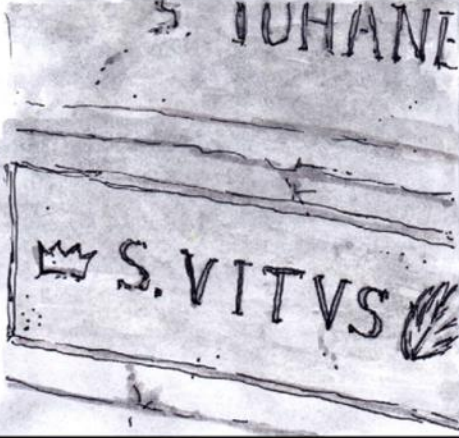


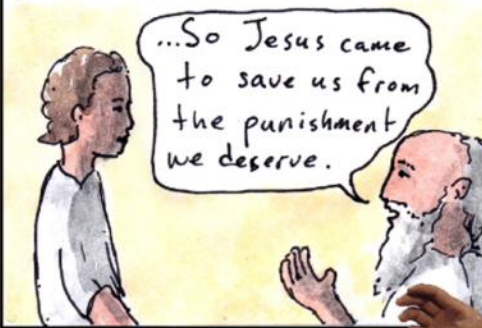
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NOT MUCH IS KNOWN OF THE LIFE OF SAINT VITUS, EXCEPT THAT HE WAS A MARTYR OF THE EARLY CHURCH IN ITALY.



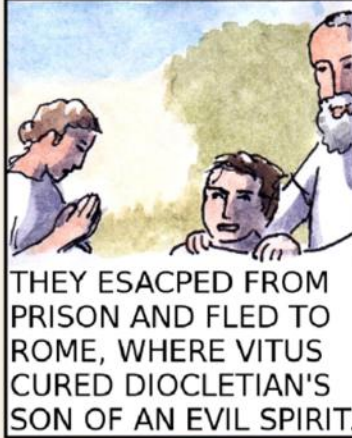
ACCORDING TO LEGEND, HE WAS CONVERTED AT AGE 12 BY HIS TUTOR AND HIS NURSE.



VITUS' FATHER WAS STILL A PAGAN, AND HAD THE THREE OF THEM SCOURGED.



THEY ESCAPED FROM PRISON AND FLED TO ROME, WHERE VITUS CURED DIOCLETIAN'S SON OF AN EVIL SPIRIT.



BUT WHEN HE WOULD NOT SACRIFICE TO THE IDOLS, THEY THOUGHT HE WAS A SORCERER.



THE THREE WERE THROWN TO THE LIONS, BUT THE LIONS WOULD NOT TOUCH THEM.



NEXT, VITUS WAS PUT INTO BOILING OIL. THE MOMENT HE DIED, THERE WAS A GREAT STORM THAT DESTROYED SEVERAL PAGAN TEMPLES.



ST. VITUS

## SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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**Administrative Assistant / DRE:** Michelle Paxton | **Director of Sacred Music:** Teresa Smith

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[ ] New Parishioners, please send a Parish Registration Form

[ ] We've Moved, here is our new information

## Saturday, June 14

8:00 a.m. Special Intention  
8:30-9:00 a.m. *Confession*  
4:00-4:45 p.m. *Confession*  
4:35 p.m. *Rosary*  
5:00 p.m. Ryder Jackson

## Sunday, June 15

7:10 a.m. *Rosary*  
7:30 a.m. Parish Family  
9:40 a.m. *Rosary*  
10:00 a.m. Ben & Jenny Cruz Family

## Monday, June 16

No Public Mass

## Tuesday, June 17

7:00-8:00 a.m. *Adoration*  
8:00 a.m. Rose Ann Lautzenheiser +  
8:30-9:00 a.m. *Confession*

## Wednesday, June 18

6:00-7:00 p.m. *Adoration*  
6-6:45 p.m. *Confession*  
7:00 p.m. Lloyd & Viola Smith Family

## Thursday, June 19

8:00 a.m. Victoria Robinson Daniels +

## Friday, June 20

8:30 a.m. Andrea Grover +

## Saturday, June 21

8:00 a.m. Special Intention  
8:30-9:00 a.m. *Confession*  
4:00-4:45 p.m. *Confession*

