

# Catholic Church of the Sacred Hearts

2024: Our 156th Year as Morrow County's Catholic Community



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## Masses

### Sunday

Saturday: 4:30 pm (Sunday Vigil);

Sunday: 9:00 am

### Weekdays

Tuesday: 6:00 pm

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 8:45 am

First Saturday: 8:45 am

### Holydays of Obligation

See bulletin.

### Confession

Saturday: 3:30-4:15 pm

### Eucharistic Adoration

First Saturday of every month,

9:15 am-3:15 pm

## Parish Office Hours

Monday	CLOSED
Tuesday	9:30 am-1:30 pm
Wednesday	9:30 am-1:30 pm
Thursday	9:30 am-1:30 pm
Friday	9:30 am-1:30 pm

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**SEPTEMBER 28TH & 29TH  
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**MASSES THIS WEEK**

Saturday	4:30 p.m.	+James R.
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	<i>pro populo</i>
Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	Frances C. followed by the Perpetual Novena in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal
Wednesday	8:45 a.m.	Wilson Family
Thursday	8:45 a.m.	+Stephan Karigithe
Friday	8:45 a.m.	+Ron Thomas
Saturday	8:45 a.m.	Mass & Exposition Leila Schafer

**LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS**

**LECTORS**

Saturday, September 28	Julie Blankenship
Sunday, September 29	Patrick Kely
Saturday, October 5	Michelle LaBarge
Sunday, October 6	Gene McCurdy

**ALTAR SERVERS**

Sunday, September 29	A.J. Brehm
Sunday, October 6	Josh Goers

**EME**

Sunday, September 29	Will Schindley
Sunday, October 6	Dennis Zoulek

**SACRISTANS**

Saturday, September 28	Julie Blankenship
Sunday, September 29	Carol Ferguson
Saturday, October 5	Mary Jean Nixon
Sunday, October 6	Jackie Wagner

**USHERS**

Saturday, September 28	Nathan Bell
Sunday, September 29	Ken Cover
Saturday, October 5	Bill Porter
Sunday, October 6	Malcolm Warren

**COUNTERS**

Sunday, September 29	Greg Goers, Ginny & Will Schindley
Sunday, October 6	Erin Kely, Soni & Andy Ware

**LINENS**

September	Stephanie Zmuda
October	Martha Meier

**FROM THE PASTOR**

Greetings in the Lord Jesus Christ! This Sunday, September 29th is World Day of Migrants and Refugees. You will notice in the bulletin a letter signed by all of the bishops in Ohio regarding the plight of migrants and how we should “welcome the stranger” as Jesus says in Matthew 25 and shelter the homeless as one of the corporal works of mercy. The bishops speak of migrants as neighbors who we must love. They also speak of the dignity of the human person which must be protected since all people are made in the image and likeness of God. That is the lens with which we must view all peoples, migrants, as well as those born and unborn. If we are tempted to think of migrants as a people who are unwelcome, we must remember that many of our own ancestors were migrants to this nation, fleeing dire conditions in their home countries, whether due to famine, wars, or religious persecution; whether Irish, German, Italian, Polish, or Asian. Most migrants are coming as families with children who are fleeing violence in their home countries or who are looking for work. We must love them and welcome them, even if it is a burden.

I am currently reading a book written in 1907 by Robert Hugh Benson, called Lord of the World. In this book, the world wants to make humanity better by eliminating suffering. The problem is that suffering will always be with us. Jesus himself said, “The poor you will always have with you.” We can work to make humanity better, but never by focusing on trying to eliminate all suffering. Jesus said to carry our cross daily. This means suffering is the normal way of life, not every second of the day, but as a regular occurrence. Therefore, when it comes to migrants, we must accept the cross of helping them rather than making it easier on ourselves with the attitude of “send them back.” If we “deport them all,” then we are simply trying to eliminate our own suffering, but the migrants end up suffering worse. As a common humanity, we must not be selfish, but must rather think of our brothers and sisters.

Since I am speaking of a hot-button political issue, I must speak as well on the issue of abortion under the guise of “reproductive freedom.” If abortion is the intentional killing of an unborn child, then we must not say that people should be “free” to make that decision. We cannot say “My choice, my body,” since it is a separate body, another separate human being in the womb. Those who advocate for the freedom of abortion perhaps desire to eliminate the suffering of the pregnant mother who does not want the child. That is admirable except it seeks to make humanity better by eliminating suffering at all costs. Yet, suffering will only increase. The ones who will suffer the most are the unborn children. We, too, as a people will suffer from this choice as our own humanity will be greatly diminished. Suffering will never be eliminated if we refuse to carry the cross. The solution is that we must carry the cross of helping those women in need. Pro-life pregnancy centers are helping those mothers to care for their children they thought they shouldn’t have. Imagine if those who advocate for abortion also helped carry that cross rather than advocating for the elimination of suffering. When we help each other to carry our crosses, our humanity grows and we find greater joy, fulfillment, love, and hope. We are more united to God because we have loved our neighbor.

May God bless you!  
Fr. Shikina



## The Catholic Church and Politics in Ohio

Have you heard of the Catholic Conference of Ohio (CCO)? The CCO is the second-oldest state bishops' conference in the United States and serves as the official voice of the Catholic Church in Ohio on matters of public policy and government relations.



As stated in *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, “While the bishops help form the laity in accordance with basic principles, they do not tell the laity to vote for particular candidates.” The CCO is non-partisan and does not endorse any candidates.

