



# SAINT MARY AND SAINT JOHN XXIII CATHOLIC CHURCHES

February 18, 2024 • First Sunday of Lent

## PARISH STAFF

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## OFFICE HOURS

### St. Mary, Groveport

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: Closed  
Wednesday: 10:30 am-12:00 pm  
Friday: 9:00 am-10:30 am  
1st Saturday of the month: 3:00-5:00 pm

### St. John XXIII CW

Monday: Closed  
Tuesday-Thursday: 9:00 am-4:30 pm  
Closed on Wednesdays 10:15 am-2:00 pm  
Friday: 11:00 am-4:30 pm  
Sunday: 9:00 am-12:45 pm

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Weekend Mass

Saturday	4:00 pm	<i>St. Mary Groveport</i>
Sunday	8:00 am	<i>St. Mary Groveport</i>
	9:45 am, 11:15 am	<i>SJXXIII CW</i>

### Weekday Mass

Monday	8:30 am	<i>SJXXIII CW</i>
Tuesday	6:00 pm	<i>SJXXIII CW</i>
Wednesday	12:00 pm	<i>St. Mary Groveport</i>
Thursday	8:30 am	<i>SJXXIII CW</i>
Friday	8:30 am	<i>St. Mary Groveport</i>

*Holy Days of Obligation will be listed in the bulletin, as they occur.*

## SAINT MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

5684 Groveport Road,  
Groveport, Ohio 43125 | [groveportstmary.org](http://groveportstmary.org)  
614-497-1324

## SAINT JOHN XXIII CATHOLIC CHURCH

5170 Winchester Southern Road NW  
Canal Winchester, Ohio 43110 | [sjxxiiiparish.org](http://sjxxiiiparish.org)  
614-920-1563

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, February 18**

*1st Sunday of Lent*

**8:00 a.m.** Repose of the Soul of Florence McAvay  
by Carolyn Baker

*Mass at St. Mary, Groveport*

**9:45 a.m.** For the Intentions of the People of  
Ss. Mary, Groveport & John XXIII Parishes

*Mass at St. John XXIII*

**11:15 a.m.** Deceased Members of the Berk, Klise and  
Ready Families by Roger & Kathy Klise

*Mass at St. John XXIII*

**Monday, February 19**

**8:30 a.m.** Repose of the Soul of Joe Groom  
by the Hauser Family

*Mass at St. Mary, Groveport*

**Tuesday, February 20**

**6:00 p.m.** Repose of the Soul of Stephen Muetzel  
by Tom & Teresa Muetzel

*Mass at St. John XXIII*

**Wednesday, February 21**

**12:00 p.m.** Repose of the Soul of SharmaLee Pieramico  
by Family

*Mass at St. Mary, Groveport*

**Thursday, February 22**

**8:30 a.m.** Intention of the Living and Deceased Members of  
the Gene & Judy Noble Family by Sharon Davis

*Mass at St. Mary, Groveport*

**Friday, February 23**

**8:30 a.m.** Repose of the Soul of Fannie Gafford  
by the Gafford Family

*Mass at St. Mary, Groveport*

**Saturday, February 24**

**4:00 p.m.** Repose of Charles Higdon, Jr.  
by Dan & Tera Chun

*Mass at St. Mary, Groveport*

**Sunday, February 25**

*2nd Sunday of Lent*

**8:00 a.m.** For the Intentions of the People of  
Ss. Mary, Groveport & John XXIII Parishes

*Mass at St. Mary, Groveport*

**9:45 a.m.** Repose of the Soul of Carrie Billiter by Her Parents

*Mass at St. John XXIII*

**11:15 a.m.** Repose of the Soul of Marilyn Prunier  
by Michelle & Jay Zeiter

*Mass at St. John XXIII*

## PARISH INFORMATION

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Canal Winchester, OH 43110  
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*St. John XXIII*

**Monday – Closed**

**Wednesday – Restricted Hours**

Open 9:00-10:15 a.m. and  
2:00-4:30 p.m.

