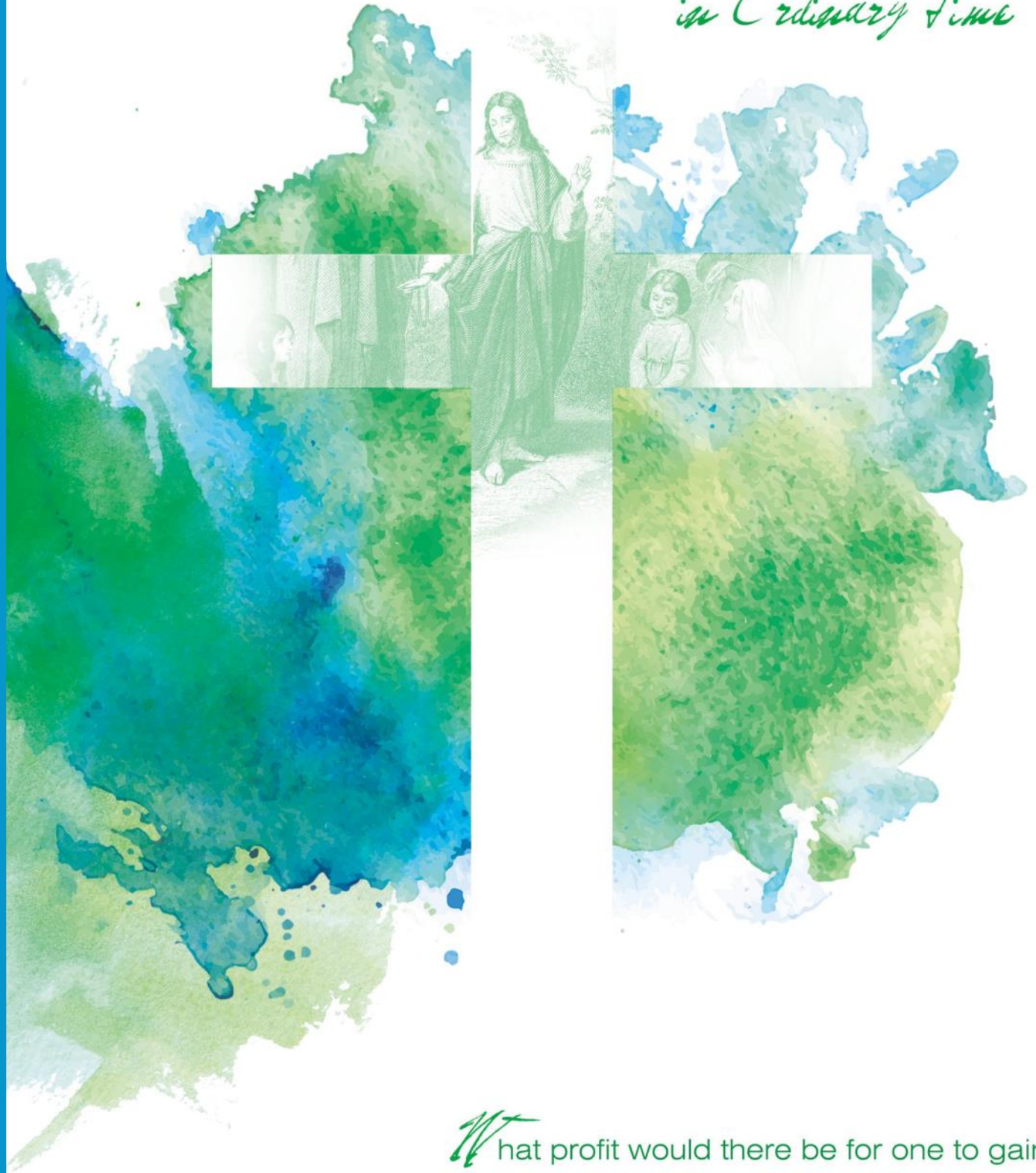


TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY *in Ordinary Time*



*W*hat profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? Or what can one give in exchange for his life?

