



St. JOSEPH PARISH

NATIVITY OF THE BVM PARISH

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November 3, 2024
Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

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P.O. BOX 767, Amherst, OH 44001

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL OFFICE: 440-988-4244

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL WEBSITE: www.sjsamherst.org

Mass:

Monday, Friday 9:00 A.M. - St. Joseph Parish

Tuesday 8:00 A.M. - Nativity of the BVM Parish

Thursday 7:00 P.M. - St. Joseph Parish

Saturday Vigil 4:00 P.M. - St. Joseph Parish

Saturday 5:30 P.M. - Nativity of the BVM Parish

Sunday 8:30 A.M., 11:00 A.M., 5:00 P.M. - St. Joseph Parish

The 11:00 A.M. Mass will be livestreamed.

The link can be found on our website: www.stjosephamherst.com

Confession at St. Joseph Parish:

Thursday - Individual Reconciliation 7:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.

Saturday - Individual Reconciliation 11:00 A.M. - Noon

Liturgy Schedule

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4th Mass at St. Joseph Parish
9:00 A.M. Harry and Phyllis Fior (Family)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5th Mass at Nativity Parish
8:00 A.M. Pour Souls in Purgatory (Carole Klinar)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6th No Mass

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7th Mass at St. Joseph Parish
7:00 P.M. Al Lesner (David Bowers Family)
Confessions to follow Mass until 8:30 P.M.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8th Mass at St. Joseph Parish
9:00 A.M. Yolanda Argenti (The Argenti Family)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9th
11:00 A.M. Confessions at St. Joseph Parish
4:00 P.M. Sheri O'Connor (Friends)
Mass at St. Joseph Parish
5:30 P.M. Marge and Howie Walsh (Deb Rak)
Mass at Nativity Parish

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10th Masses at St. Joseph Parish
8:30 A.M. Robert Chet (Family)
11:00 A.M. Robert and Eleanor Hudak
(Mr. and Mrs. Reidy)
5:00 P.M. People of St. Joseph and Nativity Parishes

Daily Readings

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4th St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop
Phil 2:1-4 Lk 14:12-14

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5th Weekday
Phil 2:5-11 Lk 14:15-24

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6th Weekday
Phil 2:12-18 Lk 14:25-33

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7th Weekday
Phil 3:3-8a Lk 15:1-10

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8th Weekday
Phil 3:17—4:1 Lk 16:1-8

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9th Vigil: Thirty-second Sunday
in Ordinary Time
1 Kgs 17:10-16 Heb 9:24-28 Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10th Thirty-second Sunday
in Ordinary Time
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Activity Schedule

MONDAY - FRIDAY
Eucharistic Adoration 11:00a.A.M. - 10:00pm (NBVM)

TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS
Faithfully Fit Yoga - Tue. & Thur. 9:30 A.M. (NBVM)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd
12:00 P.M. First Reconciliation Parent Meeting (SJ Church)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4th
4:00 P.M. Grief Recovery Program (SJ Social Hall)
7:00 P.M. OCIA (RCIA) (Nativity Parish Hall)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5th
8:30 A.M. Hospitality Tuesday following the 8:00 A.M.
Mass (Nativity Parish Hall)
6:30 P.M. Altar and Rosary Meeting (Nativity Parish Hall)
7:00 P.M. Men's Group (SJ Social Hall)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6th
8:00 A.M. Bulk Mailers (SJ Social Hall)
5:30 P.M. PSR for Kindergarten – Grade 8 (SJ School)
6:30 P.M. Sacred Sisters Meeting (OSE Community Ctr)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8th
No School

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10th
Mass led by PSR students
5:00 P.M. Holy Ground Youth Group (meet near choir)
fellowship to follow Mass (SJ Social Hall)

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP.

