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November 9, 2025
The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

ST. JOSEPH PARISH OFFICE: 440-988-2848
Office hours are Monday - Friday 8:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

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ST. JOSEPH PARISH WEBSITE: stjosephamherst.com

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

NATIVITY BVM PARISH: 333 S Lake St., South Amherst, OH 44001

NATIVITY BVM PARISH MAILING ADDRESS:
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 - 8:30 P.M.
Saturday - Individual Reconciliation 11:00 A.M. - Noon

Liturgy Schedule

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10th – Mass at St. Joseph Parish
9:00 a.m. Gerry Gatten (John and Cathy Sekletar)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11th – Mass at Nativity Parish
8:00 a.m. Gin and Jack Siekeres (Joe Siekeres)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12th – No Mass

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13th – Mass at St. Joseph Parish
7:00 p.m. Walter and Josephine Pool
(Terry and Gina Pool)
Confessions to follow until 8:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14th – Mass at St. Joseph Parish
9:00 a.m. Deceased Members of the Lavish
and the Izold Families (Family)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15th
11:00 a.m. Confessions at St. Joseph Parish
4:00 p.m. Harold Anderson (Wife and Son)
Mass at St. Joseph Parish
5:30 p.m. Marshall Dimacchia (Kathy Urig)
Mass at Nativity Parish

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16th – Masses at St. Joseph Parish
8:30 a.m. Joe Sherba (Mom and Dad)
11:00 a.m. Harry and Phyllis Fior (Family)
5:00 p.m. People of St. Joseph and Nativity Parishes

Daily Readings

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10th
Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
(Thirty Second Week in Ordinary Time)
Wis 1:1-7 / Lk 17:1-6

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11th
Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop
Wis 2:23-3:9 / Lk 17:7-10

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12th
Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr
Wis 6:1-11 / Lk 17:11-19

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13th
USA: Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
Wis 7:22b-8:1 / Lk 17:20-25

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14th – Weekday
Wis 13:1-9 / Lk 17:26-37

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15th
Vigil: Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mal 3:19-20a / 2 Thes 3:7-12 / Lk 21:5-19

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Mal 3:19-20a / 2 Thes 3:7-12 / Lk 21:5-19

Activity Schedule

MONDAY-FRIDAY
11:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration (NBVM)

TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS
9:30 a.m. Faithfully Fit Yoga at Nativity Parish Hall

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10th
7:00 p.m. O.C.I.A. Bishop Barron's *Reflections*
and Instructions on the Celebration of Mass
EVERYONE'S INVITED!
(Nativity Parish Hall)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11th
5:00 p.m. Dinners on the Go – Drive-thru pickup
(Nativity Parish)
7:00 p.m. SJS Parent Club Meeting
(St. Joseph School MPR)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12th
5:30 p.m. NO P.S.R.
6:30 p.m. Movie Night (St. Joseph School – MPR)
6:30 p.m. Sacred Sisters Meeting
(O.S.E. Community Center)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13th
9:00 a.m. Vincentians Meeting (Conference Room)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16th
6:00 p.m. Holy Ground Youth Group (School Gym)
Will meet near the choir before Mass
at 5:00 p.m.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

St. Joseph Parish

Sunday, October 26, 2025

Sunday Offertory	\$ 17,958.00
Tuition Assistance	\$ 50.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 273.00
All Souls	\$ 241.00
All Saints	\$ 30.00
Flowers and Decorations	\$ 10.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 71.00
Children's Offertory	\$ 2.00
Assumption	\$ 10.00

E-Giving – October 21, 2025-October 27, 2025

Eoffering – Sunday Offertory	\$ 3,022.20
Eoffering – Maintenance Fund	\$ 96.94
Eoffering – Christmas	\$ 24.70
Eoffering – Vincentians	\$ 120.00
Eoffering – Retirement for the Religious	\$ 96.94
Eoffering – Tuition Assistance Fund	\$ 100.00

Nativity Parish

Saturday, October 25, 2025

Sunday Offertory	\$ 1,177.00
World Mission	\$ 20.00

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VETERANS DAY TRIBUTE CEREMONY



We would like to invite all the St. Joseph and Nativity Parishioners to the Annual Veterans Day Tribute Ceremony at the Veterans' Mural Wall parking lot on Park Avenue, in Amherst on **Tuesday, November 11th at 11:00 a.m.** Fr. Tim will be presenting the Invocation. This yearly event is truly an inspirational tribute to our Veterans.