Matthew 16:26



Welcome to all who celebrate the Mass with us today. May God's grace and peace fill us all so that we can serve one another in unity and love.

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Tides do turn. Jeremiah laments that the Lord has duped him. Because of his faithfulness to God he had become an object of scorn and derision. But God was to vindicate Jeremiah and his prophecy – when things looked bleak to Jeremiah he remained faithful and things changed. But life sometimes moves in the other direction as well. Just after Peter is declared the “Rock” on which the Church is founded, he attempts to “spare” Jesus the will of the Father and is ranked with Satan. It is our task to accomplish the will of the Father no matter how threatening the weather looks. It is not our task to avoid the storm because we think we have a “better idea” than God has put forth.

This Sunday the readings are: (1) Jeremiah 20, 7-9 (2) Romans 12, 1-2 (3) Matthew 16, 21-27. **Gather 1155 Year A**
Next Sunday the readings will be: (1) Ezekiel 33, 7-9 (2) Romans 13, 8-10 (3) Matthew 18, 15-20. **Gather 1158 Year A**



Masses For The Week

- SAT: 4:00PM** John Maiorano, off: MHC Bible Study
- SUN: 8:30AM** For the Parish
- MON: 9:00AM** Kathy Latham, off: Friends of MHC
- TUE: 9:00AM** John & Mercedes Kapfhamer, off: Carol Cypher
- SAT: 4:00PM** George & Margaret Chiewak, off: George & Shirley Spence
- SUN: 8:30AM** For the Parish

STEWARDSHIP/ FINANCE
Collections for August 27, 2023

Regular Collection & loose cash & envelopes	\$12,445.21
Capital Improvement Donations	\$125.00
Total collections for August 27, 2023	\$12,570.21

Church Renovation Project	
Total Donations and Pledges as of August 27, 2023	\$149,229.95

Special Second Collection was \$2,029.50

THANKS FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY

PLEASE REMEMBER MHC IN YOUR WILL

When considering which charities to include in your will or trust, we hope you will remember **Mary, Help of Christians**. The parish gratefully accepts donations of stock. A tax deduction for a gift of appreciated securities to a charity equals its full fair market value.



From The Pastor's Desk

Fr. Bedel

Beloved in Christ,

Labor Day on Monday is an annual reminder of the dignity of work. And work has dignity because it is done by a human being who is made in God's image. Moreover, our work done well and to completion can be an excellent way to glorify God.

Throughout history, ideologies that threaten the dignity of the human person have arisen from time to time. For example, it would be wrong to say that humans have dignity because they can be productive through work. Such a mindset promotes the culture of death because it sees people as disposable when no longer “useful” in someone's opinion.

[Beginning Sept. 15, Catholics across Ohio will be praying a 54-Day Rosary Novena for defeating the extreme amendment on the November ballot that threatens the lives of pre-born babies up to nine months, the health and safety of women, and the rights of parents. More information is on the next page of this bulletin and at pray54ohio.org.](#)

I hope you get a chance to rest from your labors Monday and praise God for His manifold blessings. Masses in our family of parishes will be at the normal times: 8:30 a.m. at St. Luke and 9 a.m. at Mary, Help of Christians.

Thanks for your prayers. Be assured of my prayers for you.

God bless,
Fr. Bedel

Vote **NO**

Nov. 7

PROTECT

Women.

An extreme amendment is on the Ohio ballot in November that threatens the health and safety of women, the rights of parents and the lives of pre-born babies up to 9 months.

PROTECT

Families.

PROTECT

Children.

Join us in praying a 54-Day Rosary Novena beginning Friday, Sept. 15, for the defeat of this amendment.

Sign up for a daily email reminder with novena prayers here, or at pray54ohio.org.





ANY3 THINGS PODCAST



"Fr. Ambrose has launched a podcast for our family of parishes! Any3 Things will talk about what's going on each week, and highlight different staff and events. I departed from our normal format this week.