St. Joseph Parish	
Sunday, October 20	\$ 9,592.00
Eoffering	\$ 2,866.49
Total Sunday Offerings	\$ 12,458.49
Other Collections	
Children's Envelopes	\$ 27.00
Tuition Assistance	\$ 21.00
Maintenance	\$ 276.00
Book Donation	\$ 10.00
Assumption	\$ 35.00
All Souls	\$ 20.00
All Saints	\$ 15.00
World Missions	\$ 513.00
Hurricane Collection from Oct. 13 and 20	\$ 10,235.50
Nativity Parish	
Saturday, October 19	\$ 2,599.00
Other Collections	
World Mission	\$ 106.00

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reconciliation Parent Meeting on Sunday, November 3

There will be a parent meeting for all parents whose child will be making First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in this school year. The meeting will take place immediately following the 11:00am Mass on November 3rd at St. Joseph Church. This is for all parents of St. Joseph Parish School and PSR 2nd grade children.

To register for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion visit: <https://forms.gle/M8Fh535CXZ8EXa768>. Or you can use the button for "First Reconciliation/First Holy Communion Registration Form" on our website: www.stjosephamherst.com

Confirmation Parent Meeting on Sunday, November 17



There will be a parent meeting for all parents whose child will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation in this school year. The meeting will take place immediately following the 11:00am Mass on November 17th at St. Joseph Church. This is for all parents of St. Joseph Parish School and PSR children.

To register for the Sacrament of Confirmation visit:

<https://forms.gle/RLGGoNy7JGVZXXok7>

Or you can register on our parish: www.stjosephamherst.com
(use the Parish tab and then the Sacraments drop down)

Baby Bottle Return St. Joseph and Nativity Parishes

Cornerstone pregnancy Services would like to remind anyone who still has a baby bottle to please return it as soon as possible. The bottles are reused every year and the return of all bottles helps them immensely. Thank you once again for all your support, below is the bottle status from each parish for the 2024 baby bottle campaign.

St. Joseph Parish:

Bottles returned full: 69

Bottles returned empty: 0

Bottles outstanding: 31

Nativity Parish:

Bottles returned full: 21

Bottles returned empty: 0

Bottles outstanding: 4

You can return full or empty bottles at Nativity in the back church, and at St. Joseph in the gathering area on the counter or in the parish office.

Once again, thank you for another successful campaign.



ALL ARE WELCOME! 7TH - 12TH GRADERS

HOLY GROUND YOUTH NIGHTS!

- Meet us by the pews near the choir for 5 o'clock Mass!
- Fellowship & faith formation to follow in the social hall
- Snacks provided
- Closing Prayer 7:30 PM



Remaining Quarter One Dates!

October 27th



NEW Quarter Two Dates!

November 10th & 24th

December 8th & 15th

January 5th & 19th

***Note 12/15 is our Christmas Party and will go until 8:15!



440-895-7756



rachel.macdonald@sjs-amherst.org



An Evening of Thanksgiving

Worship and Praise

*Please join our
St. Joseph Music Ministries and
St. Joseph Parish School
as we gather together to reflect on our blessings
and express our gratitude. Experience a night filled
with inspiring worship and praise, a warm and
welcoming community, and an opportunity to learn
and experience some new music for our liturgies.*

Date: Friday, November 22, 2024

Time: 7:30 P.M.

Location: St. Joseph Church, Amherst

*Bring your family and friends as we celebrate
the season of thankfulness.*

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Nativity News

Dinners on the Go

November 12

Breaded Pork Chops
Cabbage & Noodles
Applesauce Cup
Rolls/Dessert
Soup: Beef Vegetable

See the parish website for
the full fall menu.
www.stjosephamherst.com

All meals are \$13.00.
Soup is \$4.00 more.
Nativity of the BVM
Parish is located at
333 S. Lake Street in
South Amherst.
Drive-thru pick-up
only between 5 - 6pm.
Call Lynn Johnson at
440-752-6519 to
order!

Hospitality Tuesday

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Altar and
Rosary Society would like to invite all from both
parishes to join us for
Hospitality Tuesday on November 5th.

Join us for Mass at 8:00am
followed by light refreshments and
fellowship in the social hall.

Altar and Rosary Society Meeting

Reminder that the next Altar and Rosary Society
meeting will be held on

Tuesday, November 5th at 6:30pm

at NBVM Parish social hall.

