

MASS TIMES

Monday

8:30 a.m.....St. Luke 9 a.m.....Mary, Help of Christians

Tuesday

8 a.m.....St. Brigid 8:30 a.m....St. Luke 9 a.m....Mary, Help of Christians

Wednesday

8 a.m.....St. Brigid 8:30 a.m....St. Luke 9 a.m....Sacred Heart 6 p.m....St. Paul

Thursday

8 a.m......St. Brigid 8:30 a.m....St. Luke 8:30 a.m...St. Paul 9 a.m....Sacred Heart

Friday

8 a.m.....St. Brigid 8:30 a.m....St. Luke 8:30 a.m....St. Paul 9 a.m....Sacred Heart (1st Friday)

Saturday

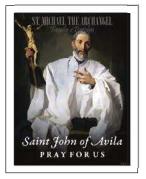
8:30 a.m. Latin N.O. Mass....St. Luke 4 p.m.....Mary, Help of Christians 4:30 p.m.....St. Brigid 5:30 p.m.....St. Luke

Sunday

8 a.m......St. Luke
8:30 a.m....Mary, Help of Christians
9 a.m....St. Augustine
9:30 a.m....St. Brigid
10 a.m....St. Luke
10:30 a.m...Sacred Heart
11:15 a.m...St. Paul
12 p.m...Sacred Heart (Spanish)

ON THE COVER

Friday, May 10, is the feast day of Saint John of Avila. Canonized in 1970, Pope Benedict XVI proclaimed Father John a Doctor of the Church in 2012.



elcome to St. Michael the Archangel Family of Parishes.
Our Family is comprised of six churches: Mary, Help of Christians in Fairborn, Sacred Heart in New Carlisle, St. Augustine in Jamestown, St. Brigid in Xenia, St. Luke the Evangelist in Beavercreek, and St. Paul in Yellow Springs. Two of our churches, St. Brigid and St. Luke, also have schools with preschool through eighth grades.

We are part of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and were combined as a Family in July of 2022 to be "Beacons of Light," an Archdiocese-wide, multi-year initiative to better array resources for spreading the Gospel far and wide. SMAFP staff are listed below and on subsequent pages dedicated to each church.

SACRAMENT RELATED CONTACTS

Communion

Please contact your parish office at the number below to request Communion outside of Mass.

Matrimony

(& Declarations of Nullity)

Spencer Hargadon

Adult Faith Formation Coordinator 937-426-1733, xt.6304 shargadon@smafp.org

Becoming Catholic

Please contact Spencer Hargadon via the information above.

Anointing of the Sick

Please contact your nearest parish office at the number below.

Baptism & Confirmation

Please contact your parish office at the number below.

Holy Orders

Please call your parish office at the number below to explore the possibility of a vocation to the ordained priesthood, diaconate, vowed religious life for women and men, or for information on lay

Parish Office Phone Numbers

Mary, Help of Christians 937-878-8353

Sacred Heart 937-845-3121

Fr. Jason Bedel, Pastor

jenglefield@smafp.org

St. Augustine, St. Brigid, & St. Paul 937-372-3193

St. Luke the Evangelist 937–426-1733, xt. 6201

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May 5, 2024

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Beloved in Christ,

About a week and a half ago, Archbishop Schnurr underwent successful surgery to address problems associated with Crohn's Disease. Please keep him in your prayers as he continues to recover.

Hundreds of years before the Shroud of Turin was even brought to Turin, Italy, the Church was already celebrating the burial cloth of Jesus, a pretty awesome relic. Check out newadvent.org/cathen/15652a.htm to learn more about the "Feast of the Holy Winding Sheet" celebrated this weekend on May 4.

Are we sure that all 11 faithful Apostles were martyred except St. John? For

centuries, the Church has observed the martyrdom of St. John also in the "Feast of St. John Before the Latin Gate." As recently as the 1960s, this feast was still on the liturgical calendar. Priests would wear red vestments, just like we do for all the martyrs' feasts, even though St. John miraculously survived this attempted martyrdom and later died while exiled on Patmos. Check out catholicsaints.info/saint-john-before-the-latin-gate/ for more details and other links.

Congratulations to the eighth graders of St. Luke who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this Sundayl Be assured of our prayers as you receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit, including wisdom to take your learning of the Faith to the next level.

910_{AM}

Fr. Bedel welcomed Sacred Heart Radio host Anna Mitchell during a recent visit to St. Luke. SMAFP and 910 AM are teaming up to broadcast the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Mass at Sacred Heart Church on June 7.

Here in the ecclesiastical Province

of Cincinnati (State of Ohio), the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord is not celebrated on Thursday of this week but transferred to Sunday, May 12. Dioceses in Nebraska and several states in the Northeast maintain the celebration on Thursday, May 9.

