

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL FAMILY of PARISHES

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE

- 8 a.m. – *St. Brigid*
- 8:30 a.m. – *St. Luke*
- 9 a.m. – *Sacred Heart*
- 12 p.m. – *Mary, Help of Christians*
- 6 p.m. – *St. Augustine*
- 6 p.m. – *St. Paul*
- 6 p.m. – *St. Brigid*
- 7 p.m. – *St. Luke*
- 7 p.m. – *Sacred Heart (En/Esp)*

Return

ASH WEDNESDAY
Return to me with your whole heart,
with fasting, weeping, and mourning.
Joel 2:12

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 a.m. Latin N.O. Mass.....St. Brigid
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

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14, and ends 40 days later on March 28. See page 14 for Lent announcements.



Welcome 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** 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 2022 to be “Beacons of Light,” an Archdiocese-wide, multi-year initiative to better array resources for spreading the Gospel far and wide. STMA Family staff are listed below and on subsequent pages dedicated to each church. Contact information for each church is also listed for help with baptisms, anointing of the sick, marriage, communion, reconciliation, registering, religious education, joining the Church, and other needs.

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FLOCKNOTE

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FEBRUARY 11, 2024
SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Beloved in Christ,

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the Season of Lent. The Archdiocese provides this annual reminder:

“Ash Wednesday, Feb. 14 and Good Friday, March 29, are days of abstinence from meat and also days of fast, that is, limited to a single full meal. The other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years and older. The law of fasting binds all Catholics from their 18th birthday until their 59th birthday (canons 97, 1252). “Let the paschal fast be kept sacred. Let it be celebrated everywhere on Good Friday and, where possible, prolonged throughout Holy Saturday, so that the joys of the Sunday of the Resurrection may be attained with uplifted and clear mind.” (Constitution on the Liturgy, No. 110)

With regard to the obligatory days listed above, however, there are frequent questions about the degree of seriousness of the matter. To paraphrase Pope John Paul II: the obligation to do penance is a serious one; the obligation to observe, as a whole or “substantially,” the penitential days specified by the Church is also serious. No one should be scrupulous in this regard; failure to observe an individual day of penance is not considered serious. People should seek to do more rather than less. Fast and abstinence on the days prescribed should be considered a minimum response to the Lord’s call to penance and conversion.”

I invite you to clear your Monday evenings in Lent for our Family Lenten Series that includes my Lenten discussions titled **The Pillars of Lent, The Feasts of Lent**, and **The Mark of Lent** on Feb. 26, March 4, and March 11, respectively. The series kicks off Feb. 19 with a FORMED presentation on the topic of Mercy, which is very timely for Lent.

The presentations will be in St. Brigid’s lunchroom at 7 p.m. The first four Mondays will lead up to the Lenten Mission in our St. Michael the Archangel Family of Parishes. Fr. Nathan Cromley will guide us in mission March 17-19 (*more information on page 14*).

Our silent and prayerful presence saves lives as we participate in 40 Days for Life at our local abortion facility. **Today (Sunday) at 2 p.m.** is the kickoff for the Lenten/Spring campaign of 40 Days for Life outside the abortion facility at E. Stroop and Vineyard Ave. in Kettering. Many women who were abortion minded witness that they changed their minds when they noticed us praying for them to reconsider. They thank us that they gave the gift of life to their children. As Christians, Jesus calls us to bring his goodness to the evil we find in the world. This is an excellent way to answer that call (*more information on page 14*).

Even though Ash Wednesday is not a holy day, many people participate in Mass as the perfect prayer for kicking off the Season of Lent. We will offer nine Masses in our St. Michael the Archangel Family of Parishes, as shown on the bulletin cover.

World Marriage Day is celebrated today, the Sunday before St. Valentine’s Day. How will you celebrate your marriage? Make a plan now with any parish to receive the Marriage Blessing on your anniversary.

Next Saturday, Feb. 17, I will be helping with confessions at the E6 Catholic Men’s Conference. I invite all our men to participate. There are still spots available, and it’s only a 70-minute drive from our area.

Visit e6catholicmensconference.com for more information and to register. Begin Lent strong!

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

God Bless,

Fr. Bedel



CONFESSION

Monday
8 a.m.....Mary, Help of Christians

Tuesday
7 p.m.....Sacred Heart

Wednesday
5 p.m.....St. Paul

Thursday
2 p.m.....St. Luke

Friday
8:30 am.....St. Brigid

Saturday
3 p.m.....Mary, Help of Christians
3:30 p.m.....St. Brigid
4 p.m.....St. Luke

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

Call 937-372-3193 to schedule confession by appointment.

ADORATION

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

Tuesday
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

Monday, Feb. 12
Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday, Feb. 13
Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday, Feb. 14
Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday, Feb. 15
Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25

Friday, Feb. 16
Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday, Feb. 17
Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32

Sunday, Feb. 18
Gn 9:8-15/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

MARY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH

Mary, Help of Christians Church

954 North Maple
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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:

Call the rectory at least eight months in
advance so we can properly prepare

for this joyous occasion.

Anointing of the Sick:

Available on request. Call the rectory
office.

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 DEPAUL FOOD PANTRY



Hours have changed. They will
be taking calls from 9:00 a.m.-
2:00 p.m. Monday – Thursday.

