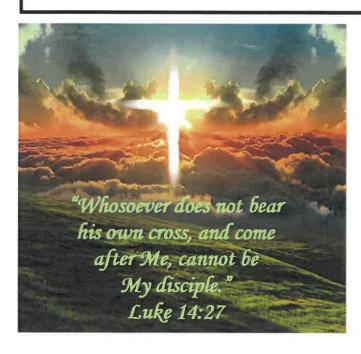
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Mass Intentions

9/06 (Saturday) 4:00 p.m.

lke & Florence Miller, Don & Mary Miller, Cheryl Miller, Sr. Maria Louisa, &

Kim Strickler

5:30 p.m.

Mass at St. Barbara's

9/07 (Sunday)

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Barbara's

10:30 a.m.

Eugene & Helen Schimmoeller; Edmund & Martha Schimmoeller

9/08 (Monday)

No Mass

9/09 (Tuesday)

12:00 p.m. lke & Le

Ike & Leona Kemper

9/10 (Wednesday)

8:00 a.m. Bud & Mike Miller

9/11 (Thursday)

8:00 a.m. Barb Landin

6:00 p.m. Mass at St. Barbara's

9/12 (Friday)

8:00 a.m.

Hannah O'Neill

9/13 (Saturday)

4:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m.

p.m. Walter Hoehn & Family

Mass at St. Barbara's

9/14 (Sunday)

8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Barbara's

a.m. David Hohlbein

Next Weekend's Readings - September 13 & 14, 2025

Numbers 21:4b-9 Philippians 2:6-11 John 3:13-17

WEDDING BANNS III:

Jonathan Knippen &

Julia Langhals





CONGRATULATIONS! BAPTISM on September 7th Colin Donlin

Parents: Michael & Emily Donlin



FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR:

In loving memory of

Ike & Leona Kemper



Upcoming Ministry Schedule— Availability Request



We are currently finalizing the next Ministry Schedule, which will cover

November 1st through March 1st. To help us prepare accurately, please update your availability with the parish office no later than September 29th

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to our parish ministries!

Thank you from ICY!!

The ICY Group would like to sincerely thank everyone who supported their annual mum sale! With your generosity, they were able to surpass their goal and even sell more mums than last year. Your continued support helps make their projects and activities possible—thank you for making this year's sale such a success!



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Early Bird Drawing!!

The first Early Bird drawing for the
Big Ticket will be
Sunday September 21st after the

Sunday, September 21st after the 10:30 a.m. mass!

To be **eligible**, please be sure to turn in your tickets no later than **Friday**, **September 19th**, **before noon**. Don't miss your chance to get in on the fun!

Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

Hello Friends,

This weekend is the much-anticipated Canonization Mass for Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati. This Mass will take place Sunday morning (September 7th), at St. Peter's Basilica. This is a joyful and happy occasion for the entire Church. It is particularly meaningful to children and young adults and to any families that have suffered through terminal illnesses and maintained their hope. Both of these saints, prayerful and charitable, were called to Heaven at a very young age. They always will be wonderful and holy role models.

The children of VBS (July 2025) learned a lot about St. Carlo. One of Carlo's most well-known statements was: "We are all born originals, but many end up dying as photocopies." Carlo, like most of us, wanted to find happiness. He pursued his true loves: a devotion to the Holy Eucharist and Catholic evangelization. He shared the Good News in special ways. While smartphones were not yet available, the Internet was and so Carlo shared global testimonies about the wonders of Eucharistic Miracles. We all have to decide to be the "originals" that God made us to be. The Church and the world needs holy people conformed to Christ rather than conformed to the crowd. "Follow God's goodness for you; share it and find your happiness and change lives" seemed to be a motto of the young saint's life.

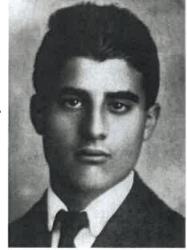
And St. Pier Giorgio was famous for saying, "To the heights!" He was not just talking about his beloved mountain climbing; he was talking about following the higher Gospel standards of

prayer, good morality, and charitable generosity. Pier Giorgio lived a longer life than Carlo, but not by much. He also passed away from a terminal illness (for him it was shortly after entering into young adulthood). As painful as sickness and dying are, he tried to encourage those close to him to not feel too bad. He had faith that Heaven, the greatest heights, awaited him. "What could be better," he said. St. Pier Giorgio's funeral shocked his family. So many "strangers" came to honor the young man. Turns our Pier Giorgio paid their bills,

this world.

