishop’s message will help families explore, embrace, study, share, and act on the true beauty and grandeur of God’s gift to us.

- **Tuesday, March 14, 7:00-9:00 p.m.,** St. Peter Parish, Columbus
- **Thursday, March 16, 2017, 7:00-9:00 p.m.,** Bishop Ready High School, Columbus

All are welcome to attend!

**Liturgical Calendar:** The month of **March** is dedicated to **St. Joseph.** The entire month falls during the liturgical season of **Lent** which is represented by the liturgical color purple – a symbol of penance, mortification and the sorrow of a contrite heart.

**Holy Father’s Intentions for the Month of March 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 persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.***

**Church Regulations Regarding Fast and Abstinence during**

**Lent:** Abstinence from meat (beast or fowl) is to be observed by all Catholics fourteen years and older on Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays of Lent. This obligation prohibits the eating of meat, but not eggs, milk products, or condiments of any kind, even though made from animal fat. The law of fasting on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday applies to all Catholics from age 18 through age 59.

**Prayer for Spiritual Renewal**

*Lord, during this Lenten Season, nourish me with Your Word of life and make me one with You in love and prayer.*

*Fill my heart with Your love and keep me faithful to the Gospel of Christ. Give me the grace to rise above my human weakness. Give me new life by Your Sacraments.*

*Father, our source of life, I reach out with joy to grasp Your hand; let me walk more readily in Your ways.*

*Guide me in Your gentle mercy. Help me to pass from my old life of sin to the new life of grace.*

*Prepare me for the glory of Your Kingdom.*

*Amen*



*Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Rise, and do not be afraid.”*

*~Matthew 17:7*