

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5

- 6:15 AM Communion Service
- 9:00 AM Mass for Ruth Crawford
- 7:00 PM Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting (Youth Room)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, ST. BRUNO

- 6:15 AM Communion Service
- 9:00 AM Mass for John Shaull
- 2:45 PM Jubilant Ringers (Church)
- 6:30 PM Adult Ringers (Church)
- 7:00 PM R.C.I.A. (Emmaus Room)
- 7:00 PM AA Men's Meeting (Upper Room)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

- 6:15 AM Communion Service
- 9:00 AM Mass for Mary Jo Frisch
- 1:00 PM Low Vision Support Meeting (Emmaus Room)
- 5:00 PM Mass for David Schreiner
- 5:45 PM Youth Choir Practice (Choir Room)
- 6:45 PM Rel. Ed. Classes (Grades 1-8)
- 7:00 PM Parish Choir (Choir Room)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

- 6:15 AM Communion Service
- 9:00 AM Mass for Donald Haaser (Anniv.)
- 9:30 AM Eucharistic Exposition (Eucharistic Chapel)
Adoration through the day until 9 PM
- 7:00 PM Circle of Mercy Meeting (Emmaus Room)
Hostess: Mary Cool, Vicki Sulken, Ruth Whitta

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9

- 6:15 AM Communion Service
- 9:00 AM Mass for Vicki Mann
Grades 1-6 attending
- 9:30 AM Eucharistic Exposition (Eucharistic Chapel)
Adoration through the day until 9 PM
- 2:15 PM Mass at Good Shepherd

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

- 7:00 AM Ladies' CRHP Weekend begins
- 4:30 PM Mass for Ruth Coughlin, John Reinhart, Owen Hammer, Richard G. Pelton, Allen & Lois Holman, the liv./dec. members of the St. Wendelin Class of 1958, especially Darrell Bentz **Servers:** Hailee Burns, Lauren Meyers, Colton Feathers, Kaitlyn Fillhart
Lector: Eric Beam **Cantor:** Sarah Jones
Gift Bearers: Elden & Millie Fox

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Vocation Cup: Dave & Cecilia Smith
NO Fellowship

- 7:30 AM Mass for Paul Schmeltz, Joan Reinhart, Carl Smith, Adam Ridge, Jerome & Albertha Reinhart **Servers:** Bayley Heckathorn, Hannah Heckathorn **Lector:** Rose Metzger
Cantor: Becky Theis
Gift Bearers: Joe & Dorie Bouillon

- 9:00 AM Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (Atrium)
- 9:00 AM Mass for the Liv./dec. members of St. Wendelin Parish **Servers:** Alexa Hallman, Cyle Smith, Lucas Holman, Justin Hammer
Lector: Therese Clouse **Gift Bearers:** Fred & Darlene Smith **PARISH CHOIR**
- 11:00 AM Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (Atrium)
- 11:00 AM Mass for Betty Howard (30-Day), Kenneth & Ardella Russell, Liv./dec. members of the Bragg & Emerine Families **Servers:** Heather Saalman, Maddie Statham, Katie Statham, Colleen Fondessy **Lector:** Arlen Lowery
Gift Bearers: John & Paula Cockie **H.S. CHOIR**
- 6:30 PM Divorced & Separated (Upper Room)

**Extraordinary Ministers
of Holy Communion**
10/10 & 10/11 A
11:00 AM 10/11 A

SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT FOR AUGUST		
Received 8/01/09 - 8/31/09	\$	70,476
Direct Deposit for August	\$	12,878
Budgeted for August	\$	95,405
Over (Under) for August	\$	(12,051)
Year-to-date received	\$	153,135
Year-to-date budgeted (wk 9)	\$	171,729
Over (under) for fiscal year	\$	(18,594)
Children's Offertory August	\$	135

Readings for the Week of October 4, 2009

- Sunday Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128;
Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16
- Monday Jon 1:1-2:2, 11; Ps 2;
Lk 10:25-37
- Tuesday Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130;
Lk 10:38-42
- Wednesday Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86; Lk 11:1-4
- Thursday Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1; Lk 11:5-13
- Friday Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9; Lk 11:15-26
- Saturday Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97; Lk 11:27-28
- Sunday Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90; Heb 4:12-13;
Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27



**HELP
WANTED**

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAYS

We are in need of individuals, couples, families, and groups to host Fellowship. Call the Parish Office at 419-435-6692 for details and/or to sign up.

