

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL FAMILY *of* PARISHES



Feast of

St. Joseph

Husband of Mary

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

Tuesday, March 19, is the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. His other feast day, May 1, celebrates St. Joseph the Worker.



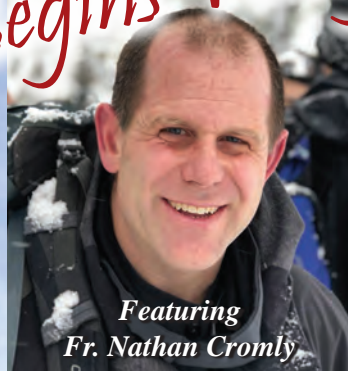
Welcome to St. Michael the Archangel Family of Parishes, Our Family is comprised of six churches: **Mary, Help of Christians** in Fairborn, **Sacred Heart** in New Carlisle, **St. Augustine** in Jamestown, **St. Brigid** in Xenia, **St. Luke** in Beavercreek, and **St. Paul** in Yellow Springs. Two of 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.

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL FAMILY OF PARISHES

LENTEN MISSION

Begins Tonight!



Featuring
Fr. Nathan Cromly

MARCH 17

Saint Luke Church

MARCH 18

*Mary, Help of
Christians Church*

MARCH 19

Saint Brigid Church

NIGHTLY SCHEDULE: Exposition & Adoration: 4 – 5 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 4 – 6:30 p.m.

*Dinner: 5 – 6:15 p.m.

*Childcare: 6:15 – 8 p.m. (Ages 6 months to 5)

*Children’s Program: 6:15 – 8 p.m. (Ages 5 to 12)

Welcome/Introduction to Vespers: 6:30 p.m.

Vespers 6:35 – 6:55 p.m.

Father Nathan Cromly: 7 – 8 p.m.

Refreshments: 8 – 8:30 p.m.

**Childcare and children’s activities are limited. Use the QR code below or call your parish office to check availability and RSVP. A dinner RSVP is not required, but is very appreciated to help planning.*



MARCH 17, 2024
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Beloved in Christ,

I look forward to being with you at our Lenten Mission beginning Sunday evening. Each of the Mission's three evening schedules include different themes, different food, and different locations. Doors open for an encounter with Jesus at 4 p.m. all three nights. More details are listed on the previous page.

Our seventh and eighth graders from St. Brigid, St. Paul and St. Augustine parishes receive the Sacrament of Confirmation today (Sunday). Please keep them in your prayers as they receive this important sacrament and all its supernatural gifts.

Looking ahead: We plan to move the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Saturdays from St. Brigid to St. Luke beginning April 6. Three of the four priests who offer this Mass live at St. Luke, while none live at St. Brigid, thus cutting down on driving and mileage expenses. Moreover, we hope the momentum of having 50-70 people at the 8:30 a.m. Mass Monday through Friday at St. Luke will continue into Saturday morning. I have always enjoyed the experience of Saturday morning Mass. Many people are off work and want to be there because of their love for the Lord. And many observe the devotion of the Blessed Virgin Mary, including observance of the First Saturdays.

What's the deal with some churches covering images on the Fifth Sunday of Lent? Explanations abound online; here's one:

aleteia.org/2016/03/19/why-do-we-cover-crucifixes-and-statues-during-lent/

Today is the third and final scrutiny for the Elect. Only two weeks until the three sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil! Please keep the Elect in your prayers as we look forward to welcoming them home for the beginning their journey of grace.

This coming Tuesday is election day in Ohio. Here's my two-step process I have found helpful when discerning who is the best candidate: 1) The perfect candidate does not exist because the Lord Jesus does not run for public office. 2) Who is going to limit evil the most? Of course, this entails that the Catholic voter knows what is good and what is evil through a catechesis that has aided in developing a well well-formed conscience.

As the Lenten season comes to an end, let's finish strong. Please consider praying at 40 Days for Life and 40 Hours Devotion of the Eucharist. More details are on page 14.

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

Blessed Lent,
Fr. Bedel



*Christ be with me, Christ within me,
Christ behind me, Christ before me,
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,
Christ to comfort and restore me,
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in hearts of all that love me,
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.*

Saint Patrick
PRAY FOR US

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 a.m.....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, March 18
Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62/Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday, March 19
2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a

Wednesday, March 20
Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31

Thursday, March 21
Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday, March 22
Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42

Saturday, March 23
Ez 37:21-28/Jn 11:45-56

Sunday, March 24
Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 (37)/Is 50:4-7/
Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1-15:47

MARY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH

Mary, Help of Christians Church

954 North Maple
Fairborn, Ohio 45324

Phone: 937-878-8353

Fax: 937-879-8800

Parish Website: mhcp parish.org

Deacon: Rev. Mr. Max Roadruck

Staff

Assistant Director of Religious

Education: Michael Barclay

Administrative Assistant: Julie Sewell

Business Manager: Patrick Morgan

Director of Music: Kristen Kosey

Annulments: Please call the Parish
Office

Maintenance: Eric Rogalinski

Telephones:

Office/Rectory: 937-878-8353

RCIA: 937-878-8353

Religious Education: 937-830-8735

Music Director: 937-878-8092

Annulments: 937-878-8353

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:

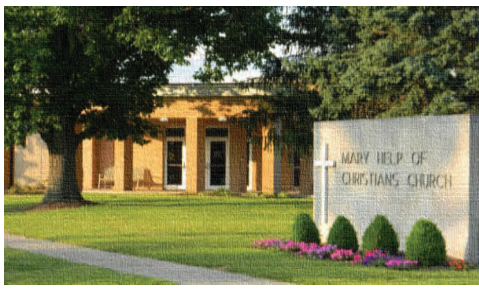
Call the rectory at least eight months in
advance so we can properly prepare
for this joyous occasion.

