

# WELCOME TO SAINT JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH



140 West Avenue, Plain City Ohio

**Are you new to Saint Joseph Parish?**



Welcome!

Are you new to St. Joseph's? We invite you to please introduce yourself before or after Mass, or stop by the parish office to register, meet Father Trapp and become part of our parish family.

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## MASSES

### Weekday Masses are at the church

- Tuesday 5:30 pm
- Wednesday 5:30 pm
- Friday 8 am
- Saturday 9 am

### Weekend at the church:

- Saturday 4:30 pm
- Sunday 8:30 am

### At the PAC:

- Sunday 11 am

## ADORATION

- M - Th 6 -11 am & 6 -11 pm
- Friday: 6-8 am & 6-11 pm

Confessions at church:  
Saturday after 9 am Mass and 3:30 pm Also by appointment.



**Parish Activity Center and Parish Office**  
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OFFICE HOURS: M - F 10 am - 3 pm  
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St. Joseph Catholic Church,  
Plain City, Ohio



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**ARE YOU NEW TO SAINT JOSEPH PARISH?** Please stop by the office to register you and your family or call 614-873-8850.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** Preparation is required for the reception of the sacrament. Parents are encouraged to contact the office for an appointment **prior** to the birth of their child.

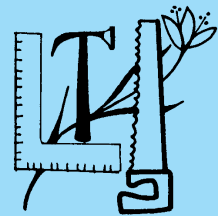
**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:** Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance of intended date. A marriage preparation program is required. Please contact Father Trapp.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:** Please call the office for emergencies and notify the office for calls to the sick or visits to the hospital. To have a name added to the bulletin prayer list please send to: [bulletin@saintjosephplaincity.com](mailto:bulletin@saintjosephplaincity.com)

**EUCHARIST FOR THE HOMEBOUND:** Please call the office to be added to the weekly Communion list.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA):** Are you thinking about becoming Catholic? RCIA is a process that provides time for inquiry, instruction, prayer and discernment. For more information please contact the parish office. We welcome you!

**OFFERTORY:** You may make your offertory weekly or monthly by visiting our website at [www.saintjosephplaincity.com](http://www.saintjosephplaincity.com) and registering with ONLINE GIVING.



**ADORATION ANGELS NEEDED:**

**Mondays:** 10 - 11 pm  
**Tuesdays:** 7 - 8 am, 9 - 10 pm, 10 - 11 pm  
**Wednesdays:** 8 - 9 pm  
**Thursdays:** 9 - 10 pm - every 4th week  
**Fridays:** 10 - 11 pm  
 Please contact Lori Crock to sign up.  
 Subs needed also. Thank you!



**PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY:**

2LT Denis R. Aurelius USAF  
 SFC Michael S. Bertorello, USA  
 SGT Justin Edwards, ANG  
 1SGT Kevin R. Gleich, USA  
 Logan Hill,  
 LTC Patrick Parsons, USAF  
 MASN Todd Thieken Jr., USN  
 Lt. Cmdr. Matt Wood, USN



**PLEASE PRAY FOR WHO ALL WHO ARE ILL AND HEALING:**



Patricia Ann Allen	Rhonda Campbell	Shannon Eckman	Joe Elias
George Geruntino	Kevin Gleich	Elfriede Gregel	Florine Hamlin
David Harris	John Harris	John High	Gabriel Kaiser
Zachary Kaiser	Betty Stricharczuk	Mary Jane Ward	

To have your loved one added to the prayer list, please email: [bulletin@saintjosephplaincity.com](mailto:bulletin@saintjosephplaincity.com)

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE:**

**4:30 pm AT THE CHURCH Oct 28**

Usher: M. Needham, (sub rqstd)  
 Lector: L. Davis, T. Schurman  
 EM: C. Corbitt, D. Needham, R. Rabold  
 Servers: B. & D. Corbitt

**8:30 AM AT THE CHURCH Oct 29**

Usher: J. Elias, B. Sievers  
 Lector: E. Bonacci, J. Fritter  
 EM: Dcn. T. Bonacci, T. & G. Hare  
 Servers: A. Dendis, M. Ridder

**11 AM AT THE PAC Oct 29**

Usher: M. & W. Brown  
 Lector: J. Humphrey, C. High  
 EM: M. Thiergartner, A. Schimmoeller, M. Peck  
 Servers: J. Cuica, A. Miller

**HOMEBOUND:**

P. Thomas

**COLLECTION COUNTING:**

OCT 30 Team St. Cunegundes  
 NOV 6 Team St. Diego  
 NOV 13 Team St. Anthony  
 NOV 20 Team St. Barbara



The schedule listed may not be the most current ministry schedule. Please check Ministry Scheduler Pro for the latest schedule. Thank you.

**MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS:**

**Monday, Oct. 23**

ROM 4:20-25; PS: Luke 1; LK 12: 13-21

**No Mass**

**Tuesday, Oct. 24**

ROM 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20B-21; PS: 40; LK 12: 35-38

**5:30 pm: No Mass**

**Wednesday, Oct. 25**

ROM 6: 12-18; PS: 124; LK 12: 39-48

**5:30 pm: No Mass**

**Thursday, Oct. 26**

ROM 6: 19-23; PS: 1; LK 12: 49-53

**No Mass**

**Friday, Oct. 27**

ROM 7:18-25A; PS: 119; LK 12: 54-59

**8 am** Judy Billman (S. Block)

**Saturday, Oct. 28**

Feast of Sts. Simon & Jude, Apostles

EPH 2:19-22; PS: 19; LK 6: 12-16

**9 am:** Robert Blum (S. Block)

**4:30 pm:** People of the Parish

**Sunday, Oct. 29**

EX 22:20-26; PS: 18; ITHES 1:5C-10; MT 22: 34-40

**8 am:** Dcn Ken Drummer (Dcn. & E. Bonacci)

**11am:** Gerald & Bev Zawodny (S. Buttke)

**There will not be any weekday Masses on Tuesday and Wednesday this week.**

**HAPPENING THIS WEEK: TIME:**

**MONDAY, OCT 23**

PSR Grades 1 - 6 4:30 pm

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**TUESDAY, OCT 24**

**WEDNESDAY, OCT 25**

Walking With Purpose 7:30 pm

Knights of Columbus 7:30 pm

**THURSDAY, OCT 26**

Choir Practice 7 pm

**FRIDAY, OCT 27**

**NO** Bible Study

**SATURDAY, OCT 28**

That Man Is You! 7:30 am

Confessions 3:30 pm

Rosary 4 pm

**SUNDAY, OCT 29**

PSR Grades 7 - 8 9:40 am

YDisciple - Youth Group 7 pm

*\*Denotes event takes place at the Church*

*Extraordinary Ministers, Lectors, Greeters, and servers are needed for All Saints Day and All Souls Day Masses. Please sign-up on Ministry Pro as soon as possible. Thank you!*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Ministers of the Liturgy are needed for All Saints Day & All Souls Day Masses. Please sign up as soon as possible.
- There will be a 2nd collection next weekend for St. Martin de Porres.

**STEWARDSHIP:**

**Offertory Collection for Oct 8, 2017**

Envelopes	\$2,378
Loose* (Unknown)	\$ 238
Diocesan Tax (6%)	<u>\$ (163)</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,553*</b>

\*These numbers do not reflect on-line Giving

September, 2017 Online Giving: **\$12,991.**

***“Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s and to God the things that are God’s.”***

- MATTHEW 22:21

Everything we are and everything we have belongs to God. We aren’t “owners” of anything, we are merely “stewards” of the gifts God has given each of us. All God is asking is that we give back a portion of what He gave us. This is the essence of Stewardship. *God should be our first priority in everything. All else comes second.*





# Top Reasons to Oppose Assisted Suicide

*The deadly and dangerous practice of assisted suicide is now legal in five states (Oregon, Washington, Vermont, California, and Colorado) and the District of Columbia, our nation's capital.<sup>1</sup> With new momentum and lots of money, assisted suicide proponents are pursuing an aggressive nationwide campaign to advance their agenda through legislation, ballot measures, litigation, and public advertising, targeting states they see as most susceptible to their message. Some polls indicate that the public is receptive to the general concept of assisted suicide. But the same polls show that when the public learns about the dangers of assisted suicide, especially for those who are poor, elderly, disabled, or without access to good medical care, their views shift against the practice. The following dangers are among the top reasons to oppose assisted suicide.*

## A DEADLY MIX WITH OUR PROFIT-DRIVEN HEALTH CARE SYSTEM .....

- Some patients in Oregon and California have received word that their health insurance will pay for assisted suicide but will not pay for treatment that may sustain their lives.<sup>2 & 3</sup>