Special Episode 1 is now live. Any3 Things is a little different this week! Departing from our normal podcast format, Fr. Ambrose talks about the collection for the pro-life cause in our parishes last weekend, and how the Church is able to participate in politics and society in general. You can listen on any of your favorite podcast apps, or click here: <https://www.podbean.com/eas/pb-p2jvr-148f871>



"THE WILD GOOSE" SERIES



"The Wild Goose" by Fr. Dave Pivonka. Michael Barclay will be showing "The Wild Goose." This high quality video series on the Holy Spirit will run for seven weeks after Tuesday morning Mass in St. Francis Hall.

This series promises to free our hearts, minds and lives to live more boldly in the Holy Spirit! We are

taking a two week break! Next sessions will start Tuesday, September 12 for the last 7 sessions.

FAIRBORN LEAGUE & TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS 2023 MARY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS SOFTBALL TEAM



Congratulations to this awesome team.
15-2 record for the season.
Coaches Matthew & Travis Rogalinski

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS



RCIA for our Family of Parishes! CHRISTIAN INITIATION

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations baptizing them." There are people in our community right now discerning the call to follow Jesus and enter the Church. Please help us by praying for them. If you know anyone who is considering becoming Catholic, has never been baptized, or who never received their sacraments as a young person, please encourage them to contact Spencer Hargadon at (937) 426-1733 or shargadon@saintlukeparish.org. Catholics interested in supporting those exploring Catholicism are also welcome.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES



Catholic Charities USA

Catholic Charities USA is assisting with relief efforts following the devastating wildfires which struck parts of the island of Maui, Hawaii, on August 8 and 9. Anyone wishing

to make a financial contribution to these relief efforts may do so by visiting www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/?form=hawaii23. Let us pray for all those affected by this disaster and for those assisting with recovery and rebuilding efforts.

YOUTH OPPORTUNITY

2023 NATIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE: Fully Alive (November 16-18, Indianapolis, IN)



NCYC is a national Catholic youth event that gathers High School aged Catholic teenagers for a life-changing encounter with Christ. At NCYC, teens pray, build community, learn more about their faith, and are empowered to live out their faith. Our team of speakers and artists will help our teens reflect on how they, too, are made in the image and likeness of God and are called to be Fully Alive in his presence. If interested in attending, please contact Michael at mbarclay@mhcpaish.org.

More information at: <https://youtu.be/ymGPT9fmDV>

Catholic
Social
Teaching



Catholic Social Teaching

As Catholics view the world and all of its needs, we can look to seven key principles recognized by the Church to guide us in responding to those around us. In this edition, we'll examine the first three principles.

Life and Dignity of the Human Person

In Pope John Paul II's encyclical, *Evangelium Vitae*, he states that human life from conception to natural death is to be defended and developed. This belief is the cornerstone of all the principles of Catholic social teaching.

There are many threats to the value of human life in our world today. Catholics believe in the sacredness of life no matter how challenged by poverty, abuse, disease, or disability. Every person has dignity and potential and should be treated accordingly.

Call to Family, Community, and Participation

In *Fratelli Tutti*, Pope Francis states, "Life exists where there is bonding, communion, fraternity, and life is stronger than death when it is built on true relationships and bonds of fidelity. On the contrary, there is no life when we claim to be self-sufficient and live as islands: in these attitudes, death prevails." We support families, interactions with community, and participation with others to seek the common good of all.

Rights and Responsibilities

All people have basic rights including the right to life, food, shelter, health care, education, and employment. All people have the right to participate in decisions affecting their lives. Along with these basic rights, there are responsibilities to others including their families, the community, and the world.

Jeanne Duell

Helping Haitian Children Receive an Education



Haiti is the poorest country in North America. Its per capita GNI (gross national income) is \$1,320 according to the World Bank in 2020. In recent years Haiti suffered a devastating earthquake, hurricanes, gas shortages, lack of good drinking water, and street violence.