Nativity BVM Polka Mass and NOVEMBERFEST - November 9th

Come celebrate with us at Nativity BVM in South Amherst on Saturday, November 9th
for a joyful Polka Mass at 5:30pm. Following the Mass, everyone from Nativity Parish and
St. Joseph Parish is invited to the parish hall for a festive NOVEMBERFEST!

Enjoy an evening of fellowship with delicious food, including pulled pork with barbecue sauce,
shredded chicken, macaroni and cheese, baked beans, and fresh fruit—all free of charge!

We look forward to sharing this special time together. Don't miss out!



IT'S STRUDEL TIME AGAIN!!!!

Nativity B.V. M.'s Altar and Rosary Society is preparing to help you out with the
upcoming holidays! Pre-order our **HOMEMADE** strudels!

Sign-up sheets are located in the back of Nativity Church

OR

Call St. Joseph's Parish Office at 440-988-2848.

Orders will be taken now thru Nov.10th. The cost is \$13 per strudel. You will
pay at the "pick-up" day, **November 23rd, at Nativity BVM after the 5:30 Mass**
in the Hall. Strudel will be frozen at pick-up (directions for baking will be
attached☺). They are DELICIOUS and so easy to bake...all fresh ingredients &
home-made. You'll be a baking ROCKSTAR! ☺ORDER NOW☺



Learn more about Faithful Citizenship



"We need to participate for the common good. Sometimes we hear: a good Catholic is not interested in politics. This is not true: good Catholics immerse themselves in politics by offering the best of themselves so that the leader can govern."

-Pope Francis, [Morning Meditation](#)

Use this link, <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL18AF7577177E12D9> to watch videos on faithful citizenship from the USCCB. More information from the USCCB and the

Catholic Conference of Ohio can be found

in the gathering area on the counter or by visiting:

<https://www.usccb.org/offices/justice-and-peace/forming-consciences-faithful-citizenship> or <https://www.ohiocathconf.org/faithful-citizenship>

St. Teresa of Avila Parish in Sheffield Village presents

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION HOLY HOUR

*"Let us run to Mary, and, as her little children, cast ourselves into her arms with a perfect confidence."
- St. Francis de Sales*

**Sun., November 3
5 p.m.**

*"Behold, I stand at the door and knock."
Revelation 3:20*

Our prayers make a difference! Let us consecrate this election to the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Rosary. We will pray Litanies, read Scripture and have a quiet time of reflection.

The only thing needed for the triumph of evil is that good men do nothing.

St. Michael the Archangel defend us in battle!

ST. TERESA OF AVILA PARISH
1878 Abbe Road | Sheffield Village, OH 44054 | (440) 934-4227

Free Election Transportation

Attention Senior Citizens!!

Do you need a ride to vote on November 5th?

The Amherst Office on Aging will provide a free ride for Amherst Senior Citizens.

**Rides must be between
9:00am and 2:00pm.
Call 440-988-2817 for a
reservation.**

Honor Wreaths, Honor Veterans



If you would like to place an order for a wreath for a deceased loved one who was a veteran, or if you would like to purchase a wreath for deceased veterans who have no one to buy a wreath for them, order forms are available in the gathering area of the church. Ceremonies and placement of the wreaths is scheduled for December 7th at the participating cemeteries listed below:

1. Amherst: Cleveland St. | Crownhill | St. Joseph
2. Amherst Twp: Kendeigh | Middle Ridge | Ridge Hill
3. Avon: Avon (Center) | St. Joseph
4. Avon Lake: Lake Shore
5. Elyria: Brookdale | Ridgelawn | North Murray Ridge
6. Lorain: Calvary | Elmwood
7. North Ridgeville: Center | Fields | St. Peter | Sugar Ridge
8. South Amherst: Evergreen | Pioneer
9. Sheffield: Day | Garfield | St. Mark

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SJS November Calendar Raffle

