



# Alleluia

## Saint Mary and Saint John XXIII Catholic Churches

### St. Mary

5684 Groveport Road, Groveport, OH 43125  
614-920-1563 | [www.groveportstmary.org](http://www.groveportstmary.org)

### St. John XXIII

5170 Winchester Southern Road, Canal Winchester, OH 43110  
614-920-1563 | [www.sjxxiiiparish.org](http://www.sjxxiiiparish.org)

*"The tomb of Christ, who is living, The glory of Jesus' resurrection;  
bright angels attesting, The shroud and napkin resting.  
Yes, Christ my hope is arisen; to Galilee he goes before you."*

-Victimae paschali laudes

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, April 21****4th Sunday of Easter**

**8:00 a.m.** Repose of the Souls of Rose Ann &  
Frank Bieckleman by Margaret Barnett

*Mass at St. Mary, Groveport*

**9:45 a.m.** Repose of the Soul of Carrie Billiter by her Parents

*Mass at St. John XXIII*

**11:15 a.m.** For the Intentions of the People of  
Ss. Mary Groveport & John XXIII Parishes

*Mass at St. John XXIII***Monday, April 22**

**8:30 a.m.** Repose of the Souls of Steve & Rudy Jurcich  
by Mary Spurbeck

*Mass at St. John XXIII***Tuesday, April 23**

**6:00 p.m.** Repose of the Soul of Sr. Mary O'Connor  
by the Leonard Sisters

*Mass at St. John XXIII***Wednesday, April 24**

**12:00 p.m.** May & Millie by Judy Hetterscheidt

*Mass at St. Mary, Groveport***Thursday, April 25**

**8:30 a.m.** Repose of the Soul of Joe Groom  
by Chuck & Lina Eckel

*Mass at St. John XXIII***Friday, April 26**

**8:30 a.m.** Repose of the Soul of Andrew Zag by Family

*Mass at St. Mary, Groveport***Saturday, April 27**

**4:00 p.m.** Repose of Richard Sommer by Diane Factor

*Mass at St. Mary, Groveport***Sunday, April 28****5th Sunday of Easter**

**8:00 a.m.** Repose of the Soul of Sharma Lee Pieramico  
by Family

*Mass at St. Mary, Groveport*

**9:45 a.m.** Repose of the Soul of Marilyn Prunier  
by Nancy Ramsey

*Mass at St. John XXIII*

**11:15 a.m.** For the Intentions of the People of  
Ss. Mary Groveport & John XXIII Parishes

*Mass at St. John XXIII*

## PARISH INFORMATION

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**St. John XXIII**

Monday – Closed

Wednesday – *Restricted Hours*

Open 9:00-10:15 a.m. and  
2:00-4:30 p.m.

Closed from

10:15 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday –

9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Friday – 11:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Sunday – 9:00 a.m.-12:45 p.m.

**St. Mary, Groveport**

Monday, Tuesday

and Thursday – Closed

Wednesday –

10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Friday – 9:00-11:00 a.m.

First Saturday of the

Month – 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Sunday – Closed

**RECONCILIATION**

**St. John XXIII** – Tuesdays, 5:30-6:00 p.m.; Wednesdays,  
6:00-7:00 p.m. or by appointment.

**St. Mary, Groveport** – Saturday, 3:00 p.m. or by appointment.

**BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS**

Contact Fr. O'Connor

**SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCIES ONLY**

Please call Father at 740-400-9170.

**BAPTISMS**

Baptismal Preparation is needed if you are expecting or have had your first child. Also, if you need to schedule your child's Baptism, please call the Parish Office at 614-920-1563 or email the Parish Office [office@sjxxiiiparish.org](mailto:office@sjxxiiiparish.org) for details. Baptisms can be scheduled following the 11:15 a.m. Mass for the second, third and fourth Sundays of the month.