The Becky DeWine School was founded in Haiti in 1998 in memory of the daughter of Mike and Fran DeWine. The school started with 4 classrooms offering a tuition free education in the Cite Soleil slum. It also offered help in adult education and distribution of food. Eventually, over 12,000 of Haiti's poorest children were enrolled.

Since the beginning of the Becky DeWine School, MHC Social Actions has been donating funds in the name of the parish to help provide a free education to Haiti's poor children.

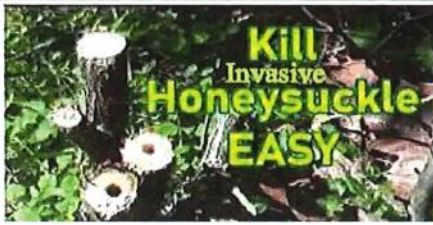
Although Haiti's condition continues to be desperate, the dedication and support of the staff of the school offer hope in a depressing place. Recently our Social Actions made another donation to the continuing work of educating Haiti's children.

Pat and David Banaszak

Summer
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Social Actions Newsletter





MHC Green - How To Kill Invasive Honeysuckle

Southwest Ohio is in the midst of a serious environmental catastrophe due to the invasion of bush honeysuckle. This plant is forming thickets in natural areas so dense that no other plants can grow in its midst. Other parts of the country have serious issues with things like kudzu and Japanese knotweed, but the epicenter of the honeysuckle invasion seems to be around Dayton.

The plant spreads by producing thousands of berries, each containing a hard-shelled seed. Birds eat the berry, the seed survives passage through their digestive system, and they drop the seed along with some natural fertilizer, sometimes miles from where they found it. So, unlike the vining Japanese honeysuckle that slowly creeps over the ground, bush honeysuckle appeared all over the area quickly.

There are several ways to remove honeysuckle, including pulling out small plants, digging out larger plants, cutting the plants down with loppers or a chainsaw and spraying the foliage with a herbicide.

Each of these approaches works in some situations but they are all hard work. Fortunately, honeysuckle is easy to recognize, especially in the early spring and late fall. It leafs out before most native plants and holds its leaves after most natives are dormant in the fall.

If you have small honeysuckle plants in your garden, fencerows or woods, pull them out as soon as you see them. They grow quickly and will be difficult to pull after their second growing season. Spring walks in the woods (when the ground is soft and wet and the honeysuckle is turning green) is the perfect time for this. If you are a mushroom hunter you might be disappointed at not finding any mushrooms but at least you can leave the woods knowing you stopped lots of honeysuckle from destroying future mushroom habitat.

If you have some larger plants that are too hard to pull, stabbing a shovel or mattock under the plant, prying up, then pulling will be effective. Bush honeysuckle does not put out “runners” or re-sprout from small pieces of root left in the ground, so you only need to remove the main stump to score a kill.

Unfortunately most infestations will have grown beyond the pulling stage before you realize that they are a threat, so you will need to cut them down. Loppers, a pruning saw, or a battery operated reciprocating saw (“sawzall”) will work – until you find the BIG ONE. They can have trunks up to 3 or 5 inches in diameter and often grow in a clump so a chainsaw will be required.

A stump left untreated will regrow – prolifically. The stump must be treated with herbicide. A product containing glyphosate (“Roundup”) at about 15% active ingredient concentration works great when daubed directly on the cut face of the stump. This is a powerful herbicide and will kill nearly any plant it touches, so it is important to ONLY get it on the cut surface and not on the surrounding ground. The only other way to kill the stump is to remove all re-growth foliage every time it appears, a process than can succeed in your yard if you scalp the stump with a lawnmower or trimmer every time you mow.

The final method, known as “foliar spraying” is done with a sprayer and a less concentrated herbicide, like a 1% mix of glyphosate. This is best done in early November after most of the other plants have gone dormant. Glyphosate will kill a wide variety of plants, including lawn grass and most native woodland plants, so waiting until the right week in the fall is important. This method works best with small bushes (less than shoulder high). It is less labor intensive than the other methods so it is possible to kill a lot of honeysuckle quickly. Try to keep most of the spray on the honeysuckle leaves, but if you are spraying when the other plants are dormant, damage should be minimal.