30 Reasons to be Thankful **\$10** NOVEMBER 2024

1 \$200.00 DEFENSE SOAP Sako Family	2 \$100.00 Maderia Family
3 \$100.00 Weinbrandt Family	4 \$250.00 DHI DOORS AND HARDWARE, INC.
5 \$100.00 Cardina Family	6 \$200.00 Moran Family
7 \$100.00 Barnes/Marr Family	8 \$200.00 Hazelgrove/D'Onofrio Family
9 \$100.00 SLIMAN'S IN AMHERST Ross Staffield/Staffield Family	10 \$100.00 Towne Family
11 \$100.00 Powell Family	12 \$100.00 Linkous Family
13 \$100.00 Schaaf Family	14 \$250.00 DHI DOORS AND HARDWARE, INC.
15 \$100.00 JL Smith Bibbo Family	16 \$100.00 Reichert Family
17 \$100.00 Phillips/Fox Family	18 \$100.00 TIME 2 WORK HOOPS
19 \$100.00 Hardwick Family	20 \$100.00 HOLBROOK HOME Holbrook Family
21 \$100.00 Lolajoy's Powder Room for kids	22 \$100.00 Jaskiewicz Family
23 \$377.00 Luxury In Memory of Robin Hunker	24 \$200.00 Lorenzo's Cariglio Family
25 \$150.00 Buddie Family	26 \$100.00 Lauer Family
27 \$100.00 Sandl Weber	28 \$500.00 DHI DOORS AND HARDWARE, INC.
29 \$200.00 Makruski Family	30 \$100.00

Please make checks payable to St. Joseph School.

To purchase the 2024 Calendar Raffle to support our St. Joseph Parish School see any SJS Student OR They are available at the parish or school office.

AM1260TheROCK sponsored bus trip



PADRE PIO
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**RHODA WISE (SERVANT OF GOD)
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Thursday, November 14, 2024

For only \$79* join Padre Pio Pilgrimages for a moving day trip to the spiritual sites of Canton, Ohio.

*Includes bus fare and driver tip, lunch, beverages and snacks for return home and donation to each shrine.

Bus leaves St. Basil the Great Catholic Church 8700 Brecksville Rd, Brecksville, OH at 9:00am and returns at 5:30pm.

See flyer in the gathering area at St. Joseph Church

Call: 216-533-6106

Email: padrepioilgrimage@gmail.com

2025 Mass Intention Books Open

The Mass Intention books will open on Wednesday, November 20 at 9:00 A.M.

Requests can be mailed in and we will process them in the order in which they are received **AFTER** all in-person requests have been filled.

Mail **St. Joseph Intentions** to
200 St. Joseph Dr Amherst, OH 44001
attn: Kim Frankart

Mail **Nativity BVM Intentions** to
P.O. Box 767 Amherst, OH 44001

Please include your name, phone number and email so that we can confirm your requested dates of Intentions.

St. Joseph Parish - You can also come to the office to schedule a Mass Intention. Be aware that due to staffing availability, we will **not** be able to accept any Mass Intentions **before 9:00 A.M.** Also, we are unable to take any intentions for Nativity Parish.

Nativity Parish - In addition to mailing in your requests, you can also see Ed Klimczak after the 5:30pm Mass, or send them via email to nativitysouthamherst@gmail.com. Once the date is confirmed, you can drop the offering in the collection basket clearly marked with the following: "For Mass Intention" include the date, who the Intention is for along with your name and phone number.

Borromeo Seminary and St. Mary's Seminary Novemberfest Annual Italian Dinner

All are invited to attend the annual Italian Dinner Night at the Center for Pastoral Leadership | 28700 Euclid Avenue | Wickliffe, OH 44092. On Saturday, November 16, 2024 from 5:00pm - 8:00pm. Tickets will be sold at the door until 7:30pm. No Reservations needed. For more information call 440-943-7600

Adults:	\$12.00
Children (6-12)	\$6.00
Children Under 6	Free

Come out to meet the seminarians, enjoy a Chinese Raffle, and a 50/50 raffle as well. Special Silent Auction: Dinner for ten prepared by the Rector of Borromeo Seminary!



DATE NIGHT

for engaged or married couples!

