

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This **Sunday**, we hear from the **Gospel of John, Jesus** working His first miracle at a wedding. To save the bride and groom and their families the embarrassment of running out of wine, **Jesus** changes water into wine. On the face, this seems to be an answer to a rather trivial problem. But there is deeper meaning in this miracle. It is symbolic of something greater. The wine is representation of divine love while the water symbolizes our human efforts to love. It is **Jesus Christ** that transforms our love and makes it more like His love – a sacrificial love. There is a wonderful line in today’s Gospel that is applicable for all called to the vocation of marriage: “there was a wedding at **Cana in Galilee**, and the mother of **Jesus** was there. **Jesus** and His disciples were also invited.” **Jesus** should always be the guest of honor for all marriages – invited in to stay and transform our human love into His sacrificial divine love. The text also says that **Jesus’** disciples were invited. How necessary it is in our lives to be surrounded by **Disciples of Christ**. These, we find in the Church, which is there to support marriages. Let us pray for the vocation of marriage and support our brothers and sisters called to this necessary role in our Church.

This **Tuesday, January 22nd**, we as a Church, along with many other concerned citizens of this country, bear witness to the right to life for all unborn children and an end to abortion. At **10:30 a.m.** at **St. Joseph’s Cathedral, Bishop Campbell** will celebrate **Mass** in reparation for violations of the dignity of the human person committed through abortion and for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life. We pray for healing and forgiveness for all those involved in this tragedy. We must do all that we can to help mothers of unborn children who are at risk of having an abortion by assisting them spiritually and materially, when their children are in the womb and after they are born.

Have a blessed week!
Fr. Kitsmiller
Administrator

MASSES AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Sun., 1/20	9:30 a.m.	Bruno Masdea by Catherine Sestito
Mon., 1/21	5:30 p.m.	Joyce Tisone by Carl Tisone
Sun., 1/27	9:30 a.m.	Ermida Susi by Lucian Susi
Mon., 1/28	5:30 p.m.	Mary DiCesare by The American Italian Golf Association
Tues., 1/29	1:00 p.m.	Antonio Frissora by Dina Tiberi Karshner

Blessed Sacrament & Marian Lights Intentions:
Marian Lights: Joyce Tisone
by Carl Tisone
Blessed Sacrament: Joseph Cua
by Roger & Andrea Myers

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Sunday, January 20, 2019, 9:30 a.m.	
Lectors:	Nick D’Alberto, Antonio D’Alberto
Eucharistic Ministers	Pat Rossetti, Pete Tamburro, Sharon D’Alberto, Margi Baker & Ed Pagnanelli
Sunday, January 27, 2019, 9:30 a.m.	
Lectors:	Gabe Bishop, Ed Pagnanelli
Eucharistic Ministers:	Margaret Panico-Harn, Pat Rossetti, Marge Contino, Judy Pishitelli & Andrea Myers

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sun. 1/20	Blessed Mother Sodality, After Mass (Marrapese Hall)
Mon., 1/21	6:00 p.m. Italian Village Men’s Faith Sharing Group (Marrapese Hall) SJB Women’s Faith Group (Classroom)

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 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 **January and February** are:

- January 20 Vincent Davis
- January 27 Gary Bosco
- February 3 Adolfo “Gus” Galstaldo
- February 10 Vincent Davis

Anyone interested in leading the Rosary on Sundays, please contact Bob Contino at 614-833-0371. Thank you!

2019 Liturgical Calendar & Mass Readings

- January 20 – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 62:1-5 1/Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11
- January 21 –Saint Agnes, Virgin & Martyr
Heb 5:1-10/Mk 2:18-22
- January 22 – Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Heb 6:10-20/Mk 2:23-28
- January 23 –Weekday
Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr;
Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin
Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Mk 3:1-6
- January 24 – Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Heb 7:25–8:6/Mk 3:7-12
- January 25 –The Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle
Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18
- January 26 –Saint Timothy and Saint Titus, Bishops
2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Mk 3:20-21
- January 27 –Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Neh 8:2-4a. 5-6. 8-10/1 Cor 12:12-30/Lk 1:1-4; 4; 14-21

*Pray for our Priest and seminarians

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOHN’S

January 13, 2019

Number of Envelopes Used Sunday – 30

In Envelopes: \$1,470.00 Loose Money \$201.15

Total Collection	\$ 1,671.15
Less Diocesan 6% Assessment	\$ (100.27)
	\$ 1,570.88
Votive	\$ 20.00
50/50 Drawings	\$ 30.00
Total	\$ 50.00

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

	Budgeted	Actual	Difference (\$)	(%)
This Week:	\$ 2,885.00	\$ 1,671.15	(\$1,213.85)	-42%
FYTD:	\$83,665.00	\$83,583.32	(\$ 81.68)	0%

SJB Collection Counters for Tuesday, January 22, 2019

Tom Elliott, Maruja Paule & Louise Masdea

SJB Collection Counters for Monday, January 28, 2019

Nick Perschetti & Gus Gastaldo



Office Hours: The Parish office will be closed, **Monday, January 21st** for **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**. Normal hours are **Monday through Friday**, from **9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.**

Counter Volunteers Needed: Volunteers are needed to count **St. John's** weekend collections. Collection counters usually work in groups of **two** or **three** meeting on **Monday** mornings at **10:00 a.m.** at **St. John**. The more volunteers we have, the more this important job can be shared throughout the month. If interested, please contact the **Office** at **614-294-5319**.

