



## We are glad you joined us!

We are a Eucharistic Community whose mission is to be “Saints Alive” by knowing, loving, and serving God. Through study, piety, and action, in imitation of the Saints, we answer God’s call to stewardship.

Our weekly bulletin is one of the ways we share what’s going on in our parish and in the Catholic world.

Be sure to also visit us online at [SaintJosephPlainCity.com](http://SaintJosephPlainCity.com), where you’ll find much more information.

# Saint Joseph Catholic Church

## Plain City, Ohio



### Masses

*Weekday Masses are at the church.*

Monday, 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.

Friday, 8 a.m.

Saturday, 9 a.m.

#### **Weekend:**

Saturday, 4:30 p.m.  
at church

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.  
at church

Sunday, 10:30 a.m. at PAC

Saint of the week:

*St. Joseph of Cupertino  
Memorial: September 18*

### Adoration

Monday through Thursday:

6 - 11 a.m. &

6 - 11 p.m.

Friday:

6 - 8 a.m. &

6 - 11 p.m.

### Confession

Saturday, after 9 a.m. Mass  
at church

Saturday, 3:30 p.m. at church

By appointment



Plain City Catholic Church

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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SEPTEMBER 13, 2015

## Masses

## Readings

## Intentions

### Saturday, September 12

4:30 p.m.

Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116;

+People of the Parish

### Sunday, September 13

8:30 a.m.

Jas 2:14-18;

Mk 8:27-35

+Karl Bolzendahl

10:30 a.m. (PAC)

+Fr. Harry Schneider

### Monday, September 14

*Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross*

5:30 p.m.

Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78;

+Open

Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

### Tuesday, September 15

*Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows*

5:30 p.m.

1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101;

+Open

Jn 19:25-27

### Wednesday, September 16

*Memorial of Saints Cornelius, Pope, and*

5:30 p.m.

*Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs*

+Elizabeth Ann Irwin

1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111;

Lk 7:31-35

### Thursday, September 17

NO MASS

1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111;

Lk 7:36-50

### Friday, September 18

8 a.m.

1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49;

Lk 8:1-3

+John Hudak

### Saturday, September 19

9 a.m.

1 Tm 6:13-16; Ps 100;

Lk 8:4-15

+Special Intention of

Macy Block

4:30 p.m.

(4:30 Mass see below)

+Open

### Sunday, September 20

8:30 a.m.

Wis 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54;

Jas 3:16-4:30;

Mk 9:30-37

+People of the Parish

10:30 a.m. (PAC)

+Mary Grubbe

*All Masses are at the church unless otherwise indicated.*

## Adoration

*Adoration sub is needed while a parishioner recovers for the Wednesday 6 to 7 p.m. hour. Please contact Elaine Bonacci (page 8) if you can help.*





# Saints Alive!

## Pray

### For our sick & healing

Patricia Ann Allen  
 Rhonda Campbell  
 Joe Hofbauer  
 Gabriel Kaiser  
 Zachary Kaiser

Betty Lisk  
 Donna Ryder  
 Mary Jane Ward

### For our military

S.Sgt. Michael S. Bertorello, USA  
 1st Sgt. Kevin R. Gleich, USA  
 Lt. Col. Patrick Parsons, USAF  
 Sgt. Jeffrey Sands, USA  
 MASN Todd Thieken Jr., USN  
 Lt. Cmdr. Matt Wood, USN

*If you would like to submit a name  
 to be added to our prayer list,  
 please send your request to:  
[bulletin@saintjosephplaincity.com](mailto:bulletin@saintjosephplaincity.com)*



## Announcements

- A Protecting God's Children training class will be held on Monday, September 14 at 6 p.m. at the PAC. You do not need to pre-register to take the class.
- We still need catechists and aides for some PSR classes. See page 3 for more details.