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
favorite. Canned Pasta or Ravioli
Any Brand.**



Mardi Gras/ Carnival Celebration



Bring your family to the MHC
Parish Center for a Mardi
Gras / Carnival Celebration.
Join our MHC & Sacred Heart
PSR & RE youth & catechists during MHC
PSR this Sunday, February 11, 2024
9:45 a.m-1:00 p.m.

After PSR stay a little longer for more Fun,
games and a free lunch.

King Cake, Mask Making, Hallelujah
Banner, Burning Palms For Ash Wednes-
day Mass, Carnival Games, Food and
More...**Sponsored by: MHC Religious
Education & The Knights of
Columbus**


SPEAK LIFE



STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Traditional Stations of the Cross
@ MHC will be held every
Friday at 7:00PM in the Church
during Lent. If you haven't
prayed the Way of The Cross for
a few years please consider joining us for
this beautiful devotion honoring the
Passion and Death of Christ. The
devotion originated in imitation of the
early Christian practice of visiting the
scenes of Christ's passion in the Holy
Land.

JOY CLUB: Our next meeting is 



Monday, February 12 at 1:00
p.m. in St. Francis Hall. Come
to **enJOY** an afternoon of cards,
games or bingo along with

fellowship and refreshments with your
fellow parishioners and friends.

**Wear RED or PINK to celebrate
VALENTINE'S DAY!**

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

2024 (CMA) Archbishop Schnurr
sends his thanks to everyone from **Mary,
Help of Christians** who has pledged
to the 2024 Catholic Ministries Appeal.
If you have not yet made your pledge,
please consider doing so this week.
More than anyone in the world, the
Catholic Church teaches, feeds, and
heals. In our local community, this
happens through the Catholic Ministries
Appeal.

You will find extra pledge envelopes in
the back of Church for your convenience
this weekend. To make a donation
online, please visit [https://
catholicaoc.org/cma](https://catholicaoc.org/cma) Thank you!



LITURGICAL COLORS



It's time for another
color change! Ash
Wednesday is
February 14 and

begins our forty days of Lent. Sometimes
we see the same purple we saw in Advent,
but Lenten purple should have a hint of
red in it. The red-violet represents Christ's
passion and is associated with penance.
As you journey through Lent toward
Easter, let the red-violet visually remind
you to take inventory of your relationship
with God so you will be truly ready to
renew your baptismal vows when Easter
arrives.

ASH WEDNESDAY



Please note that Wednesday,
February 14, 2024 is Ash
Wednesday. There will be a
12:00 p.m. Noon Mass @

MHC. *(It is not a Holy Day of obligation).*





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

Marian 911 Circle of Daughters of Isabella

Life, Death and Living



at Mary, Help of Christians Church is hosting their Annual Women's Spring

RETREAT NEW DATE on Saturday, March 23rd from 9:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.

The retreat is open to all women in the St. Michael the Archangel Family they must be 16 years of age and older. Registration fee: \$15.00 (Continental breakfast and Subway box lunch included). Location: Mary, Help of Christians Parish Center 934 North Maple, Fairborn. Retreat Master: Michael Barclay, Associate Director of Evangelization and Christian Formation. RSVP: to Amanda @ 937-620-0701 by March 4th.

MHC GREEN TIPS



For those of us worried about melting the ice which accumulates on our sidewalks, driveways, or other surfaces in a way that is friendly to the environment (and, to our pets!), there are a variety of options available. Amazon has products available online under the general heading of "Organic Ice Removal", and locally, The Home Depot offers two products, called "Safe Melt" and "Ecos" which can keep your furry friends safe while treating slippery surfaces.

SAVE THE DATE:

MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

St. Michael the Archangel Family of Parishes Mission 2024

We have scheduled Fr. Nathan Cromly to lead our Family of Parishes Mission on March 17, 18, and 19, 2024. The Family of Parishes Mission will be held at three locations: March 17- Saint Luke, March 18 - Mary, Help of Christians March 19 - Saint Brigid

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, February 12.*

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, March 10 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.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR MARCH 15TH 7:00 PM.



Pray the traditional Stations of the Cross at MHC

with some of our young parishioners, as they reenact each station through drama and shadow effects. Just like the other Friday nights in Lent, the Stations will be prayed in the church. This will be a moving, prayerful event that will enhance your experience of Lent and Holy Week. Please come to the stations on March 15 and support our youth.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 10-4:00 p.m.

Gary Weaver, off: Mary McClellan

Sunday, February 11-8:30 a.m.

For the Parish

Monday, February 12-9:00 a.m.

Jean Kellum, off: Rick &

Denise Wetzel

Tuesday, February 13-9:00 a.m.

Pat Drake, off: Friends from MHC

Wednesday, February 14-12:00 p.m.

Ash Wednesday

Frank & Dilsie Zimmerman, off: EJC

Saturday, February 17-4:00 p.m.

Bob & Nancy Panella Sr., off:

Charles & Karen Zeller

Sunday, February 18-8:30 a.m.