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.

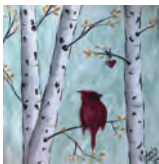
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION CHANGE FOR MARCH & APRIL.



So as to not compete with the St.
Michael the Archangel Family
Lenten Almsgiving, our MHC St. Vincent
de Paul will collect funds for the poor of
our area on the First & Third Weekends in
April. They will have No Collection in
March. In May, we will return to the third
Sunday for collection. We are praying for
your intentions. We hope that we can
continue to count on your generosity and
we thank you very much for what you do
for those in need. **This week we will
collect Tooth paste**



D of I Painting Event



Daughters of Isabella
invites anyone in the family
of parishes to our painting
event on Sunday, April 28
from 1:00-4:00p.m. in the
Parish Center at Mary Help
of Christians. The cost is \$35 which is due
by April 1. Please call Amanda 937-620-
0701 to RSVP. This is open to men and
women age 14 and older. No experience
necessary. All painting supplies will be
provided. It is a pre drawn 11X14 canvas
of a cardinal in between two birch
trees. Painting instructions provided by
Paint Parties with Kimberly. Snacks and
soft drinks can be brought in.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Traditional Stations of the Cross
@ MHC will be held every
Friday at 7:00p.m. 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.

SPEAK LIFE



JOY CLUB:

Our next meeting is
Monday, April 8 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.



CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2024 (CMA)

If you have not yet made
your pledge, please consider doing so
this week. Please prayerfully complete
your pledge card, make your checks
payable to Catholic Ministries Appeal
and mail your pledge card to 100 East
Eighth Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45202 in
the envelope provided in your
information packet. You may also bring
your completed pledge card sealed in its
return envelope to Mass. For more
information about the CMA or to donate
online, please visit [https://
catholicaoc.org/cma](https://catholicaoc.org/cma)
Thank you!



PLEASE NOTE:

On Palm Sunday weekend, March 23 & 24
the 4:00 p.m. & 8:30 a.m.
Passion liturgies begin in the
Gathering Space for the blessing
of the palms.



HOLY THURSDAY ADORATION, MARCH 28, 2024

HOLY THURSDAY ADORATION After
the Mass of the Lord's Supper,
the Blessed Sacrament is placed
in the Tabernacle in the Priest
Sacristy for the faithful to adore
until 9:00AM Good Friday. All are
invited to come and spend some quiet
moments with our Lord. What a wonderful
opportunity to pray. For more information
call the parish office @ 937-878-8353 or
Carolyn Marth @ 937- 308-4639. We
need two people for each hour until
9:00AM. **There is a sign-up sheet on the
bulletin table. Church will be open for
prayer all night. Please join us!**



DISABLED AND WHEELCHAIR SEATING



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



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

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THANK YOU



St. Vincent de Paul would like to thank the MHC parishioners for their generosity that enabled us to provide monetary and food donations.

During the month of February 2024, we responded to 251 calls for assistance. We assisted 56 families with utilities, medicine, rent/ rent deposits, household goods and furniture. We also provided food for 95 families (220 adults and 153 children). Read more about our work at [Society of St Vincent de Paul \(mhcp parish.org\)](http://Society of St Vincent de Paul (mhcp parish.org)). Thank you for your committed, generous and faithful support.

REMEMBRANCES/ MEMORIALS



The "Flowers on Easter" envelope inserted in your Feb-March section of parish offering envelopes

is specifically for Easter flowers. If you wish to memorialize someone, please **PRINT** their name(s) on the blank lines on the back of the provided envelope, or **PRINT** the name(s) of those to be remembered on a plain envelope with your name. **We ask that you please limit your entries to 6**, or feel free to use collective groups such as "the friends and families of Mr. and Mrs. Jones." (Donation of \$10.00 is appreciated, but not required.) The memorials will be published in a subsequent bulletin inserts.

Envelopes can be placed in the Sunday collection basket or turned in at the parish office. Thank you for your kind donations.

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, March 18.*

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.

PLEASE HELP DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR EASTER



On Holy Saturday, March 30 we will decorate and clean for Easter at 8:30 a.m. **We will need many people to clean, dust, set up, and decorate the church.** If you can help even a few hours it would be greatly appreciated.

GOOD FRIDAY MORNING PRAYER



Join us for Morning Prayer on Good Friday, March 29, 2024 at 9:00AM. Our Holy Thursday all night Adoration will end with Morning Prayer led by Deacon Max Roadruck.

LENT
WEEK FIVE



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 16-4:00 p.m.
Ellen Dunn, off: Carolyn Marth

Sunday, March 17-8:30 a.m.
For the Parish

Monday, March 18-9:00 a.m.
Dorothea Meade, off: Cindy Dull

Tuesday, March 19-9:00 a.m.
Ruthellen MacDonald, off: The MacDonald Family

Saturday, March 23-4:00 p.m.
Special Intention of Carol Maiorano, off: Linda Smith

Sunday, March 24-8:30 a.m.
For the Parish

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

THRU 03/03/24

Regular Collection & Loose Cash & Envelopes	\$14,701.01
Capital Improvements Donation Collections	\$315.00
Total Collections For March 03, 2024	\$15,016.01
Church Renovation Project	
Total Donations and Pledges as of 03/03/24	\$153,151.45
Almsgiving Week 3	
Habitat for Humanity	\$679.53

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.

