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**Infant Baptism** – To arrange for instructions for the Sacrament, please call the Parish Office.

**Anointing of the Sick** – In case of serious illness or before surgery, please call **Fr. McNew**, at the Parish Office at **614-879-8562**.

**Marriage** – Couples intending to marry must meet with **Fr. McNew** at least six months (preferably earlier) prior to the desired wedding date.

**Communion Calls** – Homebound parishioners unable to come to Mass should notify the Parish Office so that Holy Communion may be brought to their homes. Please notify the Parish Office when someone is in the hospital.

**Sacrament of Penance**  
 Saturday 3:30 p.m. or by appointment

**Rosary Makers** .....614-878-2578  
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**Parish Membership** consists of **two** parts:

**Registration:** Registering in a parish is a declaration of your desire to be part of a Catholic Community and a commitment to the life of the parish family.

*We are often asked to provide affidavits for parishioners' standings. We can only do this if a person is a **registered, active and contributing member** in our parish.*

**Participation:** As a member of the Parish, you are accepting the responsibility of **weekly worship** as well as supporting God's work here **through giving of yourself, your time and talents, and a worthy Sunday offering** to show your love for God and your gratitude for His many favors and blessings.

## MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL	4:00 P.M.
SUNDAY MASS	9:00 A.M.
	6:00 P.M.

## WEEKDAY MASSES

See Inside Bulletin for Mass Schedule.

## ST. JUDE DEVOTIONS

Following Wednesday Morning Mass

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**Saturday, January 13** ❖ **Vigil**  
 4:00 p.m. † Sheila Nelson (Matt & Val Huffman)

**Sunday, January 14** ❖ **Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 9:00 a.m. † Kaila Megan Collins (Gary & Barb Heiman)  
 6:00 p.m. Parish Family  
 – 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

**Monday, January 15** ❖ **Weekday**  
**Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Holiday**  
 NO Mass  
 – 1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22

**Tuesday, January 16** ❖ **Weekday**  
 6:00 p.m. † Howard Murphy (Gary & Barb Heiman)  
 – 1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28

**Wednesday, January 17** ❖ **Saint Anthony, Abbot**  
 8:30 a.m. † Bill Nichols (Bill & Connie Penquite)  
 – 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3:1-6

**Thursday, January 18** ❖ **Weekday**  
**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins**  
 8:30 a.m. † Dinah Howell (Keith & Linda Collins)  
 – 1 Sm 18:6-9, 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12

**Friday, January 19** ❖ **Weekday**  
 8:30 a.m. † Sally Czerwonka (Gary & Barb Heiman)  
 – 1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19

**Saturday, January 20** ❖ **Vigil**  
 4:00 p.m. † Jeanie Schreck (Laura Sanders)

**Sunday, January 21** ❖ **Third Sunday In Ordinary Time**  
**Ecumenical Sunday**  
 9:00 a.m. Parish Family  
 6:00 p.m. Kody Alan Pierce (Gary & Barb Heiman)  
 – Jon 3:1-5, 10; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

† = Deceased

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

January 21, 2024	4:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	6:00 p.m.
Altar Server	C. Thorpe	M. Covert	L. Long
	L. Thorpe	A. Covert	C. Miller
	VOLUNTEER	A. Penquite	A. Penquite
Lectors	M. Thorpe	K. Williams	A. Helderman
	J. Haskins	R. Moran	D. Palatas
Ushers	R. Fitch	D. Covert	G. Palatas
	VOLUNTEER	J. Covert	VOLUNTEER
	VOLUNTEER	C. Fischer	
	VOLUNTEER	J. Fischer	
EMOHC	M. Eberhart	A. Moran	M. Helderman
	B. Creeger	C. Brenneman	M. Miller
	L. Sanders	L. Brenneman	
	B. Heiman	L. Collins	
Sacristan	B. Schneider	R. Cwiekalo	VOLUNTEER

**The Epiphany of the Lord MASS ATTENDANCE: 503**



**EVERY TUESDAY:** Eucharistic Holy Hour starting at 5:00 p.m. with Confessions. Mass to follow at 6:00 p.m.

**MAINTENANCE POSITION IS AVAILABLE** here at Ss. Simon & Jude. If interested, please see **Father Dwayne** after Mass.

**THE CATHOLIC BOOK CLUB:** If you didn't get a copy of the "Beautiful Eucharist" from **Father Dwayne** last weekend as a gift for **Epiphany**, there are still copies in the **Gathering Space**. We will be discussing this book at our next book club meeting on **Tuesday, February 27**, at 7:00 p.m.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Sunday, January 14** **Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Mass/CLW 9:00 a.m.  
 PSR, 10:15-11:15 a.m.  
**Youth Group Bowling at Ten Pin Alley,**  
 2:00 p.m.  
 Mass, 6:00 p.m.  
**Retirement Gathering for**  
**Dr. Teena Gallagher, OFS,**  
 following 6:00 p.m. Mass  
**Confirmation, 7:00 p.m.**

