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**July 20, 2025**

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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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 - 8:30 P.M.

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

## Liturgy Schedule

**MONDAY, JULY 21<sup>st</sup>** Mass at St. Joseph Parish  
9:00 A.M. Mary Riley (Russ and Carol Cordy)

**TUESDAY, JULY 22<sup>nd</sup>** Mass at Nativity Parish  
8:00 A.M. Personal Intention

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 23<sup>rd</sup>** No Mass

**THURSDAY, JULY 24<sup>th</sup>** Mass at St. Joseph Parish  
7:00 P.M. George Knipp (Family)  
Confessions to follow Mass until 8:30 P.M.

**FRIDAY, JULY 25<sup>th</sup>** Mass at St. Joseph Parish  
9:00 A.M. Wanda Kelling (Daughter)

**SATURDAY, JULY 26<sup>th</sup>**  
11:00 A.M. Confessions at St. Joseph Parish  
4:00 P.M. Joan VanNiel (Daughter-in-law)  
Mass at St. Joseph Parish  
5:30 P.M. Josh Zunt (Joe and Marriane Pellitteri)  
Mass at Nativity Parish

**SUNDAY, JULY 27<sup>th</sup>** Masses at St. Joseph Parish  
8:30 A.M. Jeffrey Howells (Wife, Lesley)  
11:00 A.M. Pepsi Lachowyn (Laureen Suspenski)  
5:00 P.M. People of St. Joseph and Nativity Parishes

## Daily Readings

**MONDAY, JULY 21<sup>st</sup>** Weekday, Saint Lawrence of Brindisi,  
Priest and Doctor of the Church  
Ex 14:5-18 Mt 12:38-42

**TUESDAY, JULY 22<sup>nd</sup>** Saint Mary Magdalene  
Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17 Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 23<sup>rd</sup>** Weekday, Saint Bridget, Religious  
Ex 16:1-5, 9-15 Mt 13:1-9

**THURSDAY, JULY 24<sup>th</sup>** Weekday, Saint Sharbel Makhlūf,  
Priest  
Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b Mt 13:10-17

**FRIDAY, JULY 25<sup>th</sup>** Saint James, Apostle  
2 Cor 4:7-15 Mt 20:20-28

**SATURDAY, JULY 26<sup>th</sup>** Vigil: Seventeenth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
Gn 18:20-32 Col 2:12-14 Lk 11:1-13

**SUNDAY, JULY 27<sup>th</sup>** Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Gn 18:20-32 Col 2:12-14 Lk 11:1-13

## 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)

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
6:30 P.M. Sacred Sisters  
(O.S.E. Community Center)

**THURSDAY, JULY 24<sup>th</sup>**  
6:00 P.M. Parish Picnic Meeting (SJ Social Hall Lobby)

## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

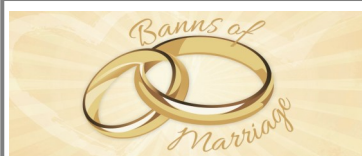
### *St. Joseph Parish*

<b>Sunday, July 6</b>	\$	14,462.00
Eoffering	\$	2,669.08
<b>Total Sunday Offerings</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>17,131.08</b>
Other Collections		
Children's Envelopes	\$	2.00
Maintenance	\$	245.00
Tuition Assistance	\$	667.00
Peter's Pence	\$	60.00
Missionary Co-op to SMA	\$	97.00

### *Nativity Parish*

<b>Saturday, July 5</b>	\$	2,561.00
Other Collections		
Landscaping	\$	100.00

**Please note that**  
**St. Joseph Parish will have new office hours.**  
**Beginning July 21<sup>st</sup> the new hours will be**  
**Monday - Friday**  
**8:30 A.M - 4:30 P.M.**



**Zachary Brill and**  
**Joselyn Moquete**  
**II**

## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### SJS Extended Day Care Position Available!

The Extended Day Care Program at St. Joseph Parish School provides nurturing care for students before and after school, as well as full-day care for preschool-age children. We also offer a Summer Care Program and are currently hiring caregivers for immediate openings, with additional positions available throughout the school year. Below is what you can expect from the SJS Extended Day Care experience:

- Responsibility includes caring for children after school, playing with students/leading activities, ensuring students are safely picked up, and some light cleaning.
- Candidates must be 18 or older, have a high school diploma and must be Virtus trained, pass a background check, have patience, be reliable, and enjoy spending time with children.
- Summer Care hours vary. During the school year, shifts are 2:00-5:00 or 2:00-6:00, Monday through Friday.

Interested? Contact Jennifer Gober the director for Extended Day Care at

[extended.preschool@sjs-amherst.org](mailto:extended.preschool@sjs-amherst.org)

### St. Joseph Prayer Chain Ministry

The Prayer Chain Ministry members want to pray for you and/or your intentions. Please call the parish office and press 7 to leave a message on the prayer request line. Someone from the Prayer Chain Ministry will send the request to all members.

**The ministry also encourages you to call back with updates of how prayers were answered.**

### Altar Servers NEEDED

We're looking for a few more adults to join our Altar Server Ministry, and we'd love to invite *you* to consider being part of this special ministry. Serving at the altar is a simple, but powerful way to support our parish and deepen your connection to the Mass. No experience is needed—we'll walk you through everything. If you've ever felt a nudge to get more involved, this could be your opportunity.

If interested, reach out to Kathy Loos at 440-823-6177 or via email at [jkmmdmps@hotmail.com](mailto:jkmmdmps@hotmail.com).

Our ministry welcomes YOU!