Closed from 10:15 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, Thursday –**

9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

**Friday – 11:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**

**Sunday – 9:00 a.m.-12:45 p.m.**

*St. Mary, Groveport*

**Monday, Tuesday and  
Thursday – Closed**

**Wednesday –**

10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

**Friday – 9:00-11:00 a.m.**

**First Saturday of the  
Month – 3:00-5:00 p.m.**

**Sunday – Closed**

### RECONCILIATION

*St. John XXIII* – Tuesdays, 5:30-6:00 p.m.; Wednesdays,  
6:00-7:00 p.m. or by appointment.

*St. Mary, Groveport* – Saturday, 3:00 p.m. or by appointment.

### BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS

Contact Fr. O'Connor

### SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCIES ONLY

Please call Father at 740-400-9170.

### DOOR REPLACEMENT CONSTRUCTION

The construction to replace and repair the entrance doors to the building of St. John XXIII Parish is underway.

It will be completely safe to use the entrance during the construction period. We are choosing to hold all *morning* daily Masses at St. Mary to reduce the traffic flow at St. John XXIII during the construction period. They will not be working into the evening; therefore, we will still have any already scheduled evening events at St. John XXIII. We are working with Elford Construction and the goal is to have the front completed before Holy Week. Please pray we are able to accomplish this goal.

All Sunday Masses will be as scheduled during the duration of the construction. Again, the entrance will be secured and safe for us to enter and exit. There will not be construction on Sundays or in the evening, please attend your preferred Sunday Mass and evening parish activities as normal.

The Parish Office will be CLOSED for business during the construction, the staff will be working limited hours at St. Mary. Call 614-920-1563 or or email [office@sjxxiiiparish.org](mailto:office@sjxxiiiparish.org).

### BAPTISMS

Baptismal Preparation is needed if you are expecting or have had your first child. Also, if you need to schedule your child's Baptism, please call the Parish Office at 614-920-1563 or email the Parish Office at [office@sjxxiiiparish.org](mailto:office@sjxxiiiparish.org) for details. Baptisms can be scheduled following the 11:15 a.m. Mass for the second, third and fourth Sundays of the month.

**WELCOME TO THE FAMILY:**

**Peyton Marie Caruso**

**COLLECT**

**[Grow in Understanding]**

*Grant, almighty God, through the yearly observances of holy Lent, that we may grow in understanding of the riches hidden in Christ and by worthy conduct pursue their effects. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.*

**UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS/EVENTS**

WEEK of February 18, 2024	MASS & EVENT TIMES
<b>Sunday, February 18, 2024</b> <i>1st Sunday of Lent</i>	8:00 a.m. – Mass at St. Mary, Groveport 9:45 a.m. – Mass at SJXXIII 11:15 a.m. – Mass at SJXXIII 12:30 p.m. – ZEAL Pathways Session 2 3:00 p.m. – Men of the Word Bible Study at SJXXIII
<b>Monday, February 19, 2024</b>	8:30 a.m. – Mass at St. Mary, Groveport 7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice at SJXXIII
<b>Tuesday, February 20, 2024</b>	5:30 p.m. – Confessions 6:00 p.m. – Mass at SJXXIII 6:30 p.m. – Altar Rosary Society Meeting at St. Mary
<b>Wednesday, February 21, 2024</b>	9:45 a.m. – Jesus and the Eucharist Series at St. Mary 12:00 p.m. – Mass at St. Mary, Groveport 6:00 p.m. – Holy Hour & Confessions at SJXXIII 7:00 p.m. – Jesus and the Eucharist Series at SJXXIII
<b>Thursday, February 22, 2024</b>	8:30 a.m. – Mass at St. Mary, Groveport 11:00 a.m. – Women’s Ministry – WWP at St. Mary, Groveport 6:00 p.m. – ZEAL Pathways Session 2
<b>Friday, February 23, 2024</b>	8:30 a.m. – Mass at St. Mary 6:00 p.m. – Stations of the Cross at SJXXIII
<b>Saturday, February 24, 2024</b>	3:00 p.m. – Confessions at St. Mary, Groveport 4:00 p.m. – Mass at St. Mary, Groveport 4:30 p.m. – Platinum Club Sweetheart Dinner at SJXXIII
<b>Sunday, February 25, 2024</b> <i>2nd Sunday of Lent</i>	8:00 a.m. – Mass at St. Mary, Groveport 9:45 a.m. – Mass at SJXXIII 11:15 a.m. – Mass at SJXXIII 12:30 p.m. – NOURISH Pathways Session 1 4:00 p.m. – Chili Cook-off at SJXXIII

