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**June 29, 2025**

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*Office hours are Monday - Friday 8:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.*

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

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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, JUNE 30<sup>th</sup>** Mass at St. Joseph Parish  
9:00 A.M. Nancy Doyle (The Foley Family)

**TUESDAY, JULY 1<sup>st</sup>** Mass at Nativity Parish  
8:00 A.M. Mary Knoble (Family)

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 2<sup>nd</sup>** No Mass

**THURSDAY, JULY 3<sup>rd</sup>** Mass at St. Joseph Parish  
7:00 P.M. Fred Zemanek (Wife)  
Confessions to follow Mass until 8:30 P.M.

**FRIDAY, JULY 4<sup>th</sup>** Mass at St. Joseph Cemetery, for inclement weather, Mass will be at NBVM in South Amherst  
9:00 A.M. Personal Intention

**SATURDAY, JULY 5<sup>th</sup>**  
11:00 A.M. Confessions at St. Joseph Parish  
4:00 P.M. David Stein (Raquel Stein)  
Mass at St. Joseph Parish  
5:30 P.M. Louise and Stanley Klimczak (Family)  
Mass at Nativity Parish

**SUNDAY, JULY 6<sup>th</sup>** Masses at St. Joseph Parish  
8:30 A.M. People of St. Joseph and Nativity Parishes  
11:00 A.M. Jennie Ehlert (Family)  
5:00 P.M. For the Faithful Departed - All Souls Intentions

## Daily Readings

**MONDAY, JUNE 30<sup>th</sup>** Weekday, Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time, The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church  
Gn 18:16-33 Mt 8:18-22

**TUESDAY, JULY 1<sup>st</sup>** Weekday, Saint Junipero Serra, Priest  
Gn 19:15-29 Mt 8:23-27

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 2<sup>nd</sup>** Weekday  
Gn 21:5, 8-20a Mt 8:28-34

**THURSDAY, JULY 3<sup>rd</sup>** Saint Thomas, Apostle  
Eph 2:19-22 Jn 20:24-29

**FRIDAY, JULY 4<sup>th</sup>** Weekday, Independence Day  
Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67 Mt 9:9-13

**SATURDAY, JULY 5<sup>th</sup>** Vigil: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Is 66:10-14c Gal 6:14-18 Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

**SUNDAY, JULY 6<sup>th</sup>** Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
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## 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. (Mill Hollow)

**TUESDAY, JULY 1<sup>st</sup>**  
8:30 A.M. Hospitality Tuesday to follow 8:00 A.M. Mass (Nativity Parish Hall)

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
6:00 P.M. Grief Recovery Program (SJ Social Hall Lobby)

**FRIDAY, JULY 4<sup>th</sup>**  
Parish Office Closed

**SATURDAY, JULY 5<sup>th</sup>**  
9:00 A.M. First Saturday Rosary (St. Joseph Church)

## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

<b>St. Joseph Parish</b>		
<b>Sunday, June 15</b>	\$	13,634.80
Eoffering	\$	3,624.13
<b>Total Sunday Offerings</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>17,258.93</b>
Other Collections		
Children's Envelopes	\$	2.00
Maintenance	\$	112.00
Tuition Assistance	\$	65.00
Good Friday	\$	20.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$	100.00
Easter	\$	100.00
Missionary Co-op to SMA	\$	2,070.00

**Nativity Parish**  
**Saturday, June 14** Will appear in a future bulletin.

Mass on July 4<sup>th</sup> will be held at  
**ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY**  
at 9:00 A.M.



For inclement weather, it will be moved to NBVM in South Amherst.

Happy Independence Day!

# Join us on a Special Jubilee of Hope Bus Pilgrimage

## Thursday, July 24, 2025



Beginning at Nativity B.V.M. Church, the Lorain County Jubilee Sacred Site, we shall visit four additional pilgrimage sites for the Diocese of Cleveland. At each stop, we will learn about that church and share in a devotion. Please join us!

### Itinerary

- 8:15 Holy Mass at Nativity B.V.M. Church
- 8:45 Board motor coach at Nativity B.V.M. Parking Lot (next to the church on 14th Street)
- 9:00 Promptly depart for Immaculate Conception Church, Madison
- 10:30 Arrive at Immaculate Conception Church, where we shall recite the Holy Rosary
- 11:15 Depart for St. Mary Church, Chardon
- 11:45 Arrive at St. Mary Church, where we shall recite the Divine Mercy Chaplet
- 12:30 Depart for Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine, Euclid
- 1:10 Arrive at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine, where we shall have lunch in their cafeteria  
(Lunch includes tossed salad, chicken tenders, breadsticks, wraps, cookies, and drinks.)  
We shall recite the Litany of Loreto in the chapel. Visit Grotto, Stations of the Cross,  
Rosary walk and gift shop on your own.
- 2:40 Depart for St. Ann Shrine, Cleveland
- 3:00 Arrive at St. Ann Shrine, where Confessions will be available.
- 4:30 Depart for Lorain
- 5:30 Arrive at Nativity B.V.M. Church

The cost is \$60.00/person and includes the bus fare, lunch, donations to the sites, and snacks. The motor coach seating is limited to 55 people. The trip is offered at cost, so payments are non-refundable unless there is a waiting list with someone to take your place. Please call 440-320-9984 or 440-225-5990 with questions.