## PUTS VULNERABLE PERSONS AT RISK OF ABUSE AND COERCION .....

- Once lethal drugs have been prescribed, assisted suicide laws have no requirements for assessing the patient's consent, competency, or voluntariness. Who would know if the drugs are freely taken since there is no supervision or tracking of the drugs once they leave the pharmacy and no witnesses are required at the time of death? Despite a reporting system designed to conceal rather than detect abuses, reports of undue influence have nonetheless surfaced in Oregon.<sup>4</sup>

- Elder abuse is considered a major health problem in the United States, with federal estimates that one in ten elder persons are abused.<sup>5</sup> Placing lethal drugs into the hands of abusers generates an additional major risk to elder persons.
- Assisted suicide laws often allow one of the two witnesses to the request for lethal drugs to be an heir to the patient's estate. Therefore, an heir or friends of the heir can encourage or pressure the patient to request lethal drugs and then be a witness to the request.

## DANGEROUSLY BROAD DEFINITION OF TERMINAL ILLNESS .....

- Assisted suicide laws typically appear to limit eligibility to terminally ill patients who are expected to die within six months but don't distinguish between persons who will die within six months *with treatment* and those who will die within six months *without treatment*. This means that patients with treatable diseases (like diabetes or chronic respiratory or cardiac disease) and patients with disabilities requiring ventilator support are all eligible for lethal drugs because they would die within six months without the treatment they would normally receive.

## PAIN NOT THE PRIMARY ISSUE .....

Untreated pain is not among the top reasons for taking lethal drugs. Per official annual state reports, in 2016, 90% of Oregon patients seeking lethal drugs said they were doing so because they were "less able to engage in activities making life enjoyable" and were "losing autonomy," and 49% cited being a "burden" on family, friends or caregivers. And in Washington, 52% cited being a "burden" as a reason, while only 35% cited a concern about pain.

## NO PSYCHIATRIC EVALUATION OR TREATMENT REQUIRED .....

- Despite medical literature showing that nearly 95% of those who commit suicide had a diagnosable psychiatric illness (usually treatable depression) in the months preceding suicide,<sup>6</sup> the prescribing doctor and the doctor he or she selects to give a second opinion are both free to decide whether to refer suicidal patients for any psychological counseling. Per Oregon's official annual report, from 2013-2016 less than 4% of patients who



died under its assisted suicide law had been referred for counseling to check for "impaired judgment."

- If counseling is provided to patients seeking assisted suicide, its goal isn't to *treat* the underlying disorder or depression; it's to determine whether the disorder or depression is "*causing impaired judgment*" [emphasis added].<sup>7</sup> The doctors or counselor can decide that, since depression is "a completely normal response" to terminal illness, the depressed patient's judgment is not impaired.<sup>8</sup>

**THREATENS IMPROVEMENT OF PALLIATIVE CARE .....**

- There is compelling evidence that legalizing assisted suicide undermines efforts to maintain and improve good care for

patients nearing the end of life, including patients who never wanted assisted suicide.<sup>9</sup>

**FOSTERS DISCRIMINATION .....**

- Assisted suicide creates two classes of people: those whose suicides we spend hundreds of millions of dollars each year to prevent and those whose suicides we assist and treat as a positive good. We remove weapons and drugs that can cause harm to one group, while handing deadly drugs to the other, setting up yet another kind of life-threatening discrimination.

There are many more reasons why legalizing assisted suicide is a bad and dangerous idea. For further information, visit [www.usccb.org/toliveeachday](http://www.usccb.org/toliveeachday) and [www.patientsrightsaction.org](http://www.patientsrightsaction.org).

1 Montana's highest court, while not officially legalizing the practice, suggested in 2009 that it could be allowed under certain circumstances.

2 Susan Harding, "Health Plan Covers Assisted Suicide But Not New Cancer Treatment," KVAL News (published July 31, 2008, updated Oct. 30, 2013) (noting that the Oregon Health Plan will pay for coverage for chemotherapy that cures cancer, but not for chemotherapy drugs that can extend life); Jennifer Popik, "Terminally Ill Oregon Patients Denied Treatment but Reminded They Can Choose Physician-Assisted Suicide" (July 2008), available at <http://www.nrlc.org/archive/news/2008/NRL08/Oregon.html>.