### 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>.





## Sacred Sisters Wednesday Night Ladies Prayer Group

Please note that we will be taking a break from our Wednesday night meetings from **August 13<sup>th</sup> through September 3<sup>rd</sup>**.

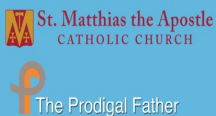
We will resume on **Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 6:30 P.M.**, meeting at the **Old Stone Evangelical Church Community Center**.

This session will run for eleven weeks, and we'll be starting with the study: ***Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come* by Jeff Cavins**.

All ladies from St. Joseph Church and Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary are welcome to join us!

If you have any questions, please text **Lesley** at **440-374-6518**.

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## Monthly Holy

## Hour for Life

**Tuesday: July 29th, 2025 at 7:00pm**

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

### St. Joseph and NBVM YouTube Channel

Our YouTube Channel offers the 11:00 A.M. Mass livestreamed, along with past videos and newly added content! We will also be uploading weekly event videos featured during Mass on weekends, as well as new music from our music ministry.

Subscribe to us on YouTube at  
[sjandnbvmmedia](https://www.youtube.com/sjandnbvmmedia)



## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### JUBILEE 2025 Pilgrims of Hope

*The Office for Marriage and Family Ministry and  
the Vicar for Evangelization invite you to:*

#### INTERGENERATIONAL JUBILEE: A Pilgrimage for Families

*St. Paschal Baylon Parish and St. Ann Shrine*

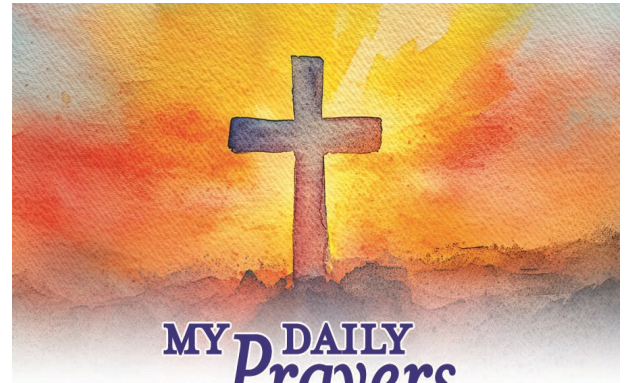
**Saturday, July 26th**

**4:30pm: Vigil Mass at St. Paschal Baylon**

**5:30pm: Pilgrimage to St. Ann Shrine for Prayers and Devotions**

**6:00pm: Ice Cream Social\***

*\*Country Parlour Ice Cream will once again be collaborating with the  
Vicar for Evangelization to create two new ice cream flavors in honor  
of the Jubilee Year of Hope: **Pilgrim Tracks and Jubilee Indulgence!***



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– and encourage others to join us!

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Prayers!**



# 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.

## NBVM Hospitality Tuesday, First Friday Rosary and Altar and Rosary Society Meeting

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary in South Amherst has much going on!

See the list below of upcoming events.

**First Friday Rosary - Friday, August 1<sup>st</sup> at 11:00 A.M. Refreshments to follow in the Parish Hall**

**Hospitality Tuesday - Tuesday, August 5<sup>th</sup> Mass at 8:00 A.M. Refreshments to follow in the Parish Hall.**

**Altar and Rosary Society Meeting - Tuesday, August 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M. in the Parish Hall.**

We look forward to seeing you there!



**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

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

**Steve Bialko**

We pray for his 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.*



Through the  
Sacrament of Baptism  
St. Joseph Parish welcomes

**Oliver Campbell Hyster  
son of  
Blake and Savannah Hyster**

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.

**Join us for the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of**  
**The FES<sup>T</sup>!!!**

For 25 years, thousands from across our region come together for an inspiring day of faith, family and fun – all for FREE... It's The FES<sup>T</sup> on Sunday, August 3, 2025 in Wickliffe, Ohio.

The FES<sup>T</sup> brings together the best of the contemporary Christian artists – **Seph Schlueter, Ben Fuller, Danny Gokey and Maverick City Music.**

There are faith-based crafts and activities for the kids. Meaningful displays for adults. There's inflatables, BMX show, a dog show, along with the Marc's Moms' Relaxation Station and Man Cave.

The FES<sup>T</sup> has opportunities to come together in prayer and reflection, along with Adoration and Confession.

The day closes with a beautiful outdoor Mass with Bishop Malesic at 8 pm followed by an amazing American Fireworks Display.

There's something for everyone at The FES<sup>T</sup>. Join us!

**Sunday, August 3, 2025**  
Center for Pastoral Leadership in Wickliffe, OH  
12 noon - 10 pm

**CHRISTIAN MUSIC**

**SEPH SCHLUETER** 12:30pm  
**BEN FULLER** 2:00pm  
**DANNY GOKEY** 4:00pm  
**MAVERICK CITY MUSIC** 6:00pm

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## New Deadline For Bulletin Content

Please make a note that if you would like to submit information for the bulletin, please email it to [parishoffice@stjosephamherst.com](mailto:parishoffice@stjosephamherst.com), by **Noon**, NO LATER than **2 Fridays prior** to the Sunday you want it to appear.

For an item to appear in the August 3<sup>rd</sup> bulletin, information must be to the parish office no later than **NOON** on July 25<sup>th</sup>.

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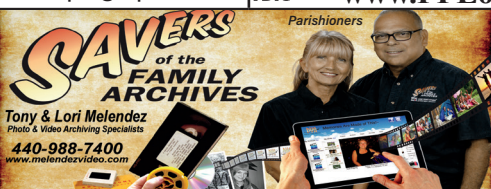
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