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June 21, 2026

The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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, JUNE 22nd – Mass at St. Joseph Parish

9:00 a.m. Richard Blee (Family)

TUESDAY, JUNE 23rd – Mass at Nativity Parish

8:00 a.m. Personal Intention

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24th – No Mass

THURSDAY, JUNE 25th – Mass at St. Joseph Parish

7:00 p.m. Frank and Jean Skiddle (Jean and Al Coviello)
Confessions to follow Mass until 8:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 26th – Mass at St. Joseph Parish

9:00 a.m. Sr. Mary Ann Burke (Friends)

SATURDAY, JUNE 27th

11:00 a.m. Confessions at St. Joseph Parish

4:00 p.m. George Kara (Janice and Sue)
Mass at St. Joseph Parish

5:30 p.m. Jack Priestas (Hyster Family)
Mass at Nativity Parish

SUNDAY, JUNE 28th – Masses at St. Joseph Parish

8:30 a.m. Sheila Montgomery
(Dick and Dodie Kollhoff)

11:00 a.m. Living and Deceased Members of
the DiSilvester and Beko Families

5:00 p.m. People of St. Joseph and Nativity Parishes

Daily Readings

MONDAY, JUNE 22nd – Weekday

St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Saints John Fisher, Bishop
and Thomas More, Martyrs

2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18 / Mt 7:1-5

TUESDAY, JUNE 23rd – Weekday

2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36 / Mt 7:6, 12-14

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24th

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Is 49:1-6 / Acts 13:22-26 / Lk 1:57-66, 80

THURSDAY, JUNE 25th – Weekday

2 Kgs 24:8-17 / Mt 7:21-29

FRIDAY, JUNE 26th – Weekday

2 Kgs 25:1-12 / Mt 8:1-4

SATURDAY, JUNE 27th

Vigil: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a / Rom 6:3-4, 8-11 / Mt 10:37-42

SUNDAY, JUNE 28th

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a / Rom 6:3-4, 8-11 / Mt 10:37-42

Activity Schedule

MONDAY-FRIDAY

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

TUESDAY, JUNE 23rd

9:30 a.m. Chair Yoga Flow Classes
(Mill Hollow Amphitheater)

7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus (St. Joseph School MPR)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24th

6:30 p.m. Sacred Sisters Meeting
(O.S.E. Community Center)

THURSDAY, JUNE 25th

9:00 a.m. Vincentians Meeting (Conference Room)

9:30 a.m. Chair Yoga Flow Classes
(Mill Hollow Amphitheater)

SUNDAY, JUNE 28th

6:00 p.m. Holy Ground Youth Group Session.

Please join us for the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

St. Joseph Parish – June 5, 2026

Sunday Offertory	\$ 16,166.00
Children's Offertory	\$ 2.00
Tuition Assistance	\$ 59.00
Maintenance Fund	\$ 175.00
Pro-Life Collection	\$ 12.00
Peter's Pence	\$ 110.00

E-Giving – June 2-8, 2026

Eoffering-Sunday Offertory	\$ 2,116.18
Eoffering-Maintenance Fund	\$ 10.00
Eoffering-Vincentians	\$ 19.14
Eoffering-Christmas	\$ 24.70

Nativity Parish – June 6, 2026

Sunday Offertory	\$ 2,010.00
Landscape	\$ 25.00

ST. JOSEPH MASS LIVESTREAMED

To view our 11:00 a.m. 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/>

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.

The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

HOLY GROUND YOUTH GROUP

Please Note: The Holy Ground Youth Group **will not meet on Sunday, June 21st.** They will meet on Sunday, June 28th. All 7-12 Graders are welcome. We love to have you join us for the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Youth Group Sessions start at 6:00 p.m. For more information or questions, contact Josh at 440-650-7554 or email him at charles.j.gonzo@gmail.com.

FATHER'S DAY PRAYER

Lord, we thank You for fathers and the father figures in our lives, for all the sacrifices they make out of love.

Heavenly Father, please bless them with your wisdom, patience, and love. Guide them to be a source of strength and support for their families as they lean on you.

We also remember and give thanks for the fathers who have gone before us. May they know eternal peace in Your presence. Amen.



REGISTER YOUR CHILD TODAY



St. Joseph School is committed to integrating the Catholic faith and culture to help students develop into mature, Christian persons, whose lives are modeled on Christ and His Gospel message. Check out our St. Joseph Parish School and register your child for the 2026-2027 academic year. Registration is now open; visit our website for details at www.stjosephamherst.com. Registration forms can be found on the admissions page of the school website. If you would like to tour the school, call the school office at 440-988-4244. They will be checking the voicemail periodically during the summer break.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

The Annual Baby Bottle Campaign for Cornerstone ends on June 21st. If you took a baby bottle, please return it even if you were unable to donate. Thank you for supporting this worth cause.