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

Happy Easter,

Fr. Bedel

FLOCKNOTE

Our Family of churches uses Flocknote to help keep parishioners and staff informed via email and texts. Sign up is simple (no username or password required) via the methods below or QR code at right.

smafp.flocknote.com | Text "smafp" to 84576



CONFESSION

Monday 8 a.mMary, Help of Christians
Tuesday 7 p.mSacred Heart
Wednesday 5 ρ.mSt. Paul
Thursday 2 p.mSt. Luke
Friday 8:30 a.mSt. Brigid
Saturday 3 p.mMary, Help of Christians 3:30 p.mSt. Brigid 4 p.mSt. Luke

ADORATION

Monday	
7 p.mMary, Help	of Christians
(8 p.m. Benediction)	

8 a.m.....St. Augustine

confession by appointment.

Call 937-372-3193 to schedule

Tuesday

Sunday

9 a.m.....St. Luke (6:30 p.m. Benediction) 7 p.m.....Sacred Heart (8 p.m. Benediction)

Thursday 9 a.m.......St. Luke (6:30 p.m. Benediction)

Friday 8:30 a.m.....St. Brigid (9:30 a.m. Benediction every Friday except first Friday when Benediction is 4 p.m.)

DAILY READINGS

<u>Morelay</u>, <u>Mayo</u> Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26—16:4a

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Weingning May 8 Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Jn 16:12-15

1811-8/Jn 16:16-20

13-76-13-31/hy/10 Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23

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ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL FAMILY OF PARISHES

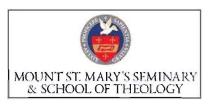
ALL EMHC TO BE RECOMMISSIONED JUNE 1-2

The feast of Corpus Christi is coming soon! ALL extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion - both those who help distribute at Mass and those who take Communion to the sick - need to be recommissioned at Mass the weekend of June 1-2. The recommissioning will take place during all Masses that weekend. Those who would like to become an extraordinary minister, or would like a refresher and an opportunity to pray about the role, can come to one of three training sessions listed below. If unable to attend a Mass that weekend, please contact Fr. Ambrose at 937-878-8353 to arrange an alternative recommissioning. TRAINING SESSIONS: Tuesday, 5/28, 6 p.m. at Sacred Heart Wednesday, 5/29, 6 p.m. at St. Luke Saturday, 6/1, 10 a.m. at St. Brigid

ATHANEUM SCHOOL TO OFFER ENDORSEMENTS

Starting this Fall, the Mount St. Mary's Seminary & School of Theology is scheduled to begin offering endorsements and graduate endorsements within the Lay Ecclesial Formation program. These

reduced-credit options are designed for students interested in aspects of pastoral ministry who do not wish to pursue the full Certificate in Pastoral Ministry.



Three endorsements will be available, each corresponding to the current needs reported by pastors and parishes in the Archdiocese: Liturgy & Worship, Pastoral Accompaniment and Religious Education & Evangelization. Visit the following website or call 513-233-6118 for more information: athenaeum.edu/school-of-theology/



Cooperating Through Grace: A Vision Statement Reflection



By Fr. Patrick Blenman, Parochial Vicar

ontinuing on praying with and understanding the vision statement for our Family of Parishes, we are confronted with the phase "cooperate through grace." Grace is a word we hear extensively in our Christian life and is something that is so important. However, grace can get confused and convoluted in our culture and in our lives. By grace we do not mean something we earn. Rather it is a gift. Specifically, grace is God's free supernatural gift given to rational creatures to help them attain the

Beatific Vision; the encounter with God In Heaven. To attain this Vision is the goal of all humanity; to be with God in Heaven!

This grace of God, then, is the gift that is given to us as means by which we can participate in the very life and qualities of God. In order to be loving, we have to experience the love of the One who is all loving. For us to live in the image of God we must reflect the image and qualities of God, which is what grace allows us to do. This gift is nothing less than the participation in the life of God who created us and wants us to participate in with Him in Heaven. All this should make us incredibly excited and thankful for this wonderful gift. But how do we receive this gift?

We receive grace from a couple of different sources. Primarily, we receive the infusing of grace at our baptism through what is called Sanctifying Grace. This grace is what the baptized are gifted with to cultivate and to be strengthened by throughout the entirety of their earthly life. But it is important to note that this grace we received can be damaged or even lost by the sins we commit. Hence, why we need to be on guard to protect and grow this Divine Gift.

We do this primarily through the sacraments, which dispense God's grace to us, and even restore that Sanctifying Grace via the Sacrament of Reconcillation. We cannot do anything without God's grace, and thus we need to cultivate, protect, and grow in our ability to receive grace. This can only be done by availing ourselves to the fount of grace, mainly in the Holy Sacraments of the Church. This is why availing ourselves to the Sacraments of the Church is essential to the Christian life.

