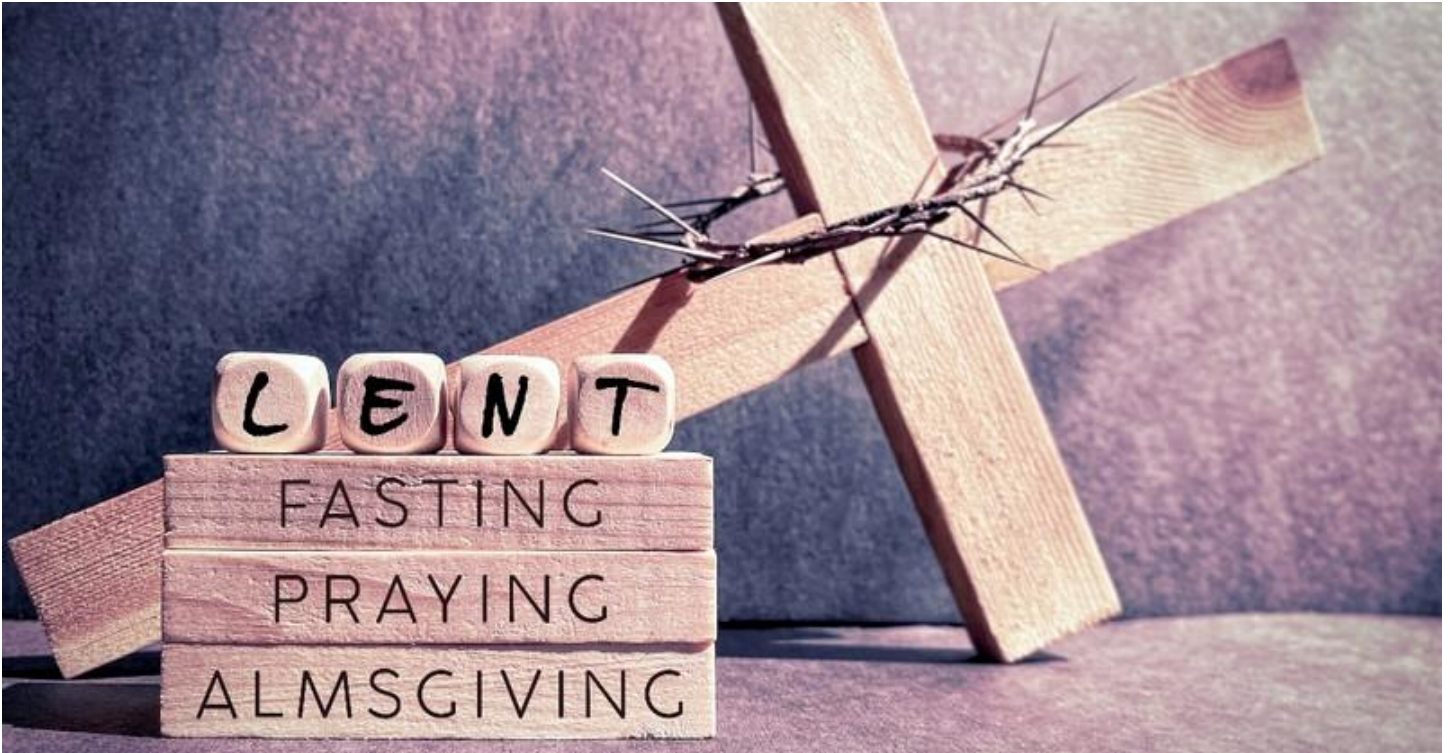


ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Mass Times

Sunday 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.
Monday 7:00 p.m.

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Reconciliation

Sunday 8:00 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.
Monday 6:00 p.m. – 6:40 p.m.

Anointing of the Sick

419-695-4050

Baptism

Please call the parish office three months prior to your child's baptismal date to schedule pre-baptismal instructions.

Matrimony

Please contact Sister Immacolata at least six months in advance to schedule your wedding preparation and celebration.

March 9, 2025
First Sunday of Lent

Please pray for...Anita Bertsch, Sam Bonifas, Mike Dickrede, Janice Etzkorn, Tony Kahle, Marilyn Heitz, Linda Hoffman, Tom and Darlene Klausing, Fr. Bob Kill, Joan Mason, Brody Miller, Joan Minning, Gerry Mueller, Jodi Parsons, Patti Poling, Kenzie Ray, Ann Rees, Kristy Ringwald, Dorothy Trentman and Hailey Wannemacher.