**IMPORTANT – WEEK OF APRIL 22-26, 2024 –****DAILY MASS LOCATION**

Please make note, Masses the week of April 22-26 (Monday-Friday) daily Masses will be held at St. John XXIII. Father O'Connor will be on vacation and Monsignor Funk will say Mass at St. John XXIII in his absence. Thank you for your understanding.

**MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA – EVERY MONDAY**

Every Monday, we will have the opportunity to gather and recite the Miraculous Medal Novena after daily Mass.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT****WEEKLY HOLY HOUR – FAMILY HOLY HOUR**

**This week, the fourth Wednesday of the month, April 24th, Holy Hour with Confessions at 6:00 p.m. is especially for Families!** Of course, Families are welcome at *every* Holy Hour but, sometimes it can be hard or feel intimidating to bring little ones who excel more at making a joyful noise than practicing silence. Because we recognize the importance of praying as a family and teaching children by example how to Adore Christ's Presence in the Eucharist, we invite you to come and pray with us! Again, you can come for a few minutes or stay for the full hour. All are welcome! Please join us as we continue to grow as a parish who prays together.

*“The Holy Eucharist is the perfect expression of the love of Jesus Christ for man.” – St. Maria Goretti*

**COLLECT**

[Joys of Heaven]

*Almighty ever-living God, lead us to a share in the joys of heaven, so that the humble flock may reach where the brave Shepherd has gone before. Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.*

**UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS/EVENTS**

WEEK of April 21, 2024	MASS & EVENT TIMES
<b>Sunday, April 21, 2024</b> <i>4th Sunday of Easter</i>	8:00 a.m. – Mass at St. Mary, Groveport 9:45 a.m. – Mass at SJXXIII 11:15 a.m. – Mass at SJXXIII 12:30 p.m. – WONDER Pathways
<b>Monday, April 22, 2024</b>	8:30 a.m. – Mass at St. John XXIII 9:00 a.m. – Miraculous Medal Novena 7:00 p.m. – Choir Practice at SJXXIII
<b>Tuesday, April 23, 2024</b>	5:30 p.m. – Confessions 6:00 p.m. – Mass at SJXXIII
<b>Wednesday, April 24, 2024</b>	12:00 p.m. – Mass at SJXXIII 5:30 p.m. – Family Rosary 6:00 p.m. – Family Holy Hour & Confessions at SJXXIII
<b>Thursday, April 25, 2024</b>	8:30 a.m. – Mass at SJXXIII 11:00 a.m. – Women’s Ministry at SJXXIII 6:00 p.m. – WONDER Pathways
<b>Friday, April 26, 2024</b>	8:30 a.m. – Mass at SJXXIII
<b>Saturday, April 27, 2024</b>	3:00 p.m. – Confessions at St. Mary, Groveport 4:00 p.m. – Mass at St. Mary, Groveport
<b>Sunday, April 28, 2024</b> <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i>	8:00 a.m. – Mass at St. Mary, Groveport 9:45 a.m. – Mass at SJXXIII 11:15 a.m. – Mass at SJXXIII 12:15 p.m. – Easter Tea 3:00 p.m. – Men of the Word Bible Study

**WEDNESDAYS FAMILY ROSARY**

Next Family Rosary will be this **Wednesday, April 24th**. We gather to say a Rosary at 5:30 p.m. every other week. Families and all parishioners are welcome. We look forward to seeing you there.

**SAVE THE DATE**

As we begin as one parish, The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we will begin the Consecration to Jesus through Mary on Monday, May 6, 2024. There will be resources available to assist parishioners with this consecration. You may also use your own personal materials if you wish. More information will be provided soon.

**CATHOLIC SCHOOL FAMILIES – IMPORTANT NOTICE**

If your child(ren) attends or you plan to enroll your child(ren) into a Catholic School, please schedule a meeting with Father O’Connor through Heather as soon as possible. He will need to meet with all families who wish to receive a subsidy for their child(ren)’s tuition. Stop in the Parish Office, call 614-920-1563, email [office@sjxxiiiiparish.org](mailto:office@sjxxiiiiparish.org) or go to the Flocknote sign-up that was sent out the end of March to schedule your appointment now.