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT WEEKLY HOLY HOUR**

Eucharistic Adoration is offered every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. for one hour at St. John XXIII. Fr. O’Connor is available for Confessions during this hour. Please know that you may come for the full hour or a brief period of time to pray before Our Lord, Jesus Christ. All are welcome! Please join us as we continue to grow as a parish who prays together. Please come when you can and leave when you must. It is so wonderful to sit and pray, talking and listening to Jesus.

Again, you can come for a few minutes or stay for the full hour. All are welcome! Please join us as we continue to grow as a parish who prays together.

**“The Holy Eucharist is the perfect expression of the love of Jesus Christ for man.”**

– St. Maria Goretti

**WEDNESDAY FAMILY ROSARY**

Next Family Rosary will be next **Wednesday, February 28th**. We gather to say a Rosary at 5:30 p.m. every other week. Families and all parishioners are welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.

**ONLINE GIVING AT ST. JOHN XXIII**

You may go to our website to set up online giving, use the QR code to go to our website giving page.

If you would prefer to set up electronic fund transfer (EFT) by credit card or checking account, stop in the Parish Office for a form. Your contribution supports the work and operations of St. John XXIII Parish, our music, hospitality, and education programs. Please be generous in your



support of these important endeavors.

**WOMEN’S MINISTRY**

The weekly Women’s Ministry group will continue to meet on Thursdays at 11:00 a.m.

Please contact Karen Self at [karenself@aol.com](mailto:karenself@aol.com) or 614-209-6299 if you would like more information. You may also come to a meeting any Thursday at 11:00 a.m. to find out if this is a study for you.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

We will alternate holding the Stations of the Cross between both locations every Friday during Lent.

- **Stations of the Cross** will be held at St. Mary, Groveport on March 1st and March 15th.
- **Stations of the Cross** will be held at St. John XXIII on Friday, February 23rd, March 8th, and March 22nd. The time for both locations will be at **6:00 p.m.**
- A Simple Supper will follow the Stations of the Cross on February 23rd, March 1st, March 8th, March 15th and March 22nd.

**CONDOLENCES**

We offer our sincerest sympathy to the family of Jackie Howes, who passed away on January 8, 2024; to the family of John “Mike” Newlon, who passed away on January 23, 2024; to the family of Mark Sommer who passed away on January 30, 2024. Please pray for the repose of Jackie, Mike, and Mark and for their families in their time of sorrow.

*May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

**HOSPITALITY SUNDAY – WE NEED VOLUNTEERS**

The first Sunday of the month is normally Hospitality Sunday! We had no volunteers to host this month, therefore, we had to cancel.

We need volunteers to sign up to host Donut Sundays. Please see Heather in the Parish Office for how this works. The church reimburses you for the cost of the donuts.

Even if you don’t need a donut, you need a friend – or someone needs you. We enjoy seeing you there!

*Friendship is unnecessary, like philosophy, like art... It has no survival value; rather it is one of those things that give value to survival.*

– C. S. Lewis



**ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING**

The Altar Rosary Society invites all women of St. Mary and St. John XXIII to join us as we start a new year of faith and service. The ARS meets at 6:30 in the St. Mary Church basement and upcoming meeting dates are on Tuesday evenings on February 20, March 19, and April 16, and a May brunch will be planned. Continued support for the church and the community and a project for homeless shelters will be discussed. All meetings begin with the Rosary or prayer service. New guests are welcome to come meet with us!

**THE MEN OF THE WORD BIBLE STUDY**

The Men of the Word Bible Study is open to **ALL** men of the parish. There is nothing attendees need to do in preparation for each session. We will provide Bibles already owned by the parish.

We will meet **every other Sunday, our next gathering is this Sunday, February 18, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.** in a classroom in the lower level of SJXXIII. Each session will be one hour and led by one of our brothers. Our goal is to attempt to meet at least every other week.

Following each session, we will have light refreshments and an opportunity for fraternity.

**ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF**

The Knights of Columbus Council 16561 is sponsoring the Annual Chili Cook-off at SJXXIII. This year, the event will take place on **Sunday, February 25 at 4:00 p.m.** in the lower-level Social Hall.

**ALL ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE!**  
*Recognition for: Best overall chili, Most original chili, Hottest chili, "under 18 yrs. old" award.*

A chili is more solid than a soup, so plan your dish accordingly.

We will have a quick brief on the status of the Dioceses recruitment of seminarians and a freewill collection to Support Our Seminarians (S.O.S.).

In addition to chili, the Knights will have ice cream bars available for a small donation with all money going to our local Seminarians so **please bring cash.**

Please bring your own drinks if you want something other than water/lemonade. Please contact Mike Redmon with any questions.



February 21 and concluding April 3, 2024. Sessions will be offered at two times/locations:

**Wednesday mornings from 9:45-11:45 a.m.** at **St. Mary, Groveport** (before the noon Mass)

**Wednesday evenings from 7:00-9:00 p.m.** at **St. John XXIII Parish** (following weekly Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions)

Please consider asking a friend or family member to join you as we come together to learn more about Jesus and the Eucharist!

If you have any questions, please reach out to Andrea Maier at [AMaier@sjxxiiiparish.org](mailto:AMaier@sjxxiiiparish.org) or 614-920-1563.

**40-DAY EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION & ADORATION**

Please join us again this year in participating in the 40-Days of Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration. We have committed to 36 hours this year. Sign up on FlockNote at <https://stjohnxxiiiparish3.flocknote.com/signup/153867> or on one of the sign-up sheets in the Narthex. We need every hour filled with at least two people. St. Mary and St. John XXIII is scheduled for Saturday, March 9 starting at 9:00 a.m. through Sunday, March 10th at 9:00 p.m. at St. John XXIII.

**SANDWICH SATURDAY- MARCH 16, 2024**

Sandwich Saturday here at St. John XXIII has been going strong over 15 years. The sandwiches we make are delivered to St. Lawrence Haven in downtown Columbus to feed the homeless. This wonderful ministry here at St. John XXIII has had so many of our volunteers return for the joy of helping others. All are welcome to come at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday morning, **March 16, 2024**, to do as Christ asks us to do, take care of our brothers and sisters.

**PLATINUM CLUB FEBRUARY GATHERING – SWEETHEART DINNER**

The Platinum Club will host their annual "Sweetheart Dinner," on Saturday, February 24th at 4:30 p.m. in the Social Hall at SJXXIII. Half-Baked Catering will prepare our dinner of Lasagna w/meat sauce, Fettuccine Alfredo, Italian green beans, tossed salad, and rolls and butter. Drinks will be provided. The cost again will be \$10.00 per person. Please bring a dessert to share. Remember, all of you are our sweethearts, so please come. You must RSVP to Tracy Weiland at 614-517-6601. You may text or call! We will pay for our dinners at the door. See you there!!

**RICE BOWL**

Each Lent, Catholic families across the country unite to put their faith into action through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Through CRS Rice Bowl, families learn about how our sisters and brothers across the globe overcome hardships like hunger and climate change, and how through Lenten alms, we have the power to make the world a better place for all. During this holy time, we are called to pause and pay closer attention to our relationship with God and our neighbors. Reflect on how the Lenten pillars of prayer, fasting

and almsgiving can guide your journey and how the Eucharist helps us to live in solidarity with our sisters and brothers around the world. Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to learn more and read this week's Story of Hope. Rice Bowls are located in the church Narthex near the TV display.

**NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION**

Please stop by the Parish Office before or after Mass on Sunday to register. We encourage all who attend Masses to formally register with St. John XXIII Parish to become a member. If you have any questions, please feel free to come into the Parish Office and speak with Heather.



**MAKE AN IMPACT THAT LASTS FOREVER**

Your legacy reflects how you lived – with kindness, conviction, and faith. St. Mary and St. John XXIII Catholic Churches are your faith home, where you have encountered Jesus Christ and strengthened your relationship with Him. We want this divine life to continue and grow deeper – for ourselves, our children, grandchildren, and future generations of Catholics.