BEGINNING THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT, our beautiful Resurrection cross and Mary Statue in the sanctuary will be shrouded to keep the penitential and paschal nature of Lent. This will be a moving symbol of the Passion of Christ, especially during Holy Week. The unveiling for Easter will be the perfect sign of Easter Resurrection.

**ST. MICHAEL
THE
ARCHANGEL
FAMILY OF
PARISHES**

Brothers and Sisters of the St. Michael Family,

It was a great joy to celebrate the most sacred time of the year as a family of parishes last year. We kept the Holy Week and Easter schedule almost exactly the same as before our parishes were joined together by Beacons of Light, and for the most part, this worked really well. We had many, prayerful liturgies. Our schedule for Holy Week and Easter this year will be the same as last year's, with two exceptions.

First, the only Holy Week liturgies to be poorly attended last year were the Easter Vigils. Because we want the most important, holiest Mass of the year to be the biggest and most joyful, we are therefore combining these into one, single Easter Vigil Mass for the whole family of parishes. This first year of combining, it will be held at St. Luke, and we will subsequently rotate to other parishes, starting with Mary, Help of Christians next year.

Every single parish will be united in making this one celebration an incredible encounter with Jesus in the sacraments. We will have a cantor and lector from every parish, members from every choir present, and all of our priests celebrating the Mass together for the first time. This will be a beautiful liturgy and a powerful moment to unite in Holy Communion and receive many graces from the Risen Lord together, as a family.

A second change is that we will add one extra Mass at St. Brigid on Easter morning at 11 a.m. Since their single Sunday Mass is currently pretty full, and we have a priest available to say an extra Mass, we can make that accommodation this year.

Thank you so much for continuing to pray together with us through this Lenten season. Knowing of all your prayerful support, we priests are looking forward to the intense beauty and sanctity of this upcoming Holy Week.

In Christ,
Your Parish Family Priests

HOLY WEEK & EASTER

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL FAMILY OF PARISHES

HOLY WEEK MASSES

Holy Thursday, March 28, 2024

7 p.m. at St. Brigid

7 p.m. at St. Luke

7 p.m. at Mary, Help of Christians

7 p.m. at Sacred Heart

Good Friday, March 29, 2024

12 p.m. The Passion of the Lord at St. Luke

1 p.m. The Passion of the Lord at Mary, Help of Christians

3 p.m. The Passion of the Lord at St. Brigid

4 p.m. The Passion of the Lord at St. Paul

7 p.m. The Passion of the Lord at Sacred Heart

EASTER MASSES

Easter Vigil, Saturday, March 30, 2024

9 p.m. at St. Luke (only Vigil Mass in SMAFP)

Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024

8 a.m. at St. Luke

8:30 a.m. at Mary, Help of Christians

9 a.m. at St. Augustine

9:30 a.m. at St. Brigid

10 a.m. at St. Luke

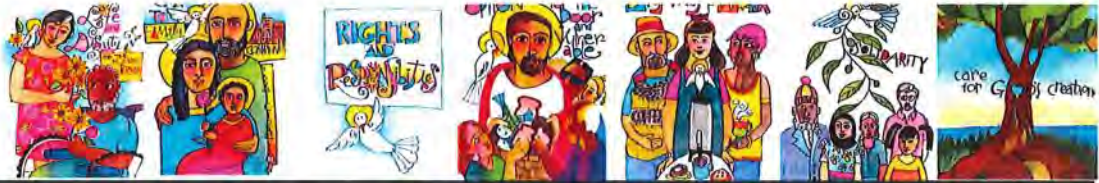
10:30 a.m. at Sacred Heart

11 a.m. at St. Brigid

11:15 a.m. at St. Paul

12 p.m. at Sacred Heart (Spanish)





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 previous Social Actions Newsletters, we examined the first five principles. In this edition, we'll examine the last two.

SOLIDARITY

We hear about injustice, poverty, war and suffering all over the world. Although these things may be happening in distant locations, we are called to help those who are experiencing hardship. The suffering of our fellow humans is a concern for all of us. How can we help? Contributions to Catholic Relief Services, keeping informed about the plight of others, speaking up for justice, teaching those around us about problems experienced in the world, and prayer for the suffering are ways that we can express our solidarity.

CARE FOR GOD'S CREATION

We hear so much about global warming, extinction, pollution, and other buzzwords that sometimes we think there is nothing that can be done to fix the problems. In Genesis God commanded that we take care of the Earth.

. Concern for the environment thus needs to be joined to a sincere love for our fellow human beings and an unwavering commitment to resolving the problems of society." (Pope Francis, *On Care for Our Common Home [Laudato Si']*, nos. 49, 91)

We are called to protect people and the Earth living our faith in relationship with all of God's creation. (USCCB)

We will examine ways to apply these seven principles in subsequent newsletters.

Jeanne Duell

REMEMBERING OUR HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS



Changes are being made in our spirit bag ministry. If you would like to receive a phone call from a caring parishioner just to chat and check on you, we would like your phone number. As we age, more and more people are losing friends and family and may be by themselves. If you know of someone who is alone or if you would like to receive a call, please call Pat Banaszak at 937-849-9140. She will put you on a list to receive periodic calls and cards so that the homebound parishioners know how important they are and that they know that the church and fellow parishioners care about them.

