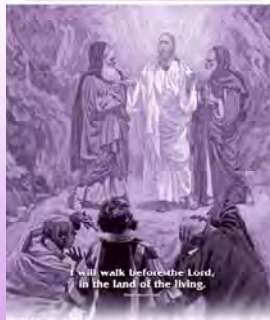




Welcome to all who celebrate the Mass with us today. May God's grace and peace fill us all so that we can serve one another in unity and love.

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

SECOND SUNDAY Of Lent



Abraham did not spare his only son, but was willing to sacrifice Isaac in obedience to God's command. Before the knife could strike, however, God made it known that he demanded not death, but life. And then a wonderful thing happened – Abraham found a ram caught in the bushes which he used as a sacrifice in the place of his son. God provides everything we need for our own life, and he gives us sufficient to make a return in sacrifice. The light which shone from Jesus at his transfiguration was a sign of the abundance of grace in his life. We must strive to reflect the grace God has shown us in the graciousness that in turn flows out from our hands.

This Sunday the readings are: (1) Genesis 22: 1-2, 9, 10-13, 15-18 (2) Romans 8, 31-34 (3) Mark 9, 2-10. **(Gather # 1020 Year B)**
Next Sunday the readings will be: (1) Exodus 20, 1-17 (2) 1 Corinthians 1, 22-25 (3) John 2, 13-25. **(Gather # 1023 Year B)**



Masses For The Week

SAT: 4:00PM Susan Takacs, off: The Daughters of Isabella
SUN: 11:15AM For the Parish
MON: 9:00AM Joshua D. Thompson, off: Carole Hinton
TUE: 8:30AM Jim Berger, off: Bernadette Lanham
SAT: 4:00PM Allie Lee Lawler, off: Rick & Denise Wetzell
SUN: 11:15AM For the Parish

STEWARDSHIP

Collections for February 18, 2018

Regular Collection & loose cash (160 envelopes)	\$6,174.50
Children's (1 envelope)	\$1.00
Capital Improvement Donations (5 envelopes)	\$125.00
Total collections for February 18, 2018	\$6,300.50

Ash Wednesday Collection/ Central-Eastern Europe was \$1,195.25

THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Servers, Ushers and Sacristans

You should be receiving your new schedule for March, April, May & June this week. If you do not receive your schedule please notify the rectory office or stop by and pick one up. **If you are unable to serve on your scheduled date and time please call and find a sub.** Thanks! ☺

PLEASE REMEMBER MHC IN YOUR WILL

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

St. Vincent de Paul collects monetary donations at the doors after Mass on the 3rd weekend of every month.

Visit the parish web site at: www.mhccparish.com

A Note from the Business Manager:

As some of you already know, I will be retiring soon. I have been here at MHC almost 16 years, and now I need to spend more time with my family, plus do some other things. I have really enjoyed my time here. We have wonderful parishioners, volunteers, and staff! It has been such a pleasure to know and work with so many people here. The kindness and generosity that you have shown over the years has been truly remarkable, and I am so grateful that I have had the opportunity to know so many of you. Thank you for sharing your time with me! I have been truly blessed.

Our new Business Manager is Patrick Morgan. He lives in the Dayton area and has also worked for another parish within our Archdiocese. He has a lot of great experience and will be a wonderful addition to our staff. I will be working with him for a few weeks to assist with the transition. I know he will feel the same warm welcome that I did so many years ago.

With many thanks, *Pat Ross*



Lenten Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration:

You are invited to spend a holy hour of prayer with adoration every **Monday during Lent from 7:00-8:00PM in the church.** *All are Welcome!*
Join us this Monday, February 26, 2018.

Catholic Ministries Appeal 2018



Archbishop Schnurr sends his thanks to everyone from **Mary, Help of Christians** who has supported the 2018 Catholic Ministries Appeal. If you have not yet made your pledge, please consider doing so this week. There are still CMA envelopes in the pews for your convenience.

