



# St. JOSEPH PARISH & NATIVITY OF THE BVM PARISH

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**March 23, 2025**

**Third Sunday of Lent**

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ST. JOSEPH PARISH WEBSITE: [stjosephamherst.com](http://stjosephamherst.com)

ST. JOSEPH PARISH ADDRESS: 200 St. Joseph Dr., Amherst, OH 44001

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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](http://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, MARCH 24<sup>th</sup>** Mass at St. Joseph Parish  
9:00 A.M. Edward Sanders (Mary Ann Barnes)

**TUESDAY, MARCH 25<sup>th</sup>** Mass at Nativity Parish  
8:00 A.M. Robin Hunker (Kathy Loos)

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26<sup>th</sup>** No Mass

**THURSDAY, MARCH 27<sup>th</sup>** Mass at St. Joseph Parish  
7:00 P.M. Peter Anderson (Tony Alessandro)  
Confessions to follow Mass until 8:30 P.M.

**FRIDAY, MARCH 28<sup>th</sup>** Mass at St. Joseph Parish  
9:00 A.M. Mass of Blessing for Sandra Balko  
(Dan Balko)

**SATURDAY, MARCH 29<sup>th</sup>**  
11:00 A.M. Confessions at St. Joseph Parish  
4:00 P.M. Mike Andreson (Mom and Brother)  
Mass at St. Joseph Parish  
5:30 P.M. Curtis Marcucci (Kathy Marcucci)  
Mass at Nativity Parish

**SUNDAY, MARCH 30<sup>th</sup>** Masses at St. Joseph Parish  
8:30 A.M. Shirley Zeh (Kim and Steve Frankart)  
11:00 A.M. Margaret Borocz (Daughter)  
5:00 P.M. People of St. Joseph and Nativity Parishes

## Daily Readings

**MONDAY, MARCH 24<sup>th</sup>** Lenten Weekday  
2 Kgs 5:1-15ab Lk 4:24-30

**TUESDAY, MARCH 25<sup>th</sup>** The Annunciation of the Lord  
Is 7:10-14; 8:10 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26<sup>th</sup>** Lenten Weekday  
Dt 4:1, 5-9 Mt 5:17-19

**THURSDAY, MARCH 27<sup>th</sup>** Lenten Weekday  
Jer 7:23-28 Lk 11:14-23

**FRIDAY, MARCH 28<sup>th</sup>** Lenten Weekday  
Hos 14:2-10 Mk 12:28-34

**SATURDAY, MARCH 29<sup>th</sup>** Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Lent  
Jos 5:9a, 10-12 2 Cor 5:17-21 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**SUNDAY, MARCH 30<sup>th</sup>** Fourth Sunday of Lent  
Jos 5:9a, 10-12 2 Cor 5:17-21 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

## Activity Schedule

**MONDAY - FRIDAY**  
Eucharistic Adoration 11:00 A.M.-10:00 P.M. (NBVM)

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

**SUNDAY, MARCH 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
Pancake Breakfast following the 8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M.  
Masses (SJ Social Hall)

**MONDAY, MARCH 24<sup>th</sup>**  
7:00 P.M. OCIA (RCIA) (NBVM Parish Hall)

**TUESDAY, MARCH 25<sup>th</sup>**  
5:00 P.M. Dinners on the Go Pick-up (Nativity Parish)  
5:45 P.M. Instructional Basketball Grades K - 2 (Gym)  
7:00 P.M. Knights of Columbus (School MPR)

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26<sup>th</sup>**  
5:30 P.M. PSR Grades K - 12 (School Classrooms)  
6:30 P.M. Sacred Sisters Meeting (O.S.E. Community Ctr.)

**THURSDAY, MARCH 27<sup>th</sup>**  
5:30 P.M. Lenten Soup Supper (SJ Social Hall)  
5:45 P.M. Instructional Basketball Grades K - 2 (Gym)

**FRIDAY, MARCH 28<sup>th</sup>**  
7:00 P.M. Stations of the Cross (St. Joseph Parish)

**SATURDAY, MARCH 29<sup>th</sup>**  
12:00 P.M. Knights of Columbus Fifth Sunday Rosary  
(St. Joseph Church)

## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

### *St. Joseph Parish*

<b>Sunday, March 9</b>	\$	21,863.92
Eoffering	\$	2,948.64
<b>Total Sunday Offerings</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>24,812.56</b>
Other Collections		
Tuition Assistance	\$	236.00
Maintenance	\$	150.00
Little Black Books for Lent	\$	75.00
Black and Indian Missions	\$	273.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$	120.00
Central and Eastern Europe Missions	\$	188.00
<b>Ash Wednesday for St. Elizabeth Shelter</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,131.00</b>

### *Nativity Parish*

<b>Saturday, March 8</b>	\$	1,853.00
Other Collections		
Black and Indian Missions	\$	70.00
Central and Eastern Europe	\$	35.00
Landscape	\$	40.00
<b>Ash Wednesday for St. Elizabeth Shelter</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>556.00</b>

**We love**  
having you as part of our flock



To receive updates in St. Joseph and Nativity's weekly emails, simply text SJPA to 84576. We typically send only email updates and respect your privacy. Text messages will only be sent for urgent or emergency situations.