**Monday, January 15**

**Tuesday, January 16** **Holy Hour, 5:00 p.m.**  
 Mass, 6:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, January 17** **Blood Drive, 1:00-7:00 p.m.**  
 RCIA, 6:30 p.m.

**Thursday, January 18** **K of C Meeting, 6:30 p.m.**  
**Walking with Purpose, 7:00 p.m.**  
 (Babysitting provided)

**Friday, January 19** **Parish Office Closed**

**Saturday, January 20** **Vigil Mass, 4:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, January 21** **Mass, 9:00 a.m.**  
**PSR, 10:15-11:15 a.m.**  
**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Mass, 6:00 p.m.  
**Confirmation Class, 7:00 p.m.**  
**Youth Group, 7:00 p.m.**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

This week to the following parishioners:

Patricia Shay	Julie Ehret	Michael Harey
Dylan Rohrbach	Aiden Rohrbach	Rachael Gigandet
Cory Vassaux	Elizabeth Snoddy	Sarah Haskins
Lincoln Winebrenner	Donna Noble	Madelyn Headington
Kip McNeill	Reid McNeill	Helen Kuhlwein
Randall Hirsch	Sharon Garner	Augustus Feliks
Kate Johnson	Adalyn Miller	Bentley Winebrenner
Ceselia Slaper	Zoe Banaag	Amiyah Webb

THIS WEEKEND, OUR FEATURED ADVERTISER IS  
**Vallery & Dorn Insurance**

**THANK YOU!** **Father Dwayne's** sister had a setback on **Christmas** Day and was hospitalized for over two weeks, but is doing better now. She would like to thank The Women's Guild for the nice **Christmas** gift and all who sent **Christmas** cards and your prayers. If you still would like to send a card to her to cheer her up during these long winter days, she would certainly welcome them. Her address is: **Donna Marie McGrubb, 4075 W. Dublin Granville Road, Dublin, OH 43017.** Please keep her in your prayers.



**SAVE THE DATE!** The **American Red Cross** will conduct a **Blood Drive** here this **Tuesday, January 16**, from **1:00-7:00 p.m.** in the **Social Hall**. Please give the gift of life! The need is great! Scheduled appointments are preferred, as the ability to take walk-in appointments is limited. To schedule an appointment, go to <http://www.redcrossblood.org>. Sponsor code: Stsimon or contact **Kay Beattie** at 614-619-2108. **THANK YOU!**

**2023 ANNUAL GIVING STATEMENT REQUEST:** If you require, or would like to receive, a 2023 Giving Statement, please email our **Financial Assistant Steve Gruzs** at [sgruzs@stsimonjude.org](mailto:sgruzs@stsimonjude.org) or call the parish office. With the “Tax Cuts and Jobs Act” signed into law on **December 22, 2017** dramatically reducing the need for giving statements to complete MOST individuals’ tax returns, our office has found that fewer than **25%** of **SSJ’s** members chose to request their Giving Statements last year. The office believes we can save much time, effort and expense by providing these statements “as requested.” Thank you.



**THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Ss. Simon and Jude Council 11224** is having its **11th Annual Euchre Party**. The Euchre party will be held at **Ss. Simon and Jude Catholic Church** in the **Social Hall**. The Euchre party will follow the **4:00 p.m.** Mass on **Saturday, February 3, 2024**. Admission will be **\$20.00**. Euchre hands

consist of Jack, Jack, Ace, King, Queen. Come and have fun but don't get Euchrrrrrrrrred !!!!

**CONFIRMATION:** Don't forget that our Confirmation Retreat will be held on **January 20** at **St. Joseph, Plain City PAC** from **9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.** (includes Mass). This retreat is given by the **National Evangelist Team (NET)** of young adults and is always a great day for the young people to have time to pray, learn, and open their hearts to the work of the Holy Spirit. We have had this date on our calendar since the beginning of the year, so all are expected to attend. Email **Katie Jones** or **Amy Knapke** with questions or concerns.

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA STATUE** is once again available to visit your home. Please sign up for a visit in the **Gathering Space**. Questions? Call **Charlotte Manger** at **614-879-7230**.