Message from Father Jeff

I hope you're enjoying your last days before Lent and that you've taken some time to make a spiritual game plan for the coming Holy Season. I wanted to give you a bit of an update on what's going on with my recovery. I met with the PA in my surgeon's office last week. My wound is healing well and I am making some progress in leg control. My brace is still locked in the extended position and will be for the next 4-6 weeks, so that still presents some challenges.

Since that appointment, I've been practicing on stairs and working on gaining some independence. Right now, the plan is that I'll take up residence again in the Delphos rectory on Ash Wednesday. I will start Physical Therapy 2-3 times a week as soon as they can get me scheduled. I am still under orders to keep my leg elevated and iced more often than not and I am easily physically tired, so I will not be resuming a normal work schedule. While it's my intention to make myself available by email and phone. I won't be out and about every day nor am I able to sit in a chair easily and certainly not at a desk.

I'm really only at the beginning of my recovery. If I am lucky, I might be able to drive by the end of April. I will have the brace on my leg until June, and will not be considered "healed" and "free to resume all activities" until mid-August. I thank you for the patience and grace that you've shown in the last month since my fall. I truly appreciate all of your kind words, cards, flowers, and prayers. Prayers for a blessed Lent for us all. Yours in Christ, Father Jeff

Lenten Season

Stations of the Cross will be prayed every Monday (starting February 10th) at 6:40 p.m. in church. Please come and join us and consider staying for 7:00 p.m. Mass. (Remember Adoration is every Monday from 4:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. followed by Benediction)

40 Cans for Lent

Delphos Knights of Columbus will be collecting canned food during the 40 days of Lent for the local food pantries. Cans can be dropped off at the K of C Hall or the drive-thru during Friday Fish Fries.

CLCs...Landeck CLC is having a cash giveaway.

1st prize \$500 2nd prize \$200 3rd prize \$100
\$10 per ticket. Tickets can be purchased from any CLC member or at the Parish Office. Tickets on sale until March 31st.

Food for the Body and Soul

" **TODAY March 9th** we will have our annual special " homemade soup and sandwich fundraiser from 3:30 pm – 7:00 pm. The meal includes Venedocia Lions sausage and homemade soups and ice cream. All " proceeds will go toward our capital campaign. Please " come and enjoy time together. "

"Living Bread" Mission

We all have a graced opportunity this Lent—the *Mission for Eucharistic Revival* conducted by our pastor, Father Jeff Walker! This is a spiritual uplift which you definitely won't want to miss. The three-night Revival will be held at two sites: Spencerville St. Patrick's (March 9, 10 and 11) and Delphos St. John's (March 24, 25 and 26). All talks are at 7:00 p.m. Since the two missions will be identical, you can feel free to mix-and-match locations. For all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, the Mission will count as your biennial Renewal, so it is necessary that you attend all three presentations. Sign-in papers for Ministers of Holy Communion from our three sister-parishes will be provided at both sites. We hope to fill the pews for this outstanding event.

Serra Club

The Serra Club of Lima Area, which exists to promote and support vocations to priesthood and religious life, will be meeting Thursday March 13 at Lima Central Catholic High School. Mass will begin at 5:45PM followed by dinner and a program. This month's speaker will be Sr. Marcia Boes, OSF/T sharing her journey to religious life and also her experience serving 5 parishes merged into one. Persons who have an interest in this topic or the mission of the Serra Club are welcome to attend as guests. If interested in attending, please respond to Kathy at 419-303-0339 no later than Tuesday, March 11.

Completing Vestment Orders

Our set of new liturgical vestments for priests and deacons is just about complete. We have a few remaining opportunities for purchase- a white chasuble and a purple, 5 dalmatics (a white, a pink, a red, a purple and a Marian Gothic), and a purple humeral veil. Anyone who is interested please see Sister Immacolata. Special thanks to all who have been a part of this project to enhance the dignity and beauty of our worship.