**ST. MARY ALTAR FLOWERS**

This week’s flowers are gifted by Chris Lewis and family in memory of the anniversary of Larry and Maria Zarbaugh.

**2024 ALTAR FLOWERS AT ST. MARY**

There are many dates available if you would like to remember or honor loved ones with altar flowers. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. Please note the price increase for the flower arrangements that started January 1, 2024. Make sure you write your name and phone number along with the intention of the flowers on the sheet.



**EASTER TEA – SUNDAY, APRIL 28TH**

The ladies and lasses of St. Mary and St. John XXIII are invited to an Easter Tea to come celebrate Mary and explore her Immaculate Heart on Sunday, April 28th at 12:15 p.m. in the Social Hall of St. John XXIII directly following the 11:15 a.m. Mass. Please bring your favorite teacup with you to use. Food will be provided. If anyone is interested in helping bring food or items needed for the Easter Tea, please go to the sign-up on Flocknote <https://stjohnxxiiiiparish3.flocknote.com/signup/164012> or contact Andrea in the Parish Office for more information.

If you would like to help contribute and support the Easter tea, but are not able to make and bring a food item, we encourage you to make a monetary donation either before or at the Easter Tea.

**SIGN UP NOW: AMERICAN RED CROSS ST. JOHN XXIII PARISH BLOOD DRIVE**

Saturday, May 11th  
Help Save Lives – Your Blood Donation Matters – The need for blood is constant and more urgent now than ever! Donating blood can help ensure blood is on the shelves before it is needed. Our Next Blood Drive at SJ XXIII (managed by our Knights of Columbus Council #16561) is Saturday, May 11th, 7:30-11:30 a.m. To make an appointment, visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and search for St. John XXIII Canal Winchester or call Troy Kahrig at 614-506-6842.

### COLLECTION FOR SHELTER – HYGIENE PRODUCTS

The Altar Rosary Society members are sponsoring a collection of hygiene items for the Van Buren homeless shelter. In January 2024, the shelter served 436 women, 246 families, and 503 men.

Date of Collection:

March 2024 to April 28, 2024.

There will be a collection bin in the Narthex for you to drop off your donated items. Thank you!

Items needed for the “hygiene bags” for the persons/families at the Van Buren Shelter:

- Deodorant
- Floss
- Soap: liquid or bar
- Washcloths
- Razors
- Shampoo
- Toothbrushes
- Combs/brushes
- Toothbrush holders
- Socks/footies
- Toothpaste

300 “hygiene bags” proposed, with listed items in each bag.

**Date needed: by Sunday, April 28, 2024.**

If you would like to donate money, please place it in an envelope labeled with “ARS, Shelter collection” and place it in the collection basket. Thank you for your contribution.

### ONLINE GIVING AT ST. JOHN XXIII



You may go to our website to set up online giving, use the QR code to go to our website

giving page. If you would prefer to set up electronic fund transfer (EFT) by credit card or checking account, stop in the Parish Office for a form.

Your contribution supports the work and operations of St. John XXIII Parish, our music, hospitality, and education programs. Please be generous in your support of these important endeavors.

### WOMEN’S MINISTRY

The weekly Women’s Ministry group will continue to meet on Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. in the lower level at St. John XXIII.

Please contact Karen Self at [karensself@aol.com](mailto:karensself@aol.com) or 614-209-6299, if you would like more information. You may also come to a meeting any Thursday at 11:00 a.m. to find out if this is a study for you.



### SAVE THE DATE | TOTUS TUUS

June 9-14, 2024 – Watch for registration soon!

Sign up your 1st-12th grade kids for Totus Tuus! Totus Tuus is Latin for totally yours. It is a summer Catholic youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic Faith through evangelization, catechesis, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship. The program is one week; assisting parents and parishes in the evangelizing and catechizing of their youth by supplementing the work they are currently doing. The program will be run by four college-age missionaries who are giving up their summer to be totally yours!

