

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Jesus, in today's Gospel, reminds us to get away and rest awhile with Him. This is something we all need to do, especially resting with the Lord. Sunday reminds us to do this. First, with Sunday Mass and then with family and friends. We all could use it. Amidst our busy life, it is always important that we include the Lord in our Sunday rest, for He can truly refresh us. Sunday is also a day to remind us of our desire and God's desire for us to rest with Him and all the saints and angels for eternity.

This coming Monday, July 23, we will be having the parking lot redone. The asphalt will be stripped and a new subservice will be put in, graded and then paved. The work is being done by Nicholas Savko & Sons, Inc. and Heiberger Paving, Inc. The plan is for the work to be completed by the end of the week, so as to have the parking lot available for next Sunday's Mass. During this coming week, the parking lot will not be available. During the day, before 5:00 p.m., parking is available on the streets. The gravel lot on 4th street, the non-striped spaces, will be available as well. The cost of the project is approximately \$62,000.00. This is a very good price for the approximately 2,600 square feet of parking lot that we have. We will be able to pay for this project from our savings. This should be a great improvement to our existing lot and a great benefit for this year's Festival.

Have a blessed week.

Fr. Kitsmiller
Administrator

MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Sun., 7/22	9:30 a.m.	Charles Agriesti by DiSabato-Agriesti Families
Mon., 7/23	5:30 p.m.	John Iacovetta by Sons of Italy Lodge 2599
Sun., 7/29	9:30 a.m.	Deceased Members of the Piave Club by Piave Club
Mon., 7/30	5:30 p.m.	Bill Galilei by Elizabeth Roehrer

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Sun., 7/22	11:00 a.m.	Defibrillator Training (Marrapese Hall)
Mon., 7/23	6:00 p.m.	Italian Village Men's Faith Sharing Group (Marrapese Hall) SJB Women's Faith Group (Classroom)

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Sunday, July 22, 2018 – 9:30 a.m.	
Lectors:	Ed Pagnanelli & Landa Brunetto
Eucharistic Ministers	Andrea Myers, Pat Rossetti, Leslie Pasion, Marge Contino & Margaret Panico-Harn
Sunday, July 29, 2018 – 9:30 a.m.	
Lectors:	Gabe Bishop, John Snoch
Eucharistic Ministers:	Pete Tamburro, Ed Pagnanelli, Sharon D'Alberto, Judy Pishitelli & Claudio Pasion

Blessed Sacrament & Marian Lights Intentions:

Marian Lights: Joyce Tisone
by Carl Tisone
Blessed Sacrament: Tony Solazzo
by Mr. & Mrs. Andy Antonietta Melara

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

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

Pray for Sean McCreary, son of Samuel and Linda McCreary and Diamond Boggs, sister of Linda McCreary.

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 July and August are:

July 22 Adolfo "Gus" Gastaldo
July 29 Margaret Contino, OFS
August 5 Gary Bosco

2018 Liturgical Calendar & Mass Readings

July 22 – Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 23:1-6/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

July 23 – Weekday

Saint Bridget, Religious

Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Mt 12:38-42

July 24 – Weekday

Saint Sharbel Makhluf, Priest

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/ Mt 12:46-50

July 25 – Saint James, Apostle

2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28

July 26 – Saints Joachim and Anne,

Parents of Blessed Virgin Mary

Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Mt 13:10-17

July 27 – Weekday

Jer 3:14-17/Mt 13:18-23

July 28 – Weekday

Jer 7:1-11/Mt 13:24-30

July 29 – Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 4:42-44/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

*Pray for our Priest and seminarians

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN

July 15, 2018

Number of Envelopes Used – 48

In Envelopes: \$2,230.00	Loose Money \$162.00
Regular Collection	\$ 2,392.00
Total	\$ 2,392.00
Less Diocesan 6% Assessment	\$ (143.52)
	\$ 2,248.48
Votives	\$ 36.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 37.00
50/50 Drawing	\$ 10.00
	\$ 83.00

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Budgeted Offertory for Fiscal Year (7/1/18-6/30/19)

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference (\$)	(%)
This Week:	\$2,885.00	\$2,392.00	-\$ (493.00)	-17%
FYTD:	\$8,655.00	\$7,678.00	-\$ (977.00)	-11%

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

SJB Collection Counters for**Monday, July 23, 2018**

Maruja Paule & Darlene Rauch

SJB Collection Counters for**Monday, July 30, 2018**

Tom Elliott, Maria Lucchin, & Mary Spellacy

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

Bishop's Annual Appeal: We have a long way to go to realize **100%** participation from our parish. As of **July 15, 2018**, we have received **\$13,985.00** towards our parish goal of **\$17,785.49**. We are not quite there yet. If you have not given, please consider a gift of **\$75.00 to \$100.00**. No gift is too small, as all gifts go to support the Diocese. Thank you!