SAINT AUGUSTINE CHURCH

MASS

Sunday, May 5

+Sonny, Mary Agnes and Bob Knecht (Mary Ann Knecht)

Sunday, May 12

+Helen, Elden and Steve Brock (Ann Brock)

May 12 Schedule

LECTOR: D. Miller

SERVERS: Je. Hoke, Ca. Beatty

COLLECTIONS April 21: \$380

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers for this week were furnished by Marianne Cotugno and Mark Hoffman in memory of Joan Hoffman.

PSR CLASSES

PSR classes will start again in September. Contact Della Weidel at 614-285-2293 to enroll your students, volunteer to be a teacher, or ask questions.

SENIOR CENTER

The Jamestown Senior Center is open. Bingo is on Friday from 1 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Euchre is on Tuesdays with limited seating. Reservations are necessary.

Call Tim Brickey at 937-376-5486, xt.
125, for reservations and/or information.
Seniors 50 and older are invited to the next luncheon at the Center scheduled for May
14. Reservations are required.

LADIES LUNCHEON THURSDAY

The St. Augustine Church Ladies will have a lunch outing to Der Dutchman in Plain City on Thursday, May 9, at 12:30 p.m. Carpools will leave the church at 11:15 a.m. Please sign the reservation form in back of the church if planning to attend.

HOLINESS IS WHOLENESS

BODY: Stroke an animal; it decreases blood pressure and slows the heart.

MIND: Welcome the challenge of change.

SPIRIT: Worship regularly.



FOOD PANTRY

The Food Pantry has moved to The City of Zion Church, 260 S. Charleston Road. Hours are Thursdays 2-6 p.m., and the fourth Saturday of the month, 10 a.m.— noon. No appointment is needed for Saturdays. Call 937-971-8067 to arrange donations or to schedule an appointment.

Monetary donations can be made to Greene Giving/Together Jamestown. Specific needs for the pantry are rice, potato flakes, spaghetti sauce, canned baked beans, Ramen noodles, personal care items, and paper products. If you know of someone who could make use of the food pantry or you want to volunteer at the Food Pantry, please let Carol Smith know.

St. Augustine Church

44 E. Washington St. Jamestown, Ohio 45335

937-372-3193

Parish Office Email: csmith2039@aol.com

Carol Smith, Secretary/Organist Della Weidel, DRE Denny Goodrich, Maintenance



PRAY FOR US

Please keep the following in your prayers: John Brickner, Lisa Mitchell, Robert Sherlock, Robert Gifford, Cathy Claypool, Noel Ebert, Joan Ward, Cathy Ford, Tom Baudendistel, Father Charles Lang, Judy Hobbs, Ray Raflik, Ed Nienaber, Jennifer Reynolds, Mary Ellen Mergy, Tim Schomek, Heether Bonz, Sandy Coakley, Pat Staley, David Miller, Gene Robinson, Keith Lively, Mary Kaye Benanzer, Brian Steinmetz, Joe Hess, Catherine Sheridan, Janet Goff, James Burns, Patsy Stewart, Mike Cyphase, Nickie Sherwood, Curtis Love, Mike Wombles, Ann Marie Somers, Agnes Hausman, Linda Baker, Kathleen Kall, Marcy Wirsbinnske, Robert Mergy, Vicki Sage, Autumn Neville, Cindy Hamilton, Marge Albrecht, Mary Buschur, Lauren Williams, John Harris, Lisa Everman, Becky Hiser, Diane Miller, Jane Morris, Heather Klingensmith, Patrick Hurl, Geneva Hommsteuter, Erin Sanderson, Al Elam, Jerry Pack, Kathleen Evans, Kolston Edwards, Dennis Donovan, Ron Harvey, Tyler Jaworski, Madelyn Machen, and Joseph Firestone

Contact Carol Smith to add or remove someone from the prayer list.

What's Your Catholic IQ

- 1) When a Catholic priest or deacon carries the Blessed Sacrament in procession, he commonly wears a_____.
 - a) turban b) humeral vell c) miter d) berretta
- 2) The Blessed Sacrament, when reserved in the tabernacle, is held in a covered chalice-like container called a ______
 - a) sequence b) ciborium c) corporal d) Tupperware



MARY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH

Mary, Help of Christians Church

954 North Maple Fairborn, Ohio 45324

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Religious Education: 937-830-8735 Music Director: 937-878-8092 St. Vincent dePaul Helpline:

937-424-0951 Handy Helpers: 937-878-8353

Parish Office Hours:

9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Mon. - Fri.)

Parish School of Religion:

Sunday, 9:45 - 11 a.m. (in Parish Center)

Parish Library:

For access, call 937-878-8353

Marriages:

Please call the parish office immediately after getting engaged to begin required pre-nuptial preparation.

Anointing of the Sick:

Available on request. Call the rectory

For Hospital/Home Visit:

Call the Rectory Office.



PRAYER REQUEST

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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

favorite Shampoo.