4:35 p.m. *Rosary*

5:00 p.m. Parish Family

## Sunday, June 22

7:10 a.m. *Rosary*  
7:30 a.m. Geoff Frank +  
9:40 a.m. *Rosary*  
10:00 a.m. Patricia Schaefer +



## MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Mon., June 16 - Weekday [11]** - 2 Cor 6:1-10 / Ps 98:1-4 / Mt 5:38-42

**Tues., June 17 - Weekday [11]** - 2 Cor 8:1-9 / Ps 146:2, 5-9a / Mt 5:43-48

**Wed., June 18 - Weekday [11]** - 2 Cor 9:6-11 / Ps 112:1b-4, 9 / Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thurs., June 19 - Weekday [11]** - St. Romuald, Abbot - 2 Cor 11:1-11 / Ps 111:1b-4, 7-8 / Mt 6:7-15

**Fri., June 20 - Weekday [11]** - 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30 / Ps 34:2-7 / Mt 6:19-23

**Sat., June 21 - St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious** - 2 Cor 12:1-10 / Ps 34:8-13 / Mt 6:24-34

**Sun., June 22 - The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)** - Gn 14:18-20 / Ps 110:1-4 / 1 Cor 11:23-26 / Lk 9:11b-17

## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY - JUNE 15, 2025

This weekend (June 14th/15th), the Church celebrates the **Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity**, or **Trinity Sunday**. Though we have now returned to the liturgical season of **Ordinary Time**, the first Sunday following **Pentecost** is always celebrated as **Trinity Sunday**. The Apostles, sent out by the Holy Spirit following **Pentecost**, are sent to preach the very mystery of the Trinity itself (“*God is love*”) and invite us into this mystery.

With this invitation, we must see that the days that lie ahead are not meant to be ordinary. This time is called “*ordinary*” only inasmuch as these liturgical weeks are numbered (“*ordinal*” meaning “*numbers in a series*”). Having been invited into the triune mystery, this time is truly meant to be extraordinary. Through the Holy Spirit, the love of the triune God is alive in our souls. How will this love change how we live out our daily lives?

In addition to our liturgical celebration, our nation also marks this weekend as **Father’s Day**. Many countries throughout the world celebrate **Father’s Day** in March on **St. Joseph’s Day**, placing the foster-father of our Lord as a model for fatherhood. Though we might celebrate these two on different days, we can still find in St. Joseph, our parish patron, a true model of fatherly love and under whose prayerful protection we now entrust our fathers.

As such, we wish a Happy Father’s Day to all those in our parish who are fathers, grandfathers, godfathers, uncles, and all those who provide fatherly care to others in so many ways. By living out your vocation of fatherhood, you help to reveal to us glimpses of God the Father. Thank you for living out your vocation. Know of our love, gratitude, and prayers for you. May St. Joseph, foster-father of Jesus, intercede for you before the throne of God.

## HELPING HANDS BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

On **Mother’s Day**, we started the **Baby Bottle Campaign** to support **Helping Hands**, a local pregnancy and family resource center. As this campaign comes to an end, baby bottles can be returned either in the collection basket or to the Parish Office through next weekend. After next weekend, baby bottles can be returned directly to **Helping Hands** (116 E Dustman Road, Bluffton). Thank you for your support of this local resource and ministry.

## BONFIRE BEHIND THE RECTORY—JUNE 23RD AT 7:00 PM

Join me for a bonfire behind the Rectory next Monday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7 PM. Celebrating the **Vigil of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist**, we call to mind the words of St. John as we bless and sit around the evening fire: “*He must increase; I must decrease*” (John 3:30). This feast day, celebrated as early as the 4<sup>th</sup> Century, was greeted with evening bonfires by the early 6<sup>th</sup> Century.

This ancient practice originally came about as a way to “baptize” the pagan celebrations of the summer solstice. In celebration of the solstice, as the days began to grow shorter, bonfires were built to “honor” the sun. By “baptizing” this practice, the honor once given to the sun was redirected to the true Light of the world—Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

Come and enjoy this evening of prayer, fellowship, and s’mores as we mark this beautiful and symbolic feast together. All ages are welcome! Bring a lawn chair if you’d like!

## PARISH DIRECTORY—2025 ANNIVERSARY EDITION

Our last attempt at creating a Parish Directory three years ago was carried out entirely through volunteer efforts. While everyone who had a picture taken received great 4x6 photos back, the physical directory itself was never printed due to various setbacks, including some of our key volunteers moving away.