## Third Sunday of Lent

# JOIN US FOR A PANCAKE BREAKFAST

HOSTED BY:  
SAINT JOSEPH  
PARISH SCHOOL



All are welcome! A free-will offering may be made to benefit the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students as they travel to Washington D.C. this spring.

**What:** Pancake Breakfast

**When:** Sunday, March 23 following the 8:30 and 11:30 A.M. Masses

**Where:** St. Joseph Social Hall

**Cost:** Free-will donation.

## Lenten Soup Suppers



We are thrilled to host the LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS at St. Joseph Parish! Below are some photos from this year's first Soup Supper, which was held on March 13. We hope you are able to join us for the remaining evenings.

All from St. Joseph and Nativity Parishes are invited to join us for an evening of fellowship and prayer as we journey through the season of Lent. You are welcome to bring a pot of soup, or some bread or crackers to share, but it is NOT required.



The Soup Suppers will take place on the following Thursday evenings,  
**March 27<sup>th</sup> and April 10<sup>th</sup> in St. Joseph Social Hall.**

Soup will be served at 5:30 P.M., Praying the Rosary at 6:30 P.M., Mass at 7:00 P.M.  
We look forward to seeing you there! For questions, call Sue at 440-986-1725.



## 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/>





St. Joseph Church, Amherst and  
Nativity B.V.M., South Amherst

**Soup Suppers and Rosary at St. Joseph Social Hall**

March 27<sup>th</sup> - Soup served 5:30 P.M., Rosary 6:30 P.M.

April 10<sup>th</sup> - Soup served 5:30 P.M., Rosary 6:30 P.M.

**Stations of the Cross - Fridays during Lent at 7:00 P.M.**

March 28<sup>th</sup> - Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph

April 4<sup>th</sup> - Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph

April 11<sup>th</sup> - Stations of the Cross at Nativity

April 18<sup>th</sup> - **Taizé Stations of the Cross** at St. Joseph

**First Friday and First Saturday Rosary**

April 4<sup>th</sup> - 11:00 A.M. at Nativity Church (Rosary only  
no luncheon this month)

April 5<sup>th</sup> - 9:00 A.M. at St. Joseph Church

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at NBVM Parish**

Monday through Friday 11:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M.

For information on Adoration, please call Josie  
Tornabene at 440-396-5429.

**Reconciliation (Confession) at St. Joseph Parish**

Saturdays of Lent from 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Thursdays following the 7:00 P.M. Mass

until 8:30 P.M. - *exception Holy Thursday*

Good Friday following the Noon Liturgy until 3:00 P.M.

Holy Saturday from 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

**Reconciliation (Confession) at NBVM Parish**

Holy Thursday following the 7:00 P.M. Mass  
until 9:00 P.M.

## Ways to Pray this Lent

Looking for ways to make Lent more meaningful this year? Here are a few suggestions—though they may not be new to you, know that the Lord will speak to you in the way you need to experience Him in this Lenten Season.

### Digital Content:



**MyparishApp:** A great way to add to your daily prayer time! This app includes many resources such as Rosary audios, Daily Readings, prayers, and messages/reminders from our parish on upcoming events. A great way to stay connected.



### More apps to try:

Laudate, Amen, Hallow,  
and Ascension.

You can find these apps at your app store provider.



**Matthew Kelly's BEST LENT EVER:** An opportunity to encounter God's mercy that will renew your faith. Use the link below to receive daily emails from Dynamic Catholic.

<https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/lent>



**Formed:** At Formed, you can access Daily Reflections, award-winning studies, inspiring audio content, movies, e-books, and family-friendly kids' programming from more than 100 content providers, as well as devotional and prayer content. To learn more, visit <https://formed.org/>.



**My Daily Prayers:** Offered through our Diocese, these free recordings led by clergy of the Diocese, provides a new way to enter into a deeper, more personal relationship with God.

The recordings will be delivered daily by email. Visit, <https://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/my-daily-prayers> to learn more and sign up for the daily emails.