COLLECTION MAY 18-19

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. This week we will collect your

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CINCINNATI IS SUNDAY, MAY 12TH

(THE 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER).

The **Ascension of the** Lord will be

celebrated on the Seventh Sunday of Easter in Ohio dioceses. With permission from Rome, the Catholic bishops of Ohio decided to move the yearly celebration of the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord from Thursday of the Sixth Week of Easter to the Seventh Sunday of Easter. This change has been in effect since June 4, 2000.

FIRST EUCHARIST TODAY AT OUR



8:30 A.M. LITURGY We are happy to announce some of our parish youth will

begin receiving Eucharist. Please welcome them to Holy Communion. The following children will celebrate First Eucharist with their families and their parish community:

> Lillian Habig, Alice Paxson, Willow Sandborg, and Conner Strasser

The First Communicants will be in the gathering space after Mass. There will be a Reception in the Bride's Room. All are welcome. Congratulations on this special occasion.

JOY CLUB: Our next meeting is Monday, May 13 at 1:00 p.m. in St. Francis Hall. Come to epJOY an afternoon of cards, games or

bingo along with fellowship and refreshments with your fellow parishioners and friends.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CERTIFICATES AND GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY MASS MARRIED COUPLES CELEBRATING A SIGNIFICANT WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



Silver 25th, 40th Golden 50th, 60th, 70th or 75th during 2024 You are invited to request a congratulatory certificate from Archbishop Schnurr. You should

contact the parish office @ 937-878-8353 no later than July 12, 2024. For "golden" couples, there will also be a Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass on Saturday, September 7, 2024 at St. John the Baptist, Tipp City at 4:00 p.m. Celebrant: TBD. & Sunday, September 8 at 11:00 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains. Cincinnati. Celebrant: Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr. Certificates will be sent to those who contact the parish office with their information. Registration is required to attend one of the Golden Jubilee Wedding Anniversary Masses.

MARY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS FEAST **DAY (MAY 24)**



Our parish is under the patronage of Mary, Help of Christians. This year, on the feast day (May 24), we will host a Parish Feast Day Celebration. Adoration, Mass and Reception. Let us celebrate the goodness

that Mary, Help of Christians has bestowed upon us for over160 years. Please join us this year

"Save The Date" Friday, May 24, 2024. More information coming soon.

SPEAK LIFE



WWW.MHCPARISH.ORG



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.

NEW PARISHIONERS WELCOME!

To register, visit the parish office, the website or pick up registration form at front entrance of the church and drop it in the collection.

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

FESTIVAL FOOD DROP OFF:

To help defray some of the ever rising food expenses. We are asking for donations of specific food items needed for our Festival Booths again this year. Some of the booths use specific brand name items so please get that specific item. Each week we will have different items that are needed. Week Three: Condiments any

Size Squirt Bottle or Jars
Heinz Ketchup, Miracle Whip,
French's Yellow Mustard,
Hellmann's Real Mayonnaise, and

Mt. Olive Sweet Relish.
Thank you in advance for your support in making this year's Festival a huge success. You can drop off your items at the Parish Office or at Church. We will have a blue bin marked Festival Food Items located by the Bride's







MEMORIAL DAY DECORATIONS AT OUR CEMETERY



With Memorial Day approaching, many of us will want to honor our

loved ones with flowers and flags at their gravesites. Please remember that at our parish cemetery, decorations placed on loved one's gravesites for Memorial Day should be removed after a period of seven days. If you are unable to return to the cemetery to remove your items, the city will remove them for you (our cemetery is part of the Fairborn cemetery). Only the concrete pads/ledges may be used for pots and other decorative items, so as to reduce the city's mowing and trimming time. Thanks for helping us comply with the city's policies in order to keep our section of the cemetery looking nice. Blessings to all as we celebrate Memorial Day!

HOLY HOUR AND EUCHARISTIC



ADORATION: You are invited to spend a holy hour of prayer with adoration every

Monday each week from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the church. All are Welcome! Join us Monday, May 6.

ROSARY: Saturday afternoon before Mass @ 3:30 p.m. and Monday evening @ 6:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS: First Sunday of the month after 8:30 a.m. Mass. Third Saturday of the month after 4:00 p.m. Mass. Required Parents' Classes are on the second Sunday of January, March, May, July, September and November at 9:45 a.m. in the Church. Parents must attend one of these classes. The next Baptismal Preparation Class is being held on Sunday, May 12th at 9:45 a.m. in the Church. Please call the parish office @ 937- 878-8353 to advise us if you will be attending this class.

GARDEN BLESSING "Let the earth Bless the Lord".



Daniel 3:74
Join us as we celebrate our beautiful MHC Parish Garden with a garden blessing on Monday.

May 20 after morning Mass on the Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church. The Garden is located behind the Parish Center near the playground.