3 Bradford Richardson, "Assisted-Suicide Law Prompts Insurance Company to Deny Coverage to Terminally Ill California Woman," *Washington Times* (Oct. 20, 2016), <http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2016/oct/20/assisted-suicide-law-prompts-insurance-company-den/>.

4 In one case, a woman with cancer committed suicide with a doctor's assistance even though she had dementia, was found mentally incompetent by doctors, and had a grown daughter described as "somewhat coercive" in pushing her toward suicide. Hendin & Foley, *Physician-Assisted Suicide in Oregon*, *supra* at 1626-27.

5 Lachs, Mark S., M.D., M.P.H., and Karl A. Pillemer, Ph.D. "Elder Abuse." Edited by Edward W. Campion, M.D. *The New England Journal of Medicine* 373 (November 12, 2015): 1947-1956. DOI: 10.1056/NEJMr1404688. <http://www.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/NEJMr1404688>

6 H. Hendin, M.D., *Seduced by Death: Doctors, Patients, and Assisted Suicide* (New York: W.W. Norton, 1998): 34-35.

7 Or. Rev. Stat. § 127.825; Wash. Rev. Code § 70.245.060.

8 See H. Hendin and K. Foley, "Physician-Assisted Suicide in Oregon: A Medical Perspective," 106 *Michigan Law Review* 1613-45 (2008) at 1623-4; available at <https://docs.google.com/file/d/0BwDPETL1NPhAMmFjZTNjNzctOGU4NS00MTUwLTgxZjAtM2I4NDhlMjA2OTFj/edit?hl=en&pli=1>.

9 "Vermont VNA Seeking to Identify Causes of State's Low Hospice Utilization Rates," *Hospice and Palliative Care News*, April 29, 2015, at <http://healthrespubs.com/hospice-and-palliative-care-news/2015/04/29/vermont-vna-seeking-to-identify-low-hospice-utilization-rates/>. J. Ballentine et al., "Physician-Assisted Death Does Not Improve End-of-Life Care," *Journal of Palliative Medicine* 19 (2016): 1-2.

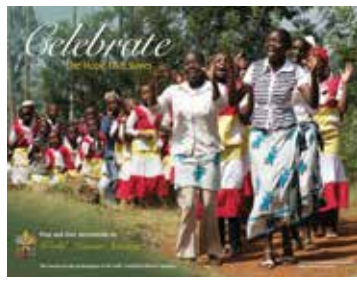
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### World Mission Sunday

This day the universal Church reflects its deepest identity as the Church in mission. Catholics worldwide unite at Mass to recommit to our vocation

to be missionaries. We are called in a special way to be missionaries through prayer and participation in the Eucharist, and by giving generously to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Your generosity makes it possible for missionaries, priests, catechists and pastoral workers to reach out in the name of Jesus to communities and families in need in 1,150 dioceses throughout the world. All proceeds are disbursed to the Missions; no funds are held in reserve. Use your World Mission Sunday envelope from your packet of Church envelopes and your generosity will help make a faith-filled difference around the world!



The Books of Remembrance will be available near the altar at the church and in the gathering area at the PAC. Please take a moment after Mass to add the name of your deceased loved ones in preparation of All Souls Day, on November 2, 2017.

**Masses will be 5:30 and 7pm at the Church for All Souls Day.**

We pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Woolf, sister of Sue York who passed away on October, 10. May she and all our dearly departed rest in the eternal glory of our Lord. And may perpetual light shine upon her. Amen.



### All Saint's Day Masses:

Wednesday, Nov. 1, Noon, at the Church  
Wednesday, Nov. 1, 7 pm, at the PAC

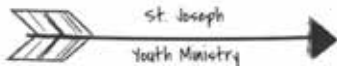


### Adopt a Family / Community Christmas Basket

If you would like to adopt a family to help them have a better Christmas or know of a family in the Jonathan Alder district that needs assistance, please contact Bonnie Chuha at 614-873-8566 to help.



Congratulations to the Elliot & Abby Ward on the baptism of their daughter Fraley Jo, on October 15. Welcome to the Lord's family, Little One. May the Lord always bless you and keep you in His tender care. Amen.