**ATTENTION MONEY COUNTERS:** Please plan to attend a get-together on **Wednesday, January 24, 2024** after morning Mass. We will meet in the library. Hope to see you there! – **Betsy Daulton**

**2024 ENVELOPES:** EFT recipients should have received special collection envelopes for the **first half of 2024** through the mail. Non-EFT users should have received their January envelopes. If you have not received them, please call **Betsy Daulton** in the **Parish Office** so that she can verify your mailing address. Anyone interested in signing up for online giving can do so by going to [www.stsimonjude.org](http://www.stsimonjude.org).

**THE GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD PANTRY** item for **January** is any kind of **jelly** or **jam**. We have plenty of peanut butter, but have distributed all jelly that we collected last summer and it's a popular item. We ask each family to donate at least **one** jar during the month.

**PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS:**

- Fr. Seth Keller, Marion, St. Mary; Cardington, Sacred Hearts
- Shane Gerrity, Seminarian
- Shawn Caslow, Seminarian
- Fr. Stanley Benecki
- Fr. Stash Dailey, Vicar for Religious
- Fr. Stephen Alcott, OP, Columbus St. Patrick
- Fr. Stephen Dominic Hayes, OP, Columbus St. Patrick

**JANUARY IS PRO-LIFE MONTH:** January is **STILL Pro-Life Month!** **Bishop Fernandes** reminds us that despite the disappointing passage of **Issue 1 in November**, the **Diocese of Columbus** will continue “to build a culture of life and a civilization of love” in the **Central Ohio** area (*The Catholic Times* 12/17/23). He encourages all the faithful to *deeper prayer, fasting, and almsgiving* for the protection of life from the moment of conception to natural death. How? He asks us to continue praying regularly for reparation of sins against human life and dignity, to abstain from meat on all Fridays of this next year as a personal sacrifice, and to support mothers in difficult situations. To this end, our **January Pro-Life** action will be the collection of *diapers* of any size and *baby wipes* for two approved organizations on the **Westside of Columbus: Birthright International** and **Pregnancy Decision Health Centers**. In addition, there are **Pro-Life** materials on the counter in the **Gathering Space**, provided by the **Women’s Guild**. Together our combined efforts will speak for those who cannot speak for themselves!



**NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival**

- **Jesus and the Eucharist Study:** Grow closer to **Jesus** and dive more deeply into the richness of our **Eucharistic** faith alongside fellow parishioners in this study specifically designed for this Year of **Parish Revival**. Each session includes prayer, video content, and discussion (no preparation is needed ahead of time). Please join us on **Sundays, February 4** through **March 17** from **10:00-11:15 a.m.** in the **Parish Social Hall** OR **Tuesdays, February 6** through **March 19** from **6:30-7:45 p.m.** in the **St. Charles Borromeo Room**.
- **Columbus Catholic Women’s Conference:** “*This Wondrous Gift*” (focused on the **Eucharist**) held on **Saturday, February 17, 2024**.
- **Columbus Catholic Men’s Conference:** “*We Are Called to Be Saints – The Eucharist: Go Deeper*” held on **Saturday, February 24, 2024**. Questions? Contact **Randy Rudecki** at [rlrscout@gmail.com](mailto:rlrscout@gmail.com).
- **National Eucharistic Congress, July 17-21 in Indianapolis, Indiana:** The **10th National Eucharistic Congress** is an invitation to experience profound personal revival so we can be sent out to share Christ’s love with a world that so desperately needs it. For more info, visit [www.eucharisticcongress.org](http://www.eucharisticcongress.org). Take advantage of the discounted rate offered through **January 31!**

Sign up for the above events through Flocknote/event website or contact **Bonnie Creeger** at [bcreeger@stsimonjude.org](mailto:bcreeger@stsimonjude.org).

STEWARDSHIP			
<i>(July 1 to June 30 Fiscal Year, Reported Monthly)</i>			
December (6 Months)			
	Month	YTD	Prior YTD
Offertory Gifts / Holy Day Gifts	\$ 60,214	\$ 237,728	\$ 239,555
<i>Other Gifts:</i>			
New Building Pledge Pymnts Rec'd	10,786	32,850	27,756
Food Pantries	1,508	3,863	3,256
Religious Retirement Fund	1,848	1,848	1,681
Christmas Diocesan Charities	1,418	1,418	2,335
Appeal Campaign Pledges	\$ 17,694	\$ 104,916	\$ 79,189
New Building Debt -- Faith & Family Life Center		\$ 153,921	\$ 235,881

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