For the Parish

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

THRU 01/28/24

Regular Collection & Loose Cash & Envelopes \$6,610.68

Capital Improvements Donation Collections \$75.00

Total Collections For January 28, 2024 \$6,685.68

Church Renovation Project
Total Donations and Pledges as of 01/28/24 \$151,775.45

THANKS FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY

PLEASE REMEMBER MHC IN YOUR WILL

Reminder: The parish office will be closed Monday, February 19, for the President's Day holiday there will be daily Mass Monday morning at 9:00 a.m.



REST IN PEACE
PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all our parishioners, relatives, and friends who have died, especially, Patricia (Pat) Drake; and Leona Steinmetz, aunt of Carol Cypher.

Mary, Help of Christians Catholic Church



Lent/Holy Week 2024 Pray - Fast - Give Alms

LENT

Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2024 Mass 12:00PM NOON

Traditional Stations of the Cross: Fridays during Lent 7:00PM in Church

Taizé Prayer Service: Friday, March 8, 2024 7:00PM in Church

PSR Dramatic and Shadow Stations of the Cross: Friday, March 15, 2024 7:00PM in Church

PSR Shadow Stations of the Cross: Sunday, March 24, 2024 10:40AM in Parish Center During PSR

FAMILY ROSARY:

Every Monday: 6:00PM

LENT HOLY HOUR WITH EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND CONFESSION:

Monday, February 19: 7:00-8:00PM

Monday, February 26: 7:00-8:00PM

Monday, March 4: 7:00-8:00PM

Monday, March 11: 7:00-8:00PM

Monday, March 18: 4:00-5:00PM Parish Mission

Monday, March 25: 7:00-8:00PM

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

So that people may engage in the especially solemn nature of Holy Week, no meetings/activities should take place from Saturday, March 23 through Easter, except for those that are specifically related to the observance of Holy Week. Note that Holy Week starts the Saturday preceding Palm Sunday.

SERVICES:

Saturday, March 23: Mass 4:00PM Palm Sunday/ Blessing of Palms

Sunday, March 24: Mass 8:30AM Palm Sunday/ Blessing of Palms

Monday, March 25: Mass 9:00AM

Tuesday, March 26: Mass 9:00AM

Holy Thursday, March 28: Mass of The Lord's Supper 7:00PM

(SVDP food drive at Holy Thurs. Mass)

Adoration in Priest Sacristy after Mass

Church open for prayer all night.

Good Friday, March 29: Morning Prayer Service 9:00AM-10:00AM

The Passion of The Lord Service 1:00PM

Holy Saturday, March 30: Easter Vigil Mass 9:00PM (St. Luke)

Easter Sunday, March 31: Easter Mass 8:30AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday, Feb. 17, 24, March 2, 9, 16, 23: 3:00PM-3:30PM (Regular Saturday Confessions)

Monday, Feb. 19, 26, March 4, 11, 18, 25: 8:00AM-8:45AM (Regular Monday Confessions)

Monday, March 18: 4:00PM-6:30PM Reconciliation during Parish Mission

There are no confessions on Holy Saturday, March 30.



“Father, the hour has come”



An evening of song, prayer, and fellowship in the
Taizé tradition

Mary, Help of Christians Catholic Church
954 N Maple Ave.

Fairborn

Friday, March 8, 2024
7:00 PM

Mary, Help of Christians

Spring Sale

934 North Maple Avenue

Parish Center

Fairborn, Ohio

Friday, March 8th - 10:00AM - 6:00PM

Saturday, March 9th - 10:00AM - 4:00PM

Sunday, March 10th - 12:00PM - 6:00PM

Lots of great Spring Decorations,
Baskets, Easter, Stuffed Animals, Crafts
Floral, Kids Books & More...

Knights of Columbus Breakfast

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

Life, Death and Living



Daughters of Isabella Woman's Retreat

Discovering Who We Were Made To Be

With St. John Paul II's

Theology of the Body

Presenter: Michael Barclay

Date: March 23, 2024 from 9:00AM- 3:00PM

Doors Open at 8:30AM

*Light Breakfast and a Subway Box Lunch
provided*

*Location Mary, Help of Christians
Parish Center*

934 North Maple, Fairborn

Cost 15.00

*All Women of St. Michael The Archangel Family
are Invited and Welcome!*

RSVP to Amanda 937-620-0701 by March 4

Sacred Heart Church

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937-845-3121

Bulletin Submissions

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February 25 deadline is February 13

March 3 deadline is February 20

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, February 11, 10:30 Mass

Soul of Jane Maneman
(Luz Maria Perez)

Sunday, Febrero 11, 12 pm Mass

Alma de Raquel Belmontes
(Irma & Wlias Martinez)

Wednesday, February 14, 9 am Mass

Soul of Dian Gitzinger
(Mike Gitzinger)

Thursday, February 15, 9 am Mass

Soul of Fran Blair
(Carl Francis)

PRAYER REQUESTS

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



Archbishop Schnurr sends his thanks to everyone from Sacred Heart who has pledged to the 2024 Catholic Ministries Appeal. If you have not yet made your pledge, please consider doing so this week. More than anyone in the world, the Catholic Church teaches, feeds, and heals. In our local community, this happens through the Catholic Ministries Appeal. You will find extra pledge envelopes the back of Church for your convenience. To make a donation online, please visit CatholicAOC.org/CMA.

Happy Valentine's Day!