To make your pledge securely online for the Catholic Ministries Appeal, please visit the Web at www.catholicappeal.net or 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. Please prayerfully consider supporting this year's CMA. For more information, please visit www.catholicappeal.info

The Knights of Columbus will hold our next Parish Dinner Saturday, March 10, 2018



Just \$10 for adults \$5 for children. We'll be serving in the Parish Center right after the 4:00 Mass. Come and join your fellow Knights and Parishioners for some good food and even better company.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASSES

The next two Baptismal Preparation Classes for parents seeking baptism for young children are being held on Sunday, March 11, 2018 at 12:30PM and Sunday, May 13, 2018 at 12:30PM in the Church. Please call the parish office @ 878-8353 to advise us if you will be attending one of these classes.

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT



THE BIBLE TIMELINE!!
The Bible Timeline: God's Plan for our Salvation: Will return on Wednesday, April 4, 2018 at 7:00PM in St. Francis Hall at Mary Help of Christians Church.

SACRISTANS NEEDED PLEASE HELP



We are currently in need of Sacristans that would be willing to prepare for the Saturday 4:00PM and Sunday 11:15AM Masses. You'll arrive about 30 minutes before to help set up for Mass and then care for the vessels afterward and lock the church. **No experience is necessary and training is provided.** If interested please call parish office @ 878-8353. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

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You're invited to participate in CRS Operation Rice Bowl!



SECOND WEEK OF LENT ENCOUNTER CESIA

We encounter Cesia in Nicaragua, where, despite a lack of economic opportunity, young people pursue their dreams by building businesses to better their lives. How can you work to improve the lives of others this Lent? How can you support those, worldwide, who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

Pick up a cardboard rice bowl on the special display table in the back of church this weekend. Please be sure to take one home and use the easy and fun resources to deepen your family's Lenten experience.

Are you grieving the death of a loved one?

Mary, Help of Christians has a grief support group to care for people on their bereavement journey in a Christ centered environment. This is an opportunity for individuals to share their personal experience of grief with other bereaved persons who understand their pain. If you are interested, our monthly meeting is the 3rd Tuesday of each month, 10:00AM – Noon in St. Francis Hall. Call Molly Hynes Collinsworth @ 878-7325 or email @ mollymhc@gmail.com for more information. **Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 20, 2018**

Offering Envelopes: Did you know, if you drop your MHC offering envelope into the collection basket at any other Catholic church in the area you might attend, they will return those envelopes and offerings to us? Likewise, we will return any other church's envelopes/offerings to those parishes if placed in our collection basket. To all our parishioners: please do use your envelopes for your offerings, as this makes it easier for our money count teams to count the collection. Thank you! **If you have not yet registered at our parish,**

we invite you to become a member by picking up a registration form found in the bin on the wall near the church front doors. Your completed form can be dropped in the collection basket, or mailed to the parish office, or brought in to the parish office. We look forward to meeting you!



RECORD OF YOUR 2017 CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS

A statement of your 2017 contributions was automatically mailed in **January 2018** to any parishioner who has made any single contribution of \$250 or more during the year. (Please do not call to request a statement if you are in that category.) Anyone else wanting a statement should use the request form below or call the parish office @ 878-8353 from 9:30AM-4:30PM, Monday through Friday. You may return your request form in the collection basket in your envelope.

2017 Contribution Statement Request

NAME: _____
 ADDRESS: _____
 ENVELOPE # _____



"Be still and know that I am God...." Psalm 46

CENTERING PRAYER GROUP is open to all parishioners. Centering Prayer is silent prayer that emphasizes prayer as a personal relationship with God and as a movement beyond conversation to communion with God. The focus of Centering Prayer is the deepening of our relationship with the living Christ. We often gather after morning Mass on Mondays and Tuesdays for a 20 minute period of centering prayer. **We will meet on 3rd Tuesday of every month in St. Francis Hall from 7:00-8:30PM** for prayer and continuing education. Please call Pat Scanlon at 878-0461 for more information. **No Meeting in February or March. Next meeting on Tuesday, April 17, 2018.**

Parish Satellite Library



A large number of books from the Parish Library have been relocated to the Usher's Room/ Satellite Library in the church. This move will make it more convenient for parishioners to select reading material. Access to this collection can be made online at www.mhcparish.com and click on religious library.