If you would like to help in this calling effort, please call 937-849-9140. We will give you a few people to call every week or two to let them know that we care.

Pat Banaszak

SOLAR SITING AND MICRO-GRIDS



The sun is the source of all living creatures. Without the sun, none of us would be reading this. Today most of us are using limited natural resources to heat our homes and to power our vehicles and electronic devices. The power of the sun is virtually unlimited. But are we using its potential?

Power from solar panels is becoming increasingly competitive with fossil fuel, even without government subsidies. Where should solar panels be located? Too often finding locations for them becomes difficult and confusing.

“Corporate solar” requires large acreage, often farm (food) land, and close proximity to regional electrical grids. Neighbors of such projects often oppose their construction and operation. In contrast, small-scale “Community solar” uses roof tops, parking lots, and vacant fields of modest size. In many cases, this alternative has a cooperative funding structure that avoids the unintended consequences of the corporate process.

Recently Pope Francis published *Laudato Deum*, an apostolic exhortation subtitled “To all People of Good Will on the Climate Crisis.” Note that the intended audience is not just Catholics. This exhortation is a follow-on to *Laudato Si* that Pope Francis published eight years ago. In *Laudato Deum* he explicitly challenges the climate deniers and exhorts us all to do something to reverse the trend of increasing global temperature and extreme events.

In a related turn, an article in the recent “*Christians for the Mountains*” newsletter encourages Christian churches to consider forming a “micro-grid” using solar cells and batteries. Such churches could serve as a place of refuge for neighbors during a loss of power - a place of heat in the winter, cool in the summer – and to even provide charging plugs for electronics. As a significant fringe benefit, the micro-grid can reduce the church’s dependence on fossil fuels and save money over time.

What a neat way to make Pope Francis happy – not to mention all of our future generations.

Jim Byrd



Sacred Heart Church

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St. Vincent de Paul Society

937-845-3121

Bulletin Submissions

bulletin@sacredheartnc.net

March 19 deadline is March 31

March 26 deadline is April 7

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, March 17, 10:30 a.m. Mass

Souls of Ignacio & Consuelo Macias
(Pat Perez)

Sunday, Marzo 17, noon Mass

Alma de Francisco Avalos Ramos
(Claudia Avalos)

Wednesday, March 20, 9 a.m. Mass

Soul of Eleanor Gitzinger
(Mike Gitzinger)

Thursday, March 21, 9 a.m. Mass

Living & deceased members of Troth Family
(Luz Maria Perez)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Sandy Brinkman, 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, Francis Owens, Javier Perez, Jr. Mary West and Mary Yates

Good Friday Collection

Pope Francis asked us to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the Church to minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, offer religious education, and undertake social and charitable works.

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines. It is vital that we support Christians living in the Holy Land, to maintain a Christian presence in the land made holy by the life, death and Resurrection of Jesus. For more information, visit <https://myfranciscan.org/good-friday/>.

Pray . Fast . Give



Holy Thursday Adoration

Good Friday Spoken Prayer

On Thursday, March 29, after the Mass of the Lord's Supper, the Blessed Sacrament will be placed in the Tabernacle in the Adoration Chapel for our overnight adoration vigil until 9:00 a.m. on Good Friday morning.

On Good Friday morning beginning at 9 a.m. we will be led in the spoken morning prayer with booklets available to follow and participate in the prayer.

Come and spend some quiet time with our Lord. This is a wonderful opportunity to pray during our Lord's Passion as we look forward to his resurrection on Easter morning. For more information, call the parish office at 937-845-3121.

We need two people to sign up for each hour (or half-hour) throughout the night. There is a sign-up sheet in the gathering space. The church will be open for prayer all night.

Decorate Church for Easter

On Holy Saturday, March 30, we will decorate the church for Easter beginning at 9 a.m. **Your help is needed.** Many hands will make the work go quickly. If you can help even for a short time, it will be greatly appreciated.

Easter Vigil Carpool Drivers

We are looking for parishioners who will attend the 9 p.m. Vigil Mass at St. Luke on Holy Saturday, March 30. There are several people who want to attend the Vigil Mass but are unable to drive at night and would appreciate a ride. If you can help, please call Dave Fleischman at 937-207-0352.

No Adoration or Confession at Sacred Heart on March 19 due to parish mission.

IGLESIA DEL SAGRADO CORAZON



Upcoming Events

- Mar 17-19 Lenten Mission**
 St Luke's - Mar 17, 4-8:30 pm
 Mary Help - Mar 18, 4-8:30 pm
 St Brigid - Mar 19, 4-8:30 pm
- Mar 19 NO Adoration & Confession**
- Mar 20 Mass, 9 am**
 Coffee Klatsch, 9:45 am
 No Video Presentation
- Mar 21 Mass, 9 am**
 Patriotic Rosary, 9:30 am
 SH Families Meeting, 7 pm
- Mar 22 Fish Fry, 5-7 pm**
 Stations of the Cross, 7:15 pm
- Mar 24 Religious Ed Lent Retreat, 9 am**
 Mass, 10:30 am
- Mar 25 Blood Drive, 12:30-6:30 pm**
- Mar 26 Adoration & Confession, 7pm**
- Mar 28 Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7 pm (bilingual)**
 Overnight Adoration in Adoration Chapel, 8 pm-9 am
- Mar 29 Spoken Prayer, 9 am**
 Celebration of the Lord's Passion, 7 pm (bilingual)
- Mar 30 Decorate Church for Easter**
 Easter Vigil, 9 pm (St. Luke)
- Mar 31 Easter Sunday**
 No RE Classes
- Apr 2 Sacred Heart Ladies Club, 7 pm**



Proximos eventos

- Marzo 17-19 Misión de Cuaresma**
- Marzo 24 Domingo de Ramos Mass**
 noon español
- Marzo 28 Jueves Santo**
 7 pm Misa Bilingüe
- Marzo 29 Viernes Santo, 7 pm**
 Celebración Y veneración a la Santa Cruz
- Marzo 31 Domingo de Pascua**
 Misa noon español

Unless a grain of wheat shall fall . . .
 John 12:24



Comenzamos la gran semana de nuestra fe; el tiempo de adentrarnos más profundamente si cabe, en la celebración del amor de Dios manifestado en los misterios de la Pasión, Muerte y Resurrección del Señor.