All are welcome!!!



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 4-4:00 p.m.

Bob & Nancy Panella off: Ed & Joan Gulbransen

Sunday, May 5-8:30 a.m.

For the Parish

Monday, May 6-9:00 a.m.

Michelle Schaefer, off: The Schaefer Family

Tuesday, May 7-9:00 a.m.

Chuck Jr. & Steve Vincent, off: Jim & Barb Vincent

Saturday, May 11-11:00 a.m.

St. Vincent de Paul Conference

Saturday, May 11-4:00 p.m.

Eugene & Alice O' Brien, off: Family

Sunday, May 12-8:30 a.m.

For the Parish

FINANCIAL SUPPORT THRU 04/21/24

Regular Collection & Loose Cash &

Envelopes \$9,822.10

<u>Capital Improvements</u>. \$165.00 Total Collections For April 21, 2024

\$9,987.10

Church Renovation Project

Total Donations and Pledges as of

04/21/24

\$153,721.45

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 church gratefully accepts donations of stock. A tax deduction for a gift of appreciated securities to a charity equals its full fair market value.

REMINDER: The parish office will be closed Monday, May 27, for the Memorial Day holiday and there will be a Mass Monday morning at 9:00 a.m.

Mary, Help of Christians Feast Day (May 24) Parish Feast Day Celebration.

Friday, May 24, 2024 Rosary, Adoration, Mass 5:30PM 6:00PM 7:00PM

A reception will follow after Mass in the Brides Room.

Let us celebrate as a parish family community the goodness that Mary, Help of Christians has bestowed upon us for over 160 years.

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SACRED HEART CHURCH/SACREDHEARTNC.NET

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Bulletin Submissions

bulletin@sacredheartnc.net May 19 deadline is May 7 May 26 deadline is May 14

To add or remove someone from the prayer or military list, call 845-3121 or email: Bulletin@sacredheartnc.net.





We are happy you are here! Welcome to our caring community of faith—united in our love of God and service to others. If you are interested in learning more or want to register, please call the Parish Office at 937-845-3121 or visit our website at: https://sacredheartnc.net.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, May 5, 10:30 a.m. Mass Soul of Rick Lambright (Bethany Hall)

Sunday, Mayo 5, noon Mass

Alma de Maria De Jesus Ramos-Mendez (Claudia Avalos)

Wednesday, May 8, 9 a.m. Mass

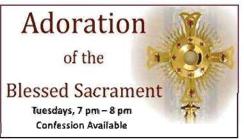
Soul of Loretta Lokai (Therese Santo & Family)

Thursday, May 9, 9 a.m. Mass
Souls of Cletus, Mark & Kathy Suther
(Elaine Suther)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Sandy Brinkman, Al Brunson, Frank Caponegro, Larry Engle, Debby Fraizer, Rosalie Gillespie, Carol Graham, Terry Hamisch, Katie Horn, Kathy Jackson, Bryan Karjala, Ann Long, Jim Mason, Francis Owens, Javier Perez, Jr. and Mary West





Recommissioning of Extraordinary Ministers

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- Saturday, 6/1, 10:00 am at St. Brigid

Please Sign the Guest Book

Father John Grusenmeyer



There is a guest book in the gathering space for you to sign and write a personal message to Father John Grusenmeyer who will celebrate his

first Mass as an ordained priest at Sacred Heart on Sunday, May 19 at 3 p.m. A reception will follow the Mass in the parish center.



Please come to the May Crowning of our Blessed Mother at the 10:30 a.m. Mass or the noon Spanish Mass to honor Mary. All children are invited

to join in the procession. First Communicants are asked to wear dresses and suits for this procession. If you have flowers blooming, please bring a stem to carry to the Blessed Virgin Mary. We will have extra flowers for anyone who needs some.

IGLESIA DEL SAGRADO CORAZON



Upcoming Events

- May 7 Adoration and Confession, 7 pm Sacred Heart Ladies Club, 7 pm
- May 8 Mass, 9 am Coffee Klatsch, 9:45 am
- May 9 Mass, 9 am Patriotic Rosary, 9:30 am
- May 12 Mother's Day
 May Crowning during Mass
 Mass, 10:30 am
 Mass, noon (Spanish)
- May 19 Mass & Parish Celebration Fr. John Grusenmeyer, 3 pm
- May 20 Blood Drive, 12:30-6:30 pm
- May 27 Memorial Day Parish Office closed
- May 29 Marian Celebration & Games
- June 2 Rosary before Mass, 10 am
- June 7 First Friday Mass, 9 am



Proximos eventos

- Mayo 12 Coronación de la Virgen Maria durante Las Misa de 10:30 am Y 12:00 pm
- Mayo 14 Adoración al Santísimo Y
 Confesiones 7:00 pm
- Mayo 19 Misa en inglés 10:30 am Misa en españo! 12:00 pm

PATRIOTIC ROSARY

Join us on Thursdays

We invite you to join us every Thursday following 9:00 a.m. Mass as we ask our Lord Jesus and His Blessed Mother's intercession for our country. This is a powerful prayer for Divine protection and mercy for our nation, an opportunity to pray for our church leaders, our nation's leaders, and to give thanksgiving for our blessings.

