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MISSION STATEMENT

Church of the Ascension is a Catholic community in Johnstown, Ohio that keeps Christ at the center of our hearts, families, homes and parish, so we can live the truth and share it with others (John 14:6; 1 Peter 3:15).

With the help of sacred scripture, tradition, and the sacraments, we strive to know, love and serve God in this world, while encouraging others to do the same, so we may live eternally in heaven with Christ, the angels, and the saints

(Ephesians 2:4-8).

Ascension of Christ, Gebhard Fugel (c. 1893)

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 a.m. • 11:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS

8:00 a.m. • 7:00 p.m.

Vigil 6:30 p.m.

ADORATION

Tuesday 5:00-6:00 p.m.

First Friday 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Saturday 8:30-9:30 a.m.

DAILY MASS

Monday 8:00 am Tuesday 6:30 pm

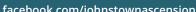
Wednesday-Saturday 8:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Tuesday 5:00-6:00 p.m. Saturday 8:30-9:30 a.m.

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OCTOBER 20, 2024 • TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19TH

8:00 a.m. † Camillo J. Lee by Kim Family 4:00 p.m. † Linda Kwiat by Carter Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20TH

8:30 a.m. † Tracy Smith &
Dave Derouaux
by Bubby &
Robbi Eichner
11:00 a.m. Parish Family

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21ST

8:00 a.m. Lori Stradley by Santarelli Family

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22ND

6:30 p.m. † Kay Bramer by Mark & Karen Brown

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23RD

8:00 a.m. † Mary Ann Olvera by Mahle Family

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24TH

8:00 a.m. † Janet Hoying by Family & Friends

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25TH

8:00 a.m. Evan Smith by Santarelli Family

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26TH

8:00 a.m. † JoAnn Wright by Benton Family 4:00 p.m. † Michael Feeney by Molly Orsini

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27TH

8:30 a.m. † Jerre West by Deacon & Nancy Phillips 11:00 a.m. Parish Family

The *FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR*

this weekend is in memory of Rebecca Christian by Suszanne & Tom Nann.

Shepherd's Column

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This Sunday, October 20th, we celebrate World Mission Sunday throughout the Church. Established by Pope Pius XI in 1926, this day serves as a powerful reminder of our shared commitment to the mission of the Church and the call to spread the Gospel to all nations.

World Mission Sunday invites us to reflect on our role as missionaries in the modern world. While many may think of missionaries as individuals who travel to distant lands, the reality is that every Catholic is called to participate in the mission of the Church. This can be done through prayer, support, and active involvement in local and global initiatives.

One of the key aspects of World Mission Sunday is the emphasis on financial support for missionary work. We just had an excellent missionary appeal in our parish, where we raised over \$1,959.00 for the Cardinal Lourdusamy Foundation in its work to care for orphans in Rwanda and spread the faith in India.

It is important to remember that we are all missionaries of the Gospel to those in our lives. Missionary work is not limited to people going to foreign lands and us financially supporting them. We are all called to bring the Gospel to everyone in our lives through our words and our deeds. Being a missionary is intrinsic to who we are as Christians. I encourage you to take some time this week to pray about how you fulfill your missionary call and what you can do to stimulate positive growth in the vineyard of the world. May God continue to richly bless you!

In Christ,

Fr. PJ Brandimarti

Parochial Administrator

Church of the Ascension, Johnstown



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Use this QR code to book an in-person or virtual appointment time. Simply choose an available time slot and provide your name, phone number, and email address.

REST IN PEACE

We ask your sympathy and prayers for the family and friends of Kathleen Dunn, a lifelong member of Church of the Ascension who passed away on September 29, 2024. May God grant her eternal rest.

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 19-20, 2024

	SATURDAY • 4:00 P.M.	SUNDAY • 8:30 A.M.	SUNDAY • 11:00 A.M.
ALTAR SERVERS:	Jolene Bogner	Veronica Botts	Cole Fox (sub req.)
	Christian Dorsten	Austin Eckstein	Alex Rush
	Isaac Dorsten	Annie Muntz	CC Zirille
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:	Shelli Writesel – Host	Rachel Barb – Chalice (sub req.)	Mike Rush – Host
		Mary Sheehan – Chalice	
		Jerri Burgel – Host	
LECTORS:	Dave Bogner (1)	Carrie Suess (1)	Kelly Bernthold (1)
	Barbara Vanhoose (2)	Rodney Tornes (2)	Chuck Bernthold (2)
GREETERS/USHERS:	Jan Orkis	Robbi Eichner	Zirille Family
	MaryAnn Shaffer	Bubby Eichner	
LIVESTREAM OPERATOR:			Jeff Thomas