SACRED SISTERS WEDNESDAY NIGHT LADIES PRAYER GROUP

The group will begin an eight-week study of *The Chosen* – Season 4 on Wednesday, June 24, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. at Old Stone Evangelical Community Center. Ladies from Saint Joseph and Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary will meet weekly to discuss Season 4 of *The Chosen*, answer questions, and enjoy fellowship. For more information or to register, call Lesley at 440-371-6418.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

I Helen Lewis and Brady Grove



MEN'S GROUP

The Men's Group will meet on Tuesday, July 7th at 6:30 p.m. in the school Multipurpose Room (MPR). Men from both parishes are welcomed.

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Hours: 7:00 am to 5:30 pm

Ages: 4-12

Dates Open: June 8th - August 19th, 2026

Closed: Friday, July 3, 2026

Registration Fee

\$40.00 per family

(billed through Facts Management)

Rates

\$10.00 per hour or \$300 per week (1 child)

\$15.00 per hour or \$450 per week (2 children)

\$20.00 per hour or \$600 per week (3 children)

(Late pick-up will be charged an additional \$5.00 every ten minutes after 5:30pm.)

Various fun, educational and entertaining activities scheduled everyday, including Field Trips around Downtown Amherst!

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.

CHAIR YOGA FLOW CLASSES

During the summer months, The Chair Yoga Flow Classes are meeting at the Vermilion River Reservation (Mill Hollow Bacon Woods) Amphitheater. If you would like to join them, call Cindy Miller at 440-670-1300 for more information.



Through the Sacrament of Baptism
St. Joseph Parish welcomes

Isla Marie Gruenberg
Daughter of
Stephen and Angela Gruenberg

into the fullness of our parish community and we congratulate her 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.

PETER PENCE COLLECTION

Each year, the annual Peter's Pence Collection is taken up in support of the works of the Holy Father. The proceeds from this collection fund emergency financial assistance to those throughout the world who suffer from war, oppression, and natural disasters. Please be generous. Envelopes were included in the monthly June envelope packets.

QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTIONS

If you are 70-½ or older, you may be able to make a gift of a Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA that will help us in our ministry and reduce your taxable income. Talk to your advisors or IRA administrator for more information and to be sure that your IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution gift is made directly from an IRA to a qualified charity such as our parishes. Questions? St. Joseph Parishioners, contact Sharon Angell in our parish office at 440-988-2848, ext. 206. Nativity B.V.M. Parish parishioners, contact Ed Klimczak at 440-320-3508 or parishioners from both parishes are welcome to contact Moira Wopershall of the Catholic Community Foundation at 216-696-6525, ext. 8070 or visit www.catholiccommunity.org/ira.

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).

ANSWER ME,
O Lord,
for bounteous is
your KINDNESS;
in your great MERCY
turn toward me.

- Psalm 69:17

VOLUNTEER THANK YOU

We are grateful for the dedication of our Campaign Leadership Team

Thank you to our ten dedicated co-chairs who have helped to make the campaign a success! You may have received a phone call or email from them or heard them give a witness talk at one of our gatherings. We are grateful for their support.

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With questions, please contact the Campaign Office at (216) 902-1300 or calledtoflourish@catholiccommunity.org.



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CATHOLIC CEMETERIES ASSOCIATION SUNDAY GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

The Catholic Cemeteries Association's next Sunday Grief Support Group will be on **Sunday, June 28th. In-person will meet at 3:00 p.m., virtual at 5:00 p.m.** In a welcoming and supportive setting, find fellowship among others who share their experiences and understand the pain of loss. Meetings will be held on the 4th Sunday this month, at no charge to you. Please join us for an hour of listening, healing, and finding comfort with others who understand. For details, call Suzi at 216-930-4866 or visit: www.clecem.org/Events

In-Person Locations:

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

Virtual – Please register at

<https://clecem.org/Information/Bereavement.aspx>

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/>.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027 – SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA

Young adults (18 years or older) are invited to join the Diocese of Cleveland pilgrimage to World Youth Day (WYD) 2027 in Seoul, South Korea, August 3-8, 2027. Experience prayer, catechesis, fellowship, and celebration with the Holy Father alongside millions of Catholics from around the world in this once-in-a-lifetime event. The pilgrimage, coordinated through Verso Ministries, includes participation in WYD events, lodging, transportation, spiritual preparation resources, and visits to important Catholic holy sites in Korea. Registration deadline is June 30, 2026. For more information and to register, visit dioceseofcleveland.org/wyd2027

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.