Lent begins early this year with Ash Wednesday falling on February 14, Valentine's Day. Coincidentally, as we celebrate a day of love, we begin a season of preparation to celebrate the great feast of love, Easter. The 40 days of Lent allow us time to ready our hearts by our traditional practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Fasting allows us to focus on our dependence on God, not the world. The Church asks us to fast and abstain as follows:

Abstinence—to refrain from eating meat: **all Fridays during Lent**. Catholics 14 years and older are expected to observe abstinence.

Fasting—to limit food to a single full meal or two half meals. Catholics from 18-59 are expected to observe fasting. **Ash Wednesday (February 14) and Good Friday (March 29)** are days of abstinence and fasting.

Prayer offers us the opportunity to grow closer to the Lord. In addition to personal prayer at home, come spend time before the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

We will pray the Stations of the Cross in church every Friday beginning at 7:15 p.m. This simple, traditional prayer takes about 30 minutes and leads us to reflect on Christ's love for us.

Almsgiving calls us to action through donating money or goods to the poor and performing specific acts of charity. Many people "give up" excess material goods, foods, etc. from their lives so they are free to focus on the needs of others. Consider donating to the Bethel Churches United Food Pantry this month as one way of giving alms.



IGLESIA DEL SAGRADO CORAZON

Upcoming Events

- Feb 13 Adoration & Confession, 7pm
Sacred Heart Ladies Club, 7 pm
- Feb 14 Ash Wednesday Mass, 9 am
Coffee Klatsch, 9:45 am
Mass (bilingual), 7 pm
- Feb 15 Mass, 9 am
Patriotic Rosary, 9:30 am
- Feb 16, 23 Fish Fry, 5–7 pm
Stations of the Cross, 7:15 pm
- Feb 18 Religious Education Classes, 9 am
Mass, 10:30 am
Mass, 12 pm (Spanish)
- Feb 19 Parish Office closed
Presidents' Day
- Feb 21 Women's Night for Lent
Soup & Salad Dinner, 6 pm
- Feb 26 Blood Drive, 12:30 pm—6:30 pm
- Mar 1 First Friday Mass, 9 am

Proximos eventos

- Feb 13 Adoración al Santísimo
Y Confesiones a las 7:00pm
- Feb 14 Miércoles de Ceniza
Misa 9:00am inglés
Misa 7:00pm bilingüe
- Feb 16 Venta de Cena de
Pescado 5:00-7:00pm
- Feb 21 Charla Cuaresmal para
Mujeres 6pm

FISH FRY FRIDAY

5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Father Paul Vieson Hall

February 16, 23, March 1, 8, 15 and 22

All you can eat dinner — Dine in or carry out

Fried and baked cod, grilled cheese sandwich, baked potato, French fries, green beans, salad, Cole slaw, dessert and beverage.

Adults (13-59)	\$15	Carry out \$14
Senior (60+)	\$13	Carry out \$12
Children (6-12)	\$ 9	Carry out \$ 8
Children (5 & under)	Free	

Parish Office Closed
Monday, February 19, 2024



Inicio de la cuaresma, tiempo de oración, tiempo de reflexión, tiempo de conversión.

“Concedenos Señor, el perdón y haznos pasar del pecado a la gracia y de la muerte a la vida.”

Venta de Cena de Pescado

Viernes durante cuaresma
de 5:00-7:00pm
en el salón parroquial

Los Caballeros de Colón de Sagrado Corazón tendrán venta de cenas de pescado frito y horneado los viernes durante cuaresma de 5:00pm a 7:00pm, excepto Viernes Santo. ¡Si no desean cocinar los viernes, les invitamos a que traigan a su familia y nos acompañen!

Bethel Churches United

FOOD PANTRY

Please donate food or money to help stock the pantry shelves.
Place monetary donations in collection basket.

Please place food donations in box in the gathering space.

Lenten Companion 2024



Lent is a time to refocus our hearts and renew our love of the Lord and each other. This Magnificat Lenten Companion is in a convenient, easy-to-use format with inspiring reflections, prayers, devotions, meditations for the Way of the Cross and a treasury of spiritual insights. Copies are located in the Gathering Space. Please pick one up for your family.

Ash Wednesday Collection

On Ash Wednesday, we will have a collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more than 25 countries that struggle to recover from former communist rule. It also aids communities throughout the region that are affected by the war in Ukraine. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next week. You can find more information at www.usccb.org/cee. If you prefer to donate online, go to igivecatholictogether.org.



The observances of National Marriage Week (February 7-14) and World Marriage Day (Sunday, February 11) are an opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family. The Secretariat of Laity, Marriage, Family Life and Youth offers the following to help celebrate and live the great gift of married life!