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 26-27, 2024

	SATURDAY • 4:00 P.M.	SUNDAY • 8:30 A.M.	SUNDAY • 11:00 A.M.
ALTAR SERVERS:	Christian Dorsten	Veronica Botts	Bode Cherry
	Isaac Dorsten	Annie Muntz	Mathew Cherry
	Ethan Wnek	Jackson Wernette	Ryan Neal
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:	Maureen Keebaugh - Host	Michael Robbins - Chalice	Danielle Wetzel - Host
		Billy Staneart - Chalice	
		Rachel Barb - Host	
LECTORS:	Mike Keebaugh (1)	Diana Lewis (1)	Peter Luhrman (1)
	Maureen Keebaugh (2)	Aaron Locker (2) (sub req.)	Carrie Suess (2)
GREETERS/USHERS:	Dennis Murnane	Tommy Botts Lora Dunfee	
	Jan Orkis	Andrea Botts	Mike Dunfee
LIVESTREAM OPERATOR:			Misiunas Family

All Saints/All Souls' Day, october 31-november 2, 2024

	THURSDAY • 6:30 P.M.	FRIDAY • 8:00 A.M.	FRIDAY • 7:00 P.M.	SATURDAY • 11:00 A.M.
ALTAR SERVERS:	Claire Barb	Alex Rush	CC Zirille	Austin Eckstein (sub req.)
	Joey Barb	Phil Scherer		
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:	Mark Hawkins - Host	Cathy Biancone - Host	Laura Sammons - Host	Karla Fox Somar - Host
LECTORS:	Rodney Tornes (1)	Mike Rush (1)	Andrea Botts (1)	Carrie Suess (1)
	Adele Robbins (2)	Tom Nann (2)	Peter Luhrman (2)	Diana Lewis (2)
GREETERS/USHERS:	Mark Sheehan	Robbi Eichner	Tommy Botts	
	Mary Sheehan	Bubby Eichner	Andrea Botts	
LIVESTREAM OPERATOR:	Jeff Thomas	NOT FILLED	Misiunas Family	

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION JOHNSTOWN, OHIO

Your Gifts to God

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Due to an early printing deadline, please see next week's bulletin.

Do you return a portion of your time/ skills/possessions to God in a spirit of gratitude? Looking for an easier way to give? Scan the QR Code below.



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Your Prayers are Requested

Your prayers this week are asked for Michael Seggert, brother of Lynn Caterina, Danny Oxley, James Litzinger, Lyndsie Woosley Grubb, Rafferty Loughran, Jennifer Ankrom, Angela Taylor, baby Carmen, Sally Blubaugh, Ernie Burnam, Bob & Sylvia Freed, Rick Potter & Family, Justin King, Maxine Nann, Letha Patton, Susan Welch, Joyce Curran, Gabrielle & Shawn, Dana Caswell, Suzanne Kubin, Sharon Freitag, Di Habash, Joe Lindsay, Ivan Booth, Donna Dellapina, Cathy Mann, Peggy Hall, Terry Baesmann, John & Helen Tomich, Barbara Penhorwood, Margie Easterday, John & Neva Stover, Jared Writesel, Don Vocca, Karen Reitz, Jeff Ankrom, Ron & Ann Mullins, Ron Gallo, and for those who have no one to pray for them.

Are you or someone in your family on active duty in the military? Please let us know and we will add the names to our Prayer Requests.

YOUTH GROUP UPDATE

While Mary Nelson is on maternity leave, please note that Youth Group will meet on the following days only: November 3, November 17 and December 8! Youth Group will pick up weekly again starting January 5!

We need help providing lunch for the youth and the amazing volunteers who are helping to keep Youth Group running. Please sign up by visiting https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084BA8A628AAFFC52-47092442-youth.



We invite all parishioners who wish to contribute to the
Hurricane Milton & Helene Relief efforts to donate through Catholic Charities USA.
All funds raised will be directed entirely to local Catholic Charities agencies that are assisting displaced individuals and those in need within their communities.



To support families and individuals affected by the recent hurricanes, we provide two ways to make a gift

- Write a check to the Church of the Ascension with "Hurricane Relief" noted in the memo line; we will forward all donations to Catholic Charities USA.
- 2. Scan the QR code link to make a direct online donation.





New Procedure for Submitting Mass Intentions and Memorials (Altar Flowers)

Requesting a Mass Intention is a meaningful and supportive way to honor and remember loved ones, both those who are living and those who have passed away.

We offer two options for requesting Mass Intentions: Self-Service Online or Manual Assistance through the Office.

SELF-SERVICE ONLINE

The self-service online system enables the faithful to view available Memorials and Mass times, reserve in real-time, and make payment by credit card online. This efficient system will ensure a much quicker response to your requests.

OFFICE ASSISTED

If you prefer not to use the self-service online system, you can contact our

Parish Office at 740-967-7871 or email office@cotaj.org.

If you plan to use a credit card for your donation, we recommend utilizing the online portal.

OFFERINGS

While a donation is not required to secure a Mass Intention, the parish gratefully accepts any offered donation, though the typical amount is \$10.00 per intention. For credit or debit card offerings, we prefer that you use the online portal accessible by scanning the QR code. If you wish to donate by cash or check, please call the Parish Office at 740-967-7871 or email office@cotaj.org, and a staff member will be happy to assist you. If you are unable to make a donation at this time, please reach out to the office for help in scheduling your intention.