Jim Byrd

Summer
2023

Social Actions Newsletter Continued



TWENTY- SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LOVE IN ACTION TEAM MEETING



You are invited to “come and see” what the Love-in-action team is going to be doing at our first team meeting on September 21st.

Love-in-Action Team Meeting

- **September 21, 2023, from 7:00--9:00PM**
- This will be our first NE3 Love-in-Action Team meeting.
- **Location:** Mary Help of Christians Church in St. Francis Hall

Scriptural Foundation of the Love-in-Action Team

Matthew 28:16-20 – The Great Commission

- Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit, **teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.** And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.”

Matthew 22:36-40 – The Greatest Commandment

- “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” He said to him, “You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”

Matthew 25: 1-46 – The Parable of the Ten Virgins, The Parable of the Talents, and The Judgment of the Nations

- “And the king will say to them in reply, ‘Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me’”

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BINGO



The Fairborn Knights of Columbus has BINGO every Wednesday night in the Parish Center. Doors open at 5:00PM and Instants start selling at 5:00PM. 24 games. Packages start at \$13.00 (12

faces). A portion of the profit is donated back to our parish. For more information or if you would like to volunteer to work one night a month call Eric Rogalinski @ 937-657-6958. **Updates and more information call @ 937-878-2909.**

PRAYER CHAIN



PRAYER CHAIN

After many requests Mary, Help of Christians has started an **MHC PRAYER CHAIN**. This consists of a group of people who pray individually in their homes for special Prayer requests received by fellow parishioners. The power of prayer is tremendous!

If you would like to join our **MHC PRAYER CHAIN** or have a special prayer request, contact Julie at jsewellmhc@gmail.com or call the parish office 937-878-8353.

We can get you signed up through Flocknotes.

THE MHC MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT THIS WEEKEND



Stop by and visit the MHC PSR Parish School of Religion Ministry Table this weekend in the gathering space to find out more about this awesome ministry. We meet on Sunday mornings from 9:45AM-11:00AM. in the Parish Center. Come meet all our wonderful Catechists.

CATECHIST DAY OF PREPARATION AND FORMATION NE3 FAMILY OF PARISHES



Catechist Day of Preparation and Formation

- September 9, 2023
- See invitation link below for more details.

This invitation is for anyone within our Northeast 3 Family of Parishes who will be serving in ministry and/or would like to learn more about evangelization and discipleship. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B45A5AA22ABFA7-catechist1>

LABOR DAY



Reminder: The parish office will be closed **Monday, September 4, 2023 for the Labor Day holiday.** There will be **Mass Monday morning at 9:00AM.**

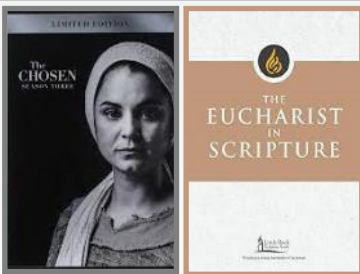
THE MHC HOLIDAY BAZAAR



The 53rd MHC Holiday Bazaar will be on Saturday, November 4 and Sunday, November 5 continuing our 50 year tradition of our Holiday Bazaar being held on the first weekend in November. Please mark your calendars for this annual event. We may need a few more people this year to help coordinate and chair some of the booths. If you would be interested in helping with a booth please contact Julie Sewell @ 937- 878-8353.

We are always happy to receive basket donations that can be raffled. If you have anything that you would like to donate please contact Julie Sewell @937- 878-8353 to make drop off arrangements. Your help would really be appreciated. Bring in your Christmas items starting September 11.

FALL BIBLE STUDY STARTING



Fall Bible Study /Faith Sharing. Starting Tuesday, September 12th, we will resume our series with Season 3 of "The Chosen" for four weeks. For "The Chosen" there is no need to register, purchase study materials and best of all, no homework.

