

ST. JOHN FISHER CHURCH • SEPTEMBER 18, 2016

TWENTY- FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Monday, September 19

3:00 pm – Monday Prayer Group

Tuesday, September 20

10:00 am – Tuesdays@ 10

Thursday, September 22

7:00 pm – RCIA meeting

Saturday, September 24

7:45 am – Catholic Men's Fellowship



Readings for the Twenty- Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

First Reading: Amos 6:1a, 4-7
Second Reading: 1 Timothy 6:11-16
Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

LAST WEEKEND FOR RAFFLE!

This is the last weekend for the Car and Cash Raffle. The winning ticket will be drawn after 11:00 Mass on Sunday, September 18th and the winner will be contacted. If you forgot to send in your tickets we have additional ones at the back of church and will take cash, checks or credit cards. Remember that we must sell 800 tickets in order to award the 2016 Jeep Renegade or \$25,000 cash. If we sell fewer than 800 tickets the prize will be a 50/50 split between the church and winner. As of Monday we had sold 527 tickets. Please stop by and help us reach our goal! Our appreciation to the Jeff Wyler Auto Group.

WE THRIVE IN NEWTOWN

Join community leaders and residents of the Village of Newtown in a discussion on how we can work together to enhance the health, safety, and vitality of the Village.

**Thursday, October 6, 2016, 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm at
Newtown Municipal Center, 3537 Church Street.**

www.WatchUsThrive.org. Presented by Hamilton County Public Health. Learn more ! Hannah Smith

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SAVE THE DATES

Parish picnic date is **Sunday, October 2nd**. It will be held on the grounds of St. John Fisher. Plan on joining other parishioners and their families for a fun Sunday afternoon, with good food and activities for young and old. More information to come.

Annual Pet Blessing in honor of St. Francis of Assisi is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 4th** at 6:30 pm.

SPECIAL COLLECTION SEPTEMBER 17TH AND 18TH

The recent storms in Louisiana may not have a name, but the names of those suffering in the wake of the worst flooding since Katrina are our sisters and brothers. As a people of God, let us come to their aid. I encourage Catholics across the United States to respond generously. Our prayer and material support is urgently needed to help rebuild lives.

As many as 60 thousand homes have been damaged, with nearly 20,000 people being rescued from the flood waters. More than 106,000 individuals and families have sought federal disaster aid. Immediate and long-term recovery needs place a tremendous burden on public and private resources. This is a burden we can help carry as the body of Christ. Faced with the loss of their worldly possessions and, in some cases, economic livelihood, the flood waters left thousands of families feeling isolated and fearful. Let us draw near to them.

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has requested an emergency collection on the weekend of September 17th and 18th to support the humanitarian efforts of [Catholic Charities USA](http://CatholicCharitiesUSA.org) and to provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted Catholic dioceses. Please join the church in being a visible witness to the healing presence of Jesus alive in the world.
Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr

CATHOLIC UPDATES AVAILABLE

There are two new Catholic Updates available in our transition area. The first one is entitled "Gospel Values in an Election Year...and Beyond." This insightful article, written by Cincinnati and moral theologian Ken Overberg, SJ, provides the insights and reminders about Catholic Social Teaching that we need when making decisions about voting. Please consider picking one up today and using it as a guide and reflection over the next few months as we approach the election.

The second Catholic Update is about Mother Teresa of Calcutta, who was canonized a saint on September 4. She was "a saintly model of persistence in faithfulness, prayer and love" as the article states and she was certainly a champion for life. This article provides a beautiful history of her life, her struggles, and provides us with inspiration to follow her example. *This Update has been reordered, so it will be available soon.*

FAIR TRADE COFFEE IS BACK THIS WEEKEND, SEPTEMBER 17TH AND 18TH

The weather will be changing soon and you will be ready for some warm coffee and perhaps hot chocolate. You can make your purchase right here at church on Saturday or Sunday. By doing it this way you are helping to support small farmers around the world to get a fair price for their product. Thank you.

