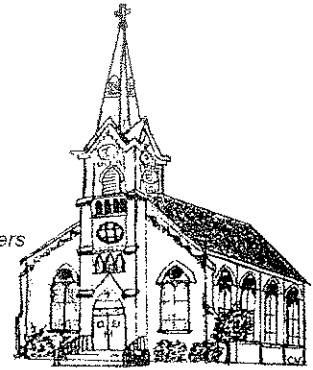


## ST. LOUIS PARISH

Established in 1964; 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 Hoite

### 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.

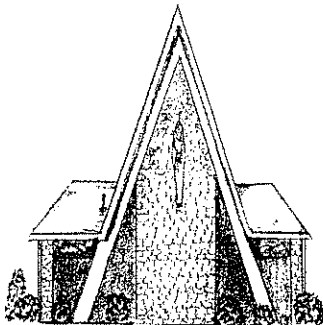
**SICK CALLS** - Persons unable to attend Mass, please contact the rectory for Holy Communion.

**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 Neiling 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 Neiling

### Parish Officers

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



## FROM THE DESK OF FR. PAUL:

November 12, 2006

The Turkey Dinner was another wonderful parish/community event. Obviously the preparation was in place. The organization, accumulated over a number of years, was superb and super efficient. And the volunteers were, as usual, terrific. All in all it added up to a day full of the spirit of goodness, love, and joy. It makes you wonder, with all this goodness, how much more wonderful the eternal banquet of heaven will be? It gives you something to look forward to!

### XXX COMING EVENTS XXX

Every so often, it's good to look ahead to coming events. Family plans are usually made in advance.

Sunday	November 19	7:00 p.m.	Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service (Pastor Mark Bower, Preaching) Oakdale United Methodist
Wednesday	November 22	6:30 p.m.	Thanksgiving Mass in Deshler [Note: Regular time for CCD]
Thursday	November 23	9:00 a.m.	Thanksgiving Mass in Custar

Advent begins on Saturday/Sunday December 2/3.

The Silent Auction is set for Saturday, December 2. This event is always worth planning for. You can still donate items to the Silent Auction. Bring them to the School or Rectory Office.

Thursday	December 7	7:00 p.m.	Vigil Mass for the Immaculate Conception – <i>Holy Day of Obligation</i>
Friday	December 8	9:15 a.m.	School Mass for the Immaculate Conception – <i>Holy Day of Obligation</i>
Tuesday	December 12	7:00 p.m.	St. Louis School Music Concert

### CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday	December 24	4:00 p.m.	Custar
Sunday	December 24	7:00 p.m.	Deshler
Monday	December 25	Midnight	Custar
Monday	December 25	9:00 a.m.	Deshler

\* Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup> morning Masses will take place at the usual time. The Sunday Obligation still holds.

**TO THE MEMBERS OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION & ST. LOUIS PARISHES:** On behalf of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, Deacon Paul White expresses prayerful thanks for the donation of \$645.00 to support the missionary efforts of the Catholic Church. By your sharing, you truly give witness of our faith and help fulfill the command of Jesus to take the gospel to all nations.

**HELP WANTED!** ICC needs someone who knows how to lay tile. A repair is needed to fix the spot where the water line broke. The entrance near the kitchen needs some tile replaced. Contact Donna Neiling if you have any questions.

**THE ST. LOUIS SCHOOL 5<sup>TH</sup> AND 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE STUDENT COUNCIL** will be having an all-school ice skating party at the Bowling Green Ice Arena on Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> from 3:30-5:30 p.m. We are inviting all St. Louis Parish families to join us if they wish. We will be able to get a group rate of \$2.50 per person and an additional \$1.50 for ice skates. Please let them know at the door that you are from St. Louis so you can get the group rate. Please invite your family and friends and come enjoy the afternoon with us.