<https://www.foryourmarriage.org/celebrate-national-marriage-week/>

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Contributions for January 28, 2024

	Weekly	YTD	Over/Short
Weekly Sunday & Holy Days	\$9,659	\$138,833	(6,402)
Weekly Maintenance	325	\$10,686	(5,651)
All Other Weekly	218	\$12,299	7,091
Total Revenue	\$10,202	\$161,818	(4,962)

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PRAY FOR US

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



MASS

Sunday, February 11

+John Struewing
(Vickie Hoomes)

Wednesday, February 14

+Carmelo & Maria Ricciardi
(Josephine Dunphy)

Thursday, February 15

+Robert Darrow (Ruth Darrow & Family)

Friday, February 16

+Chuck Garrety (St. Paul Parishioners)

Sunday, February 18

+Millie Rueve (Living)
(Happy 96th Birthday
from Kathy Napolitano)

FEBRUARY 18 SCHEDULE

SACRISTAN: Vickie Hoomes

GREETER: Rebecca Andorfer

USHER: Richard & Tami Whalen

SERVER/S: Marco & Sophia Meyer,
Vickie Hoomes

LECTOR: Julius Martin

EMHC: Cassie Ditmer

IN SYMPATHY

Please pray for the souls of recently departed Millo Stephens, who was laid to rest Jan. 30 at St. Paul Cemetery, and Joseph O'Connor, whose funeral arrangements will be at a later date. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

Please bring your donations (dry and canned goods) to Mass and place them in the bottom labeled cabinet in the Undercroft on the right, near the Confessional. Parishioners from St. Paul deliver these items to the food pantry in Yellow Springs.

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you want to join the St. Paul Prayer Warriors or have a special request, please get in touch with Vickie Hoomes at vbhoomes@aol.com or 937-360-4569.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST TODAY

Following Mass, the Knights of Columbus will host a pancake breakfast in the Undercroft. There is no charge, but donations are appreciated. This fellowship breakfast will replace our regular coffee and donut Sunday.

FRIDAY LUNCHEON

The next Friday Luncheon is scheduled for **Feb. 16**. Mary Pyper, STMA PSR Coordinator, will be our guest speaker and will talk about Lent.

FORTY DAYS, FORTY ITEMS

Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, is this week. Each day of Lent, remove one item from your closet that you no longer wear or need and place it into a bag. At the end of the forty days, donate these items to a place that can share them with someone who can really use them.

CARDINAL VIRTUE SERIES TO START NEXT SUNDAY

We listen to the wise, admire the strong and brave, seek justice, and trust the temperate. These virtues are for each of us! This Lent, Jerry Tritle wishes to help guide you toward knowing, pursuing, and perfecting these virtues – Prudence, Justice, Fortitude, and Temperance.

A series, entitled "Perfecting the Cardinal Virtues in Our Lives," is scheduled for **Feb. 18 through Mar. 17** from 10 – 10:50 a.m. in St. Paul Church (prior to Sunday Mass). Discussions will be suitable for students, adults, and families.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Financial support information for Jan. 28 was not available at the time of bulletin publication. Look in next week's bulletin for updated financial information.

Setting up regular and recurring payments directly to St. Paul 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 the church mailing address listed at the top left of the page. **Online donations** can be made after clicking on "DONATE" at the top of church homepage (listed at top right of page). Please note online donations are managed through PayPal and incur a 2.5 percent fee per transaction.

SAINT AUGUSTINE CHURCH

MASS

Sunday, February 11

+Helen, Elden, and Steve Brock
(Ann Brock)

Sunday, February 18

+Thurman Warnock (Warnock Family)

February 14 Schedule

LECTOR: Volunteer

SERVERS: Volunteers

February 18 Schedule

LECTOR: H. Kasner

SERVERS: C. Reynolds, J. Reynolds

COLLECTIONS

January 28: \$426

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Thanks to the St. Brigid Knights of Columbus for serving the delicious pancake breakfast last Sunday. Thanks to all who donated to the Jamestown Food Pantry.

PSR CLASSES

PSR classes will meet after Mass today in the church hall. Additional classes are Feb. 18, Feb. 25, March 3, March 10, April 7, April 14, April 21, April 28, May 5, and May 12. Contact Della Weidel at **614-285-2293** with questions and/or to enroll your students, or to volunteer for teaching.

HOLINESS IS WHOLENESS

BODY: Treat yourself to a massage.

MIND: Create a new family tradition.

SPIRIT: Get up early and watch the sunrise.

JAMESTOWN 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. 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.

VOCATIONS CROSS

A traveling cross and prayer for vocations is stored in the back of the church. Please consider taking the cross home for the week and praying for vocations.

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 Christmas luncheon at the Center scheduled for **Dec. 19**. Reservations are required.

ROSARY

Pat Mach will be leading the Rosary each Sunday beginning at 8:40 a.m. Everyone is welcome.

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Carol Smith, Secretary/Organist

Della Weidel, DRE

Denny Goodrich, Maintenance



PRAY FOR US

Please keep the following in your prayers: Cathy Claypool, Noel Ebert, Joan Ward, Mr. and Mrs. JC Ford, Bailey Brickner, Tom Baudendistel, Bill Bernard, Janet Wray, Father Charles Lang, Judy Hobbs, Ray Raflik, Ed Nienaber, Jennifer Reynolds, Mary Ellen Mergy, Tim Schornak, Heather Bonz, Sandy Coakley, Pat Staley, David Miller, Gene Robinson, Keith Lively, Mary Kaye Benazer, 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 Wirsinnske, 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, Geneva Hommsteuter, Erin Sanderson, Patrick Huri, Al Elam, Jerry Pack, Kathleen Evans, Kolston Edwards, Dennis Donovan, Ron Harvey, Tyler Jaworski, Joseph Firestone, Madelyn Machen, Bud Hayward

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

What's Your Catholic IQ

1) The day before Ash Wednesday is known as _____.