AROUND US

Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of January 2019: You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for the following intention: That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

Trinity Catholic Elementary School Open House, located at **1440 Grandview Avenue** in **Columbus**, is now accepting registrations for the **2019-2020** school year for students in grades **K-8**. Join us for an **Open House** on **Thursday, January 31**, from **6:30-8:00 p.m.**, with a special Kindergarten presentation at **7:00 p.m.** With small class sizes, rigorous academics, technology-enhanced instruction, and a family-oriented community, you will find that it is worth considering, and is **CATHOLIC** education at its **Trinity Catholic** finest! For more information, or to schedule a private tour, please contact **Principal Kimber Moehrman** at **kmoehrma@cducation.org** or **614-488-7650**. **EdChoice Scholarships** available for qualifying schools and/or income levels. **Website:** **www.thundergraphics.net/trinity**.

Seasons of Hope Bereavement Ministry meetings: Are you suffering the loss of a loved one? Are you looking for friends to share in your grief and healing? Please join us at our **Seasons of Hope Bereavement Ministry meetings**. This is a **Christ-Centered** peer support group that meets for **six** weeks, **four** times per year. Each session includes Scripture, prayer, reflection, and sharing. During the winter season we will meet on **Sundays from February 3 through March 10** at **Our Lady of Peace Church**, located at **20 E. Dominion Boulevard in Columbus, OH 43214**. Registration is **from 1:30-1:55 p.m.** each **Sunday**, with group sharing following **from 2:00-4:00 p.m.** You may join us for any or all of our sessions. Please feel free to bring a friend! If you have any questions, you may contact **Rose Daiga**, a parishioner at **Our Lady of Peace**, at **rose.daiga@gmail.com** or at **614-565-0795**.

What is the Sacrament "Anointing of the Sick?": Traditionally referred to as **Extreme Unction** or **Last Rites**, the **Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick** was previously most commonly administered to the dying, for the remission of sins and the provision of spiritual strength and health. In modern times, however, its use has been expanded to all who are gravely ill or are about to undergo a serious operation, and the Church stresses a secondary effect of the sacrament: to help a person recover their health. Like **Confession** and **Holy Communion**, to which it is closely linked, the **Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick** can be repeated as often as is necessary.

The Respect Life Mass is **Tuesday, January 22, 2019, 10:30 a.m.** at **St. Joseph Cathedral**. **Bishop Campbell** will be the celebrant. On this day of the anniversary of the **U.S. Supreme Court** decision **Roe v. Wade**, we observe a nationwide **Day of Prayer** for the **Legal Protection of Unborn Children**. All are invited. For more information, contact Social Concerns at **socmailbox@columbuscatholic.org** or **614-241-2540**.

BIMONTHLY MASS OF HEALING AND HEALING SERVICE MONDAY, JANUARY 21, 6:30 P.M., AT SAINT JOSEPH CATHEDRAL. Following Mass, the **Healing Service** will begin with **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**, **Veneration** of a **Relic** of the **True Cross of Christ**, followed by individual **Prayers by Priests** for those who seek **Christ's** healing, the **Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick**, concluding with **Benediction**. All are welcome, especially the ill and infirm, caregivers and family members, and members of the medical community.

January 24: Memorial of St. Francis de Sales: His ardent love of **God** and souls, his great kindness, rare wisdom and sure teaching made **St. Francis** exceptionally influential in bringing about conversions and in guiding souls in the spiritual life. He won back to the faith more than **70,000** heretics, thus restoring to the Church a great part of the **Chablais**, which had been ravaged by **Protestantism**. He was **St. Jane de Chantal's** spiritual director, and with her founded the Order of the Visitation. He is the author of **Treatise on the Love of God** and **Introduction to the Devout Life**. **St. Francis** died at **Lyons** in **1622**.

"May we be in this world a ray of light that shines forth, bringing joy and peace to the hearts of all men and women."

~ Pope Francis

**A Prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus**

Most merciful and blessed Lord Jesus.

You have revealed to us Your Sacred Heart, open and vulnerable with love for all humanity.

I come before You, fully aware of my faults and many failings with complete trust in Your mercy, seeking wholeness.

Come Lord, enter into my home and heart.

Reach into my inner being and heal me and my family of our brokenness.

Transform all of us, so that we may see past petty differences and disagreements.

Help us to celebrate the good and accept the difficult times.

Open our hearts and minds to Your Word

and transform us to become truly witnesses of Your Divine Love

O Sacred Heart of Jesus,

have mercy on me and all those whom I love, this day and always.

Amen.