**WHEN ST. LOUIS SCHOOL HAS ITS ANNUAL SILENT AUCTION,** our parishioners and friends are quick to contribute to make it a success. This year, we are going to recognize the people who donate home-made and hand-crafted items. Their items will be marked with a special sign to recognize the time and energy they put into their donation. When all the votes have been tallied, gifts will be given to two donors; one for the item that brings the highest bid in the live auction and another for the highest bid in the silent auction. This is our way of saying **THANK YOU.**

**THE ST. LOUIS ALTAR/ROSARY SOCIETY** is looking for some Christmas Angels. We need someone to head up the Christmas Candlelight Dinner. You pick the date, time and menu, or we can help with that. If you or maybe several friends would like to get together and prepare the evening, it would be **GREATLY** appreciated. Please call Diane Hoile (419)669-2504 within the next couple of weeks. Thank you.

**20<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CHRISTMAS IN THE COUNTRY CRAFT SHOW** to be held Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart School in New Bavaria. Lunch will be served all day, door prizes will be given hourly, there will be a raffle, baked goods and crafts and the admission is free!

**XXX HELP NEEDED FOR CHEER BASKETS AND FOOD PANTRY XXX**

The Deshler area council of churches is in need of some volunteers to pack and pick up items in Napoleon for our annual Christmas Cheer Baskets. A pick up truck or van would be needed to bring the baskets back to Deshler. Help is needed on Wednesday, December 6, in the morning and early afternoon. If you can help, please let me know at the Rectory (419)669-1864.

Volunteers are also needed to help with the Food Pantry. As you know Julie (and Lawrence) Kinder from Immaculate Conception Parish have been volunteering their time since the days of Fr. Brown. We hope to have several volunteers. Once the new system is organized, we may need just a few hours a month. Call me.

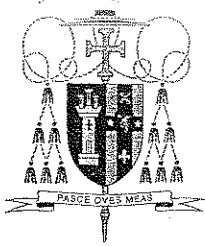
**PEACE,** *Fr. Paul*

**ST. LOUIS PARISH IS CELEBRATING SISTER FRANCINE'S 60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY** on Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Sister Francine has been an important member of our parish for the last eight years. She volunteers by visiting the sick and shut-ins and by doing the Altar laundry which includes the servers robes and vestments. She also is our parish sacristan. We are proud of all Sister's accomplishments over the years, and thank God for the many blessings and talents she shares with us. Following Mass we will enjoy homemade donuts and a reception in the school basement. Cards are welcome.

**THANK YOU** to the St. Louis Student Council who donated \$75.00 of their bake sale profits to the Scholarship Fund.

**SILENT AUCTION NEEDS YOUR HELP!** Donations are needed for the St. Louis School PTAA Silent Auction. Please drop your donation (including your name) off at the school or church offices. If your donations needs to be picked up, call Lisa Cordes (419-669-3616). We also need people who are willing to work the night of the auction. If you can work, please call Lisa. Mark your calendars for Saturday, December 2 with the soup and sandwich supper from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.

**BAKE SALE SPONSORED BY THE ST. LOUIS CCD CLASS** will be November 18<sup>th</sup> from 9:00-11:00 a.m. at the Custar branch of Croghan Colonial Bank. Everyone is asked to bake goods or make a donation. The proceeds will benefit the HBOT Center at Sara's Garden. There is a trip being planned to the center and a donation will be given then. This is an effort to show our community support and endeavor to help others in need. What a great way to show thanks for all our gifts at this Thanksgiving season. If you have any questions call Sue Flowers or Joyce Walker.



MOST REVEREND LEONARD P. BLAIR  
BISHOP OF TOLEDO

CATHOLIC CENTER  
1933 SPIELBUSCH AVENUE  
TOLEDO, OHIO 43624-1371

November 8, 2006

Dear Friends in Christ,

Wherever I go in the nineteen counties of our Diocese I meet people who ask me to pray for their loved ones in the military who are serving our country at a time of war, especially for those who are in Iraq, Afghanistan or other places of serious danger.

It is important that we be mindful not only of those in the military, but also their families at home. One of the ways these families can find strength and encouragement is by coming together to support one another.