St. Mary and St. John XXIII Catholic Churches have endowment funds that The Catholic Foundation manages. An endowment fund is a longer-term, sustained investment designed to provide our parish with a perpetual source of income. There are numerous ways to support the St. John XXIII Endowment Fund and St. Mary Parish Endowment Fund and share your blessings with our parish for eternity.

For more information on how you can make an eternal impact on St. Mary and St. John XXIII Catholic Churches, please contact Jim Hahn at 614-443-8893, ext. 112 or [jhahn@catholic-foundation.org](mailto:jhahn@catholic-foundation.org).

**THE ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (O.C.I.A.)**

Is an educational and spiritual program developed to engage and instruct non-Catholics who may want to join the Catholic Church AND Catholics who are interested in learning more about or returning to the Catholic faith. O.C.I.A. acts as the compass for individuals who would like to come into full communion with the Catholic Church. If you would like to learn more, call the Parish Office at 614-920-1563.



**OUR GIFT TO YOU – FREE ACCESS TO FORMED.ORG**

As has been tradition here at St. John XXIII Parish, we renewed our subscription to Formed.org for 2024. Please take advantage of the multitude of resources available to you through this site. There are videos for individuals, families, couples, sacraments, children, life as a Catholic, etc. We purchase this for YOU, our parish family, to be able to grow even more like Christ. Just go to the site Formed.org and select “Sign Up” on the top of the page. In the box, type in St. John XXIII. Make sure you choose the one with our parish address. This will give you free access.

**Daily Bread: Discover the Eucharist in Scripture** explores the biblical roots of the Eucharist and how the earliest Christians understood it as the fulfillment of many Old Testament promises. Based on Dr. Brant Pitre’s book *Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist*, these daily Lenten reflection videos will radically transform your love for the Blessed Sacrament. Sign up to receive these daily during Lent at <https://daily.formed.org/lent>.

**AROUND THE DIOCESE**

**“COME AND SEE” WEEKEND AT THE PONTIFICAL COLLEGE JOSEPHINUM**

The Pontifical College Josephinum, in Columbus, Ohio, has scheduled a “Come and See” Live-in Weekend for March 7-10, 2024. The weekend has been set aside to allow young men (high school juniors, seniors, and college-aged students) to visit the seminary for a few days. Live-in participants will experience seminary prayer life, classes, communal worship, and interaction with current seminarians, faculty and staff. Live-in Weekends include introductory presentations on discernment, student life, and the college seminary formation program.

The weekend begins with arrival at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 7, and concludes with departure at noon on Sunday, March 10. All meals and recreation are included. There is no charge to participate. For more information, contact the Vocations Office at 614-221-5565, or email [vocations@columbuscatholic.org](mailto:vocations@columbuscatholic.org) or contact your parish priest.

**SECOND Collection TODAY**

It costs **\$55,000** per year to educate and form a seminarian. The Diocese of Columbus has a **GOOD AND GROWING NEED** by virtue of **16 ADDITIONAL** young men interested in the priesthood. A contribution from you today will support this immediate need to fund future priests throughout our Diocese.

**COLUMBUS CATHOLIC VOCATIONS**  
[www.vocationscolumbus.org](http://www.vocationscolumbus.org)

**SEMINARIAN SUPPORT FUND**

The Diocese of Columbus has a GOOD AND GROWING NEED by virtue of 16 ADDITIONAL young men interested in the priesthood. A contribution from you will support this immediate need to fund future priests throughout our Diocese!

There will be a second collection throughout the Diocese at the end of February dedicated to supporting these seminarians in their discernment process.

You can give then or donate now to the Seminary Support Fund by visiting <https://www.columbuscatholicgiving.org/seminarian-support-fund>! Or use the QR code on the graphic with Deacon Tyler Carter.

There will be a special collection for this on February 25th. We will have a collection basket in the Narthex for this collection. Thank you!

**Spring CLEAN UP**



It’s getting close to Spring and that means time for the Catholic Cemeteries of Columbus Spring Clean-Up! Families wishing to retain any personal keepsakes should gather them by March 1, 2024, when Cemetery field staff will begin clean up around graves and mausoleums. If you have questions, please contact our cemetery offices.