**COMMUNITY WIDE
STEWARDSHIP OF PRAYER**
On Friday, October 9, at 12:05 PM, stop and pray for a bountiful harvest in order that food may be available for all.



25-4-2-34

No, this is not the lucky number for the lottery. It is not someone's birthday. It is a number which amazed me!

In the history of our parish, we have given 25 priests to the church, 4 deacons, 2 religious brothers and 34 religious sisters. What a blessing for us and the church.

This expression of faith cannot grow without a strong support system. It makes me proud to be part of St. Wendelin Parish and its history of faith formation. I believe that the strong tradition of Catholic education has a lot to do with this result. A school started in 1873 with ninety children. Lay teachers staffed the school. In 1886, the Notre Dame Sisters were asked to staff the new school and have done so since that time. As has been mentioned, the first graduate of the high school was in 1910.

We continue to enjoy the faith of our parish. It is the enriched soil which will continue to bring to fruition God's plan for us. The effort to teach our children the faith is worth all the energy and resources that we pour into it. This effort makes the Catholic Faith strong in our country. It makes our Church one of the leaders in living the Catholic faith, more so than in other countries.

Thomas Merton writes:

"We are supposed to be light of the world.

We are supposed to be light to ourselves and to others.

This may well be what accounts for the fact that the world is in darkness."

The light penetrates our parish. It challenges us to continue to grow. It demands that we continue to inform and motivate our young people to practice that faith. It calls us to be less self centered and more centered on living Jesus' message.

God bless our prayers and efforts!

Fr. Nicholas Weibl



PARISH SERVICES

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Fr. Eric Schild, Associate Pastor eric.schild@stwendelin.org

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Hours: 8:00 - 11:30 A.M. — 12:30 - 5:00 P.M.

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Mary Anne Nopper, Development Director

maryanne.nopper@stwendelin.org

Religious Education (Spiritual Enrichment Center) 323 N. Wood St. 8:00-4:00 PM
419-435-6681

Shellie Gabel, Pastoral Associate for Religious Education
shellie.gabel@stwendelin.org

St. Wendelin Catholic Elementary School

300 N. Wood St. 7:30-3:30 PM
419-435-1809

Cathy Krupp, Principal

cathy.krupp@stwendelin.org

Deb Kelley, Elementary Secretary

deb.kelley@stwendelin.org

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Notre Dame Sisters 339 Liberty St.,
Fostoria, OH 419-701-2380



Cemetery Clean-up

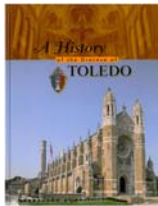
Decorations can be put back on the graves starting Sat., Oct. 10. Thank you for your cooperation.

FALL SALE

Time for fall cleaning? Caring Hands Pregnancy Center will have the Fall Sale on **October 7, 8 & 9**. Please save your good, clean, usable items. Bring to K. of C. basement **Monday & Tuesday, October 5 & 6**. Your help is appreciated and needed. For more info, call 419-937-0679 or 419-435-6784.

The History of the Diocese of Toledo a marvelous gift to your family. All the parishes of our Diocese are featured. Our history from being in Quebec Diocese to Baltimore, to Bardstown, to Cincinnati, to Cleveland and, finally, Toledo Diocese. We have a special sales price. Some parishes are selling them for \$40, \$35, we are offering them for the sale price of \$25. We can do so because of a generous donor.

You can find the books at the high school, grade school and parish office. God bless.



St. Wendelin Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting Reminder

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the first Monday of each month at 7 PM in the Common Ground Room; the next meeting is October 5th. All current members, and others interested in learning more about this special ministry, are encouraged to attend. If you have a current prayer shawl project, please bring it along so that we can work on them together.

Please contact either Cecilia Smith (419)435-4321 or Millie Williams (419)457-3135 for further information.

This weekend (October 3-4) the Catholic Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Sunday. This year takes its focus from the following words of Pope Benedict XVI:

Every child ... brings us God's smile and invites us to recognize that life is His gift, a gift to be welcomed with love and preserved with care always and at every moment.

