

## A Year of St. Joseph



Last September Pope Francis declared the Liturgical Year beginning the First Sunday of Advent 2020 as a Year honoring St. Joseph.

The papal document recommended that parishes and parishioners consider the role of Joseph in salvation history and perhaps adopt some of his more evident virtues. We know Joseph the Worker and all of us should make work a virtue not a drudgery or a necessity to make ends meet. We know Joseph as the spouse of Mary and caring foster father for the Lord Jesus and all of us should look at the role of spouse and parent as one calling for loving support, care and compassion. The Holy Father also cited the quiet role of Joseph as a model of the humility we should all embrace as part of the Christian life style.

Because of the Covid crisis much of this Liturgical Year has gone by with limited attendance and celebration; however, beginning this next Sunday the shrine area of St. Joseph will be given an antique flourish with special drapery reminiscent of what was on the altar when it was constructed and dedicated a hundred years ago, calling attention to the Year honoring St. Joseph. It's hoped everyone will appreciate this special attempt to both honor the saint and recall our parish's history.

Having also missed the opportunity to properly celebrate the centennial of the church fire (although there's a wonderful video on You-Tube about the fire), next Fall, as the Year of Joseph comes to an end, the same treatment will be expanded to the entire altar area as we enter into the centennial

celebration of the altar piece installed between 1922 and 1924 when the church was rededicated to the honor and glory of the God celebrated on its altar.



# PRIESTHOOD ORDINATION

Meet the two men of the Diocese of Toledo will be ordained to the priesthood on Saturday, June 26, 2021.



## Deacon Albert Beltz

My name is Albert Beltz, transitional deacon for the diocese, and I am currently completing my final year of studies at Mount St. Mary Seminary & School of Theology in Cincinnati. Born and raised in the Youngstown area, I am the eldest of three children. I am a graduate of the Cleveland Institute of Fine Arts, and lived and worked for many years in the Cleveland area, primarily in historic home remodeling and as a free-lance artist. Having previously spent some time discerning as a seminarian for the Diocese of Cleveland, I moved to the Toledo area in 2017 to resume my seminary studies as a candidate for the Diocese of Toledo, and my home parish is St. Joseph in Maumee. In this short time, I have been warmly welcomed and supported by the people of our diocese, which I have come to call home, and I very much look forward to living out the rest of my life in service among you as a priest of Jesus Christ.



## Deacon Joseph Mominee

Praised be Jesus Christ! My name is Deacon Joseph Mominee and my home parish is Our Lady of Lourdes in Genoa. Growing up, I attended St. Jerome School in Walbridge until 5th grade and then attended the Genoa Area Schools from which I graduated in 2011. After high school, I attended the Ohio State University for two years and in the fall of 2013 I was accepted as a seminarian for our diocese and began seminary formation at the Pontifical College Josephinum. After graduating from there in 2016, I continued my formation in Rome at the North American College. Since ordination to the diaconate last year, I have been in Rome preparing for ordination to the priesthood of Jesus Christ on June 26th. The generosity of God has been so evident throughout these years of seminary formation, and often His generosity has been shown through those who cooperate with His grace. Know of my gratitude to all of you for your prayers and support as Deacon Albert Beltz and I resolve to be configured to Christ the High Priest.

June 20, 2021

### WATCH

#### BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT & FIRE

As we celebrate the Nativity of John the Baptist this week, we remember his words: "He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire" (Mt 3:11). Jesus came to baptize us in the Holy Spirit, and the power and grace that comes from baptism in the Holy Spirit changes lives. Explore the meaning of this sacrament in this episode of The Wild Goose!



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#### TRUE REFORMERS: EPISODE 1 - ST. THOMAS MORE

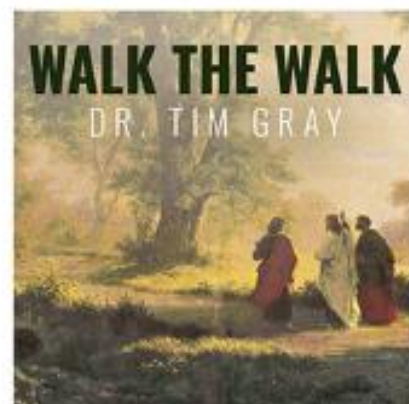


St. John the Baptist was the "forerunner" who preached a baptism of repentance. His nativity reminds us that it is by confessing our sins that we welcome God's mercy, allowing us to begin anew. In this 2-part series, Fr. Daniel Moloney and Taylor Kemp discuss how to make a good

### LISTEN

#### WALK THE WALK: FOLLOWING CHRIST AS HIS DISCIPLE BY DR. TIM GRAY

Being a disciple of Jesus has always been synonymous with being a Christian. From the Scriptures and from his own experience, Dr. Tim Gray explains how Christian discipleship calls us to follow in the footsteps of Christ as engaged participants in God's plan. In doing so, we bear witness to the Lord in our families,



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