Last Weekend's Gifts

March 2, 2025

Total Offering: \$ 3,366.20

Sunday Envelopes: \$ 2,264.20

Maintenance: \$957.00

Loose: \$116.00

Children's Loose: \$4.00

Central/Eastern Europe: \$25.00

**Capital Campaign for this week:
\$1,037.00**

February MyEoffering

Offertory: \$2,187.49

Maintenance: \$154.70

Total: \$2,342.19

Thank you for your generosity!

Mass Intentions

(Sunday ~ March 9th)

8:30 a.m. – Norman Liebrecht

5:30 p.m. – Healing for Father Jeff and the sick

(Monday ~ March 10th)

7:00 p.m. – Rob Mason

(Sunday ~ March 16th)

8:30 a.m. – Dick and Dolly Honigford Family

5:30 p.m. – JoAnn Hohlbein

(Monday ~ March 17th)

7:00 p.m. – Bernie Schwinnen
Curtis Schwinnen

Ministry Schedule

First Sunday of Lent Sunday, March 9th ~ 8:30 a.m. Mass		Second Sunday of Lent Sunday, March 16th ~ 8:30 a.m. Mass	
Sunday Rosary	Ginny DeSalle	Sunday Rosary	Keith and Julia Kleman
Gift Offering	Ken and Kathy Miller Family	Gift Offering	Honigford Family
Lectors	1 st Reading – Eric Kerner 2 nd Reading – Carl Weber	Lectors	1 st Reading – Sarah Jamison 2 nd Reading – Ruthie Hammons
Commentator	Diane Bonifas	Commentator	Catherine Heitz
Communion Distributors	Jane Bonifas, Nancy Kroeger, Martha Miller Choir: Tess Rahrig	Communion Distributors	Lois Hemker, Ed Paxton, Linda Martin Choir: Jeff Martin
Servers	Megan Kerner Bo Renner Owen Renner	Servers	Sophia Bloom Olivia Bloom Lani Warnement
Cantor/Choir	Adult Choir	Cantor/Choir	Jamie Rahrig and Teen Choir
Usher	Boomer Bonifas	Usher	Boomer Bonifas
Projector	Curtis Mueller	Projector	Megan Hoersten
Mass Set-Up	Ken Miller	Mass Set-Up	Linda Martin
Money Counters	Steve and Joan Bockey Boomer and Janet Bonifas	Money Counters	Steve and Joan Bockey Boomer and Janet Bonifas

~If there is something you would like placed in the parish bulletin, please contact the Parish Office no later than **Wednesday at 12:00 p.m.** prior to the weekend you want your information published.

Worship Schedule

First Sunday of Lent March 9 th	Second Sunday of Lent March 16 th
8:00 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. – Confessions	8:00 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. – Confessions
8:30 a.m. – Mass	8:30 a.m. – Mass
5:30 p.m. - Mass	5:30 p.m. - Mass
Monday, March 10 th	Monday, March 17 th
4:00 p.m. - 6:40 p.m. – Adoration	4:00 p.m. - 6:40 p.m. – Adoration
6:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. –Confessions	6:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. –Confessions
6:30 p.m. -Benediction	6:30 p.m. -Benediction
6:40 p.m. -Stations	6:40 p.m. -Stations
7:00 p.m. Mass	7:00 p.m. Mass



OUR Parish History

When the first Franciscan sisters from Syracuse, New York arrived to teach in 1917, a home was purchased for a convent. This was the 4th house east of the church on the south side of Landeck Rd. This was a temporary solution until a new convent could be built. Plans to turn the rectory into a convent and build a new rectory were underway when the church was destroyed by the tornado and had to be postponed. The photo is of the Franciscan Sisters of Syracuse, New York. ~ Written by Jack Bockey

Living Bread

A Mission For Revival

THREE EVENINGS WITH FR. JEFF WALKER

Pray the Mass more actively.
Receive Communion more fruitfully
Adore the Lord more faithfully.

The Mission begins at **7:00pm** each evening.

The two missions will be identical, so feel free to mix-and-match locations.

The CATHOLIC PARISHES of
DELPHOS, LANDECK, and SPENCERVILLE
Saint John the Evangelist | Saint John the Baptist | Saint Patrick



REMEMBER

Sunday, March 9 - Spencerville
Monday, March 24 - Delphos



RECEIVE

Monday, March 10 - Spencerville
Tuesday, March 25 - Delphos



REMAIN

Tuesday, March 11 - Spencerville
Wednesday, March 26 - Delphos