- a) Fat Tuesday b) Super Tuesday
c) Black Tuesday d) Ruby Tuesday

2) At the start of Lent, ashes are placed on the _____ as a sign of repentance.

- a) hand b) forehead c) altar d) fireplace

See answers on page 14

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Welcome,

Whether you are passing through, or looking for a spiritual home, we welcome you to St. Brigid Catholic Church of the St. Michael the Archangel Family of Parishes. We hope you find our worship environment hospitable and prayerful. People often attend Mass at a parish for months or years without officially registering.

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

Dr. Lee & Delores Esprit, Waylan Quigley, Jerry Moeggenberg, Cathi Sargent, Richard Downing, Nancy Tucker, Joan Stallings, Vi Thomas, Jim Langan, Toni & Larry Charles, Lisa Hernandez, Jerry McCormick, Tyler Foster, John Garrity, Louise Marshall, Daniel Mayer, Ann Reed, Pearl Roberts, Kerry Wiersma, Brian Neville, Kiersten McCormick, Rita McCormick, Jeff McBride, Keenan McCormick, Jeff Brockert

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 10

+Edward Kenny
(Baxley Family)

Sunday, February 11

+Pauline Glessing
(Baxley Family)

Tuesday, February 13

+Dorothy Cain (Family)

Wednesday, February 14

+Kaitlin Hess (Living)
(Garry Buschur) 8 a.m. Mass
+St. Brigid Parishioners 6 p.m. Mass

Thursday, February 15

+Yip Wong Family (Pearlie Wong)

Friday, February 16

+Isolde Marshall (Baxley Family)

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 17

Lector: Mary Hauber
Servers: Garrett Hollon,
Emma Hawker, Sheila Niyit
EMHC: Deacon Dennis Kall,
Margene Robinson, Mike Rotterman

Sunday, February 18

Lector: Tom Pestak
Servers: Nathalie Matumaini,
JohnPaul Wilson, Riley Paladino
EMHC: Deacon Mark Danis,
Abigail Neal, Keri Neal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AHG TAKING ORDERS AFTER MASS TODAY

St. Brigid American Heritage Girls Troop OH1849 is nearing the end of its winter fundraiser, selling freshly-brewed coffees, teas, cocoa, and cookies. The sale runs **through Wednesday** and items will be delivered to home addresses in early March. Purchases can be made **using SELLER ID #0** via the QR code on the right, the link below, or from troop girls at the St. Brigid Fellowship Breakfast **after Mass today**. (Feb. 11).

[givingbean.com/orderform/
access.php?partnerid=91686](http://givingbean.com/orderform/access.php?partnerid=91686)



FISH FRY

The annual Fish Fry and Monte Carlo Night is set for Friday, **March 1**, in the Parish Activity Center from 6 to 11 p.m.

Volunteers are needed! Please sign up via the St. Brigid Facebook page or: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B-0D45ABAE2BA4FD0-47452050-stbrigid#/>

SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

St. Brigid School is accepting applications for the 2024-2025 school year. Most families who apply are expected to qualify for full scholarships following recent Ohio legislation. Contact the school at **937-372-3222** for more information.

5K WALK/RUN

Save the date! The St. Brigid 5k Walk/Run will be Saturday, **April 27!**

MASS INTENTION CHANGE

Starting Ash Wednesday, the priest's Mass intentions will be announced at the beginning of Mass instead of the time for petitions.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross is scheduled for Thursdays during Lent at 7 p.m. On the first night of Stations, Feb. 15, confession will be available.

BLOOD DRIVE

The next blood drive at St. Brigid is scheduled for Feb. 26 from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. Appointments are preferred via the below link or calling **937-461-3220**. Those who register and donate receive a "Donor Love" hoodie, while supplies last.

www.donortime.com

THIS WEEK

Sunday, February 11

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

Monday, February 12

- Adult Faith Formation in Lunchroom 7 p.m.

Tuesday, February 13

- Scripture Study in Library 6:30 p.m.
- Choir Rehearsal in Church 7 p.m.

Wednesday, February 14

- Marian Prayers in Chapel 1 p.m.

Thursday, February 15

- Stations of the Cross in Church 7 p.m.
- Confession during Stations in Church 7 p.m.

Friday, February 16

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

Saturday, February 17

- TMIY in Lunchroom 7:30 a.m.
- Confessions in Church 3:30 p.m.

Sunday, February 18

- PSR in School 8:15 a.m.
- KofC Exemplification in Church 10:30 a.m.
- Boy Scouts in Library 4:30 p.m.



Sister Lois Jean Goettke, former St. Brigid School principal, prepares for an interview with local NBC-affiliate WDTN at the school on Feb. 1. She and other Sisters of Charity who taught at St. Brigid visited to celebrate Catholic Schools Week and St. Brigid's Feast Day.