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

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A poster for 'THE ANSWER ORATORIO' featuring a smiling man with long curly hair in the foreground. In the background, a large ensemble of musicians is performing on a stage. The text 'LORAIN PALACE THEATER PRESENTS' is at the top, and 'THE ANSWER ORATORIO' is in large letters at the bottom. Below the title, it says 'ENGLISH & SPANISH'. At the very bottom, it provides the date 'WEDNESDAY | SEPTEMBER 2 | 7:00PM', the location 'LORAIN PALACE THEATER | 617 BROADWAY, LORAIN, OH 44052', and the ticket website 'FOR TICKETS VISIT WWW.LORAINPALACE.COM/'. A vertical URL 'www.theansweroratorio.com' is on the left side.

WEST-SIDE WEDNESDAYS – YOUNG ADULT SUMMER SERIES

This summer, *Theology on Tap West* is taking a brief break from its regular monthly gatherings – but the mission continues! Join young adults across Cleveland’s west side for West-Side Wednesdays. Each evening begins with Mass at a different parish, followed by dinner at a local restaurant. It’s a simple way to stay connected, meet new people, and continue growing in faith throughout the summer months. All young adults are welcome.

- June 24, 5:30 p.m. – Mass at St. Patrick (Ohio City) followed by dinner at Nano Brew
- July 29, 6:00 p.m. – Mass at Our Lady of Angels (Kamms Corner) followed by dinner at PJ McIntyre’s
- August 26, 6:00 p.m. – Mass at St. John Cantius (Tremont) followed by dinner at Barrio

SAINT CARLO INSTITUTE SUMMER SESSION

This session is for all who work with youth in Grades 6-12. The session will be from

Monday, August 3-Thursday, August 6 at the Center for Pastoral Leadership, Wickliffe.

This four-day, three-night experience of formation includes classes, ministry workshops, off-campus excursions, daily Mass, and more. To find class and workshop details and to register, visit <https://www.dioceseofcleveland.org/events/events/2026/08/03/saint-carlo-institute-for-youth-minister-formation--summer-session>.

WE ARE BLESSED!

Every summer, The FEST is one of the GREAT blessings for thousands across the region and our Diocese. This year, The FEST takes place on Saturday, August 15, 2026 at ForeFront Field in Avon (home of the Crushers). It’s the same great day... just a new location.

Join us as we welcome Riely Clemmons, Matt Maher and CAIN to the main stage. Their music helps us all remember how “blessed” we are by God. There will also be inspiring activities and crafts for the kids, along with opportunities for Prayer, Adoration and Confession.

Bishop Malesic will preside at the Mass at 8:00 p.m. This year, national Catholic artist and composer, Steve Angrisano, will lead the music for this beautiful outdoor Mass followed by an amazing American Fireworks Display.

Invite your family and friends to join you on Saturday, August 15, 2026. Tickets for The FEST are \$10.00. There’s plenty of FREE parking, along with parking passes for sale for close parking. Check out all the details by going to: www.theFEST.us.

CATHOLIC RENEWAL MINISTRIES ANNUAL CHARISMATIC CONFERENCE

All are invited to attend **Catholic Renewal Ministries’ 43rd Annual Charismatic Conference** to be held on **Saturday, July 25, 2026**, at St. Albert the Great Parish Life Center, 6667 Wallings Road, North Royalton 44133. This year’s theme is “Be Renewed in the Power of the Holy Spirit.” Guest speakers will be Dr. Monica Richards, a missionary with Damascus in Columbus, who has developed a love for presenting the Gospel of freedom and dignity in an engaging and entertaining way; Fr. John Gordon, a dynamic preacher and evangelist and a priest of the Archdiocese of Newark, who is a council member of Pentecost Today USA; and Fr. Bob Franco, the Bishop’s Liaison for Charismatic Renewal in the Cleveland Diocese and pastor of St. Peter and St. Julie Billiart Parishes in North Ridgeville. Auxiliary Bishop Michael G. Woost will be the celebrant for the Vigil Mass, and Matt Fafarak will lead us in contemporary praise music throughout the day and evening.

Visit the CRM website: www.crmweb.org or call 440-944-9445 for more information. Advance registration postmarked by Wednesday, July 15th, is \$40.00, and at the door \$50.00. Come, as we praise and exalt Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit.

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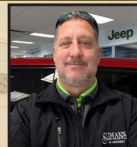
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