Save the Dates for Italian Festival Meetings: Upcoming meetings: **July 30th, 6:30 p.m.**, Board Meeting; **August 27th, 5:30 p.m.**, Board Meeting, **7:00 p.m.**, General Meeting; **September 24th, 5:30 p.m.**, Board Meeting, **7:00 p.m.**, General Meeting.

Defibrillator Training: There will be a Defibrillator Training on **Sunday, July 22, 11:00 a.m.** in **Marrapese Hall**. **Robert Kelly** of the **Columbus Fire Department** will come to give us instruction on the device. The training will last approximately **thirty** minutes to **one hour**. All are encouraged and welcome to attend.

AROUND US

Donate Blood/Donate Life
The American Red Cross and
St. Mary's Syro Malabar Mission
are hosting a Blood Drive on
Sunday, July 29th, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
One pint saves three lives.
At Sacred Heart Catholic Church (Ryan Hall)
893 Hamlet Street, Columbus, Ohio 43201.
Call 347-757-9224 (Binoy Rappai)

Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of July 2018: You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for the following intention: ***That priests, who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work, may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother priests.***

Liturgical Calendar: The month of July is dedicated to **The Precious Blood of Jesus**. The entire month falls within the liturgical season of **Ordinary Time**, which is represented by the liturgical color green. This symbol of hope is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection. It is used in the offices and Masses of Ordinary Time. The last portion of the liturgical year represents the time of our pilgrimage to heaven during which we hope for reward.

Your Church at Work: Holy Family Soup Kitchen: Holy Family Church has been helping the needy and feeding the poor since it opened in **1877**. Currently, the soup kitchen serves hot meals to approximately **300** people each day and provides groceries for over **125** families, every week. If you would like to volunteer, please call the office (**614-461-9444**) to schedule a date.

Summer Parish Festivals: The weather is warm, and the sun is shining. Consider spending some time celebrating local Catholic communities by attending a Local Parish Festival! The food will be delicious and the company divine!! Visit www.columbuscatholic.org for a link to the complete listing of area Festivals.

The Catholic Foundation's Young Professionals Group: The **Catholic Foundation's Young Professionals Group** provides opportunities to network with other Catholic young professionals in the **Columbus** area. Join us for socializing, networking and other activities as you meet young professionals who share your love for the Catholic faith. Bring a friend (or **two!**). For more information, please go to <http://catholic-foundation.org/YPG> and click on "Join our Meet-up Group."

Volunteer Opportunities: Catholic Social Services helps poor and vulnerable seniors and families reach their potential. **Catholic Social Services** envisions a world in which all who are in need are able to meet their potential to live with dignity, hope, and purpose. There are numerous opportunities for you to help in this mission! Please go to www.colscss.org for more information.

FORMED.org: A one-year subscription to the online Catholic catechetical service, **FORMED.org**, has been generously donated to the parishes of both **St. John** and **Sacred Heart**. This resource is free of charge and is meant to help us grow in our faith. Once you register, you will have access to thousands of online Catholic videos, audios and e-books. You can view them On Demand anytime, anywhere. To register, please visit <https://sjbitaliana.formed.org>. Find the "Register Now" link and fill out the information on the screen. Please take advantage of this resource; and, don't forget to download the free **iOS** or **Android** app for your phone or tablet.



When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd,
 his heart was moved with pity for them,
 for they were like sheep without a shepherd;
 and he began to teach them many things.

Mark 6:34**Prayer**

*Open my eyes, God.
 Help me to perceive what I have ignored,
 To uncover what I have forsaken,
 To find what I am searching for.
 Remind me that I don't have to journey far to
 discover something new,
 For miracles surround me,
 Blessings and holiness abound,
 And You are near.*

Amen.