La puerta que nos introduce en esta Semana Santa es la celebración del Domingo de Ramos. La humildad de Jesús que, como Rey eterno y Dios verdadero, entra en Jerusalén sentado en un burrito, mostrando al mundo un nuevo modo de ser Rey, se entrelaza con

la paciencia y el perdón en el sufrimiento de su Pasión.

Que el Señor nos enseñe a vivir el gozo y las alegrías de nuestros días con humildad y caridad, y la cruz y el sufrimiento con paciencia y fortaleza.

Dejémonos transformar por su amor y entremos con grande ánimo en esta Semana Santa, para que el Señor haga Pascua con nosotros y nos pueda pasar a vivir con Él en una vida de verdaderos resucitados.



FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Contributions for March 3, 2024

	Weekly	YTD	Over/Short
Weekly Sunday & Holy Days	\$5,686	\$161,795	\$6,865
Weekly Maintenance	443	\$12,449	(6,523)
All Other Weekly	177	\$13,057	7,009
Total Revenue	\$6,306	\$187,301	(6,379)
BCU Food Pantry	\$320	Habitat for Humanity	\$489
Replace stolen items	\$944		

Los 3 pilares de la Cuaresma

La oración, el ayuno y la limosna



Hemos usado estos 3 pilares para que nuestra Cuaresma nos ayude a dar mas frutos y a acercarnos más a Dios?

Si aún no han usado estos 3 importantes pilares de Cuaresma, les invitamos a que los usen y caminemos juntos con Jesús en este camino que nos lleva más cerca de Él.

Blood Drive

Sacred Heart Church

205 W. Lake Ave.
 New Carlisle, OH 45344

Monday, March 25

12:30PM-6:30PM

Appointment preferred.
 Use sponsor code: 1431



Donor Time App
 937-461-3220
 DonorTime.com

Your selfless gift can fill countless hearts with hope. Register to donate blood Mar. 4 -Apr. 27 and the Solvita umbrella will keep you ready for a rainy day... and the sunshine to come. While supplies last.

Solvita
 Blood Center

Solemn Passiontide Vespers

Mount St. Mary's Seminary & School of Theology will host its Solemn Passiontide Vespers on Sunday, March 17, at 7 p.m. in the Chapel of St. Gregory the Great. The evening will also feature a concert of sacred music and a performance by the Mount St. Mary's Latin Schola. Admission to the event is free and open to the public.

St. Paul Church

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PRAY FOR US

Please pray for Carolyn Huey, 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, March 17
+William Scaramuzzo
(Scaramuzza Family)

Wednesday, March 20
+Robert Darrow (Ruth Darrow & Family)

Thursday, March 21
+Dolores Lamont (Paul & Kathy Staigers)

Friday, March 22
+Spencer James Richeson
(Connie Richeson)

Sunday, March 24
+Carmelo & Maria Ricciardi
(Josephine Dunphy)

MARCH 24 SCHEDULE

SACRISTAN: Vickie Hoomes
GREETER: Rebecca Andorfer
USHER: Richard & Tami Whalen
SERVERS: Marco & Sophia Meyer,
Vickie Hoomes
LECTOR: Tami Whalen
EMHC: Cassie Ditmer

EASTER FLOWERS

Donations are being accepted for the cost of the Easter Flowers. Please put your donation in an envelope marked "Easter Flower Offering." Clearly print the names of your loved ones and place the envelope in the collection box.



EASTER CLEANING

Every year before Easter, we clean the church before decorating it with beautiful Easter flowers. The cleaning will begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday, **March 30**. Someone will be there all morning, so drop by any time to lend some help.

FRIDAY LUNCHEON

The next luncheon will be held in April. Please take this time to focus on Lent

STATIONS, SOUP, & BREAD FRIDAY

The final Stations of the Cross for this Lent is scheduled for 6 p.m. Friday (March 22), with a soup dinner following. We will provide the soup; you can bring bread or dessert. Please sign up in the undercroft so we know how much soup to make. We hope you can join us!



FINANCIAL SUPPORT THROUGH MARCH 3

General Collection for Feb. 25	\$1,890.00
General Collection for March 3	\$11,730.00
Online Donations – February 2024	\$4,455.00
YTD General Collections	\$110,234.75
Weekly Maintenance/Restoration	\$397.00
YTD Maintenance/Restoration	\$5,667.00
Maintenance/Restoration Balance	\$1,888.00
Total Income - Total Expense Surplus	\$16,358.09

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, March 17

+Germann Family
(Willie and Cindy Germann)

Sunday, March 24

+Bridenstine & Cutler Families
(Ann Brock)

March 24 Schedule

LECTOR: H. Kasner

SERVERS: J. Kasner, C. Meyer

COLLECTIONS

March 3: \$2,290

ROSARY

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

EASTER FLOWER ENVELOPES

Envelopes for donations for the purchase of flowers for the Easter season are available in the back of the church. The envelopes need to be returned **by next Sunday** (March 24). Thanks!