## Stewardship~

### Offertory Collection for Sunday, August 30

Parishioner Contributions (60)	\$3,439
Loose (Unknown) Contributions	\$ 230
Diocesan Tax (6%)	(\$ 220)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,449</b>

*The above figures DO NOT reflect Online Giving contributions.*

*To sign up for Online Giving, go to the parish website and click Online Giving in the top menu.*

### Recap on Offertory Collection for August:

Budgeted Contributions	\$35,845
Parishioners Contributions	\$15,010
Loose (Unknown) Contributions	\$ 875
Online Giving Contributions (83)	<u>\$14,830</u>
<b>Total Contributions for August</b>	<b>\$30,715</b>
<i>Short from collections</i>	<i>\$ 5,130</i>

*"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." (Mark 8:34)*

When we truly believe that all we have is a gift from God, then we must be willing to give up some things so that we can share our blessings as God intended. Living a stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for our own life, but the lives of others as well.





# Parish Life

## Calendar

### Monday, September 14

Zumba 9 a.m.  
 Protecting God's Children  
 Training Class 6 p.m.

### Tuesday, September 15

Women Aglow 7 p.m.

### Wednesday, September 16

Zumba 9 a.m.

### Thursday, September 17

Choir Practice 7 p.m.

### Friday, September 18

Bible Study 9 a.m.  
 Zumba 9 a.m.

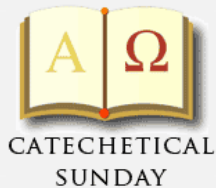
### Sunday, September 20

Catechetical Sunday  
 Catechists Lunch 11:30 a.m.

\*indicates event at church

## Catechetical Sunday ~ Catechists Luncheon

Next Sunday, September 20, is Catechetical Sunday. At our 10:30 Mass all Catechists and Aides for the upcoming PSR classes will receive a special blessing.



Following Mass all Catechists and Aides are invited to the Catechists luncheon in the double classroom at the PAC.

Any Catechists or Aides that cannot make the Mass and luncheon, please contact Kelly Jacobs in the parish office.

**YOU ARE INVITED!!!!**

## **CORKS & CAPS**

**A WINE TASTING & BEER SAMPLING EVENT**

Saint Joseph Catholic Church Parish Activity Center  
 Plain City, Ohio

**Friday, November 6, 2015, 7-10:30 p.m.**

Come to our beer and wine garden and enjoy numerous flavors of wine & beer from around the world. Sit under the garden lights and enjoy tables laden with heavy hors d'oeuvres. Take part in our: PSR Spin Till U Win Table, Family Fun Auction Table, Silent Auction including "Name Your Lane", hand-painted OSU/PIONEERS picture, a special section of hand-painted/decorated wine bottles, and much more.

**\$25 per Ticket\*\*\*\*\*TICKETS ARE LIMITED!!!!**

Sale starts October 1 after each Mass or anytime during the week through the parish office @ 873-8850. See bulletin for more details.

*All proceeds go to the Well-Built Faith Building Fund.*

## PSR~

We still need Catechists and Aides for classes. Please contact Kelly Jacobs in the office if you can help. We can't have classes without teachers.

**4th grade 4:30 p.m., 1st grade 6:30 p.m., and 3rd grade 6:30 p.m.**

PSR Parent Meetings, Monday, September 28 at 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Please attend the same time slot that your kids are signed up for classes.

**MEETING TIME CHANGE:** First Communion Parent Meeting has been moved to Tuesday, September 22 at 6:30 p.m. in the double classroom at the PAC.



## Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLW) will be celebrated the first Sunday in October at the PAC's 10:30 a.m. Mass and will be celebrated on the first and second Sundays of each month through May.



**Children ages 4-7 (those who have not received their First Holy Communion) are invited to attend.**

The Children's Liturgy offers children an appreciation for God's Word at a level they can better understand. During Mass, after the opening prayer, the children are called forth by the celebrant, and the children are sent forth to one of our classrooms with two trained ministers for this Liturgy. This is not a PSR nor CCD class but a liturgy where the children do the same thing their parents are doing at Mass but on a child's level. They listen to the Word of God, sit for a short interactive talk about the readings, pray the Creed, offer petitions for their family and friends and if time permits, sing.