St. Joseph Cemetery  
Lockbourne, Ohio  
(614) 491-2751

Resurrection Cemetery  
Lewis Center, Ohio  
(614) 888-1805

Holy Cross Cemetery  
Pataskala, Ohio  
(740) 927-4442

Mt. Calvary Cemetery  
Columbus, Ohio  
(614) 491-2751





**CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE**

The 27th Annual Catholic Men's Conference returns to Kasich Hall at the Ohio Expo Center and State Fairgrounds on February 24, 2024. THE EUCHARIST: GO DEEPER is this year's complementary theme, as we dedicate this Conference to the Source and Summit of our Faith – The Eucharist. Fall in love with Jesus through the Eucharist, and experience a love and strength like no other, as you walk with confidence on the path to Sainthood. This year's speakers include Father Burke Masters, John Edwards and Chris Stefanick. Tickets are on sale at [www.catholicmensministry.com](http://www.catholicmensministry.com). If you would like to carpool, as we have in the past, we will meet at the Church parking lot at 6:30 a.m., the morning of the conference and leave from there. If you have any questions, please contact Steve Mustard at 614-226-0525.

**PDHC IS HIRING A NURSE**

Join the PDHC team! Pregnancy Decision Health Center (PDHC) is hiring a part-time nurse for the Lancaster Center. Ultrasound training is provided. Job description can be viewed at [supportlifepdhc.org](http://supportlifepdhc.org) on the Join Our Team page. Please email [jenns@pdhc.org](mailto:jenns@pdhc.org) for more information.

**PDHC NEEDS - URGENT**

The Lancaster Center is experiencing some HIGH NEEDS, especially for baby equipment. If a member from your church would like to donate, please share the Amazon link at [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/l/2Z7BD917Z2JSG?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/l/2Z7BD917Z2JSG?ref=wl_share). You can also choose an option for these items to be shipped to the center at no charge.

If you are not purchasing from Amazon, the following HIGH NEED items: infant body carriers, baby monitors, strollers, diaper bags, tummy time play mats, highchairs, baby swings, and baby bouncers (we also accept *gently used of these items*).

As we begin to navigate our cultural challenges in this new year, hold close to His promises: *And the One who was sitting upon the throne, said, 'Behold, I make all things new.' And he said to me, 'Write, for these words are entirely faithful and true.'* ~ Revelation 21:5

**MELCHIZEDEK PRIESTLY VOCATION DISCERNMENT GROUPS**

Melchizedek Priestly Vocation Discernment Group  
There are now seven Melchizedek Project – Priestly Vocation Discernment Groups meeting in our diocese.

In our area are: **St. Pius X Catholic Church in Reynoldsburg and St. Bernadette in Lancaster**

**St. Pius X Catholic Church**  
1051 Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg  
East Columbus Deanery

**Third Thursday of Each Month; October-May; 6:00-8:00 p.m.**

Led by Fr. Patrick Watikha and Fr. Milton Kiocha, St. Pius X Church, 1051 Waggoner Road, Reynoldsburg, OH 43068. This one is primarily for high schoolers. The group meets on the Third Thursday of each month. Dinner and discussion beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Blessed Mother Room of the Msgr. Funk Parish Family Center.

Please email Michelle Carey at [MCarey@spxreynoldsburg.com](mailto:MCarey@spxreynoldsburg.com) for more information.

**St. Bernadette Church**

1343 Wheeling Road, Lancaster  
Fairfield-Hocking Deanery – Vicariate 3 Muskingum/Perry Deanery  
**First Thursday of Each Month; September-April**

Led by Fr. Ty Tomson at St. Bernadette Church. This one is for both high school and college-aged men. The group meets the first Thursday of each month following the St. Bernadette 6:00 p.m. Mass. The gathering includes supper and discussion until 8:30 p.m. Come to the church for Mass, then to the Mary Good Center office building behind the church at St. Bernadette, 1343 Wheeling Road, Lancaster. Please call 740-654-1893 or email [fathertomson@me.com](mailto:fathertomson@me.com) to RSVP or for more information.