In order to fulfill both of these goals -- prayer and mutual support -- there will be a special Mass at which I will preside for all families and friends of those serving in the armed forces. Although a special invitation is extended to military families, anyone else who wishes to lend their prayers and support is also welcome to attend.

The Mass will be celebrated at Rosary Cathedral in Toledo on Sunday, November 26, at 11:00 a.m.

I also ask that at all parish Masses that weekend an intention be added to the Prayer of the Faithful for members of the armed services and their families.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Leonard P. Blair  
Bishop of Toledo

**LAY MINISTERS - Immaculate Conception, November 18 & 19**

Distributors: Sat. Mary Ann Imm, Jan Neiling, Brian Piercefield  
Sun. Jim & Diana Ohlrich, Tom & Vicki Spurgeon, Janet Sager  
Lectors: Sat. Richelle Piercefield Sun. Vincent Mull  
Servers: Sat. Jacob Berg, Joshua Almanza, Megan Cortez  
Sun. Austin Bower, Michael & Kathleen George  
Offertory: Sat. Richard & Kay Pickens Sun. Doug Powell Family  
Hospitality: Sat. Kerry, Terry, Agnes & Norbert Schroeder  
Sun. Jim Gerschutz, Matt Spurgeon, Jerry Yungmann, Bob Collins

**LAY MINISTERS - St. Louis, November 19**

Distributors: Diane Wensink, Amy Wilhelm, Barb Wilhelm, Janet Wilhelm, Ellen Boyer  
Lector: Scott Boyer  
Servers: Michelle Schwab, Emma & Sara Tuthill  
Offertory: Jim & Brenda Wagner  
Hospitality: Adam & Rick Stein, Jeff & Jill Tuthill

**VOCATION CROSS**



Brian & Richelle Piercefield, Deshler (11/12)  
Donna Neiling, Deshler (11/19)



Janet Wilhelm, Custar (11/12)  
Marie Wensink, Custar (11/19)

*Please sign up at the back of the churches.*

**RON AND RITA THATCHER** are celebrating their 70<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on November 28. If you would like to share this milestone with them, please send a card to Ronald Thatcher, Room 40, Park Club of Brandon, 700 South Kings Drive, Brandon FL 33511.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION:** Immaculate Conception will be taking a second collection for the Christmas Cheer Baskets.

# November

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- 11 Sat. (Deshler) 4:30 p.m. Rosary before Mass
- 12 Sun. (C) 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Religious Education after Mass  
Coffee & Donuts after Mass- **Celebrate Sr. Francine's  
60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!**  
(Deshler) 10:00 a.m. Rosary before Mass
- 13 Mon. (Deshler) 3:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Hours followed by the  
Immaculata Prayer Group. Everyone is welcome.
- 15 Wed. (Deshler) 6:00-6:30 p.m. Children's Music followed by Religious  
Education Classes from 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- 16 Thur. (C) 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee
- 18 Sat. (Deshler) 4:30 p.m. Rosary before Mass
- 19 Sun. (Deshler) 10:00 a.m. Rosary before Mass
- 20 Mon. (Deshler) 3:00 p.m. Liturgy of the Hours followed by the  
Immaculata Prayer Group. Everyone is welcome.
- 21 Tue. (C) Last Day of Classes before Thanksgiving Break
- 22 Wed. (Deshler) 6:30 p.m. Thanksgiving Mass
- 23 Thur. (C) 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Mass  
☛ Rectory Office Closed
- 24 Fri. ☛ Rectory Office Closed



**FROM THE OFFICE OF GLOBAL CONCERNS:** Deacon Paul White would like to thank both parishes on behalf of the people of New Orleans and Biloxi I for your generous contribution to the USCCB Rebuild Church, Rebuild Hope campaign in the amount of \$367.90. Please continue to pray for all the people hurt by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

This is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask anything according to his will, he heareth us: and if we know that he hears us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petition that we desired of him. *1 John 5:14-15*