Among the impacts of both these saints was that their goodness and purity and faith radiated from them. A true saint (especially a modern saint) is not "pushy" or "judgy" but lives a life with a glow that warms souls. They both (not through pressure, but by their saintly authenticity) converted members of their

gave them groceries, and secretly helped out so many of the "abandoned" of



non-believing (non-religious) family members. St. Carlo Acutis' mother was a lapsed Catholic when Carlo was born and she only went through the motions to make sure he received the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Holy Communion, Confirmation). But those Sacraments had an amazing impact because they were planted in the rich soil of young Carlo's soul. Her son's faithfulness and goodness and the grace of God converted her. Since then, supported by Carlo's father and siblings, she has carried on the work of evangelization. She's scheduled to be there for what will no doubt be one of the most moving canonizations (and Pope Leo XIV's first) in modern Church history! –Fr. George Mahas—

"The more Eucharist we receive, the more we become like Jesus, so that on this earth we will have a foretaste of heaven." - Saint Carlo Acutis

As you may have noticed, the rectory acquired some greenery! New plants, shrubs and trees, along with new landscaping stone were added a couple of week's ago. Fr. George's directive was to ensure the new landscaping was a bit unique and low maintenance. Thank you to all who helped plan and plant!

Planted on the south side of the rectory:

"Spilled Wine" Weigela--this is a compact shrub that has purple foliage and sports hot pink flowers in the Spring. They also attract hummingbirds!

Frankie Boy Chinese Oriental Arborvitae—slow growing tear drop shaped shrub that will turn orange/bronze in winter.

Planted on the north side of the rectory:

Hakonechloa Grass—This is also known as Japanese forest grass. This is a variegated grass native to Japan and is prized for its foliage.

Blue Berry Muffin Hosta—blue leaves that change to green later in the season

Stained Glass Hosta—earned its name for the light reflecting off the yellow/gold center and the green margins.

Planted on the Front/East facing side of rectory: (south to north)

Soft Serve False Cypress (Chamaecyparis pisifera)—a compact conical falsecypress with graceful and soft fern like branches with green and blue coloring.

Hetz Midget Arborvitae—a natural rounded shrub with bluish/green foliage.

Low Scape Hedger Chokeberry—versatile native shrub that is covered with white flowers in spring. In the Fall, the foliage shows off its red and orange colors.

Hetz Midget Arborvitae—a natural rounded shrub with bluish/green foliage.

Bobo Hydrangea (Hydrangea paniculata)—hydrangea that is compact and produces large white flowers for the Summer and then turn pink in the Fall.

Sting Arborvitae (Thuja Occidentalis)—a compact, narrow evergreen that adds vertical structure to landscapes.

Planted on West side by garage:

Spirea (Double Play Big Bang)—the spirea foliage glows orange in the spring with new growth and early summer it shows its pink flowers.

Planted on West side by patio:

Daub's Frosted Juniper (Juniperus chinensis)—a low growing conifer with yellow to green and blue/green foliage.

Japanese Umbrella Pine (Sciadopitys verticillata)—A rare dwarf Japanese pine, slow growing in nature. It is able to tolerate snow loads better due to the structure of the branches.

Ann Magnolia—In late March, Ann produces purple to red tulip shaped blossoms.

Dwarf Korean Lilac Tree (Syringa Meyeri Palibin)—a deciduous shrub with fragrant pale purple flowers in the Spring.

Spirea (Double Play Big Bang)—the spirea foliage glows orange in the spring with new growth and early summer it shows its pink flowers.











Congratulations to Faith Feldman on being crowned the 2025 Park Carnival Queen!

We celebrate her achievement and wish her all the best as she represents our community with pride!



Thank you!

The entire landscape around the rectory has been beautifully finished with **Black Chestnut stone**, generously donated by **Wollam Ag Center in Continental**.

This incredible gift was a



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huge blessing and played a key role in completing the project. Thank you to everyone who made this possible!

Toledo Diocesan Council of Catholic Women— Annual Conference

The Toledo Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will host it's Annual Conference on Saturday, September 20th at the Sorrowful Mother Shrine in Bellevue, beginning at 9:00 am and closing at 3:00 pm. The guest speaker will be Fr. Yuri Kuzara, C.PP.S, Chaplain of the Shrine.

Our Altar Rosary/Women of the Word Society will cover half of the \$25 registration fee, and carpooling will be available. Please call Sharon Meyer (419-453-3509) to register by September 11th.

The ARS/WOW will have a short meeting on

Thursday, September 4th at 11:00 am at Millies's to discuss the
conference and other topics. All women are welcome! Our first
regular monthly meeting will be held after the
Saturday, September 27th SHE program at 9:00 am



That Man is You! (TMIY) Returns

TMIY will be starting back up on Saturday, September 13th at 6:30 a.m. in the Knights of Columbus Room.

This program focuses on the vital leadership role of men in the family and provides an opportunity for excellent group conversations that inspire and strengthen faith.

Please Consider joining us on Saturday mornings from **6:30-7:30 a.m.** in the **K of C Room.** All men are the parish are welcome!



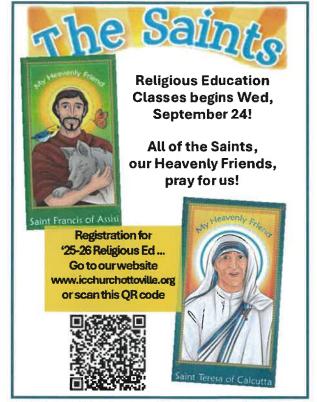


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transformative journey designed to meet the deepest longings of the feminine heart. Our program is a sanctuary for women seeking to be truly seen, known, and loved, as they grow in their relationship with the Lord. Through authentic conversations, vibrant speakers, and enriching prayer experiences, we equip

you with the tools to embark on a profound spiritual journey.
Join us for food, fellowship, and faith beginning weekly on
Wednesday evenings or Saturday mornings at the Ottoville
Parish Center. Our Fall session starts Wednesday 9/24 @
6:30 pm in the Chamber room or Saturday 9/27 @ 8 am in the
K of C Room. Sessions are not progressive, come when you can.
Babysitting available upon request, contact Beth at
419-230-5740. All women are welcome! Learn more at
www.SheShallBeCalledWoman.com.