**Not Into Digital Resources?** Not to worry; we have more resources for you. On the Gathering Area counter at St. Joseph Parish, and the tables at Nativity Parish, you will find pamphlets on: How to Pray a Holy Hour, How to Pray the Rosary, How to make a Good Confession, information on upcoming retreats, and while supplies last, the Little Black Book daily devotional. In addition, as listed above, you will have several opportunities to deepen your faith and prayer life through the Stations of the Cross, Adoration, Reconciliation (including the Diocesan-wide Evening of Confession), First Friday/Saturday Rosary, and Soup Suppers. Let's not forget the opportunity to attend the production, "The Answer," produced and directed by Christina Dupré. This Lent, there truly is something for everyone!



## Third Sunday of Lent

### Plenary Indulgences - General Conditions

See the Gathering Area counter at St. Joseph and the tables at NBVM for an explanation of the Conditions of Plenary Indulgences as we prepare ourselves during this Lenten Season to receive God's mercy and unconditional love.

*We bring our sins and struggles to our Lord and to the Church, represented by the person of the priest, when we come to the Sacrament of Reconciliation. We confess our sins, our failures and our faults, promise to strive again to conform ourselves to Christ, and are forgiven. "The Lord never tires of forgiving. It is we who tire of asking for forgiveness." (Pope Francis, First Angelus as pope, March 17, 2013)*

### REMINDERS FOR FAST AND ABSTINENCE

Fridays during Lent are also days of abstinence. The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. Likewise, the norms for abstaining from meat are binding from age 14 onward. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection.

### Jubilee Year of Hope - Upcoming Events



Called to be Pilgrims of Hope during this Holy Year 2025, Bishop Michael Woost will be at St. Ladislav Church (2345 Bassett Road, Westlake) from March 30 to April 1, from 7:00-8:30 P.M. During this Lenten Mission, he will provide an opportunity to reflect on God's promises for healing, peace, forgiveness, joy, salvation, and the fullness of life and love — in this life and the next! Each evening will invite the community to encounter the presence of God through the prayer of the Church. The Bishop's Lenten Mission will also offer participants the opportunity to obtain the Jubilee Plenary Indulgence.

The Diocese of Cleveland has selected Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish in Lorain as the pilgrimage church for Lorain County during this Jubilee Year of Hope. Father Craig Hovanec invites everyone to join in celebrating a Jubilee Mass every other Tuesday at 6:00 P.M., starting on March 11. Special prayers for the Jubilee Year will be used, except on March 25 (The Annunciation) and April 22 (Easter Tuesday). The Rosary will be prayed 30 minutes before Mass. We encourage all to participate in this pilgrimage to Nativity during the Jubilee Year of Hope.

Don't miss the presentation on the Jubilee Pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome, hosted at Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish in Lorain (418 W. 15th St., Lorain) by parishioner Chris Korab and several others who attended from the Cleveland pilgrimage group. The presentation will take place on March 30th at 11:45 A.M.



### St. Frances Cabrini Presents Tetelestai

St. Frances Cabrini (2143 Homewood Dr., Lorain) will present **Tetelestai: "It is Finished,"** a live Passion musical and dramatic performance, on **March 28th, 29th, and 30th.**

#### FREE performances:

- Friday & Saturday at 8:00 PM
- Sunday at 2:00 PM

Don't miss this powerful experience!



COME EXPERIENCE  
**THE ANSWER**

**MARCH 21, 22 | 7:30PM**

St. Joseph Parish  
200 St. Joseph Dr.  
Amherst Ohio

**MARCH 28, 29 | 7:30PM**

Immaculate Conception Church  
414 Madison St,  
Port Clinton, Ohio

**APRIL 4, 5 | 7:30PM**

St. Justin Martyr  
35781 Stevens Blvd.  
Eastlake, Ohio

**APRIL 11, 12 | 7:30PM**

Solid Rock Community Church  
680 North Abbe Road.  
Elyria, Ohio

EVENT COST: **FREE** | PLEASE CONSIDER MAKING A DONATION

### Mary's Way of the Cross

These amazing women offered a beautiful portrayal of the Stations of the Cross as "Mary's Way of the Cross" at Nativity Parish in South Amherst last weekend. Throughout this season of Lent, the group will be presenting at several area churches. If you missed the presentation at NBVM, you can catch it at one of the locations listed below in the coming weeks of Lent.

Wednesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> - 7:10 P.M.

NBVM Parish, located at 428 West 15<sup>th</sup> St., **Lorain**

Friday, March 28<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 P.M.

Sacred Heart Parish, located at 410 W. Lorain St., Oberlin

Friday, April 4<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 P.M.