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Please place this form and payment in an envelope labeled, "Jubilee Pilgrimage," and drop off at or mail to the rectory (Nativity B. V. M. Parish, 418 West 15th Street, Lorain, Ohio 44052) or place in the Nativity collection basket. **Reservations cannot be made by phone. Please note Nativity office hours are 8am-3pm, Monday and Wednesday, and 8am-noon, Tuesday and Thursday. Please call 440-244-9090 to confirm availability before heading to the office.**



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# The Joy of the LORD is my STRENGTH

- Nehemiah 8:10

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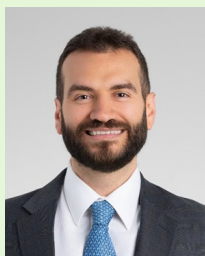
**Registration forms for this event can be found on the counter in St. Joseph Gathering Area**

## THEOLOGY ON THE ROCKS WEST - For Adults 40 & Over

Join us on Monday, July 14, from 7:00 – 8:30 P.M.  
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**Doors open at 6:30 P.M.**

## Pilgrimage to Italy



Fr. Bob Franco, pastor of  
St. Peter and St. Julie Billiart  
Parishes in North Ridgeville,  
is leading a pilgrimage to  
Rome, Assisi, San Giovanni  
Rotondo (home of the  
monastery of St. Padre Pio),  
and other religious sites

during the Holy Year 2025. The Pilgrimage  
includes a General Audience with our new pope,  
Leo XIV (provided he is in Rome)!

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# Nativity News

## NBVM Holy Communion to the Homebound



If you or someone you know—whether a friend, family member, or acquaintance—is a member of Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish in South Amherst and would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact Lynn Johnson at 440-752-6519 or Wendy Rosso at 440-986-0304, so that we are able to meet the needs of the homebound.

## Hospitality Tuesday



During the Fourth of July holiday week, there will be  
**NO Altar and Rosary Society Meeting on July 1<sup>st</sup> and**  
**NO First Friday Rosary on July 4<sup>th</sup>.**

**We still will be hosting Hospitality Tuesday on July 1<sup>st</sup>.**  
Join us for Mass at 8:00 A.M. and for refreshments in the Parish Hall  
after our time of prayer in the church.



## Catholic Charities—Continuing the Mission of Hope and Healing



As we enter the heart of summer, Catholic Charities continues its mission to bring hope and healing to those in need across Northeast Ohio.

Beginning July 7, telefunding calls will be made in support of the 2025 Catholic Charities Appeal, reaching prospective donors throughout all eight counties of the Diocese of Cleveland.

If you or someone you know receives a call from 216-696-6525, please know it is a trusted call from Catholic Charities. These calls offer parishioners a convenient opportunity to renew their support or make a gift by phone—a simple yet powerful way to participate in a mission rooted in our shared faith.

Thanks to the generosity of donors like you, nearly **400,000 people** each year receive critical support—ranging from food and shelter to mental health services and early childhood programs like *Help Me Grow*.

Every gift is a tangible expression of Christ's love in action, reaching the most vulnerable in our communities.

Please continue to pray for the success of the Appeal.  
Thank you for being a channel of Christ's peace and mercy.

To learn more about the impact of your gift, visit [www.catholiccommunity.org/impact](http://www.catholiccommunity.org/impact)

**Congratulations to St. Joseph Parish** for reaching their 2025 Appeal goal!

## Congratulations

### Academic Achievements – Saint Ignatius High School

#### 2024–2025 Second Semester Honors List

St. Ignatius School is pleased to recognize students who have earned placement on the Honor Roll by achieving a GPA between 3.3 and 3.699 for the semester. From St. Joseph Parish we would like to recognize:

#### **Ryan Pieschalski '25 – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Honor Roll**

Congratulations, Ryan! Your hard work and dedication have made us proud. May God continue to bless your efforts and guide you in all your pursuits.



Through the  
Sacrament of Baptism  
St. Joseph Parish welcomes

**Jackson Lucas Dax**  
son of  
**Kevin and Andrea Dax**

into the fullness of our parish community and we congratulate his parents. May the Lord walk closely with you in your journey and may He guide your parents in this very important and challenging role they play in your life.

## PSR Information

The 2025-2026 PSR Calendar, links to register, and sacramental links are all now open on our parish website. You may sign up your child/(ren) using the link below, or it can be found on our website, [www.stjosephamherst.com](http://www.stjosephamherst.com). Please complete the Google Form for each child you would like to enroll in the program. If your child is in a sacramental year for First Holy Communion or for Confirmation, there are additional forms that need to be filled out. All of the forms are located on the PSR page of the website, just click this link to be redirected to that page [PSR | St. Joseph Amherst](#). The deadline for registering is August 31, 2025.

If you would like to enroll an Eighth grade student for Confirmation preparation, the student must have attended PSR or participated in some other faith formation for their Seventh grade year. If this is the case, please enroll the student in Confirmation Prep Year 2. Students wishing to participate in Confirmation preparation who have not completed Year 1 must do so first before moving on to Year 2, regardless of the grade level they are enrolled in at school.

PSR will again be held on Wednesday evenings from 5:30-6:45 P.M. Sessions will begin in October and end in April. Fees will be invoiced once classes have begun. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Angie Eads at [angela.eads@sjs-amherst.org](mailto:angela.eads@sjs-amherst.org). Registration Link for PSR only: <https://forms.gle/KQdErCzcW6JCdSzB6>.

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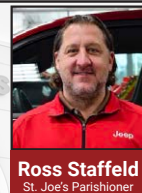
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