Starting October 10th, we will begin the Little Rock Study **The Eucharist in Scripture**. This is a 5 week study and you will need to register so I can purchase books for everyone. I'll have a signup sheet when we meet or you can email me anytime and I will put you on the list. We have selected this study because the "Year of Diocesan Revival" was from June 19, 2022, to June 11, 2023 – diocesan events centered around Christ's true presence in the Eucharist. Year of Parish Revival from June 11, 2023, to July 17, 2024 – parishes will coordinate events for deeper encounters with Christ through Adoration, Mass, and enrichment. **The Eucharist in Scripture** explores the biblical theme of meals shared in faithful fellowship and in covenant relationship with God. Old Testament meals and promises provide a foundation for gospel meals with Jesus, culminating in the Last Supper as it is understood throughout the New Testament.

The cost for study materials will be around \$20.00 depending on how many copies we need to purchase. Couples can share a book if they prefer. We get a discount when we buy more copies of the book so I will let you know. **Even if you haven't been with us for a while, please feel welcome to join us for sessions this Fall. If you know someone who might be interested, please invite them.**

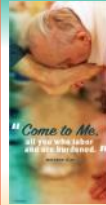
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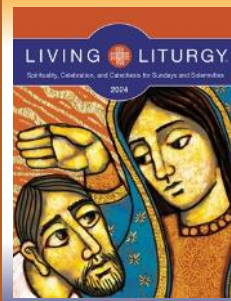
Our Parish School of Religion program will begin on Sunday, September 17 We have mailed out registration forms last week to last year's registered families. If you will be new to our program, please call 937- 878-8353 and leave your name and address so we can send you the information and registration forms.

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY



We will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on Sunday, September 17, 2023 at the 8:30AM Mass. Mark your calendars.

ORDER LIVING LITURGY



Living Liturgy Order

Anyone wishing to order a **Living Liturgy Book 2024** for the next liturgical year can call Julie @ 937- 878-8353 before October 31.

NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE



National Day of Remembrance: The 11th Annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children will be Saturday, September 9, 2023. The Daughters of Isabella, Marian Circle 911 and Knights of Columbus Council 3724 will be participating again this year by holding a prayer service after the 4:00PM Mass at our own Memorial for the Unborn which is in front of the statue of Mary at the far end of MHC Parish Center. Please join with us in saying a Pro-Life Rosary at our nationally listed site dedicated to the memory of aborted children. All families and individuals are invited to participate in this special event. If you have questions or need more information, please call the K of C Offices @ 937-878-2909 or Annie @ 937-409-5299.

DIVORCE CARE



It is not too late to join our Christian– based divorce– recovery support group.

13-weeks, held on Thursday evenings, 6:30-8:30PM from Sept. 7 to Dec. 7 @ St. Francis of Assisi Campus, 6245 Wilmington Pike, Centerville. For more information, contact Marcelle Toma at (937) 312-1157 (Not a texting number) or mtoma@woh.rr.com

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

BEACONS OF LIGHT



BEACONS OF LIGHT
Our NE-3 Family of Parishes continues to work towards bringing our six parishes together as one. Information about the work ahead is available on the Pathways website:

<https://www.pathway.catholicaoc.org>

All are invited to learn more about the process, to better understand the work being done in our Family, and to learn how you can contribute.

FORMED



The Eucharistic Revival is a national movement to renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

FORMED is proud to accompany the USCCB as we **reinvigorate** the **Church** in her **understanding** of and love for Our Lord in this sacrament. Learn what the Church teaches about this precious gift and why it is pivotal to your spiritual journey through the resources found on FORMED!

Visit: <https://watch.formed.org/eucharist> or scan the QR code. (To sign up free, visit: <https://signup.formed.org> and enter Mary Help of Christians/ Fairborn.

FORMED provides the very best Catholic content from more than 60 organizations to help parishes, families and individuals explore their faith anywhere.