### SECOND BREAKFAST CLUB: A CATHOLIC FICTION BOOK GROUP

Join Father O’Connor and other parishioners in a study of Catholic fiction. We began Saturday, April 13, at 10:00 a.m., the book group will meet on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month in the lower level of St. John XXIII. We will begin with *The Lord of the Rings* trilogy (April-June), then continue to read together additional works of Catholic fiction throughout the coming year. We will also discuss the consumption of media and how this affects our lives as Catholics. You do not have to come to every meeting to participate. Come when you can. Please read “*The Fellowship of the Ring: Book 1*” by our first meeting. We look forward to meeting together soon!

### HOSPITALITY SUNDAY – WE NEED VOLUNTEERS

The first Sunday of the month is Hospitality Sunday!

We need volunteers to sign up to host Donut Sundays.

Please see Heather in the Parish Office for how this works. The church reimburses you for the cost of the donuts. Even if you don’t need a donut, you need a friend – or someone needs you. We enjoy seeing you there!

*Friendship is unnecessary, like philosophy, like art... It has no survival value; rather it is one of those things that give value to survival. – C. S. Lewis*

### PLATINUM CLUB UPCOMING EVENTS

On Wednesday, May 22, Carolyn Bohnlein has planned our Platinum Club trip to the WILDS and Tom’s Ice Cream Bowl in Zanesville. We will drive to the WILDS for an 11:00 a.m. tour. We will ride on buses that are handicap-accessible at the site. The tour will last for two hours and will cost \$35.00. If you haven’t been to the WILDS or if it has been a while, you should go. This is a fabulous treasure in Ohio. We suggest stopping for a small lunch sandwich before getting to the WILDS. After our tour, we will make a stop at Tom’s Ice Cream Bowl in Zanesville for our real lunch – yes please! Again, let Sheryl know if you will join us.

Marcie Winnestaffer has been working with FunBus to plan an excursion to Louisville, KY, for June 21-23. To get a good price, we need between 20-29 people to travel. The itinerary shows a stop at Findley Market for lunch on the way down and a tour of Cave Hill Cemetery in Louisville. After checking into our downtown hotel, dinner will be on your own. After breakfast on Saturday, we will visit Churchill Downs, where we will enjoy our lunch. Later that day, we will take in a Dinner Detective Murder Mystery Show. On Sunday morning, we will attend Mass at the Cathedral of the Assumption, before a relaxing cruise and lunch on the Belle of Louisville. The cost of the trip is \$699.00/per person, Double; \$645.00/per person, Triple; \$610.00/per person, Quad; and \$875.00/per person, Single. We will leave from St. John XXIII promptly at 8:00 a.m. Sounds like a wonderful beginning of summer to me! If you are interested, please respond to Marcie. **Marcie Winnestaffer will need \$100.00 by April 10th to reserve your spot for the trip. Call Marcie at 614-834-4432 and give her a check as soon as possible.**

**THE MEN OF THE WORD BIBLE STUDY**

The Men of the Word Bible Study is open to **ALL** men of the parish. There is nothing attendees need to do in preparation for each session. We will provide Bibles already owned by the parish.

We will meet **every other Sunday** in a classroom in the lower level of the SJXXIII. Each session will be one hour and led by one of our brothers. Our goal is to attempt to meet at least every other week. Following each session, we will have light refreshments and an opportunity for fraternity. We gather next Sunday, April 28, at 3:00 p.m.

**DO YOU HAVE A GREEN THUMB?**

If you have an interest in gardening and would like to use your talents to help establish a community garden here at the campus of SJXXIII, we would like to talk with you! There will be an informational meeting in the next couple of months. In the meantime, watch the bulletin and sign up on Flocknote under the group "Gardening" to receive future information.

**ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING**

The Altar Rosary Society invites all women of St. Mary and St. John XXIII to join us as we start a new year of faith and service. The ARS meets at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Mary church basement and upcoming meeting dates are on Tuesday evenings on April 16 and a May brunch will be planned. Continued support for the church and the community and a project for homeless shelters will be discussed. All meetings begin with the Rosary or prayer service. New guests are welcome to come meet with us!

**TODAY IS WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS  
FAMILY PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

*Father, increase our family's love for one another.*

*May we honor each other in times of happiness or hardship,  
bearing with one another in love, just as You love us.*

*In a special way, help us strive for holiness in our current states of life.*

*Should You call some of us to the priesthood or religious life,  
help us to respond with courage and joy.*

*Together, we make heaven our goal, and pledge, with Your grace,  
to help each other on life's journey to You.*

*Through the intercession of the Holy Family:*

*Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.*

*Amen*



**THE  
CATHOLIC  
FOUNDATION**

**MAKE AN IMPACT THAT LASTS FOREVER**

Your legacy reflects how you lived – with kindness, conviction, and faith. St. Mary and St. John XXIII Catholic Churches is your faith home where you have encountered Jesus Christ and strengthened your relationship with Him. We want this divine life to continue and grow deeper – for ourselves, our children, grandchildren, and future generations of Catholics.

St. Mary and St. John XXIII Catholic Churches have endowment funds that The Catholic Foundation manages. An endowment fund is a longer-term, sustained investment designed to provide our parish with a perpetual source of income. There are numerous ways to support the St. John XXIII Endowment Fund and St. Mary Parish Endowment Fund and share your blessings with our parish for eternity.

For more information on how you can make an eternal impact on St. Mary and St. John XXIII Catholic Churches, please contact Jim Hahn at 614-443-8893, ext. 112, or [jhahn@catholic-foundation.org](mailto:jhahn@catholic-foundation.org).

**SANDWICH SATURDAY**

Sandwich Saturday here at St. John XXIII has been going strong over 15 years. The sandwiches we make are delivered to St. Lawrence Haven in downtown Columbus to feed the homeless. This wonderful ministry here at St. John XXIII has had so many of our volunteers return for the joy of helping others. All are welcome to come at 8:00 a.m. Saturday morning, **May 18, 2024**, to do as Christ asks us to do: Take care of our brothers and sisters.

**THE ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (O.C.I.A.)**

Is an educational and spiritual program developed to engage and instruct non-Catholics who may want to join the Catholic Church AND Catholics who are interested in learning more about or returning to the Catholic faith. O.C.I.A. acts as the compass for individuals who would like to come into full communion with the Catholic Church. If you would like to learn more, call the Parish Office at 614-920-1563.

**A CATHOLIC EDUCATION IS NOW MORE AFFORDABLE,  
THANKS TO EDCHOICE!**

The Ohio EdChoice Expansion Scholarship program now offers ALL Ohio students the opportunity for a scholarship to attend a Catholic school! With the EdChoice Expansion Scholarship, a family of four making \$140,400.00 per year or less is eligible for a full scholarship for each child in the amount of \$6,166.00 (K-8) and \$8,408.00 (grades 9-12). Families above that income level are eligible for scholarships awarded on a sliding scale based on income and household size, with no less than \$650.00 awarded per child. Visit [ohioathconf.org/edchoice](http://ohioathconf.org/edchoice) to learn how EdChoice scholarships can help you send your child to a Catholic school near you. Applications are now open for the 2024-2025 school year!

**FISHER CATHOLIC OPEN POSITIONS**

Fisher Catholic search for qualified faculty:

English (part-time)

Chinese (part-time)

Latin (upper-levels, part-time)

*Apply at*

<https://education.columbuscatholic.org/secondary-job-openings>

Questions? [slozada@cdeducation.org](mailto:slozada@cdeducation.org)

# FORMED

**OUR GIFT TO YOU - FREE ACCESS TO FORMED.ORG**

As has been tradition here at St. John XXIII Parish, we renewed our subscription to Formed.org for 2024. Please take advantage of the multitude of resources available to you through this site. There are videos for individuals, families, couples, sacraments, children, life as a Catholic, etc. We purchase this for YOU, our parish family, to be able to grow even more like Christ. Just go to the site Formed.org and select "Sign Up" on the top of the page. In the box type in St. John XXIII. Make sure you choose the one with our parish address. This will give you free access.