LIMITATIONS

To ensure fairness and equity for all faithful, we kindly ask that you prayerfully adhere to the following guidelines when requesting.

Mass Intentions: limit your requests to 12 per household annually, restrict requests to a maximum of 3 per quarter (three-month period) per household, and ensure they are not consecutive in terms of day or time.



Scan the QR code for a link to the online option





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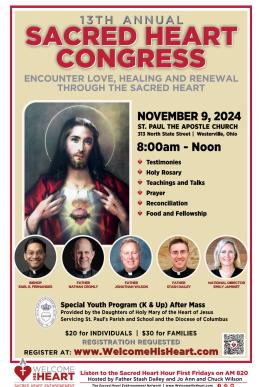
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JOSEPHINUM COME AND SEE WEEKEND

Please encourage young men (high school juniors and seniors as well as college-age) in your parish to consider attending the Come and See Weekend at the Josephinum, November 7-10.

If you have a young man interested in attending, please email the Vocations Office at vocations@columbuscatholic. org or call 614-221-5565, and we will help get him registered.

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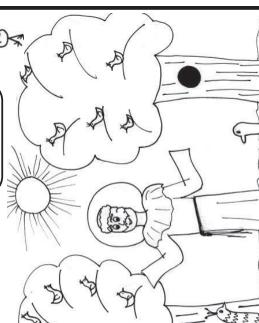
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gave away everything he had. He was very Saint Francis of Assisi was a monk who cheerful and helped others to be happy. Saint Francis of Assisi What can you do to make someone happy today?



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during church to help you focus on prayer? prayer. How should you act Remember that Mass is a

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Year B: Twenty-ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time

FAME AND FORTUNE

Reflection on Mark 10:35-45

James and John are certainly ambitious, and they were probably simply the first to make this request for places of honor in the kingdom, which is indicated by the fact that the other 10 were so indignant with their ask. All 12 disciples were no doubt operating out of the commonly held expectation that the coming Messiah's power would be political, and that power would be exerted to restore Israel to its former greatness, a greatness enjoyed with the reigns of the Kings David and Solomon, with the 12 tribes exercising an unchallenged authority.

How do we stand before Jesus, who came among us as a servant willing to suffer and die for us? Given the ambitions for power and prestige, for fame and fortune, that we carry, how do we hear these words of Jesus: "It cannot be like that with you"? Do we exercise authority and power in service of others? What are our aspirations for recognition? Do we want to be known for great abilities, or for greatness of love for others poured out selflessly?

Fr. Jay



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, October 20, 2024

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 53:10-11

IS 53:10-1

Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22

Heb 4:14-16

Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

Monday, October 21, 2024

Weekday

Eph 2:1-10

Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5

Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

Weekday

Eph 2:12-22

Ps 85:9ab-10, 11-12, 13-14

Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday, October 23, 2024

Saint John of Capistrano, Priest

Eph 3:2-12

Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6

Lk 12:39-48

Thursday, October 24, 2024

Weekday

Eph 3:14-21

Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19

Lk 12:49-53

Friday, October 25, 2024

Weekday

Eph 4:1-6

Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6

Lk 12:54-59

Saturday, October 26, 2024

Weekday

Eph 4:7-16

Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5

Lk 13:1-9

Access Daily Readings from the New American Bible, Revised Edition (NABRE) online at https://bible.usccb.org

SAINT JOHN OF CAPISTRANO

Saint of the Day: October 23 Patron Saint of: Judges

It has been said the Christian saints are the world's greatest optimists. Not blind to the existence and consequences of evil, they base their confidence on the power of Christ's redemption. The power of conversion through Christ extends not only to sinful people but also to calamitous events.

John Capistrano was born in 1386. His education was thorough. His talents and success were great. When he was 26 he was made governor of Perugia. Imprisoned after a battle against the Malatestas, he resolved to change his way of life completely. At the age of 30, he entered the Franciscan novitiate and was ordained a priest four years later.

John's preaching attracted great throngs at a time of religious apathy and confusion. He and 12 Franciscan brethren were received in the countries of central Europe as angels of God. They were instrumental in reviving a dying faith and devotion.

The Franciscan Order itself was in turmoil over the interpretation and observance of the Rule of St. Francis. Through John's tireless efforts and his expertise in law, the heretical Fraticelli were suppressed and the "Spirituals" were freed from interference in their stricter observance. John of Capistrano helped bring about a brief reunion with the Greek and Armenian Churches.

When the Turks captured Constantinople in 1453, John was commissioned to preach a crusade for the defense of Europe. Gaining little response in Bavaria and Austria, he decided to concentrate his efforts in Hungary. He led the army to Belgrade. Under the great General John Hunyadi, they gained an overwhelming victory, and the siege of Belgrade was lifted. Worn out by his superhuman efforts, Capistrano was an easy prey to an infection after the battle. He died on October 23, 1456.

Read the full article: "Saint John of Capistrano" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-john-of-capistrano (Accessed October 1, 2024).





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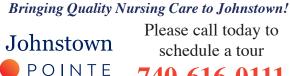
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