During this weekend, we make a special effort to remember that every human life is a gift given by God. While the assaults on human life are many in the times in which we live, this weekend gives us a chance to pray that all human life will be respected, cherished, and lived as a gift from God. We are given a chance this weekend to renew our own efforts to be grateful for the gift of life we have all received from God. We also are able to renew our efforts to help protect those whose lives are not respected. As a parish, we are glad to support Fr. Eric Schild and the group of youth that he will be leading to Washington DC for the annual March for Life in January. May our parish and our homes always be places where every human life is welcomed and cherished! More information on Pro-life issues can be found at <http://www.usccb.org/prolife>.

HEALTH MINISTRY NEWS

Fostoria Community Hospital Seasonal Flu Vaccination Clinics

- Wednesday, October 14, 7 - 9 AM
- Monday, October 19, 3-5 PM
- Monday, November 2, 11 am - 1 pm
- Monday, November 23, 6 - 8 AM



Cost is \$25 for the flu shot and \$35 for the pneumonia vaccination. Bring Medicare card if eligible. **Must have photo I.D.** Receipt for insurance reimbursement available on request. 18 years of age and older only. Clinic will be held in lower level conference center. Questions call Promedica Total Wellness 419-436-6688.

St. Wendelin Seasonal Flu Shot Clinic Oct. 31/Nov.1

Vaccinations will be given after all Masses the weekend of Oct. 31/Nov.1 in the parish hall by FCH Total Wellness Dept. nurses. Same information as above applies. Questions contact Kathy Holman, Parish Nurse by email Kathy.holman@stwendelin.org or 419-435-6692.

October Health Happenings

- **Blood Sugar Screening** Tues. Oct. 6, 8-10 am FCH Reception Area entrance 1. Fasting or two-hour post eating is encouraged. FREE and open to the public. No appointment needed. 419-436-6629 for more info.
- **Scale Down Program Information Session** Wed. Oct. 7, 7pm FCH Conference Center A entrance 2. FREE information session detailing the range of Scale Down weight loss program options. 419-436-6688 for more information.
- **Diabetes Education Classes** Thurs. Oct. 8, 8-4pm or Thurs. Oct. 8 and Fri. Oct 9 from 8-12noon FCH Conference Center A entrance 2. Call 419-436-6629 for more information. Physician referral required; must pre-register.

Question:

Why do Catholics pay for Masses to be said?

Answer: The Catholic Church has condemned paying for prayers, which was the custom, at times, in the Middle Ages. The money that is given at the time of the request for Masses is an offering for the works of the Church to continue. It helps to support the education of children; it helps to fund the outreach to the homeless, the elderly, the ill and others who are in need. It is as much of an offering as the Sunday Offertory collection, or the money left in the will to support the work of the Church.

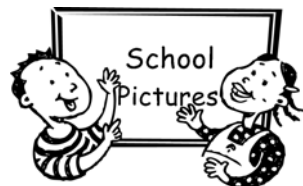
The request to pray for a person at a specific Mass is again the wish of the Lord as he says pray always. He also mentioned that He will be with us when two or three gather in His name. We are at our best when we pray for one another in our needs. The prayer of the Eucharist (Mass) is always for everyone and we continue to get the blessings every day as we gather in the Lord's name.

WHAT'S GOING ON ...

- ▶ **Tuesday, Oct. 6** – Grades PreK3-6 Pictures
- ▶ **Wednesday, Oct. 7** – Grades PreK4 Pictures

SCHOOL PICTURES

Students should wear their uniforms for these pictures. Casual pictures will be taken in the spring.



STATE OF OHIO CUTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL FUNDING

State of Ohio Budget Cuts Undermine the Financial Stability of Catholic Schools:

The State Budget Bill (HB 1) that was passed in mid-July included unprecedented cuts for the chartered non-public schools (including all Catholic schools). These cuts in funding for students in chartered nonpublic schools, when added to cuts made to resources and services for those students in 2008/2009, undermine the education of thousands of Ohio's young people. Furthermore, they threaten to destabilize a system of schools that provides high quality education for hundreds of thousands of citizens in this state – and has done so reliably for 150 years. Chartered nonpublic schools save taxpayers close to \$2 billion every year. Specifically, St. Wendelin Schools estimates that these cuts will amount to \$102,500.00 for this coming biennium. This loss of funding will mean that either the goods and/or services that are provided with these funds will need to be reduced, or parents will be asked to make up the difference with increased tuition.