**DID YOU KNOW? WORLD'S LARGEST DIAPER DRIVE 2024**

Diaper need in our community continues to grow. World's Largest Diaper Drive 2024 (WLDD 2024) is just around the corner, and we need your help. The goal for WLDD 2024 is to collect 1,000,000 diapers through diaper drives and monetary donations **during the month of May**. Our parish will be collecting diapers May 1-May 26. Each location will have a place to collect the diapers. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please use this QR code:



## SERRA, NOW MORE THAN EVER!

NO PRIEST, NO EUCHARIST!

**GOD IS STILL CALLING -**

Are you looking to get more involved in promoting, encouraging, and praying for vocations? Serra Clubs, a lay apostolate, have been in our Columbus Diocese for 70 years. We seek members to stand alongside our priests and seminarians to support vocations for the Diocese of Columbus.

Serra Club of North Columbus meetings include the Rosary, lunch, and a speaker at 11:30 on the 1st Tuesday of every month at the Jessing Center at the Josephinum. Downtown Serra Club meetings include lunch and a speaker at noon on the 2nd Friday of each month at the Cavello Center at St. Charles Preparatory School.

Check out our website  
**SERRACOLUMBUS.ORG**

for more information and scheduled events.

**Be There When God Moves**

July 17-21, 2024, tens of thousands of passionate Catholics will experience an outpouring of grace on a scale this generation has never seen. This historic moment is called the 10th National Eucharistic Congress. Catholics from every corner of the U.S. will be in Indianapolis for this transformative gathering, and YOU are invited to represent our parish at this pivotal moment!

Whether you join us for the full experience or one day, you'll enjoy world-class teaching from some of the most trusted Catholic voices in the United States. Come encounter and worship Jesus in a new way, and be anointed to share those graces with our community when you return home.

**More than ever, you will be proud to be Catholic and excited about the future of the Church in America.**

Scan the code to learn more about the event and explore the full schedule for each day. Contact our parish office for more information about registering with your fellow parishioners.

[eucharisticcongress.org](http://eucharisticcongress.org)

**NATIONAL Eucharistic Congress**

JULY 17-21, 2024 | INDIANAPOLIS, IN



**NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL**

Scandal, division, disease and doubt. The Church has withstood each of these throughout our very human history. But today we confront all of them, all at once. In the midst of these roaring waves, Jesus is present, reminding us that He is more powerful than the storm. He desires to heal, renew and unify the Church and the world. We NEED Jesus. The Holy Spirit is inviting us to return to the source and summit of our faith - the Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival seeks to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Visit [eucharisticrevival.org](http://eucharisticrevival.org).

**NEW PARISHIONER REGISTRATION**

Please stop by the Parish Office before or after Mass on Sunday to register. We encourage all who attend Masses to formally register with St. John XXIII Parish to become a member. If you have any questions, please feel free to come into the Parish Office and speak with Heather.

**JOSEPHINUM ANNUAL TOUR DAY**

**Tour Day at the Josephinum – April 27**

The Pontifical College Josephinum welcomes you to its Annual Tour Day on Saturday, April 27, from Noon-3:00 p.m. Learn about the fascinating history and unique mission of the only pontifical seminary outside of Italy as you explore the Josephinum’s grounds, main administration building, and Saint Turibius Chapel. Tours will highlight many beautiful characteristics of this historic 1931 structure, including extensive woodwork, stained glass windows, terrazzo floors, intricate brickwork, and sacred art. Register online at [apps.pcj.edu/tourday2024](https://apps.pcj.edu/tourday2024).