HOLINESS IS WHOLENESS

BODY: Eat 3-5 servings of fruits and vegetables a day.

MIND: Keep a good frame of mind.

SPIRIT: Convert dreams into reality.

PSR CLASSES

PSR classes will meet after Mass today in the church hall. Additional classes are 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.

CONFIRMATION TODAY

Confirmation for St. Brigid, St. Paul, and St. Augustine is scheduled to be at St. Brigid today at 2 p.m. Being confirmed from St. Augustine are: **Andrew Daymon, Johnathan Hoke, Alli Knecht, Calib Reynolds, Lane Timmons, and Lindsey Warnock.**

Congratulations to these young people. As part of their service project for confirmation, they cleaned out the St. Augustine garage and helped at the Jamestown Food Pantry.

LENTE ALMSGIVING

Today's Almsgiving collection is dedicated to Elizabeth's New Life Center.

enlc.life

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. 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.

VESPER SERVICE

Thanks to all who attended the Lenten Vesper Services, led by Dominic, Elayne, and Benedict Miller.

St. Augustine Church

44 E. Washington St.
Jamestown, Ohio 45335

937-372-3193

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csmith2039@aol.com

Carol Smith, Secretary/Organist

Della Weidel, DRE

Denny Goodrich, Maintenance



PRAY FOR US

Please keep the following in your prayers: Robert Sherlock, Robert Gifford, Lisa Mitchell, Cathy Claypool, Noel Ebert, Joan Ward, Mr. and Mrs. JC Ford, Bailey Brickner, Tom Baudendistel, 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 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 Wirsbinske, 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 Huri, Geneva Hommsteuter, Erin Sanderson, Al Elam, Jerry Pack, Kathleen Evans, Kolston Edwards, Dennis Donovan, Ron Harvey, Tyler Jaworski, Joseph Firestone, Madelyn Machen, and Bud Hayward

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

What's Your Catholic IQ

1) During Lent, we are encouraged to receive the Sacrament of _____.

a) Holy Orders b) Matrimony c) Fasting d) Penance

2) Jesus fasted in the desert for _____ days.

a) 40 b) 365 c) 3 d) 7

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

Luann Starbuck, Dr. Lee & Delores Esprit, Waylan Quigley, Jerry Moeggenberg, Cathi Sargent, Richard Downing, Nancy Tucker, 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, Keenan McCormick, Jeff Brockert, Jeff McBride, Mary Ross

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 16

+Rev. Bill Myers
(Baxley Family)

Sunday, March 17

+Jane Packee
(Baxley Family)

Tuesday, March 19

+Sean O'Brien (Eileen O'Brien)

Wednesday, March 20

+Aleitta Hodges (Family)

Thursday, March 21

+Fred & Helen Barbeck
(Pam & Patti's daughters)

Friday, March 22

+Frank & Barbara Rieman
(Baxley Family)

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 23

Lector: Mike Rotterman
Servers: Logan Paladino,
Riley Paladino, Cassidy Peters
EMHC: Dennis Kall, Ernie Robinson,
Margene Robinson

Sunday, March 24

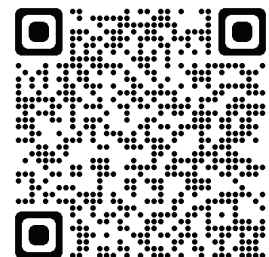
Lector: Abigail Neal
Servers: Rolando Nshimiyimana,
Jacob Park, (3rd volunteer needed)
EMHC: Tom Birkbeck, Gerry Harp,
Jean Pierre Birikunzira,

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST FRIDAY SIGNUP ONLINE OPTION

We now have an easy way to sign up for First Friday Adoration! An online option is available using SignUpGenius via the QR code on the right, a link listed on the right side of the [St. Brigid website](#) homepage, or the web address below (clickable if reading digitally). A signup sheet will still remain on the table in the church as well.

signupgenius.com/go/60B0E49ACA723AB-FA7-48350176-first#



First Friday SignUp



Students used books they made in St. Brigid School to help recite Stations of the Cross in church on March 8.

175TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

2024 marks 175 years that St. Brigid Parish has been an active part of the Xenia community and the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. In the vestibule, before and after Mass through March 24, members of the 175th Anniversary Committee will distribute a save-the-date handout explaining an Anniversary Mass with the archbishop, followed by brunch, here on June 9.

The handout will also have information about a catered gala dinner in our PAC on Sept. 28. A beautiful booklet highlighting our history over the past 25 years will be available to purchase for \$5.

SECOND MASS ADDED FOR EASTER

Two Masses are scheduled for Easter Sunday, the first at 9:30 a.m. and the second at 11 a.m.

SVDP ALMSGIVING

From the St. Vincent de Paul Society, thank you so much to everyone who donated to our Society during the month of February as part of our parish Lenten Almsgiving program. The \$3,972.41 we received will be very helpful as we strive to help our neighbors in need, especially with rent and utilities. May God bless you for your generosity.

MASS PREP TIP

Not Feeling Quite Ready For Mass? Turn to page 1,000 in the Lumen Christi (dark red book in pews) and read one of the two Preparation for Mass prayers by St. Ambrose or St. Aquinas.

FINAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS THURSDAY

Stations of the Cross is scheduled for Thursday (March 21) at 7 p.m.

THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 17

- No PSR
- Confirmation in Church 2 p.m.
- Lenten Mission at St. Luke 4 p.m.

Monday, March 18

- Lenten Mission at Mary, Help of Christians 4 p.m.

Tuesday, March 19

- Lenten Mission at St. Brigid 4 p.m.

Wednesday, March 20

- Marian Prayers in Chapel 1 p.m.
- Choir Rehearsal in Church 7 p.m.

Thursday, March 21

- Stations of the Cross in Chapel 7 p.m.

Friday, March 22

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

Saturday, March 23

- TMIY in Lunchroom 7:30 a.m.
- Jesus Day 2nd graders in Lunchroom 9 a.m.
- Confessions in Church 3:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 24

- No PSR
- AHG Troop Mtg. in Lunchroom 4 p.m.
- Boy Scouts in Library 4:30 p.m.

ST. BRIGID FINANCIAL SUPPORT THROUGH MARCH 10 (WEEK 37)

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	_____	\$495,112.59
Amount Left to Reach Goal	_____	\$184,887.41
Week 37 Collection	_____	\$10,997.07

Week 37 Special Collections

Capital Improvements	_____	\$141.00
Tuition Assistance	_____	\$531.00
Easter Flowers	_____	\$135.00
SVDP	_____	\$5.00
Almsgiving (Bridges of Hope)	_____	\$120.00

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(*due dates usually fall on Tuesdays*)

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

HOLY BAPTISM

John Benedict Roessner
February 28, 2024

IN SYMPATHY

David Lee
(Brother of Father Matt Lee)

HOLIDAY HOURS

The Parish offices will be closed on Friday, March 29, and Monday, April 1, in observance of Good Friday and Easter.

SPRING OPEN HOUSE FOR FAMILIES

The Moms and Tots group invites all St. Michael the Archangel families with young children to an open house on Sunday, April 21, from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., at St. Luke - Bishop Ford Hall/Playground. Join us for food, fellowship, and activities for the kids.

RSVP to:

St.Luke.Moms.And.Tots@gmail.com

If you would like to bring a side or dessert to share, please visit:

<http://tinyurl.com/dasrudeu>

LENT VESPERS

All are invited to join in praying Vespers on Sunday evenings during Lent. The call and response prayer style of prayer integrates the Psalms with the Christian mystery in a beautiful, communal, and participatory way.

Experience and pray Vespers with us every Sunday evening in Lent at 6:30 p.m. in the Church. Everything you need to pray with us will be provided. "Listen to us, O Lord, and have mercy, for we have sinned against you."

PALM COLLECTION

A palm collection basket is located in Kramer Hall and Jansen Center for anyone wishing to return last year's palms. The palms will be collected for burning after Easter.

MICHAEL'S HOUSE ALMSGIVING

Next weekend's almsgiving collection will be in support of the organization, Michael's House, whose mission is to respond, educate and advocate for maltreated children. To support Michael's House, please donate from the list below. Office: Post-it Notes, Small Paper Clips. Cleaning: Clorox or Lysol Disinfectant wipes, Hand Sanitizer, Tissues. Snacks for the Children: *No Peanut Butter* Juice boxes, Small Bottles of Water, Pop Tarts, other Prepackaged Individual Serving Snacks Family Care: Grocery Cards or Gas Cards (\$10-\$20).

PTO ROARING RECEPTION & SILENT AUCTION TICKETS

Tickets and details for St. Luke PTO's Roaring Reception & Silent Auction on April 20 are available online at:

onecause/stlukesilentauktion2024

In-person tickets must be purchased by April 12. Funds raised will support school needs & students through STREAM programs like Robotics for the 2024-25 school year and beyond. We still need sponsors and donated auction items, which should be sent to the St. Luke School office no later than April 11. Thank you for your support!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross are one of St. Francis of Assisi's gifts to the Church. Through them, he invited all Christians to make a mini-pilgrimage and walk the Way of the Cross. We invite you to join us **Fridays at 7 p.m. during Lent** as we take this opportunity to reflect on the suffering and death Jesus' endured for you.

Join us this Friday as we pray through fourteen of the pivotal moments during Jesus' Passion. "We adore you o Christ and praise you. Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world."

40 HOURS DEVOTION SIGN UP

Go deeper in your prayer life and unite with Christ by spending time in Eucharistic Adoration, held in St. Dominic Chapel, after the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Friday, **March 22**, continuing until Benediction at 7 a.m. Sunday, **March 24**.

The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be recited on Friday at 3 p.m. and 6 p.m., and on Saturday at 3 p.m., and 6:45 p.m. The Blessed Sacrament will be temporarily reposed 4:30 – 6:40 p.m. on Saturday during Mass. Please stop by Kramer Hall March 16-17 after Mass to sign up or visit: <http://www.tinyurl.com/40Hours2024>

SPRING PLANT FUNDRAISER ENDS TUESDAY

The school is hosting an online Spring Plant Sale through March 19. Orders can be placed online using the link and order code below, or by contacting the school office at 937-426-8551. Thank you for your support.

<https://www.fundraiseit.org>
Websale# 1FF81A

SAINT MOVIE NIGHT

Please join us Tuesday, March 26, at 7 p.m. in Kramer Hall for our monthly Saint movie, featuring St. Andre Bissette. All are welcome.