ST. BRIGID FINANCIAL SUPPORT THROUGH FEBRUARY 4 (WEEK 32)

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:

ST. BRIGID CHURCH
258 PURCELL DR, XENIA, OH 45385

ACH payments for Sunday giving and school tuition assistance is available through Park National Bank. Contact Brian Sticka 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	_____	\$436,153.68
Amount Left to Reach Goal	_____	\$243,846.32
Week 32 Collection	_____	\$10,242.07
ACH - Monthly	_____	\$4,083.00
WeShare - Monthly	_____	\$2,035.37
PayPal - Monthly	_____	\$527.95
Total	_____	\$16,888.39
Week 32 Special Collections		
SVDP	_____	\$1.00
Tuition Assistance	_____	\$40.00
Easter Flowers	_____	\$125.00
Ash Wednesday	_____	\$25.00

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ADORATION

Tuesday

9 a.m. (6:30 p.m. Benediction)

Thursday

9 a.m. (6:30 p.m. Benediction)

Welcome 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 forms, or visit our parish website: www.saintlukeparish.org

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN SYMPATHY

Donna Forte

HOLY MATRIMONY

*Congratulations to
Matthew and Courtney Howard
(January 26th)*

HOLIDAY HOURS

The Parish offices will be closed on Monday, Feb. 19, in observance of Presidents' Day.

SAFE HARBOR (SMALL CHURCH COMMUNITY)

Join us Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to noon in Jansen West as we go deeper into the upcoming Sunday Mass readings. Grow in your faith and love of God through proclamation, reflection, and prayer.

Contact Tom Smith at 937-426-1733, xt. 6301, for more information.

FEBRUARY NOVENA **FRIDAY**

All are welcome to participate in the Mary, Help of Christians novena in church after the 8:30 a.m. daily Mass beginning Friday, Feb. 16, and continuing to Feb. 24. Materials will be provided. Contact Pearlie at 937-912-9958 for more information.

WEEKLY EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed after the 8:30 a.m. daily Mass on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Exposition will end with Vespers at 6 p.m., followed by Benediction, with a 6:30 p.m. reposing of the Blessed Sacrament.

Contact Teresa at 937-470-5633 for more information. Sign up at:

www.tinyurl.com/February2024Adoration

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR CRAFTERS TO RESUME

The craft ladies will be meeting in Bishop Ford Hall from 9:30 a.m. to noon on Tuesdays, starting **Feb. 27**, to make items for this year's Christmas Bazaar. All are welcome. Call Jeannine at 937-369-5477 or Esther at 937-245-1064 for more information.

STATIONS LENT SCHEDULE

Stations of the Cross are scheduled for Fridays during Lent at 7 p.m. in the church.

PRE-STATIONS MEAL **FRIDAY**

The Leisure Club is sponsoring a soup-and-bread meal on Friday, **Feb. 16**, 5 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. in the Parish Center. Come and join fellow parishioners in a simple meal before Stations of the Cross.

LEISURE CLUB **TUESDAY**

Please join us Feb. 13 at 1:30 p.m. in Bishop Ford Hall for a lunch and presentation on Disciples of Destiny. Please bring a dish to share. We will celebrate Mardi Gras and Valentines Day.

SAVE THE DATE

Leisure Club Meeting

February 13
1:30 p.m. at Bishop Ford Hall

Saint Movie Night

February 13
7 p.m. at Kramer Hall

St. Luke School Science Fair

February 16
5-6 p.m. at Gym

St. Vincent de Paul Casserole/Lunch Donation Drop-Off

February 24
10 a.m. at Bishop Ford Hall

St. Luke School PTO Roaring Raffle & Silent Auction

April 20
Walnut Grove Country Club

COLLECTION DATE CHANGE

The SVDP collection for the fourth Sunday of February (Feb. 24-25) will be moving to the third Sunday (Feb. 17-18) as part of our Lenten Almsgiving.

CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH FRIDAY

All are welcome to join a 33-day prayer preparation for Consecration to St. Joseph that begins on Feb. 16 and ends on St. Joseph's Feast Day, March 19. A limited number of books are available in the Jansen Center or they can be purchased from your favorite book seller ("Consecration to St. Joseph" by Fr Calloway). Sign up for the daily email prayer updates by contacting Tom in the Jansen Center at 937-426-1733, Ext. 6301.

LENTEN BLOOD DRIVE

One pint of blood can save up to three lives! What great alms. Donate blood **March 16** from 9 a.m.- noon in the Parish Center (school cafeteria). Eligibility information can be found at www.solvita.org/blood-donation/blood-donation-requirements. You can sign up by calling 937-461-3220 or at www.donortime.com. Contact Diana Agpaoa at 937-838-4208 with questions. Walk-ins are welcome if space is available.

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

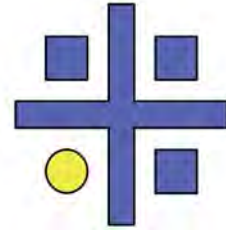
There will be collections at Mass for the Church in Eastern Europe (Feb. 14, Ash Wednesday) and the School Ministry Initiative (Feb 18). Thank you for your support.