All ministers may check their future schedules at:
www.ministryschedulerpro.com?user=stjfvolunteers

SERVERS SCHEDULE
September 24th and 25th

Saturday, 4:30 pm – Michael Taylor, Emma Handorf, need 1 volunteer please

Sunday, 9:00 am – Lily Sharp, Mac Castellini, Noah Wadell

Sunday, 11:00 am – Aris Remsen, Andrew Kroeger, Joey Restle

12TH ANNUAL BLUE MASS CELEBRATION

The Cathedral of St. Peter in Chains extends an open invitation to all Greater Cincinnati Police, Fire, and Public Safety Personnel, Families & Community to the 12th Annual Blue Mass Celebration Sunday, September 25th, with Police Chaplain, Reverend Steve Angi, Celebrant. Blessing and Procession begin at 10:45 am, with Mass at 11:00 am. Cathedral of Saint Peter in Chains, downtown Cincinnati, 325 W. Eighth St. Refreshments and fellowship after the service.

People of all faiths are invited to pray with us for the men and women whose dedicated service assists us in making our communities safe and for those who have given the ultimate sacrifice to save others.

TUESDAYS AT 10 BIBLE STUDY

We will begin our "Tuesdays at 10" Bible Study on Tuesday, September 20th, 2016 at 10:00 am. Please consider joining us this year! We will use several different resources for our study, beginning with a book called "Mighty in Power: The Miracles of Jesus." We will then use a series by Scott Hahn and cover the Gospel of Matthew, which will be the gospel for the new liturgical year, beginning with Advent 2016. The total cost of all of the books is usually about \$35-\$45 for the entire year. Please contact Jim Crosby at jimc@sjfchurch.org or in the parish office for more information or questions.

AUGUST 2016 OFFERTORY

Weekly Offertory - \$26,659.80

Electronic Giving - \$ 7,438

Actual Offertory received - \$34,097.80

Budgeted Offertory - \$36,000

Fiscal Year-to-Date Shortfall – (\$4,732.51)

As you can see, our parish revenues are less than budgeted. We would ask you to prayerfully consider a modest increase in your giving at a level at which you are comfortable. Whether you are able to contribute \$10, \$1,000, or anywhere in between each month, please know every dollar counts and is put to good use. Electronic giving also benefits the parish as well by helping to keep our income steady. Please contact the office at 513-561-9431 x115 for more information or to sign up. Thank you for your consideration and generosity!

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 19

12:00 – Margaret Weber (Jane Kinley)

Tuesday, September 20

8:00 am – Pat Bonn (Elaine Leonard)

Wednesday, September 21

8:00 am – Tom Rohling (Ted & Mary Ann Rohling)

Thursday, September 22

8:00 am – Miriam Burkhardt (Pat Volk)

Friday, September 23

12:00 pm – Communion Service

Saturday, September 24

4:30 pm – Diane Foreman (Melissa & Carol Mehring)

Sunday, September 25

9:00 am – St. John Fisher Community

11:00 am – Edward Kelly (Ann Kelly)

KNOW MERCY: SHOW MERCY

Each week during this Jubilee Year of Mercy we will be offering suggestions about how to practice mercy in our lives. Some will be "corporal works of mercy" and others will be "spiritual works of mercy." This week, volunteer to lead a Bible Study at a local prison, or donate Catholic books to a prison ministry.

FORMED –MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT

Understanding the true meaning of marriage is one thing, living it out is another. *Beloved* examines the day-to-day challenges of being united as husband and wife, while maintaining individuality. With the hallmark beauty and insight of the *Symbolon* series, *Beloved* shows how to put faith at the center of your marriage. Learning to effectively communicate, turn conflict into understanding, avoid the pitfalls that wreck relationships, and understand sex in the context of authentic love are among the topics presented for helping relationships to thrive. The entire FORMED website is available free to our parishioners. If you have not yet signed up for FORMED, here's how easy it is: go to www.formed.org. You will see a registration box that says "Does your parish already have formed?" with a box right below it to enter the parish code. Type in the parish code B68MWG. Now set up a username and a password and you are ready to use all the great programs on formed.org anytime by simply logging in.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR

PRAYERS our parishioners who are sick and in need of your prayers: Kyle Forte,

Maggie Jackson, Martie Kline, Daniel List, Esther Montag, Barbara Mueller, Lee Murrell, Audrey Rapien, Geneva Schafer-Minnich, Dale Schoenberger, Paula Spille, Bob Winstel.



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Parishioners - Thomas M. Gaier

William D. Sherman