On behalf of the Catholic bishops of Ohio, the CCO advocates for laws and legislation in Ohio that align with a Catholic vision of a moral and just society by:

- Collaborating with Catholic dioceses across Ohio to champion Church teachings that advance the common good.
- Forming consciences of Ohio legislators on matters of public policy.
- Testifying in support of or opposition to proposed legislation in the Ohio House of Representatives or Senate committees.
- Equipping Catholics to get involved and support public policies that uphold their beliefs and values through a monthly newsletter, action alerts, and advocacy events.

Signup for the Catholic Conference of Ohio monthly newsletter to stay informed and get involved as a faithful citizen at:

[www.ohiocathconf.org](http://www.ohiocathconf.org)

Follow CCO on social:



@ohiocatholics

### Friendly Reminder!

Register to vote or update your voter information by Oct. 7 at [voteohio.gov](http://voteohio.gov)



**PRAYER LIST:** Please remember in your prayers the following who have been recommended to our charitable concern:

Cassy Lutz, Paul Noe, Ed & Frances Harding, Liz Gliem, Anita Black, Ezekial Salid, Reese McHenry, Roger Yoder, Steve Baker, Patty Ortiz, Neidra Davis, David Huffman, Don Askew, Roy Ferguson, America Silva, Howard & Harriet Gompf, Jan Gibbs, Caroline Petitti, Pam Frysinger, Wes Ramsey, Patrick Drouhard, Hank & Janie Kowalewski, James & Lillian Joering, Marjorie Armbruster, Johanna Conti, Dalton Sherman, Betty Crum, Walter Olsen, Billy Ervin, Judy Manley, Stephen Karigthe, Sabina Busto, Trish Thomas, Robin Hudson, Barb Dickason, Dawn Barranco, Mary Jo Fetch, Christa Harvel, Linda Harvey, Donna Spreng, Kyle Conley, Dave & Ethel Evans, Sam Harding, Walt Bakle, Barb May Wilt, Rose Long, Marian Morgan, Mary Ellen Berg, Doyle Rogers, Kathy Toll.

**OFFERTORY SEPTEMBER 21/22, 2024**

Collection	\$ 2,290.00
Online	\$ 891.61
Mail-In	\$ 120.00
Total	\$ 3,301.61

**SACRED HEARTS CATHOLIC FRIENDS**

Sacred Hearts has a new Catholic Friends group on Facebook. Search for *Sacred Hearts Catholic Friends*. Join an event or host an event. Pray, eat, play! **ST. MARY TUESDAY MASS** will be moved to 7:00 a.m. starting October 1st, for all who want an earlier Mass time, or work over near Marion.

**HOST GUILD** – If you missed the first meeting, but would still like to join, you can drop your membership form and your dues in the office in an envelope marked “HOST Guild”, give it to any member or bring it to the October meeting. We have some fun things planned for the year, so you don’t want to miss the fun! Keep in mind that our annual Lasagna Dinner, Raffle, Silent and Live Auctions will take place on Sunday, December 8th in Foeller Hall. Start thinking about what kind of basket you want to donate for the Silent Auction and if you have items or service you would like to donate for the live auction. We need your support to make this event a success! More information will be forth coming soon. Our October meeting will be on Monday the 14th starting at 6:30 p.m. in Foeller Hall. Hostesses for October are Ellen Ewers, LaVerna White and Donna Kill. Hope to see you on the 14th!

**BIBLE STUDY** after Mass on Friday mornings in Foeller Hall. Everyone is welcome!

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP:** New Members, please contact Sacred Hearts Church Office at [sacredheartchurch@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheartchurch@gmail.com) or by telephone. Present members, please keep our office informed of any changes in name, telephone number(s), address and family members.

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Knights of Columbus

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** S.O.S. for the month of August. We were able to collect \$193.00. Adding that to our previous amount brings the total to \$1,085.00. Thank you ALL for your support!

Football CRAZR TICKETS are still available from our local Knights of Columbus members! Last year, we sold 77 tickets. So far this year, we have only had about half that many sold tickets turned in. So, hopefully you are just getting ready to buy your tickets. I was hoping that we would sell at least what we sold last year, if not 80 or more! So, please don’t wait any longer; **buy your football CRAZR tickets now. Tickets are just \$20.00 each. We need to exceed our quota. Thank you for supporting the Knights of Columbus in our fundraiser.**

– Carl Ferguson, Grand Knight.



**FIRST SATURDAY:** Please join us every first Saturday of the month for Mass and Exposition starting at 8:45 a.m. with open Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until Benediction at 3:15 p.m. Sign up on the bulletin board for an hour or just stop in to visit our Lord in quiet prayer.

**CATHOLIC MEN’S LUNCHEON – FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2024 – SPEAKER: THE MOST REVEREND EARL K. FERNANDES, BISHOP OF COLUMBUS.** Please join us on Friday, October 4 at St. Patrick Church in downtown Columbus for a luncheon featuring the annual address from his Excellency Bishop Fernandes. The October luncheon is sponsored by The Catholic Foundation. More information about The Catholic Foundation is available at <https://catholic-foundation.org/>. Holy Mass (optional) begins at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch at 12:10 p.m. and Bishop Fernandes’ presentation. No reservations are necessary. \$12.00 covers the lunch and meeting. Bring a friend!



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