St. Matthias Parish, located at 1200 W. Sprague Rd., Cleveland

Friday, April 11<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 P.M.

St. Patrick Parish, located at 512 N. Main St., Wellington



### First Friday Forum

Join us for an insightful luncheon with  
Fr. Andy Turner on Friday, April 4, at the  
Spitzer Conference Center at LCCC  
(1005 N. Abbe Rd., Elyria).

Fr. Turner will share updates on the Seminary, offering a  
look at how it has evolved over the years.

**Lunch begins at 11:30 A.M.**, and the cost is \$25.

Reservations must be made by **6:00 PM on Monday, March 31.**

To reserve your spot, please call **440-320-3272** or **440-213-2132**,  
or email [fflorain@gmail.com](mailto:fflorain@gmail.com).

St. Teresa of Avila Church

1878 Abbe Road, Sheffield Village, OH 44054

## Monthly Holy Hour for Life

**Tuesday: March 25th, 2025 at 7:00pm**

*All are invited to come pray before our Lord.*



## Third Sunday of Lent

ONE  
NIGHT  
Only



ONE  
NIGHT  
Only

MARK  
YOUR  
CALENDAR

**Family and Friends, Come One and All!**

Join us Friday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, at Nativity BVM Church (333 S. Lake Street, S. Amherst) for a **Lake Erie Perch Fish Fry!** Dinners will be available for dine-in OR carry-out from 4:30 – 7:00 pm. The cost of each dinner is \$25.00.



**Choice 1**  
**The Lake Erie Perch**  
**Dinner**

5 Pieces of fried  
Lake Erie Perch  
French Fries  
Coleslaw / Roll / Butter  
Piece of Cake  
**\$25**



**Choice 2**  
**The Shrimp Dinner**

10 Pieces of fried  
Shrimp  
French Fries  
Coleslaw / Roll / Butter  
Piece of Cake  
**\$25**



**Choice 3**  
**The Combo Dinner**  
2 pieces of Lake Erie  
Perch & 6 Shrimp  
French Fries  
Coleslaw / Roll / Butter  
Piece of Cake  
**\$25**

**The Kids Dinner** (10 yrs. old and under) is \$5 for 1 slice of cheese pizza, a bag of potato chips, a juice box, and a slice of cake.

Cans of pop and bottled water will be available for \$1 each, while supplies last.  
Coffee, tea, and lemonade will be provided.  
No alcohol is permitted on premises.

This is a dine-in or carry-out event. "Drive-thru" is NOT available.

Call-ahead orders are appreciated but not required. Please contact Lynn Johnson at 440-752-6519. Pay by check to Nativity BVM or cash (preferred) at the door.

*We look forward to seeing you!*

*"Don't forget to do good and  
to share with those in need."  
Hebrews 13:16*



## Area Fish Fries

Looking for a Fish Fry before the one planned at **Nativity Parish on April 4<sup>th</sup>**? Here are a few for you to try until then.

St. Thomas The Apostle Parish  
719 Harris Rd., Sheffield Lake  
Fridays - March 7 - April 11  
4:00 - 7:00 P.M.  
440-949-7744

St. Joseph Parish (Avon Lake)  
3929 Lake Rd., Avon Lake  
Fridays, March 7 - April 11  
4:30 - 7:00 P.M.  
440-933-3152

St. Bernadette Parish  
2300 Clague Rd., Westlake  
Fridays - March 7 - April 4  
4:00 - 7:00 P.M.  
440-731-1300



# Nativity News

## Dinners on the Go

Dinners are \$13 and the soups are an additional \$4.

Drive-thru pick-up only from 5:00-6:00 P.M.  
at Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
located at 333 South Lake St., South Amherst.

To order, please call Lynn Johnson at  
440-752-6519.

Thank you for your continued support!

### March 25

Cabbage Rolls  
Mashed Potatoes  
Applesauce Cup  
Roll/Dessert  
Soup: Clam Chowder

## Altar and Rosary Society Annual Membership Drive Closing Soon!

**The Annual Membership Drive ends on March 31.**  
Dues are just \$5.00. Applications are available on the  
back tables at Nativity Parish or in the Gathering Area  
at St. Joseph Parish. Please place completed  
applications with dues in an envelope marked  
“Altar and Rosary Society Application and Dues”  
and drop it in the collection basket.

We invite all women to join us in serving others and  
growing in faith together!

### Monthly Meetings:

When: First Tuesday of the month at 6:30 P.M.

Where: Nativity Parish Social Hall. Meetings last  
about an hour, and there are plenty of opportunities to  
share your time and talents!