Come and check it out!

For more information call Carol Maiorano @340-6084.
 To see all the wonderful books available go to <http://mhc.libib.com/i/mary-help-of-christians-library>



The Light Is On For You – Encounter the Peace of Christ During the Season of Lent

This Lent, the Archdiocese of Cincinnati will once again engage in the initiative, **The Light Is On For You**. **This Tuesday, February 27 from 7:00PM – 9:00PM** most Catholic parishes/pastoral regions will open their doors and provide the opportunity for private confession. If you have been reluctant to participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, have been away from the Church for some time, or just find it difficult to get to a regularly scheduled confession time or communal penance service, this is a your chance to experience the reconciling peace of Christ through the grace of the Sacrament. No stress, just peace! Learn more at www.EncounterPeace.org



Why donate my blood? Because one donation can save up to three lives! Because every 3 seconds someone needs blood! How else can you save three lives in less than one hour? *Only 5% of the population donates 100% of the blood supply.* **Consider giving the gift of life at MHC's Blood Drive, it will be held in the Parish**

Center APR room on Saturday, March 3, 2018 from 8:30AM–12:15PM. Remember to bring a picture ID with SS# and eat a nourishing breakfast beforehand. Appointments are requested. To schedule an appointment visit www.donortime.com or call 1- 800-388-4483.

Mary, Help of Christians



Lent/Holy Week 2018
Pray - Fast - Give Alms

LENT

Traditional Stations of the Cross: Fridays during Lent 7:00PM in Church
Stations of the Cross: A Taizé Meditation: Friday, March 23, 2018 7:00PM in Church
PSR Shadow Stations of the Cross: Sunday, March 25, 2018 10:30AM in Parish Center

LENT HOLY HOUR WITH EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Monday, February 26:	7:00-8:00PM
Monday, March 5:	7:00-8:00PM
Monday, March 12:	7:00-8:00PM
Monday, March 19:	7:00-8:00PM
Monday, March 26:	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 24 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:

Monday, March 26: Mass 9:00AM
Tuesday, March 27: Mass 8:30AM
Holy Thursday, March 29: 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 30: Morning Prayer Service 9:00AM-10:00AM
The Passion of The Lord Service 3:00PM

Holy Saturday, March 31: Easter Vigil Mass 8:30PM
Easter Sunday, April 1: Easter Mass 11:15AM

CONFESSIONS

Tuesday, Feb. 27: 7:00PM-9:00PM (The Light is on for You)
Thursday, March 15: 7:00PM-8:30PM (Parish Penance Service & 1st Reconciliation)
Saturday, March 24: 3:00PM-3:30PM (Regular Saturday Confessions)
Monday, March 26: 11:45AM-12:30PM & 7:00PM-7:30PM
Tuesday, March 27: 11:45AM-12:30PM

There are no confessions on Holy Saturday, March 31, 2018



FLOWERS ON EASTER ENVELOPE



The "Flowers on Easter" envelope inserted in your 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 insert. Envelopes can be placed in the Sunday collection basket or turned in at the parish office. Thank you for your kind donations.

MARY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS CATHOLIC CHURCH

It is Never Too Late To Say You're Sorry!
Mark Your Calendar And Join Us.

Thursday, March 15, 2018

7:00PM-8:30PM

**Parish Penance Service &
1st Reconciliation**

The entire parish is encouraged to participate in this beautiful celebration of God's mercy and forgiveness. Guest priests will join Fr. Tom in hearing our individual confessions.