For the past twenty-five years, the state legislature and the past governors treated us equally with public schools' basic foundation grant. Since last fall, our programs have been cut by 17.5% while the public schools' grant was only reduced by less than one quarter percent. Parents and stakeholders of our school are asked to take action and let our elected officials know that we are concerned about this unfair treatment. To contact your elected officials, go to www.ohio.gov.com or call, email or mail a letter to the following address for all of the State Representatives 77 S. High St., 10th Floor, Columbus, OH 43215-6111.

State Rep. Jeff Wagner (81st District Seneca)
Phone: 614-466-1374 Email: district81@ohr.state.oh.us

State Rep. Randy Gardner (6th District Wood)
Phone 614-466-8104 Email: district06@ohr.state.oh.us

State Rep. Cliff Hite (76th District Hancock)
Phone: 614-466-3819 Email: district76@ohr.state.oh.us

State Senator Karen Gillmor (26th District Seneca)
614-466-8049 Email: sd26@senate.state.oh.us

State Senator Mark Wagoner (2nd District Wood)
614-466-8060 Email: sd02@senate.state.oh.us

State Senator Steve Buehrer (1st District Hancock)
614-466-8150 sd01@senate.state.oh.us

WHAT'S GOING ON ...

- ▶ **Saturday, Oct. 10** – VFB 7:00 pm vs. Waynesfield-Goschen @ home
- ▶ **Monday, Oct. 5** - Picture Retakes; EARLY DISMISSAL 1:30 pm – faculty meeting
- ▶ **Tuesday, Oct. 6** - JHVB 5:00 pm @ Seneca East; FR/JV/VVB 5:00 pm vs. Seneca East @ home
- ▶ **Wednesday, Oct. 7** - Golf 3:30 pm @ Genoa
- ▶ **Thursday, Oct. 8** - Living Rosary 10:30 am (north gym) for the Feast of the Rosary; JHFB 4:30 pm vs. Findlay St. Michael @ home; JHVB 5:00 pm @ New Riegel; FRVB 5:00 pm @ North Baltimore; JV/VVB 6:00 pm @ Bettsville
- ▶ **Friday, Oct. 9** - VFB 7:00 pm @ Fairbanks
- ▶ **Saturday, Oct. 10** - CC 9:00 am @ Booster Invite; JV/VVB 10:00 am vs. Cory Rawson @ home

CROSS COUNTRY FUNDRAISER

▶ **The St. Wendelin cross country teams will be having a fundraiser at the McDonald's on N. Countyline Street on October 7, from 4:00-7:00 pm. Please come to support the team!**

SAFE & DRUG FREE SCHOOLS FUNDING

▶ Safe & Drug Free School funding is in serious jeopardy of being discontinued beyond the current 2009-2010 academic calendar year. This funding is crucial for the prevention and intervention of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs and safety concerns in our schools. As explained below, it only takes a couple minutes to object to the elimination of this important resource by completing two online letters to Congress and to the President. This is our last chance to keep this program alive.

What you can do: Tell Congress and the President that they need to reconsider the decision to eliminate funding for the State Grants portion of the SDFSC program (Title IV, Part A). You do not have to write a letter. An online letter is already composed and will be sent to your specific legislators and to the President. In order to send both sets of letters, it is necessary to:

1. Click on the link (<http://capwiz.com/cadca/issues/alert/?alertid=14028251&type=CO>) that takes you to the alert for your members of Congress. Scroll down to the bottom, insert your contact information and click "send message"

2. Click on the second link (<http://capwiz.com/cadca/mail/?id=3181&lvl=F&chamber=P>), which takes you to the alert for President Obama

3. Click "next step" - Scroll down to the bottom, insert your contact information and click "send message".



NEEDED: VOLUNTEERS FOR EUCHARISTIC ADORATION FOR CRHP WEEKENDS OF OCTOBER 10 & 11, AND OCTOBER 17 & 18.