**JOB OPENING AT JOSEPHINUM**

**Literature Professor Opening at the Josephinum**

The Pontifical College Josephinum seminary is seeking to hire a full-time Assistant Professor of Literature in the College of Liberal Arts (rank negotiable), beginning in fall 2024. An ideal candidate will possess a completed doctorate (PhD) in literature or an associated area and exhibit a strong commitment to Catholic higher education and to the mission of the Josephinum to form men for the ordained priesthood. Read more about the position and its necessary qualifications at [www.pcj.edu/jobopportunity](http://www.pcj.edu/jobopportunity).

**Be There When God Moves**

July 17-21, 2024, tens of thousands of passionate Catholics will experience an outpouring of grace on a scale this generation has never seen. This historic moment is called the 10th National Eucharistic Congress. Catholics from every corner of the U.S. will be in Indianapolis for this transformative gathering, and YOU are invited to represent our parish at this pivotal moment!

Whether you join us for the full experience or one day, you'll enjoy world-class teaching from some of the most trusted Catholic voices in the United States. Come encounter and worship Jesus in a new way, and be anointed to share those graces with our community when you return home.

**More than ever, you will be proud to be Catholic and excited about the future of the Church in America.**



Scan the code to learn more about the event and explore the full schedule for each day. Contact our parish office for more information about registering with your fellow parishioners.

[eucharisticcongress.org](http://eucharisticcongress.org)




**NATIONAL Eucharistic Congress**  
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**NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL**

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Check out our website  
**SERRACOLUMBUS.ORG**  
for more information and scheduled events.

### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

**MONTHLY EXPENSE/OFFERTORY REPORT:**

Monthly Expenses for January for St. Mary	\$ 12,831.97
Monthly Expenses for January for SJXXIII	\$ 38,922.33
Monthly Offertory in January for St. Mary	\$ 17,629.00
Monthly Offertory in January for SJXXIII	\$ 36,845.01

**MASS ATTENDANCE**

Total for Month of January at St. Mary	<b>1,111</b>
Total for the Month of January at St. John XXIII	<b>1,644</b>



**FROM BOTTOMS UP**

**Did You Know? – World’s Largest Diaper Drive Kickoff Event**

Each year, Bottoms Up Diaper Bank hosts the World’s Largest Diaper Drive (WLDD). The goal for 2024 is to collect **1,000,000** diapers during the month of May! To learn more, come to our 2024 WLDD Kickoff Event in Lancaster at Connexion West on March 5, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. Please reach out to Beth Snoke at [beth@bottomsup.life](mailto:beth@bottomsup.life) or by phone at 614-554-5664 if you would like to attend.

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**RETURNING LOVE FOR LOVE PILGRIMAGE**

Please consider joining Bishop Earl K. Fernandes for a pilgrimage to France in honor of the 350th Anniversary of the revelations of the Sacred Heart to St. Margaret Mary. Dates: May 31-June 9. This trip will include traveling to Lisieux, Paris, Paray-Le-Monial, Nevers, Ars, Annecy, Lyons and Normandy.

Visit <https://www.ctscentral.net/trips/france/celebrate-the-350th-anniversary-of-the-revelation-of-the-sacred-heart-in-france/>.

*Keep in touch with us!*

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**JOIN OUR FLOCK – NEW GROUPS HAVE BEEN ADDED**

What is FlockNote? A communication tool that we hope will provide our parish a wonderful way to help you grow your faith and be aware of the different events and opportunities we provide here at St. John XXIII Catholic Church in addition to the weekly bulletin. Our monthly newsletter will have faith formation content emailed to you via our FlockNote Newsletter, to help you and your family grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ. There are several groups you can join as well to receive information about specific groups straight to your email or text! Please join us! If you would like additional information, please email [office@sjaxiiiparish.org](mailto:office@sjaxiiiparish.org). If you need assistance with signing up for FlockNote, please see Heather, she is happy to help get you signed up to receive our notes.

**MOBILE APPS FOR CATHOLICS**

You may have heard there are numerous Catholic apps you can upload on your smartphone or mobile device. A couple we like to use are iBreviary and Laudate. They each have the Missal for all Masses, so you always have it handy and can follow along. There are countless prayers, readings, rites, and other Catholic resources. These are available for both Apple and Android users. Here are QR codes for you to scan – choose either the Apple App or the Android App:



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