### Holiday Helping Hands



**Winter and the Holidays are fast approaching. Here are a number of ways that you and your family can lend a helping hand at St. Joseph's and in our community.**

**Community Christmas Basket:** Adopt a local family to help make it a wonderful Christmas.

**St. Joseph Giving Tree:** The Trees will be up right after Thanksgiving. Please take a tag or two to buy some household items, small denomination gift cards, personal care products, and laundry care items.

**St. Martin de Porres:** Winter can be a difficult time for families. Your donations help St. Martin's help families with bigger household items such as beds, furniture, microwaves, tables & chairs, bedding and childrens items. There will be a 2nd collection next weekend, Oct. 28-29.

**Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids:** Bins will be available soon for your gently used children's coats sizes toddler to 18. Gloves, hats and scarves are also greatly appreciated.

## YDisciple Sunday nights 7-8pm at the PAC

If you have any questions, please call or text Emily at 740-602-1673. Or email her at [emily@saintjosephplaincity.com](mailto:emily@saintjosephplaincity.com)

#### Upcoming Events:

YDisciple- October 1st, 8th, and 15th 7-8pm

Dodgeball Tournament-  
October 29th from  
7:00-8:30p

Service Saturday-  
October 21st and  
November 11th @  
Plain City Food Pantry  
from 9:30-12:00

### Take a look at Formed and YDisciple

All the content of Formed and YDisciple is available to everyone!

Go to [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) and type in the St. Joseph Parish Code: **RFTRYT**  
Enter your email and create a password (you need this to login later)  
Go to STUDY and click on YOUTH/YDISCIPLE



# POPE FRANCIS' GENERAL AUDIENCE: Every Day Is a New Opportunity



Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Today I wish to speak about that dimension of hope which we can call attentive waiting. Jesus tells his disciples to be like those who await the return of their master, with lamps alight (cf. Lk 12:35-36). As Christians, therefore, we are always attentive, awaiting the Lord's return, when God will be all in all (cf. 1 Cor 15:28). Every day is a new opportunity to be attentive to God, to welcome the day as his gift, and to live that day by offering our good works to him. Such attentiveness requires patience, however, if we are not to lose sight of God's grace when our days are monotonous, or our difficulties many. For no night is so long, as to make us forget the joy that comes with dawn. As Christians, we know that Christ will return; that no matter what we may suffer, life has its purpose and deeper meaning, and that the merciful Lord will greet us at its end. Thus we can look upon history and our own lives with confidence and hope, knowing that the future is not guided solely by the work of our hands but by God's providence. May we repeat everyday the words of the first disciples: "Come, Lord Jesus!" (Rev. 22:20). And in our most difficult moments, may we hear the consoling response of Jesus: "Behold, I am coming soon" (Rev. 22:7).

[www.zenit.org](http://www.zenit.org)

On October 4, the second grade First Reconciliation students enjoyed pizza and a Brother Francis movie and then a tour of the church with Father Trapp. The children learned a great deal about the special places within the church such as the Sacristy, the Ambo, the Credence Table and the Presidential Chair. They especially thought it was "really cool" that there are relics of Saints within the stone of the altar!

The children also loved learning about the different parts of the Mass. Bring them every week - they love to learn the ways of Jesus.

Please keep the second graders in your prayers during their studies for their very first Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist in the coming months.



## Knights Collecting for Medical Center Veterans

Through the Month of October, our Knights of Columbus Council 12772 will be collecting personal goods for veterans at the VA Medical Center in Chillicothe. Goods will be distributed at the annual K of C holiday party on Oct. 28.

Lists of suggested items are on the collection boxes at the Church and at the PAC. **Used items cannot be accepted.** Thank you for your support.

Remember to keep Renée Dvorsky in your prayers for her ministry at the Ohio Reformatory for Women during the weekend of Thursday, October 26 at 11am to Sunday, October 29 at 8 pm. You may contact her at [Reneefashions@aol.com](mailto:Reneefashions@aol.com) to sign-up for a time-slot to offer your prayers. Each person who prays will be represented by a link in a paper chain to visually show the women that people care about them and to show the light of Christ that can be in their life.



**Saint Martin de Porres Second Collection:** There will be a 2nd collection for St. Martin de Porres the weekend of October 28 - 29. There are several ways you can donate: envelopes are in your packet, via On-Line Giving, or in the collection basket at Mass. Thank you for your generosity as we gear up for the Advent and Christmas season.