ARTWORK SALE AT GALLERY SAINT JOHN

The Gallery located at Mount Saint John in Beavercreek, will be closing its doors March 1. The Marianist ministry features the artwork of several brothers and all of the artwork will be on discounted sale. Please come and support these artists with your purchase. Hours: Feb. 8 (4-8 p.m.), Feb. 9 (12-8 p.m.), Feb. 10 (10 a.m.-4 p.m.). Location: 4400 Shakertown Road, Beavercreek, Ohio.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CERTIFICATES

Married couples celebrating a significant wedding anniversary (25, 40, 50, 60, 65, 70, 75) in 2024 are invited to request a congratulatory certificate from Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr. To request your certificate, visit the Archdiocese of Cincinnati - New Evangelization website: <https://www.centerforthenewevangelization.org/marriage-family/resources/wedding-anniversary-certificate-request>



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 10
+Kenneth Kessler
(Doug & Susan Mound)

Sunday, February 11
8 a.m. Mass:
+Agnes Schaefer
(Pat & Wil Schaefer)
10 a.m. Mass:
+Toni Howe (Schumann)
(Marilyn Raeth)

Monday, February 12
+Robert Kritzer (The Kritzer Family)

Tuesday, February 13
+Tim Still (Ann Persensky)

Wednesday, February 14
8:30 a.m. Mass:
+Chuck Frisk (Dee Frisk)
7 p.m. Mass:
+Ernest Smith (Karen Smith)

Thursday, February 15
+Alexander Caldwell
(Derek Doucette)

Friday, February 16
+Kenneth Kessler
(Doug & Susan Mound)

FINANCIAL SUPPORT THRU 1/21 (WEEK 30)

Weekend Total	\$19,579.37
Yearly Total	\$854,084.99
Holy Day Total	\$54,175.65
Regular and Holy Days	
Total	\$908,260.64
Budgeted	
Each Weekend	\$29,614.08
Total Budget thru Week 30	\$888,422.40
Miscellaneous Collection(s)	
School Ministry Collection	\$4,469.50



Debbi Sutton (on right), St. Luke School secretary, and Teresa Burgos, assistant secretary, took part in "Wacky Thursday," one of the daily themes of Catholic Schools Week Jan. 28-Feb. 3.

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL FAMILY OF PARISHES

SAVE THE DATES: FAMILY LENTEN MISSION 2024

Our second annual Lenten Mission is scheduled for **March 17-19** with activities happening at St. Luke (March 17), Mary, Help of Christians (March 18), and St. Brigid (March 19). Each night's schedule includes exposition and adoration, reconciliation, dinner, childcare, children's program, vespers, and guest speaker Fr. Nathan Cromley. Look for more details in future Flocknotes.

RITE OF SENDING AND ELECTION

For the First Sunday of Lent, select Masses will include a celebration of the Rite of Sending. We are sending those approaching Baptism to be recognized by the Archbishop at the Rite of Election as they begin the last phase of their journey toward Full Initiation in the Catholic Church. We are blessed to share in their journey. Please pray and fast for them. The Rite of Election is at Immaculate Conception in Dayton at 3 p.m. on Feb. 18.

2024 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Archbishop Schnurr sends his thanks to everyone from the STMA Family who has pledged to the 2024 Catholic Ministries Appeal. If you have not yet made your pledge, please consider doing so this week. More than anyone in the world, the Catholic Church teaches, feeds, and heals. In our local community, this happens through the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Scan this QR code, look for extra pledge envelopes in church, or visit CatholicAOC.org/CMA. Thank you!



RALLY TODAY - 40 DAYS FOR LIFE WEDNESDAY

A rally to kickoff 40 Days For Life is scheduled for 2 p.m. today (Feb. 11) at the vigil address listed below. Protect mothers and children by joining a worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion! Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils, and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired more than 1,000,000 volunteers. It starts Feb. 14 and ends March 24. Here's how to take part in our community:

Vigil Location: **Outside Women's Med Center
(1401 E. Stroop in Kettering)
7 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily**

Coordinator: Jenny Belokony (JKony1@gmail.com)

LENTEN PIETRA FITNESS SERIES STARTS TUESDAY

A five-week Pietra Fitness series is scheduled to begin Feb. 13 at St. Luke's Gilligan Hall. Pietra is a Catholic form of exercise with prayer and this series is meant to be a body and soul Lenten retreat for women.

Classes are scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$40 for the series or \$65 for unlimited classes. Drop-ins pay \$10 per class. Participants should bring water and an exercise mat. For more information, contact Amanda Rieman at **513-410-0029** or via email to amandarieman5@gmail.com.

CATHOLIC IQ ANSWERS FOR PAGE 9 QUESTIONS

1. a) *In anticipation of the Lenten disciplines of fasting and abstinence, there are people who indulge in feasting and revelry on Fat Tuesday, also known as Carnival.*

2. b) *In biblical times, people doing penance would fast, wear sackcloth, sit in dust and ashes, tear their garments, and put dust and ashes on their heads (see 2 Samuel 13:19).*

Welcome to our Lenten Series

Week 1 (Feb. 19): FORMED Presents - Where Are You & Encounter with Mercy

Week 2 (Feb. 26): Fr. Jason Bedel – The Pillars of Lent

Week 3 (March 4): Fr. Jason Bedel – The Feasts of Lent

Week 4 (March 11): Fr. Jason Bedel – The Mark of Lent

Week 5: Parish Mission with Fr. Nathan Cromly

Week 6 (March 25): FORMED Presents - Embraced in Mercy & The Paschal Mystery

All sessions held in St. Brigid School Lunchroom at 7 p.m. except for week 5



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