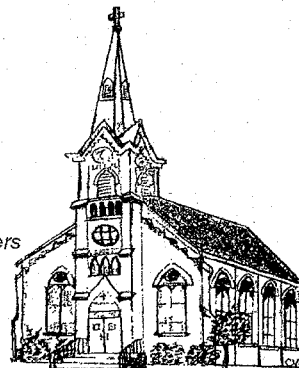


ST. LOUIS PARISH

Established in 1864; School in 1875
A Member of St. Francis of Assisi Deanery
22792 Defiance Pike, Custer, OH, 43511



Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Paul A. Fahrbach
D.R.E./Pastoral Assoc.: Mrs. Janet Wilhelm
Parish Nurse: Mrs. Joyce Walker
Maintenance Person: Mr. Marv Wilhelm
School Secretary: Mrs. Diana George
School Principal: Sr. Dionne Sartor, OSF/T
School Custodian: Mrs. Joan Mallory

Parish Officers

Pastoral Council: Mrs. Vivien Schwab
Mission Coordinator: Mrs. Mary Jane Flowers
School Council: Mr. Eric Lause
Prayer Hotline: Mrs. Ellen Boyer
Cemetery Board: Mr. Mark Feehan
Finance: Mr. Rex Reimer
Altar Rosary Society: Mrs. Dianne Hoile

Rectory Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Deshler Office Hours

M & TH: 10:00 a.m. to Noon; T & W: 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.

TELEPHONES:

Rectory 419-669-1864
School 419-669-1875
Convent 419-669-3920
Prayer Hotline (Ellen) 419-669-4268

Deshler Office 419-278-3686
Prayer Hotline (Kay) 419-278-1966
Movie Review Line 1-800-311-4222

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM - Contact the rectory for instructions, three months before intended date, preferably while the mother is pregnant. Baptism of infants is recommended to take place shortly after birth.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - After all Masses other than Sunday. Available other times by request.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY - Contact the rectory at least six months before intended date.

RCIA - Catholic information classes, contact the rectory.

SICK CALLS - Persons unable to attend Mass, please contact the rectory for Holy Communion.

Pregnancy Assistance/Alternatives to Abortion - Call 1-800-848-LOVE (5683)

Post-Abortion Counseling - Call 419-260-5811 - Direct Help Line for Project Rachel

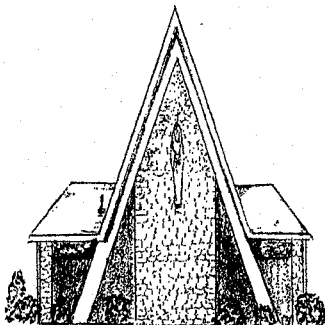
EMERGENCY - In case of an emergency and you are unable to reach Fr. Paul, please contact:

Sr. Dionne 419-669-3920 Donna Neilling 419-278-3148 Janet Wilhelm 419-308-9514

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Established 1871

A Member of St. Francis of Assisi Deanery
230 Allendale Ave, Deshler, OH 43516



Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Paul A. Fahrbach
D.R.E./P.A.: Mrs. Janet Wilhelm
Bookkeeper: Mrs. Jackie Bower
Custodian: Mrs. Donna Neilling

Parish Officers

Pastoral Council: Ms. Heather Woods
Finance: Mr. Scott Riegler
Prayer Hotline: Mrs. Kay Pickens

FROM THE DESK OF FR. PAUL:

April 15, 2007

The Easter Season continues from Easter Sunday through Pentecost. This Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. The gospel reading of our Lord's appearances on Easter and the following Sunday is always read this Second Sunday of Easter. Our Lord gave to the apostles on Easter Sunday his authority to forgive sins. From this encounter with the risen Lord we obtain the foundation of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Our Lord's divine mercy is seen in his desire that our sins be confessed and forgiven.

††† EASTER REFLECTION †††

For the past several weeks I have been receiving the bulletins from my future parishes. The following are excerpts from Easter Reflections:

...The mystery of the Lord's rising from the dead is the ultimate source of hope for us as Christian people. If Christ is able to conquer death itself, what is left to fear? With the Lord, even the impossible is possible!

This is a good attitude with which to begin each day. Each new day is a time of potential and possibility. We may begin a day thinking we know what the day will bring but how often we can be utterly amazed. We are often like Mary Magdalene who came to the tomb, never expecting to see the stone rolled back and the tomb empty. God continues to surprise us with His amazing love and grace. *Fr. Joe Szybka*

...Easter joy is always tempered by the reality of this imperfect world of sin yet to be forgiven and the evil awaiting repentance. We encounter the pain of illness and grief of human loss. We live in the midst of the problems facing humanity. A strong faith, a courageous hope, and enduring love are always necessary virtues in our quest for holiness. Our lives are spent in dying and rising with the Lord. Such is the challenge of our daily lives. *Fr. John Nagele, C.P.P.S.*

XXX NEW PASTOR XXX

Fr. Jeff Nordhaus has been named the next pastor of St. Louis and Immaculate Conception Parishes. Fr. Jeff calls St. Patrick (Providence) Grand Rapids his home parish. He is the 10th child of Guido and Dolores Nordhaus and grew up on a farm. His family moved to Toledo for his grade school years but he graduated from the Nazareth Hall Military Academy, Grand Rapids. He graduated from Assumption Collegiate High School in Windsor, Ontario in 1964. He spent eight years at St. Meinrad College (BA) 1968 and St. Meinrad School of Theology (M. Div.) 1972. He was ordained a priest of the Diocese of Toledo on May 27, 1972.

Fr. Jeff served as an associate pastor at Sacred Heart, Fremont (72-74), St.