The Patriotic Rosary was written by a member of Caritas Community. It dedicates one Hail Mary in the traditional Catholic Rosary to each state of the United States and asks God's protection of and guidance for the nation. A Patriotic Rosary booklet is available, format used includes praying for all of our religious, and government leaders.



Invitamos a todos los niños y niñas a traer una flor para la Virgen María y a participar de la coronación de la virgen al comenzar la Misa el próximo Domingo. Si tienen preguntas pueden hablar con Luz María Pérez.

El Santo Rosario



Recemos el santo rosario todos los dias, si nos es posible, por la paz del mundo. Ya que nuestra Madre Santísima nos lo pidió.

Recemos el santo rosario en nuestros hogares en familia y pidamos por la paz del mundo que tanta falta nos hace. Recemos por la conversión de tantas almas que están en las tinicblas, para que vuelvan a la luz, que es Cristo.



Why is May Mary's month?

For centuries, the Catholic Church has set aside the entire month of May to honor Mary, Mother of God. Not just a day in May, mind you, but the entire month.

In medieval times, many customs abounded, all centering around the practice of expelling winter, as May I was considered the start of new growth.

During baroque times, the tradition of *Tricesimum*, or "Thirty-Day Devotion to Mary," came into being. Also called, "Lady Month," it wasn't always held during May. Mary Month included thirty daily spiritual exercises honoring Mary.

It was in this era that Mary's Month and May were combined, making May the Month of Mary with special devotions organized on each day throughout the month. This custom became especially widespread during the nineteenth century and remains in practice until today.

Parishes frequently have a daily Rosary during May, erect a May altar with a statue or picture of Mary and it's a tradition to crown the statue of Mary – a custom known as May Crowning.

But May altars and Crownings aren't just "church" things. You can erect a prayer corner in your home, a. place designated for spending time with God. In May, give Mary a special spot in your prayer corner because she is your mother, my mother, everyone's mother and she cares for all of us every day, interceding, for us. She deserves an entire month in her honor.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Contributions for April 21, 2024

	Weekly	YTD	Over/Short
Weekly Sunday & Holy Days	\$4,038	\$193,093	(\$8,363)
Weekly Maintenance	307	14,986	(7,675)
All Other Weekly	10	14,271	7,047
Total Revenue	\$4,355	\$222,349	(8,991)
Holy Land Shrines	\$307	St Vincent	\$681
Catholic Relief Services	\$700		

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Velcome,

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To be registered here at St. Brigid is an expression of your commitment to being an active member of our community. It also simplifies sacramental matters like religious education, sponsoring a sacrament candidate, and planning/preparation of baptisms, weddings, and funerals.

Registration is easy and can be completed online via our website listed at the top of the next page. If you are a long-time member of St. Brigid, call or email us to make sure we have all your latest contact information. Our goal is to build stronger communication with our community.

PRAY FOR US

Ken Williams, Luann Starbuck, Dr. Lee & Delores Esprit, Waylan Quigley, Jim Langan, Jerry Moeggenberg, Cathi Sargent, Richard Downing, Nancy Tucker, Vi Thomas, Tina Gwin, Toni & Larry Charles, Lisa Hernandez, Jerry McCormick, Tyler Foster, Mary Ross, John Garrity, Louise Marshall, Daniel Mayer, Ann Reed, Pearl Roberts, Kerry Wiersma, Brian Neville, Kiersten McCormick, Rita McCormick, Paula Myers, Keenan McCormick, Jeff Brockert, Jeff McBride, Michael Lewis Mustane, Sr.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 4 +Robert Nartker (Marilyn Burns)

Sunday, May 5 +Angelo Ricciuto (Family)

Tuesday, May 7 +Sophia Aleitta Hodges (Baxley Family) Wednesday, May 8 +Sean O'Brien (Eileen O'Brien)

Thursday, May 9 +Luz Vallejo (Sofle Haney)

Friday, May 10 +Bill Haney (Sofie Haney)

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 11

Lector; Mary Chitwood
Servers: Garrett Hollon,
Keegan Noble, Josie Noble
EMHC: Deacon Dennis Kall,
Wyncee Fleisher, Brenda Seilhamer

Sunday, May 12

Lector: Jason Hughes
Servers: Nathalie Matumaini,
Lucy Hughes, Maddie Hughes
EMHC: Marty Shaver, Keith Gruhot,
Tom Birkbeck

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHAPEL NOW OPEN AFTER DAILY MASS

The chapel at St. Brigid, with a view of the tabernacle containing the Most Holy Eucharist, is open for private prayer and adoration weekdays (Monday through Friday) from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Doors will normally be unlocked after daily Mass, but please call the parish office at 937-372-3193 if they are locked or other assistance is needed.

