

The Catholic Community will celebrate the Eucharist as follows:

- (SJ) identifies St. Joseph Church
- (SL) identifies St. Lawrence Church
- (SM) identifies St. Mary Church
- (PLC) identifies Parish Life Center



**Monday, February 18**

- 8:00 a.m. (SJ) Vincent Karnai (4th Anniv.) (Family)
- (SJ) Alice Wilson (Friends)

**Tuesday, February 19**

- 8:00 a.m. (SJ) Fred Neville (3rd Anniv.) (Lela)

**Wednesday, February 20**

- 8:00 a.m. (SJ) Intentions of Paul Erchull (Friend)
- (SJ) For the terminally ill, the healing and strengthening of cancer patients and families

- 10:45 a.m. (SL) Charles "Mint" McClellan (Charles & Kay McClellan)

- 6:00 p.m. (SJ) Janet Kline (Mary Beth Nenni)

**Thursday, February 21**

- 8:00 a.m. (SJ) Connie Brankel (Tom & Emily)

**Friday, February 22**

- 8:00 a.m. (SJ) Glenn Holmes (Freda Rose Holmes)

**Saturday, February 23**

- 9:00 a.m. (SJ) Andy Gagai (Family)
- 5:15 p.m. (SJ) Joe, Doris & Jane Holtzapfel (Mike, Suzi & Mary Lynn)

**Sunday, February 24**

- 9:00 a.m. (SJ) Stacey Parker Redmon (Mom & Dad)
- Noon (SL) John R. Christian (Charles & Kay McClellan)
- 7:00 p.m. (SM) Gretchen Medinger (Clara Lewis & family)

**CHURCH COLLECTIONS**

	St. Joseph	St. Lawrence	St. Mary
Adults.....	\$3,350.00	\$2,084.00	\$244.00
Loose.....	135.00	134.00	56.00
Votive Lights.....	58.00	6.00	
Donation.....		45.00	125.00
Steuvenville Register...	110.00	50.00	40.00
Church in Latin Amer....		5.00	
Propagation of Faith...	31.00	25.00	
Rice Bowl.....	32.00		
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$3,716.00</b>	<b>\$2,349.00</b>	<b>\$465.00</b>
Restoration Fund...	\$20.00	\$50.00	

NOTE: Please consider remembering our three churches, our two schools and our three cemeteries in your will.

**MINISTERS FOR FEBRUARY 23 & 24, 2019**

- ST. JOSEPH: 5:15 p.m.**  
 Holy: Laura Jones  
 Communion: Molly Blackstock, Katie Barron, Mack Anderson, Brenda Gagai, Don Vermilyea  
 Lector: Mary Jon Holtzapfel  
 Gifts: Volunteers  
 Servers: A. Collins, J. Saxby, E. Blankenship  
 Greeters: Volunteers
- 9:00 a.m.**  
 Denise Turner, Mary Bryant, June Gagai, Jennifer Rowe, Ann Nelson, Volunteer, Aaron Heighton, Jim & Lil Hart, M. & M. Heighton, N. Sabotchick, C. Zornes, J. Turner, Jr., Bob & Ann Nelson

- ST. LAWRENCE: Noon**  
 Holy Communion: Jim Colegrove, Joyce Lewis, Vicky Mathis, James Riedel, Scott Woods, William Basedow  
 Lector: Rhonda Colegrove  
 Gifts: Ron Wilson family  
 Servers: G. Simpson, K. Rudmann, C. Willis, B. Herrmann-Holt

**THOUGHT TO DISCUSS ON THE WAY HOME**

**Sunday, February 17 (Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time)**

- Jesus' beatitudes and woes reveal His values. Which of the beatitudes or woes seems most important to me right now?

**READINGS FOR SUNDAY, February 24, 2019**

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Lectionary Number: 81C

Readings: I Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-12, 22-23; I Corinthians 15:45-49; Luke 6:27-38

**PRAY FOR THE PRIESTS OF OUR DIOCESE (Without the priest, there is no Eucharist; without the Eucharist, there is no Church!):**

02/17 Fr. Jonas Shell; 02/18 Fr. Tom Marut; 02/19 Msgr. John Kolesar; 02/20 Pope Francis; 02/21 Fr. Vince Huber; 02/22 Fr. Ed Maxfield; 02/23 Fr. Sam Saprano; 02/24 Fr. Anthony Batt.

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Saturday, February 16**

- 9:00 a.m. – Mass (SJ)
- 9:30 a.m. – Sacrament of Reconciliation (SJ)
- 10:00 a.m. – RCIA, Chapters 1-8 (Rectory)

- 12:00 Noon – Marriage Preparation (Rectory)
- 1:00 p.m. – Funeral service: Mary Wilson French (O'Keefe-Baker Funeral Home)

- 4:15 p.m. – Sacrament of Reconciliation (SJ)
- 5:15 p.m. – Mass (SJ)

**Sunday, February 17**

- 9:00 a.m. – Mass (SJ)
- 10:15-11:45 a.m. – Parish School of Religion (PSR) (SLES)
- 12:00 Noon – Mass (SL)
- (Sunday/Monday: **SEARCH Retreat** in preparation for **SEARCH Weekend, March 22-24**)
- 7:00 p.m. – Mass (SM)

**Monday, February 18 (SEARCH Retreat continues) (President's Day, No School)**

**Tuesday, February 19**

- 6:00 p.m. – Meeting of Pastoral Council (PLC)

**Wednesday, February 20**

- 10:45 a.m. – Mass with SLES, all are welcome (SL)
- 2:00-5:00 p.m. – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (SJ)
- 6:00 p.m. – Mass (SJ) (Confessions after Mass)
- 7:00 p.m. – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, Ch. 25 & 26 (PLC)