Aloysius, BG (74-75), and St. John the Baptist, Toledo (75-78). He served as pastor to St. Patrick (Providence) Grand Rapids and chaplain to Nazareth Hall Military Academy (78-82). From October 1982 through October 1998 he served as a chaplain in the US Navy rising to the rank of Lieutenant Commander (the equivalent rank of Major in the Army/Air Force). He served as chaplain for the Navy, Marines and Coast Guard in a variety of places including; Rhode Island, California, Hawaii, Alaska, Virginia and Diego Garcia in the Indian Ocean. He has been awarded numerous medals and ribbons including a Gold Star from both the Navy and Coast Guard and two Bronze Stars from the Navy.

Since returning to the diocese he has served as Parish Administrator of St. Mary's, Clyde as well as Superintendent of St. Joseph Central High School (99-01). His most current assignment has been to the Lake Erie Island parishes of Mother of Sorrows, Put-in-Bay and St. Michael's, Kelleys Island (01-present).

On May 27 he will be ordained for 35 years. On September 11 he will turn 61 years of age.

XXX FYI XXX

Fr. Mark Davis, the tall priest who is a magician and who has visited us the past two years for our Lenten Missions, has been named pastor of St. Aloysius Parish, Bowling Green.

PEACE, *Fr. Paul*

FISH FRY NEWS: This year we sold 946 dinners with a profit of \$4,046.61. Last year we sold 982 dinners with a profit of \$4,506.15. We would like to thank everyone who helped out—by cooking and serving dinners, set-up and cleaning, making pies and those who came in and enjoyed great food and fellowship.

300 CLUB TICKETS UPDATE: As of this printing, 227 tickets have been sold and turned in.

THEOLOGY ON TAP: Toledo area Theology on Tap Spring sessions will be held at Ralphie's in Maumee, 1406 Reynolds Road. Registration starts at 6:00 p.m. with speakers beginning at 6:30 p.m. The first meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 19. The speaker is Michael Youngblood and his topic is "Diversity in the Church: I've Got People". The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 26. For more information contact Sr. Rita Schroeder at (419) 244-6711.

LAY MINISTERS - St. Louis, April 21 & 22

Distributors: Sat. Ellen Boyer, Mary Jane & Tom Flowers
Sun. Barb Clink, Sue Flowers, Mark Gerschutz, Judy Goris, Janet Wilhelm
Lectors: Sat. Tom Boyer Sun. Chuck Hoile
Servers: Sat. Emma & Sara Tuthill, Zachary Wilhelm
Sun. Brandon Bayes, Kaela Maas, Deanna Maas
Offertory: Sat. Jim Flowers Family Sun. Jerry Walker Family
Hospitality: Sat. Ben & Dave Flowers, Steve Wensink, Joe Bechstein
Sun. Andy & Stanley Wilhelm, Bob & Linda Boyle

LAY MINISTERS - Immaculate Conception, April 22

Distributors: Sun.: Tom & Vicki Spurgeon, Jim & Janet Sager, Teresa Weber
Lector: Sun.: Vincent Mull
Servers: Sun.: Rylee Bower, Vincent Mull, Kendra Powell
Offertory: Sun.: Bill Ziegler Family
Hospitality: Sun.: Pat Marshall, Bob & Jan Neiling, Doug Powell

VOCATION CROSS



The Sisters, Deshler (4/15)

, Custar (4/15)

Please sign up at the back of church.

PARENTING WORKSHOP: Fr. Dan Fraser will facilitate a two-session parenting workshop for parents and grandparents on Thursday, April 19 and Thursday, April 26 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at St. Patrick of Heatherdowns Parish in the Emmaus Room. Guidelines will be presented that are helpful to become successful parents. Part of the session will concentrate on the parenting of younger children from ages 0-10; another part of the session will zero in on parenting children from ages 11-18. Register through Fr. Fraser at the St. Patrick of Heatherdowns Parish Office at 419-381-1540.

April

- 15 Sun. (C) 7th & 8th Religious Education after Mass
(Deshler) 10:00 a.m. Rosary before Mass
- 16 Mon. (Deshler) 3:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Hours followed by the
Immaculata Prayer Group. Everyone is welcome.
- 17 Tues. (Deshler) 6:30-8:00 p.m. Bible Study
- 18 Wed. (Deshler) 6:00-6:30 p.m. Children's Music followed by Religious
Education Classes from 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- 22 Sun. (C) 8:30 a.m. First Communion
(Deshler) 10:00 a.m. Rosary before Mass
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- 23 Mon. (Deshler) 3:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Hours followed by the
Immaculata Prayer Group. Everyone is welcome.
- 24 Tues. (C) Grandparent's Day at School
(Deshler) 6:30-8:00 p.m. Bible Study
- 29 Sun. (Deshler) 10:00 a.m. Rosary before Mass

CHICKEN BBQ: Sacred Heart Church in New Bavaria will be holding a Chicken BBQ Sunday, April 22 from 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Menu includes ½ Chicken prepared by Harlan's BBQ, baked beans, potato salad, applesauce, homemade pies, roll, punch and coffee. Cost is \$7.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children. Carryouts are available.

THE TOLEDO CHORAL SOCIETY, Toledo's oldest continuously performing musical organization, will present its annual spring Community Concert April 22 at 3:00 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament! Under the direction of Toledo's "Mr. Music", Sam Szor, the Society will perform portions of Haydn's "Harmoniemesse", the composer's last major work, along with popular contemporary choral selections. All are welcome! No admission charge; a free will offering will be taken. For more information, contact Curtis Black, president, Toledo Choral Society, 536-1438.

DR. CELIA WILLIAMSON will be presenting "Human Trafficking- A Secret Made Public" on Sunday, April 22 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at Elizabeth Schaefer Hall in Tiffin. It's open to the public; a free will offering will be taken.