Adults are welcome to accompany their children if they wish, but it is not required. During the Children's Liturgies an offertory will be collected and the children will be involved in carrying up the gifts of the Offertory. Children's envelopes are provided on the table outside the office. The children return during the preparation of the gifts, to be reunited with the assembly for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

## In Need of Childcare

Debra and Jason Hein looking for: Reliable loving caregiver starting January 2016 for our 2 1/2 year old daughter and new born (December 2015). Pending our schedule adjustments the days required will be 3 or possibly 4 days a week ranging from 7:15 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. If you are interested please contact Jason Hein at [jhein2580@gmail.com](mailto:jhein2580@gmail.com)

## Fresh Start Needs

Fresh Start is a program that provides a donated outfit for each woman being released from the Ohio Reformatory for Women. Jeans and a t-shirt are a symbol of a new beginning in life for these women. The day these ladies leave prison is the day that starts a new life. Fresh Start also provides the ladies a small bag of toiletries. All toiletries are donated as well.

Currently, Fresh Start has an urgent need for the following women's pant sizes: 6, 8, 10, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24.



Toiletries are always in short supply; small sizes are best. Please place your donations in the back of church or at the PAC marked for "Fresh Start".

If you have any questions, please contact Renee Dvorsky at [dvorskyrenee@att.net](mailto:dvorskyrenee@att.net).

## It's Almost Here!



Congress starts: September 22

Papal Visit: September 26 & 27

*Please pray for the faithful attending this monumental event & for Deacon Tony and Elaine as they travel to Pennsylvania for the Papal visit.*



# Safeguarding the Dignity of Every Human Person

UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS



## Protecting Human Dignity: The Ten Commandments

by **Dr. Stephen Colecchi**: *Director, Office of International Justice and Peace, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops*

*This article continues from last week's bulletin. To read the entire article visit:*

<http://usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/how-we-teach/catechesis/catechetical-sunday/human-dignity/teaching-aid-colecchi.cfm>

*The Third Commandment~ "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy" (no. 2168).*

On the surface, this command seems to be solely a religious obligation with no relevance to human dignity or human rights. But of course, this was not the case in ancient Israel, nor is it the case today. In addition to its religious requirements, it was a basic labor law. The rest of the Commandment reads: "Six days you shall labor, and do all your work; but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God; in it you shall not do any work" (no. 2167). Deuteronomy 5:14 reads in part: "You shall not do any work, either you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your ox or donkey or any work animal, or the resident alien within your gates, so that your male and female slave may rest as you do." Even slaves got the day off for rest in ancient times!

The Catechism reminds us of a truth too often forgotten by employers today: "In spite of economic constraints, public authorities should ensure citizens a time intended for rest and divine worship. Employers have a similar obligation toward their employees" (no. 2187). Human dignity demands adequate periods of rest and respect for the rights of workers to rest.

*The Fourth Commandment~ "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land which the Lord your God gives you" (no. 2197).*

The Catechism reminds us that "the family is the original cell of social life" (no. 2207). "The political community has a duty to honor the family, to assist it" (no. 2211). So not only does human dignity require that we honor our parents, it requires that society and government support the institution of the family itself, an institution that is under great stress in today's world. Families suffer from an economic system that too often compromises the ability of parents to raise their families in dignity and from cultural influences that undermine basic values that families need to thrive. As our society ages, this command "reminds grown children of their responsibilities toward their parents" (no. 2218), responsibilities that society as a whole has an obligation to support through public policies that promote elder care.

This command also has implications for the "human family." We are not only members of an immediate or extended family; we are also members of local, national, and global families. Human dignity brings with it the "duty of citizens to contribute along with the civil authorities to the good of society" (no. 2239). "Co-responsibility for the common good make[s] it morally obligatory to pay taxes, to exercise the right to vote, and to defend one's country" (no. 2240).