Lent.

a season of renewal

BUILD A BIKE!



FYI is working on a project to assemble and/or refurbish 200 bikes for children going into foster care. This event gives bikes to foster children and youth so they have something of their own and will allow them recreation during the summer. FYI is looking for adults and teens who love to fix bicycles--Please become a bike

whisperer for the kids in our communities!! The bikes will be presented at the FYI Annual Safety Day on June 12, 2018. Please call Pat at FYI @ 845-0403 to volunteer in whatever capacity you can, or to donate bikes. We need your help this year to have 200 bikes ready to go on June 12, 2018.

LENT
WEEK TWO



SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT



Mark Your Calendar For Thursday, March 15 at 7:00PM Penance Service and 1st Reconciliation at Mary, Help of Christians Church

The parish will celebrate a communal penance service in which some of our youth will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. The entire parish is encouraged to participate in this beautiful celebration of God's mercy and forgiveness.

Guest priests will join Fr. Tom in hearing our individual admissions of sin. Everything else will be done in community. Worship aides will be available to guide us through the service, so there is nothing to memorize or learn in advance.

Remember: It Is Never Too Late To Say You're Sorry!

THIS YEARS WOMEN'S RETREAT!!!

Sponsored by the Daughters of Isabella

Join us at MHC for the Annual Women's Retreat on Saturday, March 10 from 9:00AM to 3:00PM at St. Francis Hall. This day will be very special and our topic will focus on Prayer and Spirituality...

The cost is only \$15.00 which includes a light Breakfast & Subway Lunch.

Father Jim Schimelpfening, SM, Marianist priest, professor, and spiritual director at the University of Dayton will be our retreat Master.

Reservations are needed and can be done by calling either Pat Banaszak @ 849-9140 or Annie Milliron @ 937-409-5299. Please call today for this very inspiring talk.



Add JOY to your life this winter!

All adult parishioners and friends are invited to attend JOY Club which will meet on this Monday, February 26, 2018 at 1:00PM in St. Francis Hall. **JOY Club** meets on the 2nd and 4th Mondays from September through June from 1:00PM-3:00PM. Come to **enJOY** an afternoon of cards, games or bingo along with fellowship and refreshments with your fellow parishioners and friends. Come feel the **JOY!**

GROWING CLOSER TO GOD THROUGH SPIRITUAL



DIRECTION *Spiritual Direction is really not about being "directed," it is about being encouraged to draw closer to God. In spiritual direction you reflect deeply on the experiences of your daily life. You may come to realize how God's spirit is truly with you every day and everywhere. You discover that God has been waiting for you to seek this closer relationship. A person may*

come to spiritual direction for many reasons, including to: find encouragement and affirmation; share struggles, losses or disappointments; integrate spirituality into your daily life; grow in relationship with God, self, others and creation. After completing a two year training in spiritual direction I am offering to journey with you as you deepen your relationship with God. This involves confidential, one-on-one sessions, usually once a month for an hour. For more information or to make an appointment call Pat Scanlon @ 878-0461 or 572-2530.

Is There Anyone Sick Among You?

If you are going to the hospital; if someone in your family is in the hospital; or if you know of a parishioner in the hospital, please call the parish office and let us know! Due to privacy rules the hospitals no longer call us unless specifically requested by the patient. Also, if you know of a parishioner that is sick or homebound for an extended period, please call the Rectory Office @ 878-8353.

What is the Handy Helpers Ministry?



Volunteers from our parish make small home repairs and do "round-the-house" projects for elderly, disabled, and single parents. Materials are the responsibility of the homeowner, but the labor is free. (For those in need, St. Vincent de Paul and other donations may provide some materials.) Among the services that may be done are yard work, painting, carpentry, minor electrical work, general repairs, window washing, gardening, mending and other handy-person jobs. For more information or to request the services of a handy-helper, please call the Parish Office @ 878-8353. If you have skills that could be put to good use in this ministry, you are invited to call and join our "Handy Helpers."