## Hospitality Tuesday



NBVM Altar and Rosary Society  
is pleased to offer refreshments at  
the monthly Hospitality Tuesday  
event on **Tuesday, April 1.**

We will gather in the parish social hall  
immediately following the 8:00 A.M. Mass. All  
are welcome to join us in church for Mass,  
followed by food and fellowship in the hall.

Nativity B.V.M. Parish  
333 South Lake St., South Amherst

## First Friday Rosary



**FIRST FRIDAY  
ROSARY  
at Nativity BVM**

**Friday, April 4<sup>th</sup>  
11:00 A.M.  
Nativity Church**

Please join us as we pray together the  
Most Holy Rosary. Please note, there will **not** be  
refreshments served after the Rosary this month.

## Third Sunday of Lent

### Cemetery Clean-up



Our cemetery grounds must be clear for the mowing and trimming season. Any obstructions to mowing or trimming will be removed and discarded. The following is our cemetery policy and it will be adhered to by the groundskeeping crew.

- **Decorations, must be removed by April 1<sup>st</sup> for the mowing season. If you want to save your decorations you must remove them before April 1<sup>st</sup>.**
- **No plantings of flowers, bushes, or vegetation of any kind are allowed.**
- **No landscaping or permanent decorations of any kind are allowed, including but not limited to stone, bricks, borders, etc.**
- **After April 1<sup>st</sup>, only fresh-cut flowers are allowed, in paper or foil wrapping, and these will be removed weekly.**
- **Regarding holidays during the growing season (April 1<sup>st</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup>) – Decorations will be allowed four days before the holiday. They must be removed 2 days following the holiday. Any decorations you do not remove, will be removed and discarded by groundskeeping personnel.**
- **Winter decorations will be allowed from October 31<sup>st</sup> to April 1<sup>st</sup>.**

### Fifth Sunday Rosary



Holy Family Council 4891 invites everyone to participate in a Rosary prayer scheduled for **Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup>**, after the conclusion of the 11:00 A.M. Mass at St. Joseph Church. The Rosary will take place either in the Church or Social Hall and should last no more than 15 to 20 minutes.



The praying of the Rosary as a community and with others can create a sense of spiritual bonding and fellowship within our parishes. Please plan on participating in this important prayer to the Blessed Virgin for her intercession of our spiritual needs and personal connectedness to God. God's blessings to all.

### Save the Date Baccalaureate Mass



Our Baccalaureate Mass will be celebrated at the **11:00 A.M. Mass on Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>**. This special day provides an opportunity for all high school, vocational school, and college graduates to participate in and be celebrated at Mass.

We invite graduates to take part by serving as a lector for the Processional Introduction, the First and Second Readings, and the Intercessions. Please encourage your graduate to participate—this is a beautiful Mass and a very special day for all!

Additionally, remember to **submit your graduate's photo and short bio by May 23<sup>rd</sup>**, so that they can be included in our Parish Newsletter.

### Did You Know...

Many of you may already know about our online Sunday Offertory option, which allows you to make charitable donations without using monthly envelopes. However, did you know that you can also contribute to Holy Days and special collections through myEoffering? MyEoffering offers a quick, simple, and secure way to donate to our parish. To learn more or to sign up, visit <https://myeoffering.com/>.



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### Qualified Charitable Distribution

If you are 70 ½ years old or older, you can make a Qualified Charitable Distribution today for up to \$100,000 from your IRA directly to your parish.

It will not count as taxable income, and it can satisfy your “required minimum distribution.” Looking to the future, consider naming our parish as a beneficiary IRA. Speak with your financial advisor, or **contact Mary Lou Ozimek** at 216-696-6525, ext. 4070, or visit <https://www.catholiccommunity.org/ira>.

ALL ARE WELCOME! 7TH - 12TH GRADERS

#### HOLY GROUND YOUTH NIGHTS!

- Fellowship & faith formation in the social hall
- Snacks provided
- Closing Prayer 7:30 PM



#### Upcoming Dates!

April 6th April 13th  
May 4th May 18th



440-895-7756



[rachel.macdonald@sjs-amherst.org](mailto:rachel.macdonald@sjs-amherst.org)

### Angel Scholarship Fund

You can help St. Joseph School at no cost to you through a tax credit! That's right! Your eligible Ohio state taxes can be donated to St. Joseph School rather than going to the state of Ohio.

Speak to your tax advisor or call the Catholic Community Foundation at 216-902-1312, for more information. To learn more, visit [www.catholiccommunity.org/angel](http://www.catholiccommunity.org/angel).



#### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

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

**Martha (Marti) Ralston**

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.*

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Call Kathy at St. Joseph Church at 440-988-2848  
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