Join us for the 4:30 PM vigil Mass at St. Raphael's and stay for pizza and a presentation on the 5 Love Languages that can help build intimacy and strengthen communication skills.

The 5 Love Languages

NOVEMBER 16, 2024

4:30 PM - 8:00 PM

St Raphael, 525 Dover Center Rd., Bay Village
Childcare is available. Cost per couple is \$20.

RSVP: dioceseofcleveland.org/events

Contact

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NORDSON DEPOT SENIOR CENTER

Carrie Adams, Director
671 Franklin Street
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Beginning November 5th, the Nordson Depot Senior Center will be hosting open activities from 12:00pm - 3:00pm.

This will occur every Tuesday until further notice. Bring your friends and lots of ideas for activities.

We will have cards, puzzles and adult coloring books. In addition any card, knitting, or sewing group is also welcome.

Come and socialize for a few hours. We will provide coffee, tea and water. \$1 donation appreciated.

THEOLOGY ON THE ROCKS WEST FOR ADULTS 40 AND OVER

Join us Monday, November 11
West Irish American Club

8559 Jennings Rd. Olmstead Township

"We had the National Eucharistic Revival, now what?"

Fr. Damian Ference, Vicar for Evangelization, Secretary for Parish Life & Special Ministries, and Professor of Philosophy at Borromeo Seminary, will discuss how we can continue to bring the Real Presence of the Eucharist to our parish communities and beyond.

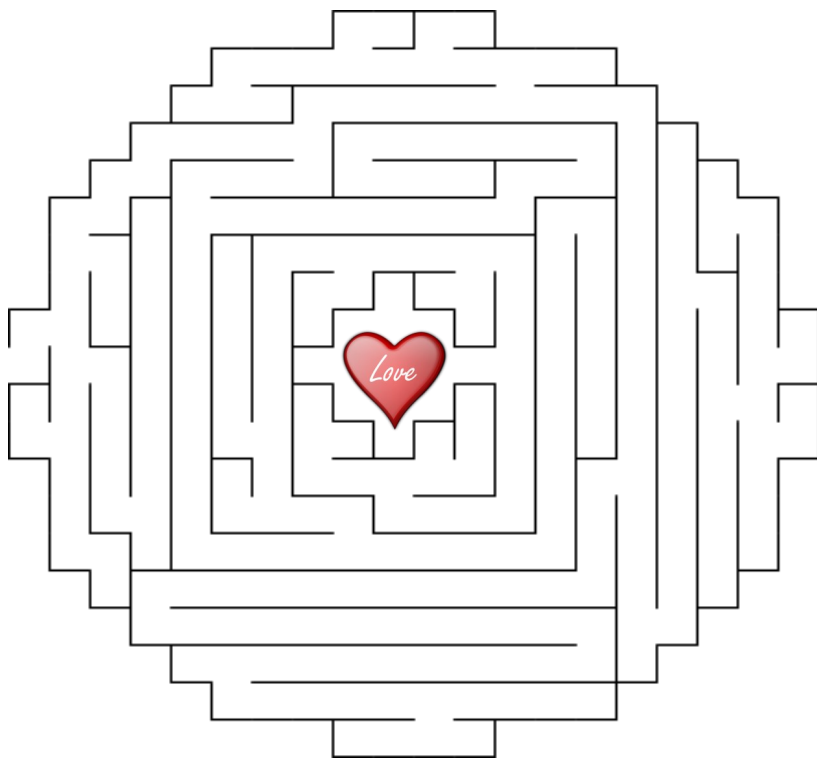
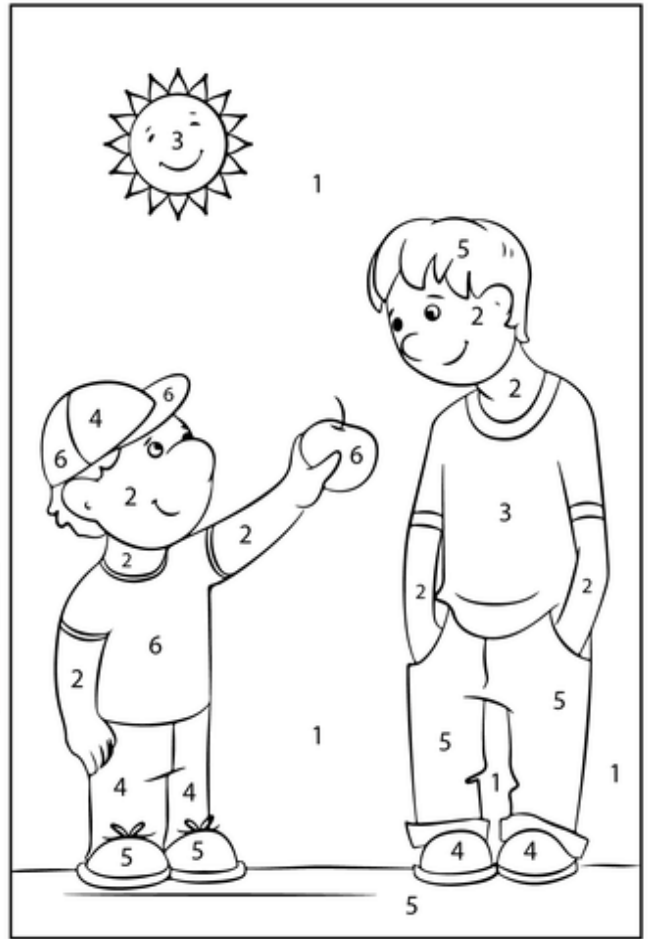
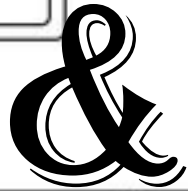
Cost is \$15.00 per person which includes light appetizers & refreshments. Cash Bar is also available. Advance tickets highly recommended for catering purposes.