*The Fifth Commandment~ "You shall not kill" (no. 2258; Compendium, nos. 488 -520).*

The connection of this command to protecting human dignity is clear. Every person has the right to life from conception to natural death. The Catechism notes that this right also requires the "legitimate defense

*(continued)* of persons and societies” (no. 2263) and goes on to say “the defense of the common good requires that an unjust aggressor be rendered unable to cause harm” (no. 2265).

The Catechism takes up some special cases in which human dignity and the right to life are threatened. The Church’s teachings on abortion and euthanasia are well known, if not always well understood and respected. Likewise, the Church is clear in its teaching against euthanasia. Less well known is the opposition to the use of the death penalty when incarceration is available to protect society from murderers (no. 2267). Based on this Commandment, the Church rejects kidnapping, terrorism, and torture, noting that torture “is contrary to respect for the person and for human dignity” (no. 2297).

This Commandment also has implications for the protection of human dignity from the scourge of war. Noting that “respect for and development of human life require peace”, the Catechism argues that peace is not “merely the absence of war;” it is built on justice (no. 2304). Beyond this positive obligation to be “peacemakers,” the Catechism acknowledges the right of the state to employ force for the purpose of defense, but only under the “strict conditions” of the just war tradition. Human dignity demands that the use of force be a last resort and only be employed in carefully limited ways (no. 2309). The just war tradition does not exist to justify war but rather to limit recourse to war and to limit loss of life. The protection of human dignity may require the use of force, but human dignity is also profoundly threatened by war. In a reference to weapons of mass destruction, including nuclear, biological, and chemical weapons, the Catechism is clear. Such weapons are incompatible with the protection of human dignity. Their use is a “crime” (no. 2314).

Protecting human dignity and the right to life under this Commandment also suggests that the world needs to take a serious look at the “arms race” and the injustices and “excessive economic or social inequalities” that lead to war. Paradoxically, the vast sums spent on defense rob humanity of the resources needed to address the underlying causes of war (nos. 2315, 2317).

#### *The Sixth Commandment~ “You shall not commit adultery” (no. 2331).*

This command is not simply about infidelity, although it is certainly about that. A lack of faithfulness in marriage compromises the human dignity of both partners, but there is more to this Commandment. The prohibition has implications for sexuality more widely and for the relationship between the two sexes. The Catechism says that men and women have “equal personal dignity” (no. 2334). This Commandment implies this equality since either partner can be wronged by its violation.

Fornication between unmarried persons, pornography, prostitution, and rape degrade the human person and harm human dignity (nos. 2353-2356). In our culture today, tragically there is a commercialization of sexuality that leads to an objectification of persons. People are treated like things that can be discarded, and too often they are. No one should be treated like an object, especially as an object for another’s pleasure. Human dignity demands more.

All persons, including both heterosexual and homosexual persons, are called to chastity (no. 2337 ff.). The disciplines of chastity protect against the exploitation of another person as an object. The Catechism notes that persons with a homosexual orientation should be treated with the respect due every person by virtue of the human dignity: “Every sign of unjust discrimination in their regard should be avoided” (no. 2358).

*Next week we conclude this article with Commandments 7 through 10.*

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## Saint of the Week: Saint Joseph of Cupertino

**Born:** June 17, 1603

**Died:** September 18, 1663

**Memorial:** September 18

**Canonized:** July 16, 1767

Joseph's father died before he was born and creditors drove his pregnant mother from her home. Joseph ended up being born in a stable. At 8, Joseph started receiving visions that continued for the rest of his life. At 18, he applied to become a friar. Unfortunately, he was refused due to his lack of education. The Capuchins accepted him as a lay-brother but his visions made home unsuitable for work. Finally, he got what he so desired and was accepted into a Franciscan convent and became a priest at 25. In addition to visions he was known to levitate and float. This levitating led to his patronage of people involved in air travel.

*Learn more:* <http://catholicsaints.info/saint-joseph-of-cupertino>

## Parish Picnic Fun!