Eucharistic Ministers Needed: Anyone interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister? We are currently in need of extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion at both Masses. If you are a practicing Catholic and have a genuine love and reverence for Christ in the Eucharistic, please call the parish office at 878-8353 for training. Your help would be greatly appreciated.



Deacon Informational Meeting

Have you considered becoming a Permanent Deacon in the Catholic Church, but don't know where to begin to explore the possibility? The Office of the Diaconate of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati will hold Informational Meetings concerning the Permanent Diaconate. In the Dayton Region, the meeting is Monday, March 19, 2018 @ 7:00PM, St. Helen Parish, 605 Granville Place, Riverside (Smith Building). For more information and to register, please contact Deacon Mark Machuga, Director of the Office of the Diaconate, @ 513-421-3131, ext 2641 or deaconoffice@catholiccincinnati.org

BINGO

The Fairborn Knights of Columbus has BINGO every Wednesday night in the Parish Center. Doors open at 5:00PM and Instant start selling at 5:30PM. Early Bird

Games start at 6:15PM and regular games start at 7:00PM. Packages start at \$12.00 (12 faces). Last series of the night is a \$1000 cover all in 50 numbers or less, 51 numbers for \$750 and then played out for \$500. (Prize reduced if under 80 players) A portion of the profit is donated back to our parish. For more information or if you would like to volunteer to work one night a month call Eric Rogalinski @ 657-6958.



Scrip News

Scrip will be for sale before and after all Masses. Thanks for your support of this program. Please stop in the Bride's Room and check at the Scrip desk before or after mass. Questions call Judy @ 879-3570 or Myra @ 902-0299.



MUSIC MINISTRY:

We rehearse on Tuesdays from 6:30-8:00. For more information, please contact our music director, Julian Calvin, julian.calvin1@gmail.com or 878-8092.

WHY WE SING AT MASS

"God has bestowed upon His people the gift of song. God dwells within each human person, in the place where music takes its source. Indeed, God, the Giver of song, is present whenever His people sing His praises."
"SING TO THE LORD: MUSIC IN DIVINE WORSHIP"

Mary, Help of Christians Catholic Church



Pray - Fast - Give Alms

**LENT HOLY HOUR WITH
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

You are invited to spend a holy hour of prayer with adoration every Monday evening during Lent from 7:00PM-8:00PM in the church. Join us on Mondays,

***February 26,
March 5, 12, 19 & 26.***



**A Lenten Series ... at Sacred Heart Church
209 Lake Road
New Carlisle.**



**LENTEN
SERIES**

*"The only real sadness,
the only real failure,
the only great tragedy in life,
is not to become a saint." – Leon Bloy*

Traditionally, the weeks of Lent invite us to take stock of our lives as followers of Christ, to do penance, give alms, to grow in prayer, and to enter into a profound reflection that can be quite transformative.

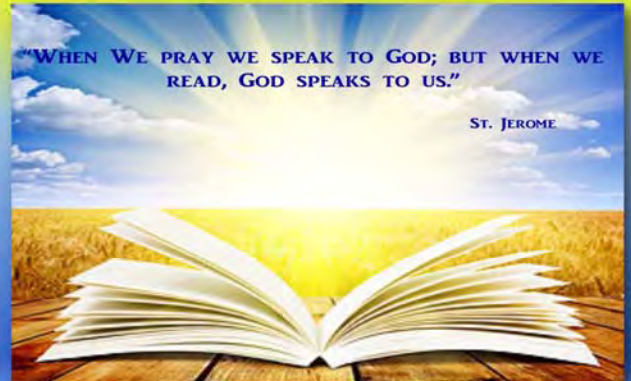
During Lent 2018 all are invited to participate in a Lenten series of three evenings that will offer the opportunity to step back and take a new look at sin, forgiveness, and reconciliation.