PARISH WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE LINKS

Visit the parish website at: www.mhccparish.org



Visit our Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/fairbornmhccchurch/>

DISABLED AND WHEELCHAIR SEATING



DISABLED AND WHEELCHAIR SEATING...Available in the left front section of the church.

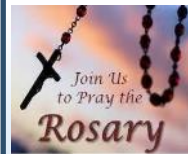
FAMILY ROSARY MONDAY EVENINGS

Family Rosary Every Monday

Please join us this Monday, September 4 @ 6:00PM.



ROSARY SATURDAY AFTERNOON BEFORE MASS



Rosary Saturday Afternoon before Mass In The Church. Please join us @ 3:30PM.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASSES

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASSES AT MHC

The next Baptismal Preparation Class for parents seeking baptism for young children is being held on Sunday, September 10, 2023 at 9:45AM in the Church. Please call the parish office @ 937- 878-8353 to advise us if you will be attending this class.

MHC CEMETERY LOTS



MHC Cemetery Lots

Just a reminder that Mary, Help of Christians has a section in the Fairfield Cemetery here in Fairborn. Heading southwest on Broad Street, turn right on Clover Street at Goodyear and proceed; you will find our section in that first area on your left. Each lot is \$400. Please feel free to call the parish office @ 878-8353 if you have an interest.

FALL/ AUTUMN HARVEST SALE

Mary, Help of Christians Fall/ Autumn Harvest Sale 934 North Maple Avenue

Parish Center

Fairborn, Ohio

Friday, September 8th

5:00-9:00PM

Saturday, September 9th

10:00AM-4:00PM

Sunday, September 10th

10:00AM-6:00PM

Lots of great Fall & Halloween decorations, gifts, housewares & more...
(Some Vintage Items)

Knights of Columbus Breakfast

Sunday, September 10th 9:00-11:00AM



Sacred Heart Corner

ADORATION & CONFESSION

Join us at Sacred Heart Tuesday
Evening for Adoration & CONFESSION.
7:00-8:00 pm
English and Spanish

PATRIOTIC ROSARY

All are welcome to join us
Thursdays at 9:30AM
Blessed Sacrament Chapel in the Church

DAILY DEVOTIONS

Sacred Heart Church is open
7:00AM to 7:00PM for your daily devotions.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS

Join us at Sacred Heart 9:00 am for
First Friday Mass
October 6, 2023

CALLING all CRAFTERS

November 3 & 4

Friday 10:00-7:00
Saturday 10:00-4:00

Snowflake Craft Bazaar

Sacred Heart Church, New Carlisle, OH

\$30 PER TABLE SPACE
\$45 PER 10 x 10 BOOTH SPACE
\$40 PER 9 x 8 BOOTH SPACE



Now Accepting Applications
Contact: snowflake@sacredheartnc.net

ST VINCENT DE PAUL



Food Donations for St. Vincent de Paul.

It has been requested that we put an item or two in the bulletin each week that St. Vincent de Paul could use to help defray some of the ever rising food expenses. Each week we will have different items that are needed. You can still bring any items that you would like as well.



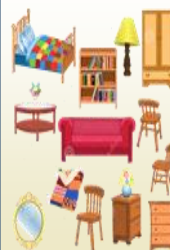
Your Favorite Laundry Soap Any Brand

You can drop off your items at the in the Church gathering space on right side by usher's room door we will have a blue bin marked Food.