A heartfelt thank you to all the leaders, sponsors, and volunteers who helped make Park Carnival Weekend such a special and successful event for our entire

community!

















A FUN DAY FOR ALL TO COME TOGETHER TO CELEBRATE THE SON OF GOD WHILE ENJOYING FELLOWSHIP AND FRIENDS!

> September 21, 2025 11:30am - 3:00pm St. John's Parish Center

GAMES - FOOD - INFLATABLES SAINT PARADE - REVERSE RAFFLE FUN FOR ALL AGES!

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Lunch and Learn - Fall Prevention Awareness

Are you an older adult that worries about the risk of falling? Do you want to stay active, independent and safe in your home? If so, make plans to attend a free Lunch and Learn Program in celebration of Fall Prevention Awareness Day. The Putnam County Council on Aging and Putnam County Health Department will be hosting the Lunch and Learn program on September 25, 2025 from 10:00 – Noon at the Putnam County Educational Service Center, 124 Putnam Parkway, Ottawa. A free lunch will be provided by the Meadows of Kalida, Leipsic and Ottawa. Seating is limited and RSVP's are required no later than September 11, 2025. Please call the Council on Aging at

September 11, 2025. Please call the Council on Aging at 419-523-4121 or 1-877-796-1760 to

register for the program.



A special thank you to All Temp Refrigeration (ATR) for installing the new HVAC units in the Parish Center! We are also grateful to all parishioners for your generous support of the Diocese of Toledo and IC Parish Living Christ Campaign. Your contributions have made it possible to finance both the roof replacement (2024) and the current HVAC replacement project!



Cloverdale Cascade Park Benefit

Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 13th and join us at Cascade Park for a full day of family fun!



BBQ Chicken Dinners will be served beginning at 11:00 a.m. (until sold out).

Enjoy live music, raffles, and a 50/50 drawing throughout the afternoon. Registration for the

Canoe Poker Run will take place from 11:00–11:45 a.m.

All proceeds from this event help support Cascade Park and its upkeep throughout the year.

Be sure to scan the QR code for more details.



Praying of the Rosary Saturdays at 3:30 p.m.

September 6th Peggy Pohlman

September 13th Art & Berniece Schnipke

> September 20th Sara Beining

September 27th Sara (Kevin) Beining



OUR GIFTS TO GOD!

For the week of August 23-24, 2025

Sacrificial Offering—\$ 2,767.00
Loose Cash—\$ 833.00
Parish Center—\$ 60.00
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Church Repair—\$ 25.00

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Thank you for your generosity!



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2nd Sunday of each month at 9:00 a.m. 4th Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

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SERVERS	
September 13 (Saturday) 4:00 pm	Ethan Birkemeier, Cassidy Deitering, Lauren Moreno
September 14 (Sunday) 10:30 am	Charlotte Cross, Kinley Turnwald, Taylor Turnwald
LECTORS	
September 13 (Saturday) 4:00 pm	Julie Brickner
September 14 (Sunday) 10:30 am	Beth Schnipke
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	
September 13 (Saturday) 4:00 pm	Host Front/Center: Danielle Swint Host Handicapped/Choir: Judy Eickholt Cup-Mary's Side: Anne Hemker Cup-Joseph's Side: Mike Schimpf
September 14 (Sunday) 10:30 am	Host Front/Center: Sarah Zeller Host Handicapped/Choir: Sara (Kevin) Beining Cup-Mary's Side: Brynn Horstman Cup-Joseph's Side: Erica Brickner
USHERS	
September 13 (Saturday) 4:00 pm	Nolan Beaubien, Matt Eickholt, Riley Geise, Kirt Martz
September 14 (Sunday) 10:30 am	Mike Heitmeyer, Nancy Vetter, John Vetter, Jim Wannemacher
FAMILY TO BRING UP OFFERTORY GIFTS	
September 13 (Saturday) 4:00 pm	Family of Walter Hoehn
September 14 (Sunday) 10:30 am	Family of David Hohlbein
LADIES TO PRAY THE ROSARY	
Sept 08 (Mon)	April Wannemacher
Sept 09 (Tues)	Marie Warnecke
Sept 10 (Wed)	Megan Wehri
Sept 11 (Thurs)	Kathy Wehri
Sept 12 (Fri)	Joyce Wehri
Sept 13 (Sat)	Melanie Thorbahn
Sept 14 (Sun)	Ruth Wannemacher
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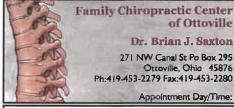
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