**PDHC IS HIRING A NURSE**

Join the PDHC team! Pregnancy Decision Health Center (PDHC) is hiring a part-time nurse for the Lancaster Center. Ultrasound training is provided. Job description can be viewed at [supportlifepdhc.org](https://supportlifepdhc.org) on the Join Our Team page. Please email [JennS@PDHC.org](mailto:JennS@PDHC.org) for more information.

**PDHC NEEDS – URGENT**

The Lancaster Center is experiencing some HIGH NEEDS, especially for baby equipment. If a member from your church would like to donate, please share the Amazon link at [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2Z7BD917Z2JSG?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2Z7BD917Z2JSG?ref=wl_share).

You can also choose an option for these items to be shipped to the center at no charge.

If you are not purchasing from Amazon, the following HIGH NEED items: infant body carriers, baby monitors, strollers, diaper bags, tummy time play mats, highchairs, baby swings, and baby bouncers (we also accept gently used of these items).

As we begin to navigate our cultural challenges in this new year, hold close to His promises: *And the One who was sitting upon the throne, said, “Behold, I make all things new.” And he said to me, “Write, for these words are entirely faithful and true.”* ~Revelation 21:5

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

**MONTHLY EXPENSE/OFFERTORY REPORT:**

Monthly Expenses for March for St. Mary	\$ 14,118.02
Monthly Expenses for March for SJXXIII	\$ 55,327.34
Monthly Offertory in March for St. Mary	\$ 18,656.75
Monthly Offertory in March for SJXXIII	\$ 50,636.18

**MASS ATTENDANCE**

Total for Month of March at St. Mary	<b>1,501</b>
Total for the Month of March at St. John XXIII	<b>3,073</b>

**PLENARY INDULGENCES**

The Dominican Order is currently celebrating a Triple Jubilee in honor of St. Thomas Aquinas, remembering the 700th anniversary of his canonization (which was celebrated in July 2023), the 750th anniversary of his death (which was celebrated on March 7, 2024), and the 800th anniversary of his birth (which will be celebrated in 2025). In honor of these anniversaries, the Apostolic Penitentiary grants a Plenary Indulgence to those who make a pilgrimage to a holy place connected with the Dominican Order, and there devoutly take part in the jubilee ceremonies, or at least devote a suitable time to pious recollection, concluding with the Lord’s Prayer, the Creed, and invocations of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of Saint Thomas Aquinas. Any church, shrine, or chapel currently entrusted to the Dominican Order can meet the requirements for the pilgrimage. In the Diocese of Columbus, St. Patrick Church in Columbus, St. Joseph Church in Somerset, and Holy Trinity Church in Somerset are entrusted to the Dominican Friars. The Plenary Indulgence may be obtained until January 28, 2025 under the usual conditions of Sacramental Confession 20 days before or after the indulgenced act, reception of Holy Communion, prayers for the intentions of the Holy Father, and complete detachment from sin, including venial sin. For more information, visit <https://www.op.org/rescript-of-the-apostolic-penitentiary-with-translation/>.

*Keep in touch with us!*

TEXT            **SJ23CW**            TO 84576

OR CONNECT WITH US ONLINE AT:  
[stjohnxxiiiparish3.flocknote.com](https://stjohnxxiiiparish3.flocknote.com)

**JOIN OUR FLOCK – NEW GROUPS HAVE BEEN ADDED**

What is Flocknote? A communication tool that we hope will provide our parish a wonderful way to help you grow your faith and be aware of the different events and opportunities we provide here at St. John XXIII Catholic Church in addition to the weekly bulletin. Our monthly newsletter will have faith formation content emailed to you via our Flocknote Newsletter,

to help you and your family grow in your relationship with Jesus Christ. There are several groups you can join as well to receive information about specific groups straight to your email or text! Please join us! If you would like additional information, please email [office@sjxxiiiparish.org](mailto:office@sjxxiiiparish.org). If you need assistance with signing up for Flocknote, please see Heather. She will be happy to help get you signed up to receive our notes.

**MOBILE APPS FOR CATHOLICS**

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