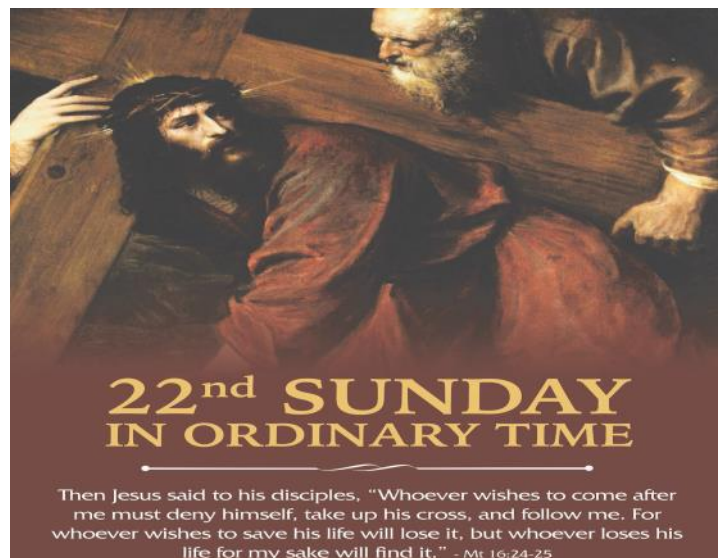
St. Vincent de Paul collects monetary donations at the doors after Mass on the 3rd weekend of every month. Look for baskets at each of the doors marked for St. Vincent dePaul. St. Vincent volunteers will be holding the baskets.

St. Vincent de Paul Furniture Needed



We are looking for furniture, the need is surprisingly high. Couches, beds/mattresses, tables and chairs. Please contact Dave at 937-825-3576. We will be glad to arrange free pick-up. Thanks for your help and support. Quality Rule: If it is okay for your mother-in-law, it is okay to donate.

TWENTY- SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." - Mt 16:24-25

TWENTY- SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study/ Faith Sharing Denise Wetzel



Fall Bible Study /Faith Sharing.
Join us for fellowship and formation through various scripture studies and Christian films.
Tuesdays 2:00-4:00PM in St. Francis Hall
If you have some knowledge of Scripture, but would like to share your faith with others in a bible study group, this session is for you.
Even if you haven't been with us for a while, please feel welcome to join us for sessions this Fall. If you know someone who might be interested, please invite them.

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHTS



Mary, Help of Christians

has more than 50 ministries that meet the diverse needs of its members and the

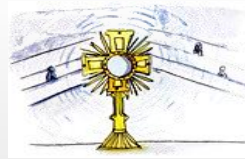
community. Over the next few months we are presenting a series of these ministry's profiles. These Ministry Spotlights highlight the wide variety of opportunities to serve and be served at Mary Help. Our hope is that somewhere in these 50-plus ministries is one that's just right for you! A Ministry Spotlight is a celebration of the work of the Church. It is a time to learn about the programs, ministries and services of the parish, as well as an opportunity for all parishioners to consider their God given talents and gifts and to discern how those gifts can be of service to others.

Now is the time for you to reflect upon your gifts and how they might be of service to the community. This can help you grow in your relationship with God and with each other, for we are all called to be good stewards of our lives. Highlighting the ministries and activities of the parish will help all of us witness the vast treasures of gifts and talents within our faith community. We have all been gifted by God, so as to use our gifts for the good of the others. Please pray to discern your gifts and talents and how you might use them for the common good. Watch for a table in the gathering space where these ministries are being highlighted.

**SEPTEMBER 9 & 10 WE WILL SPOTLIGHT OUR
MHC TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

ADORATION

Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration:
You are invited to spend a holy hour of prayer with adoration on the **4th Monday each month from 7:00-8:00PM in the church.**



Welcome!
Join us Monday, September 25

ST. FRANCIS MEDITATION GARDEN



Enjoy God's Creation!

As the weather is warmer all are invited to spend some quiet time or private prayer in our St. Francis Meditation Garden!

The garden is open from dawn to dusk. The entrance is near the St. Francis Hall garage door. Check out our beautiful garden.

If you would like to help care for the garden, we work most Tuesdays around 8:30AM. Please call Beverly at 937-878-6060 for more information.

SPEAK LIFE



MHC TEE SHIRTS AVAILABLE



We have a few MHC Tee Shirts still available to purchase. Please call Eric Rogalinski or the parish office to place your order.

If you need to pick up a shirt that you already ordered they are available at the Parish Office.
Small, Medium & X Large \$10.00

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