Sign-up sheets will be available on the table in the Gathering Space for those interested in making a visit to the Eucharistic Adoration Chapel during those weekends to pray for support of the candidates making the renewal. Prayer is needed to make this event a success and to show our candidates we are spiritually helping them with this important step in their lives. We would like to have at least two people in the chapel at all times. Family, friends and relatives are welcome!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR 40 HOURS CELEBRATION

Sunday, October 18, at 7:00 PM

Fr. Nicholas Weibl – Presider
Guest Homilist: Phil Smith
Topic: Eucharist and the Year of the Priest

Monday, October 19, at 7:00 PM

Fr. Dan Ring – Presider and Homilist
Topic: How the Eucharist sustains us (discuss 100 years of high school education, 100 years of diocese, etc)

Tuesday, October 20, at 7:00 PM –

Fr. Eric Schild – Presider
Homilist: Fr. Nicholas Weibl
Topic – The Eucharist and Evangelization
This evening will feature a Eucharistic Procession outside.

MOHAWK MANIA

As part of the St. Wendelin 100 year celebration, Mohawk Mania will debut on Saturday, October 24th, from 7p.m. to midnight. We are hoping many alumni and friends will come and enjoy this special event. \$25.00 Admission. Registration forms are available online at <http://www.stwendelin.org>

Highlights include-

- ~Dueling pianos, in the style of Howl at the Moon shows.
- ~Grazing stations, with tasty food all evening. While this isn't a meal, there will be plenty of choices offered.
- ~A free beverage ticket with each admission.
- ~Unlimited chips and salsa all evening.
- ~Beer and margaritas will be available at a very low cost.

DEACONS' PRAYER CHAIN

Over 150 Deacons throughout the Diocese are praying twice a day for those who have asked for prayers. If you have any prayer needs, please e-mail them to Deacon John Campbell at: maryjohncam@hotmail.com



PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for the following people who are in need of a healing touch:
Lowell Bugner, Paul Chaney, Patsy Conine, Thelma Crawford, Frances DeLaRosa, Matt Fox, Stephen Hark, Phyllis Hulderman, Gus Lopez, Nichole Medina, Mae Reinhart, Kathy Scherger, Dan Seibert, Jerry Ulm, and Susie Watkins



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education News

Eighth Grade Confirmation Students: Our first retreat will be this Sunday, October 4th, when we take a tour of Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral in Toledo, and have Mass at St. Thomas More parish in Bowling Green. A spaghetti supper will follow. Please be at St. Wendelin Parish by 12:45p.m., so we can take attendance and be on our way at 1:00 p.m. Emergency medical forms and Program Participation Release forms must be turned in to Mrs. Gabel or your 8th grade teachers ahead of time. Please dress appropriately for our Sunday liturgy.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Parents of children ages 3 to 5 years still have the opportunity to register your child(ren) for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program that begins this Sunday, October 4th, during the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Masses. For more information and registration, please call the Religious Education office at 419-435-6681 or email Shellie Gabel at shellie.gabel@stwendelin.org. The fee is \$10.00 per child to attend.

Generations of Faith for Religious Education children in **grades 1-3** and their parents will be on Wednesday, October 14th at 6:45 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Please join your child(ren) as we learn more about the Mass, make crafts, and share our faith with one another.

BAPTISMAL POLICY OF ST. WENDELIN PARISH

Make Initial contact with the Parish Office: It is advised that you finish the baptismal preparation before your child is born.

Participate in the first session: This will be given by a priest or deacon, one-on-one, and deals with the theology behind the Sacrament of Baptism.

Participate in the second session: At the end of the first session, you will need to register for the second session. These sessions are held 5 times a year. The next date is November 1, 2009. Each session will begin with reserved seating at the 9:00 a.m. Mass and finish by noon.

CARING HANDS FOR PREGNANCY

Caring Hands Pregnancy Center at 112 E. North St. is our charity for the month of October. The office is staffed by volunteers on Monday from 1pm - 4 pm and Tuesday from 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm. They provide help to mothers/babies up to one year old with counseling, information, free pregnancy tests. We are always in need of infant clothing, baby food, furniture, and maternity clothing. Call Barb Rice at 419-435-5191. Make checks payable to St. Wendelin. Thanks for all your support.