GRAVESIDE PRAYER SERVICE FOR DECEASED PRIESTS

In conjunction with AM 1260 "The Rock" Cleveland Catholic Radio, The Catholic Cemeteries Association is hosting a Graveside Prayer Service for Deceased Priests on Monday, November 17th at 3:00 p.m. at Holy Cross Cemetery, Brook Park, 14609 Brookpark Road – In the St. John Paul II Mausoleum, Section 5 across from the Priests' Section 10. All are welcome. For more information or questions, please call Renee at 216-930-4866.

GRIEF SUPPORT

The Catholic Cemeteries Association offers free, safe, and compassionate monthly Grief Support meetings. Our meetings are held on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Please join us for an hour of sharing, listening, learning and healing.

Our next meeting is Sunday, November 16th
(3:00 p.m. In-person; 5:00 p.m. Virtual)

- All Saints, Northfield | 480 W. Highland Road
- All Souls, Chardon | 10366 Chardon Road
- Calvary Cleveland | 10000 Miles Avenue
- Holy Cross, Akron | 100 E Waterloo Road
- Holy Cross, Brook Park | 14609 Brook Park Road
- St. Joseph, Avon | 32789 Detroit Road

For details, visit: <https://www.clecem.org/Events/Events.aspx>.
For more information or questions, call Renee at 216-930-4866.

PRE-CANA RETREAT DAY

St. Joseph in Avon Lake is hosting a fall Pre-Cana Retreat Day for those engaged couples preparing for marriage in their Social Hall on Saturday, November 15th, from 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. The cost for this retreat is \$70.00 which will also include a continental breakfast and hot lunch. The retreat will conclude with the 4:30 p.m. Mass.

For more info and to register, go to their website at:

<https://www.stjosephavonlake.org/marriage> or register at <https://onrealm.org/SaintJoseph/PublicRegistrations/Event?linkString=NmI1YzFmMzMtMTc0Yi00MGI2LWE5YTQtYjJjZjAxMzc2Y2Fl>.

2026 MASS INTENTION BOOK

2026 Mass Intention Book to open on Wednesday, November 12th, at 9:00 a.m.

Requests can be mailed in and we will process them in the order in which they are received.

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

St. Joseph Parish: You are welcome to stop in to the Parish 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 Mass Intentions for Nativity Parish.

Mail St. Joseph Mass Intentions to: 200 St. Joseph Dr, Amherst, OH 44001

Nativity Parish: In addition to mailing your Mass Intention requests, you can also 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 Mass Intention is for along with your name and phone number.

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

In order to accommodate everyone, we will only accept two Mass Intentions per loved one until after the first of the year. At that time, if you would like to schedule an additional Mass Intention, you may do so as the schedule allows. The suggested donation for a Mass Intention is \$10.00

PRAYER OF THE ARCHDIOCESE FOR THE MILITARY SERVICES

Almighty God and Father, look with love upon our men and women in uniform and protect them in their time of need. Give them health and stability and allow them to return to their loved ones whole and unshaken. Be with their families and sustain them in these uncertain times.

Grant strength and peace of mind to the veterans who have given their best for the country they love. Support them in infirmity and in the fragility of old age. Teach us to remember their sacrifices and to express our gratitude.

Manifest your tender care to those in the Military Academies who prepare for future service and to those who serve our Nation far from home. Teach us to remember the sacrifices of those whose efforts contribute to ensuring our way of life.

Bless and multiply the priests who minister to the faithful of the Archdiocese for the Military Services. Reward their generosity and keep them faithful. Hear us as we present our prayers to You through Christ our Lord.

~ Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio



Prayerfully consider as to how you can contribute to this worthy cause. To make a donation to the AMS, use this QR code.

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,
by Noon, NO LATER than 2 Fridays prior
to the Sunday you want it to appear.

To be added to St. Joseph and Nativity's weekly emails, simply text SJPA to 84576. We typically send only emails and respect your privacy; text messages will be sent only for urgent situations.

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
[sjandnbvmmedia](https://www.youtube.com/sjandnbvmmedia).

LORAIN COUNTY SERRA CLUB



The Lorain County Serra Club is seeking more members to help us increase vocations to the priesthood. If interested, contact Carrie Parker at cep_mary@yahoo.com. Current members are willing to visit parishes before or after Mass or at another convenient time to meet with interested parishioners.

The Serra Mission is to foster, promote, and affirm vocations to ministry in the Catholic Church.

Meetings:

3rd Monday of each month
after 5:30 PM Mass

Location:

St. Peter Parish, Lorain

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Nativity News

DINNERS ON THE GO

NOVEMBER 11TH MENU

Chicken Paprikash with Spaetzles

Salad

Garlic Bread Sticks/Dessert

Soup – Beef Vegetable

NOVEMBER 25TH MENU

Salsbury Steak with Mushroom Onion Gravy

Egg noodles/ Peas and Carrots

Roll/Dessert

Soup – Italian Wedding

All dinners are \$15.00 and include dessert.

A 16 oz soup cup is \$5.00.

Additional desserts (if available) are \$2.00 each.

Nativity of the BVM Parish is located at

333 S. Lake Street, in South Amherst.

Drive-thru pickup only is from 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Please call Lynn Johnson at 440-752-6519 to place your order(s).

Please try to place your order by the Friday BEFORE a dinner.

Thank you for our continued support!

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 through November 10th. The cost is \$13.00 per strudel. You will pay at the "pickup" day, **November 22nd, at Nativity BVM after the 5:30 p.m. Mass in the Hall.** Strudel will be frozen at pickup (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!**

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.

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It's **FREE!!** Please join us in the SCHOOL MPR on **WEDNESDAY**, November 12th at 6:30 p.m. (1 hr. 39 min.)

Come in through the East door with the blue awning.

Questions? Contact Phil Rawlings at philrawli@aol.com or 440-897-7437. (Hospitality Ministry)



PRE-BAPTISM CLASS

St. Vincent de Paul Parish is offering a Pre-Baptism class on Saturday, November 15th at 10:00 a.m. in the school building's lower level. Please register by November 13th by calling 440-324-4212, and select Director of Religious Education.

THEOLOGY ON THE ROCKS WEST

For Adults 40 & Over



Join us on Monday, November 10
7:00-8:30 p.m.

Westside Irish American Club
8559 Jennings Road, Olmsted Twp.

Grief Observed: Fr. Dan Schlegel, Pastor, St. Raphael, will speak of faith that can survive doubt, a love that transcends death & a path to a deeper faith. In this month that celebrates the Feasts of All Saints & All Souls, grief can be marked by fear, anger, and confusion, but grace can lead us to understanding & acceptance. Join us for a theologically enriching evening. Cost is \$15.00 per person. Light appetizers included. Cash Bar is available. Advance tickets recommended. Register in advance: www.theologyontherockswest.com. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTION INFORMATION

As a reminder to ensure that you get proper credit on your contribution statement, PLEASE mark the outside of your envelope with the correct amount enclosed.

If you are not using a weekly Sunday Offertory envelope, be sure to include your name and address on your envelope as well. This will ensure that when posting the contributions to your account we have the correct amount entered.

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/>.



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

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

Martha Yeater

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.

XLT ADORATION

Everyone from St. Joseph and Nativity Parishes are invited to an hour of praise and worship on Sunday, November 23rd from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at St. Joseph Church in Amherst.

MY DAILY Prayers

A free emailed recording of prayers and insights led by our bishops and priests. Take 10 minutes and join us in prayer.

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dioceseofcleveland.org/mydailyprayers
– and encourage others to join us!

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