Learning from that experience, we are excited to announce that this year’s directory will be produced with the professional assistance of **Universal Church Directories**, who help compile and print the physical directory itself. We are currently setting a timetable with their representatives, but are looking for a time in August to take photos. More to come soon!

~In Christ, Fr. David



Becky Biberstein, Michael Green, Frances Carr, Tom Richhart, Troy Cook, Bobbie Jackson, Kimberly Abney, Sydnee Bradburn, Leanne Lee, Jeff Tillman, Mike Holland, and Richard Payne.





CATHOLIC YOUTH SUMMER CAMP

# DAMASCUS

Support our parish youth attending **CAMP DAMASCUS** this summer through their fundraiser this weekend.

Meals from local **STREETLIGHT TAKE AND BAKE** will be on sale for \$25 after all Masses this weekend.

## RECTORY



## BONFIRE

Join Fr. David for a bonfire and s'mores on **Monday, June 23rd** at **7:00 p.m. behind the Rectory** in honor of the Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist  
*"He must increase; I must decrease."*



## TOTUS TUUS CATHOLIC SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM

If you are interested to serve as a:

- ♦ Volunteer
- ♦ Host Home for the Missionaries (*Two host homes needed*)
- ♦ Host the Missionary Team for a dinner with your family

**Please contact the Parish Office for more information.**

The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup>.  
On Tuesday, June 24<sup>th</sup>, the Parish Office will open at 1:00 p.m. For Sacramental Emergencies, please contact Fr. David at 260-296-0511.

## PARISH CALENDAR

- **Sat., June 14** - Confession 4:00-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- **Sun., June 15** - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- **Tues., June 17** - Adoration 7:00-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m.
- **Wed., June 18** - Adoration - 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- **Thurs., June 19** - Mass 8:00 a.m.
- **Thurs., June 19** - Youth Group Cedar Point Trip
- **Fri., June 20** - Parish Office Closed
- **Fri., June 20** - Mass 8:30 a.m.
- **Sat., June 21** - Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30 a.m.
- **Sat., June 21** - Confession 4:00-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- **Sun., June 22** - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m. Mass with *Corpus Christi* Procession
- **Mon., June 23** - Rectory Bonfire at 7:00 p.m.
- **Tues., June 24** - Adoration 7:00-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m.
- **Wed., June 25** - Youth Group Praise & Worship Holy Hour - 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- **Thurs., June 26** - Mass 8:00 a.m.
- **Fri., June 27** - Mass 8:30 a.m.
- **Sat., June 28** - Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30 a.m.
- **Sat., June 28** - Confession 4:00-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- **Sun., June 29** - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- **Tues., July 1** - Adoration 7:00-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m.

## Weekend of June 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>



**CANTORS**

5:00 p.m. Sam Smith  
7:30 a.m. Mike Morrissey  
10:00 a.m. Adult Choir



**LECTORS**

5:00 p.m. Ginny Fenstermaker  
7:30 a.m. Barb Ault  
10:00 a.m. Monica Harris



**Eucharistic Ministers**

5:00 p.m. Volunteer  
7:30 a.m. Twilla Herr  
10:00 a.m. Jeff Miller, Rick Singer, Tammi Helm



**Altar Servers**

5:00 p.m. Alex/Audrey Mechling, Volunteer  
7:30 a.m. Charlene/AnnaLynn Felger, Annie Herr  
10:00 a.m. Luke Miller, Isaiah/Dominic Bedwell

## St. Joseph Parish Finance Report for the Weekend of June 7<sup>th</sup> & June 8<sup>th</sup>

Adult Envelopes- \$3,120.00  
Loose- \$414.25  
Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$790.00  
Ascension- \$125.00  
General Bequests- \$200.00  
**Total- \$4,649.25**

*Knights of Columbus (donation to Youth Group) - \$2,500.00*

**Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40**

We are **\$588.96** ahead of our budget for the month of June 2025.

St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$35.00

***Your gifts to St. Joseph Parish are greatly appreciated. Thank you!***

To set up **Online Giving** through Our Sunday Visitor, please visit:  
<https://www.osvhub.com/stjosephchurchbluffton/giving/funds>



**Congratulations to our Graduating Seniors - Class of 2025!**  
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 n - is it necessary?  
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**"Saint Joseph was a just man, a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care. May he always guard, protect and enlighten families."**  
 - St. John Paul II