NO FIRST FRIDAYS DURING SUMMER

Effective June 1, Adoration on Fridays will be for one hour following the 8 a.m. Mass. All-day Adoration is scheduled to resume in late summer/early fall if there are enough sign-ups to sustain it.

All-day Adoration is currently scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays at St. Luke in Beavercreek. See the top right of page 13 for details.

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5K Bay

Thank you to the volunteers and particiapants who made this year's St. Brigid 5K a success on April 27.









THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 5

- PSR in School 8:15 a.m.
- Boy Scouts in Library 4:30 p.m.

Monday, May 6

 Adult Faith Formation in Lunchroom 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 7

- Prayer Shawl Ministry
- Scripture Study in Library 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 8

 Marian Pray-ers in Chapel 1 p.m.

Thursday, May 9

 Choir Rehearsal in Church 7 p.m.

Friday, May 10

- Eucharistic Exposition
 8:30 a.m.
- Confession in Church 8:30 a.m.
- Benediction 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, May 11

- PIE Flower Pick up in Parking Lot 9-11 a.m.
- Confessions in Church 3:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 12

- PSR in School 8:15 a.m.
- Fellowship in Lunchroom 10:30 a.m.
- Boy Scouts in Library 4:30 p.m.

ST. BRIGID FINANCIAL SUPPORT THROUGH APRIL 28 (WEEK 44)

Donations to the Church through automatic bank account transfers and/or regular use of envelopes responds to our call to support our faith community. For information regarding automatic transfers, wills, and bequests for the Parish, please call the parish office. Setting up regular and recurring payments directly to St. Brigid Church removes the hassle of finding cash, writing checks, and using Church envelopes. For automatic "BILL PAY" through your financial institution, bank-issued checks can be sent to:

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ACH payments for Sunday giving and school tuition assistance is available through Park National Bank. Contact Brian Sticks at 937-372-3193 for more information. Thank you for your continued financial support to St. Brigid Church.

	Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Collections Goal	\$680,000.00
,	Collections To Date	\$579,488 <i>.</i> 76
ſ	Amount Left to Reach Goal	<u>\$100,511.24</u>
	Week 44 Collection	\$6,250.25
	Week 44 Special Collections	
	SVDP	\$150.00
	Capital Improvements	\$50.00

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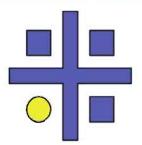
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May 19 Bulletin: due May 7 May 26 Bulletin: due May 14 June 2 Bulletin: due May 21 June 9 Bulletin: due May 28 (due dates usually fall on Tuesdays)

Telcome to St. Luke Church. Childcare is available during the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday and 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday. Please join us in Kramer Hall after Mass for coffee, donuts and fellowship. Our Welcome Committee will be in Kramer Hall after Mass the first weekend of every month to help with registration. You can also call or visit the church office for registration www.saintlukeparish.org

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLY BAPTISM

forms, or visit our parish website:

April 21

Elizabeth Marie Hochschwender

IN SYMPATHY

April 21

Mary Ann Leonard, Mother of Peg Birkemeyer

BOOSTERS FUNDING REQUESTS DUE MAY 15

The St. Luke Boosters provide funding to parish organizations throughout the year. The funding is made possible through various sponsored events hosted at St. Luke. Fund request forms for 2024/2025 are due no later than May 15. To request a form, please email Mark at: markniezgodski@yahoo.com

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION MAY 4-5

New parishioners wishing to register are invited to visit the Welcome Committee booth in Kramer Hall after Mass this weekend. Parishioners needing to update their existing registration may also stop by. Information about many volunteer opportunities will be available as well.

MEAL PREP THIS WEEK

Help is needed Monday, May 6, and Wednesday, May 8, to prepare the evening meal at Family Promise of Greene County. Please visit https://tinyurl.com/yrkpnmd7 or scan the below QR code to sign up for needed meal items. Contact Anmarie at 937-272-4615 with any questions.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to the First Communicants who joined us at the Lords table on April 28.

GETTING TO KNOW SAINT GERARD MAJELLA

Please join us Tuesday, May 14, at 7 p.m. in Jansen Center West for our May Saint Movie Night featuring St. Gerard Majella, patron saint of pregnant women and those wishing to get pregnant. Mark your calendars for our next movie on June 11 featuring St. Joan of Arc.

WOF SPEAKER SERIES EVERY TUESDAY

Women of Faith will be welcoming a new speaker every Tuesday when they meet at 10 a.m. in Kramer Hall. Family, friends, and neighbors are all welcome!

CALENDAR

Confirmation Masses May 5, 12 p.m. & 2 p.m.