**Thursday, February 21**

- 8:00 a.m. – Mass with SJHS, all are welcome (SJ)
- 7:00 p.m. – Meeting of Finance Council (PLC)

**Friday, February 22**

- 12 Noon-? – Visits with Holy Communion to home-bound

**Saturday, February 23**

- 9:00 a.m. – Mass (SJ) (Confessions after Mass)
- 10:00 a.m. – RCIA, Chapters 9-16 (Rectory)
- 4:15 p.m. – Sacrament of Reconciliation (SJ)
- 5:15 p.m. – Mass (SJ)

**Sunday, February 24**

- 9:00 a.m. – Mass (SJ)
- 10:15-11:45 a.m. – Parish School of Religion (PSR) (SLES)
- 12:00 Noon – Mass (SL)
- 7:00 p.m. – Mass (SM)

**OUR SICK:** Marvin Black, Mark Dewitz, John Edwards, Linda Fraley, Jean Hancock, Chris Henderson, Mike Hopper, Vicki Johnson, Sue Keeney, Pat Laber, Betty Lefebvre, Paola Litton, Steve Massey, J. P. McClellan, Tommy Mountain, Rodney Mullins, Christine Pennywhitt, Joanne Rambacher, Carl Russell, Katie Schwab, Larry Shelton, Kathleen Sheridan, Eileen Unger, Kortne Waginger, and all recovering from illness/surgery.

**STUDENTS IN OUR IRONTON CATHOLIC SCHOOLS EXCEL!**

**We are so proud of our Quiz Bowl students!** On February 9th our Quiz Bowl students competed in a tournament in Racine, Ohio. St. Joseph High School was represented by a Varsity team and Middle School team in the competition for the quick recall of facts on many different topics. Our varsity players included Camryn Zornes, Connor Waller, Pola Delaney, and Jared Johnson. The JV 8th grade team was represented by Mark Hodges, Elizabeth Kline, and Kaden Cleary.



The JV team came in 3rd place! Mark Hodges was listed as the second highest scoring individual in the entire JV tournament, averaging 25 points per game. The Varsity Team came in 1st place! They won all six games that they placed. Freshman Connor Waller was the 3rd highest scoring individual averaging 41 points per game while Sophomore Jared Johnson was the 2nd highest Scoring individual with an average of 43 points per game!

These students have been truly impressive in their representation of their families and our schools. Way to go Flyers! Keep up your great work!

**CONDOLENCES: MSGR. WILLIAM R. MYERS**, 79, retired priest of our diocese, died February 5 in Dayton, Ohio. His Mass of Christian Burial was Tuesday, February 12, St. Louis, Gallipolis, Ohio, where he served for more than twenty years. Fr. Bill has a sister who continues to serve the Church in her religious order.



**FR. CHARLES E. MASCOLINO**, 92, retired priest of our diocese, died February 8 in Steubenville, Ohio. His Mass of Christian Burial was Friday, February 15, Blessed Sacrament Church, Wintersville, Ohio. Fr. Charles is preceded in death by many family members including his two sisters and five brothers; one of his brothers is Fr. Robert Mascolino.

May these two, retired priests of the Diocese of Steubenville rest in the eternal embrace of our Risen Lord.

**TIME OF PENANCE:** The Lenten Season, a time of penance throughout the Catholic Church, is only a little over two weeks away. Remember, **Ash Wednesday, March 6**, is a day of Fast and Abstinence from meat. Our **Annual Lenten Parish Mission is scheduled for the evenings of March 25, 26 and 27**, with presentations by the Franciscan Sisters from Steubenville, Ohio. Please mark your calendars and make plans accordingly.



**GRATEFUL THANKS:** Our churches and schools continue to benefit from the generosity of those who continue to bless us with their Diocesan/Parish Share Campaign, a 100% rebate to us from the diocesan finance office. January rebates to us: **\$6,667.49 (SL)**, **\$2,900.00 (SJ)**, and **\$50.00 (SM)**. May God bless you and multiply your gifts.

**MISSIONARY SERVANTS OF THE WORD**

The parishes of Scio-to County have been blessed by the presence and evangelization efforts of the **Missionary Servants of the Word Lay Missionaries**. These servants of God are currently raising money to build a formation house where young adults can be educated and formed as missionaries. The number of new missionaries keeps increasing each year and their current formation house does not have sufficient space to serve and form these young people who are passionate about going out into the world to spread the Gospel.



They print a **magazine called "Found"** to help them evangelize local Catholics. "Found" is for the whole family to enjoy. "Found" provides many testimonies of people who have had their lives changed through an encounter with the Word of God. The magazine includes articles about the lives of the Saints, a kids section, and other great articles.

The Missionary Servants of the Word ask a donation of **\$5.00 or whatever you can give in order to print more magazines and to help in their apostolic work of sharing the Good News**. If you have any questions for the Missionary Servants, you can call Lupita Lopez in Portsmouth at (740) 961-0114.

**REMINDER:** When you are driving in this tri-state area, turn your car or truck radio to **88.3 FM, Catholic Radio for southern Ohio**. We can all learn much about our Faith.



**PRAYERS REQUESTED:** Our **Wednesday evening RCIA class of 25 to 30 for adults**, catechumens, candidates and sponsors, is enthusiastically preparing for the Easter Vigil, April 20. Also, **students in our St. Lawrence**

**Elementary School and our Parish School of Religion** are preparing for their First Holy Communion, Sunday, May 5. Please pray for all children and adults who are preparing to receive the Sacraments of Initiation.

**Parish/School Life Center Building Fund**  
(as of February 14, 2019)

**Goal: \$2,200,000.00**

**(Of the \$1,903,575.00 pledged,**

**\$1,698,139.00 has been paid)**