2024-2025 SCHOOL REGISTRATION OPEN

Registration is now open for the 2024-2025 school year for PreKindergarten - Eighth Grade. If you have a new incoming student, please be sure to register them as soon as possible. Current students are automatically re-enrolled for the new school year. Saint Luke School is an EdChoice provider, which means every student is eligible for a state sponsored scholarship of at least \$650.

We would love to hear from you to discuss how we can assist you in the spiritual and academic development of your student. You can call the school office at **937-426-8551** with any questions or to schedule a personal tour. Thank you for choosing Saint Luke School for your child's Catholic Education.

ST. LUKE LIBRARY

Our parish has a library located in the Jansen Center. Catholic books, DVDs, references, and periodicals are available to check out. The Jansen Center is located behind the church and is open Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m., Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., and Sunday 9 a.m. - noon.

Please contact the Jansen Center for more information at 937- 426-1733, xt. 301.

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/March2024Adoration



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 16
+Xavier Hoshstein (living)
(Anonymous)

Sunday, March 17
8 a.m. Mass:
+Kathleen Beck (Nancy Schietz)
10 a.m. Mass:
+Ina Wong (Pearlie Wong)

Monday, March 18
+Cathy Dreyer
(Saturday Morning Bible Study)

Tuesday, March 19
+Cathy Dreyer (Gary & Ginny Miller)

Wednesday, March 20
+Clara Tse
(Pearlie Wong)

Thursday, March 21
+Matthew Wong (living)
(Pearlie Wong)

Friday, March 22
+Sharyl Gardner
(Cindy Dull)

CALENDAR

Monthly Novena Ministry
March 16-24
9:30 a.m. in St. Dominic Chapel

Parish Mission
March 17- 19

SVDP Monthly Casseroles/Bagged Lunch Drop Off Day
March 23, 10 a.m. in Bishop Ford Hall

Youth Ministry Rise Night
March 24
6-8 p.m. in Bishop Ford Hall/Sanctuary

Right to Life Speaker Night
March 24, 6 p.m., Kramer Hall

Saint Movie Night
March 26, 7 p.m. in Kramer Hall

Lenten Pietra Fitness Series
Tuesday's & Thursday's
6:30 p.m. in Gilligan Hall

Lenten Stations of the Cross
Friday's
7 p.m. in Sanctuary

Lenten Vespers
Sundays
6:30 p.m. in Sanctuary

St. Luke School PTO Roaring Raffle & Silent Auction
April 20
Walnut Grove Country Club

St. Luke Vacation Bible School
June 3-7

FINANCIAL SUPPORT THRU 2/25 (WEEK 35)

Weekend Total	\$26,145.44
Yearly Total	\$997,704.55
Holy Day Total	\$54,235.65
Regular and Holy Days	
Total	\$1,051,940.20
Budgeted	
Each Weekend	\$29,614.08
Total thru Week 34	\$1,036,492.80
Non-Parish Collection(s)	
St. Vincent	\$336.94
Eastern Europe	\$285.00
Miscellaneous Collection(s)	
School Ministry Collection	\$3,462.00

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL FAMILY OF PARISHES

END-OF-LIFE FORUM AT ST. LUKE

Dayton Right to Life is scheduled to present an informative panel discussion on end-of-life questions and concerns on **March 24** from 7 to 9 p.m. in St. Luke's Kramer Hall. Experts in the field of law and health will address such topics as healthcare power of attorney forms, lifestyle plans, questions to ask your doctor, how to talk with your family members, and Church teaching on end-of-life.

For RSVP and other information, contact Margie Christie at 937-461-3625 or mchristie@daytonlife.org

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Mary, Help: Fridays 7 p.m.

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LENTEN ALMSGIVING NEXT WEEKEND

The almsgiving recipient for **March 23/24** is [Michael's House](#), a child advocacy center that provides a warm and welcoming environment for children who are suffering from all forms of abuse. To support Michael's House, please donate from the list below. Your parish should have a visible donation location available for weekend Masses.

Office: Post-it Notes, Small Paper Clips. Cleaning: Clorox or Lysol Disinfectant wipes, Hand Sanitizer, Tissues.

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40 HOURS DEVOTION STARTS **FRIDAY**

The Lord spent 40 days in the desert to prepare for his ministry, passion, and death. Join us at St. Luke's St. Dominic Chapel as we give 40 hours to Jesus in anticipation of Holy Week, beginning 9 a.m. after Mass on Friday, March 22, and continuing until Benediction at 7 a.m. on Sunday, March 24.

All are welcome to sign up for an hour (or half hour) or more with our Lord Jesus using the QR code at right, the link below, or by calling your parish office. *Note, those under 21 must be accompanied by an adult over 21 between 9 p.m. and 7 a.m.*



www.tinyurl.com/40Hours2024

40 DAYS FOR LIFE **FINAL WEEK**

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. Here's how to take part in our community through March 24:

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

More Info: JKony1@gmail.com or 937-830-2952

CATHOLIC IQ ANSWERS FOR PAGE 9 QUESTIONS

1. d) *Through prayer, penance, and confession, we concentrate on ridding ourselves of everything that separates us from God.*

2. a) *See Matthew 4:1-11; Luke 4:1-13; CCC, n. 540.*

A Lenten Thank You

Staff members at Brigid's Path, recipient of the Lenten Almsgiving for the second Sunday of Lent, said it had been a long time since they received such a large donation. St. Michael the Archangel Family members donated a variety of items to support Brigid's Path mission to care for babies and mothers in crisis with grace, love and hope.

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