> **Bridge Club** May 10, 7 p.m. Bishop Ford Hall

Fair Trade Coffee Booth May 11-12, Kramer Hall

Monthly Novena May 16-23, 9:30 a.m. St. Dominic Chapel

Pietra Fitness Eastertide May 9, 6 p.m. Gilligan Hall

St. Luke Vacation Bible School June 3-7

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KNIGHTS COLLECTION TO BENEFIT DISABLED

The Council will be collecting after the Masses next weekend (May 11-12) to support agencies that aid the developmentally disabled. This year the money collected will be used to support agencies in Greene County. Thank you for your generosity.

SHOW CHOIR TO ENTERTAIN LEISURE CLUB

Any SMAFP member who is 55 and over is invited to our next Leisure Club meeting on **May 14** in St. Luke's Bishop Ford Hall at 1:30 p.m. The Kettering Show Choir will provide the entertainment. Please bring a potluck dish to share.



Students learned the intricacies of animal movements during Boonshoft Science Day at St. Luke School on April 23. A large team from Boonshoft Museum of Discovery brought live animals and a variety of exhibits to the school for a day of fun, hands-on learning.

ADORATION

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS at 9 A.M. Vespers-6 p.m., Benediction-6:30 p.m. Scan this QR code to sign up, or go to: www.tinyurl.com/May2024Adoration



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 4 +Dwayne Gonsorcik (Mary Jo & Steve Brooks)

Sunday, May 5

8 a.m. Mass: +Nick Hession (Duane & Lisa Johnson) 10 a.m. Mass:

+Corina 'Cori' Merker (mother, Angie Garcia)

Monday, May 6 +Jason W. Schoenfeld (Living) (Mary Beth Bedel)

Tuesday, May 7 +Bob Kritzer (Ron & Pauline Kritzer)

> Wednesday, May 8 +Lucas Gingras (living) (Bob & Rita Constantine)

Thursday, May 9 +Cliff Baldwin (Gary & Ginny Miller)

Friday, May 10 +Joan Anderson (Russ & Jackie Smith)

FINANCIAL SUPPORT THRU 4/14 (WEEK 42)

 Weekend Total
 \$31,087.67

 Yearly Total
 \$1,193,175.07

 Total Holy Days
 \$55,025.65

Regular and Holy Days

Total \$1,248,200.72

<u>Budgeted</u>

Each Weekend \$29,614.08
Total thru Week 41 \$1,243,791.36

Non-Parish Collection(s)

St. Vincent \$50.00 Good Friday \$25.00

Miscellaneous Collection(s)

School Ministry Collection \$145.00

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Please pray for Jack Erwine, Martin Connolly, Candie Ayers, Emily Lyons-Hammond, Patrick Gwin, Father Edmund Hussey, Dolores Sizemore, Sheila Suwalski, Sheila Kilgore and all in need of special prayers and healing.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, May 5 +Carmelo & Maria Ricciardi (Josephine Dunphy)

Wednesday, May 8 +Lauretta Donley (Patty Alexander)

> Thursday, May 9 +St. Paul Parishioners

> Friday, May 10 +St. Paul Parishioners

Sunday, May 12 +Irene Maresca (Connie Richeson)

May 12 SCHEDULE

SACRISTAN: Patty Alexander
USHER: Richard & Tami Whalen
SERVER/S: Cassie Ditmer
LECTOR: Desiree Powers



IN SYMPATHY

Our deepest condolences to the family of Nellie Geis who passed. Please keep the family in your prayers.

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Joe Cloran who passed. Please keep the family in your prayers.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

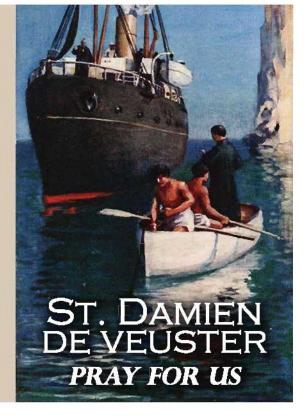


FINANCIAL SUPPORT THROUGH APRIL 21

General Collection for April 21 \$1,495.00
YTD General Collections \$125,437.75
Weekly Maintenance/Restoration \$0.00
YTD Maintenance/Restoration \$6,885.00
Maintenance/Restoration Balance \$968.00
Total Income - Total Expense Surplus \$19,783.46

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May 10 is the feast day of St. Damien de Veuster, a priest who ministered to a leper colony on the Kalaupapa Peninsula of Moloka'i for 16 vears. This painting by an unknown artist depicts St. Damien giving his confession to a priest who would not come closer to the island than the bow of a ship. St. Damien contracted leprosy in the 11th year of his ministry at the colony. He continued his work despite the disease until he succumbed to it in 1889. He has been described as the "martyr of charity" and he was was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI in October 2009.



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