Register in advance: <https://www.theologyontherockswest.com>

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Doors open at 6:30pm. Program begins at 7pm.

Children's Worship Page



In all of today's readings we learn about God's love for us and how we are to love God. In the first reading God has Moses tell the people to obey His commandments and to love God with all your heart and soul and strength. In the second reading we read how Jesus as our high priest has made the biggest sacrifice of all out of love for us by dying on the cross. And in the Gospel reading Jesus tells us that the most important Commandment is to love God with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength and to love your neighbor as yourself. This means to love God and obey His teachings first and then to love and treat others the same way that you want to be treated.

Find your way through the maze to the heart full of love



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

In the charity of your prayers, we commend to God:

Laura Lane

We pray for her family and the families of all our deceased relatives and friends that they may enjoy eternal peace with our Risen Christ.

Let us also remember to pray for those confined to hospitals and nursing homes, the homebound, and their caregivers, our sons and daughters in the military, those dealing with mental illness and addictions, the homeless and those who have no one to pray for them.

St. Joseph Mass Livestream

To view our 11:00am Mass for the homebound visit our YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/@sjandnbvmmedia8044/streams>

Or you can use the button on our website:

<https://stjosephamherst.com/>



Support the Angel Scholarship Fund

The Angel Scholarship Fund (ASF) is a State of Ohio approved Scholarship Granting Organization. Donors to ASF may be eligible for a 100% tax credit on their State of Ohio income tax return for the year the contribution is made. ASF donations are awarded as tuition assistance for K-12 students in the Diocese of Cleveland, and donors may designate a school/schools to receive their donation.

Here's how it works*:

The maximum credit amount is \$750 per individual; married couples that file a joint return can each claim this credit if both spouses make eligible donations (\$1,500 total). *Please note this is a non-refundable credit, which means that the amount of the credit cannot exceed the amount owed in state taxes.*

Just follow these three steps:

STEP 1- Estimate your 2024 Ohio state tax liability

STEP 2- Make your donation to ASF

STEP 3- Claim your scholarship tax credit when you file your 2024 State of Ohio taxes

For more information call or email:

216-902-1312 / asfinfo@dioceseofcleveland.org

**This does not constitute income tax advice. Always consult with a tax professional for information on the impact of any charitable donation.*



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