These evenings will be on Monday, February 26, Monday, March 12 and Monday, March 19, from 7:00 – 8:30PM.

High school age youth, young adults, and adults – families, couples and individuals are encouraged to attend and make this a significant part of their 40-Day Crossing from Lent to Easter, from Winter to Spring.

Father Jim Schimelpfening, SM, Marianist priest, professor, and spiritual director at the University of Dayton will direct the series.

**MHC PARISH SATELLITE LIBRARY
OPEN HOUSE
AFTER MASS MARCH 17-18**

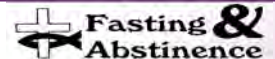


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Lenten Reminders – Fast and Abstinence

Please note the following information from the Archdiocese on fasts and abstinence:



Ash Wednesday, February 14th and Good Friday, March 30th are days of abstinence from meat and also days of fast: that is, limited to a single full meal. With regard to Good Friday, the teaching of the Second Vatican Council should be recalled. 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.*

The other Fridays of the season of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years of age and older. The law of fasting binds all Catholics from their 18th birthday until their 59th birthday (canons 97 and 1252).

With regard to the obligatory days listed above, however, there are frequent questions about the degree of seriousness of the matter. The teaching of the Holy Father may be simply paraphrased: 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.

The Way of the Cross



Traditional Stations of the Cross 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.

Beginning Ash Wednesday, our beautiful Resurrection cross 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.

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

JOIN DYNAMIC CATHOLIC FOR
Don't Give Up Chocolate For Lent

**BEST
LENT
EVER**

Best Lent Ever® 2018



This Lent again, Dynamic Catholic has a great opportunity for our parish—a free email program called “Best Lent Ever®.” This year’s BEST LENT EVER program is based on the newly revised edition of *Perfectly Yourself* by Matthew Kelly, that’s the same book you received as you left Christmas Mass!

Lent comes every year. It’s meant to be a time when we invite God to help us become the-best-version-of-ourselves. Take this 40 day journey. Starting Ash Wednesday you’ll receive daily emails with short inspirational videos, practical tips for your everyday life, and real-life stories to encourage you in your journey.

All you have to do is sign up at www.dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever Let’s do something life-changing this Lent.



The Loving Memory section on the back of our weekly bulletin will allow you to honor a deceased loved one by

including them in the “In loving Memory” section. If interested please clip and fill in this slip. You can put the slip in the collection or mail it to the parish. You will be billed by Diocesan, the bulletin publisher. If interested, please call the parish office, or you may contact **Mark Mazza** directly for pricing at [513-392-6768](tel:513-392-6768) or mmazza@diocesan.com. **Thank you for your support.**

*Mary, Help of Christians Church # 389
Fairborn, Oh.*

Loved One’s Name: _____

Your Name: _____

Billing Address: _____

(make checks payable to Diocesan)

Phone number: _____



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New on Formed

Inspirational Resources for Lent

Formed provides amazing content 24/7 for you to grow in your faith this Lenten season.

Music During Lent

Music has the power of capturing the spirit of a liturgical season in a profound way. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal specifically points out that instruments should be used “with a moderation that is consistent with the season’s character” and should be used only “to support the singing” of the assembly during Lent (no. 313).

We will change the tone of our music during this season- to a more reflective mood and work to support our community in their Lenten journey. Join us in reflecting on some of the words found in the Scripture readings of Lent: return, mercy, reconciliation, fasting, prayer, giving, covenant, test, light, kindness. The music of the season will express a penitential stance while at the same time giving voice to our hope and confidence in the God whose will is always to save, redeem, and reconcile. There will be no Gloria. We will sing the Kyrie and the Gospel Acclamation.

We humbly trust that our music reflects the simplicity of the season and draws you into prayerful worship.



**K of C REVERSE
RAFFLE**

Your Knights of Columbus
Council’s



Spring Reverse Raffle will be held on February 24th.

Doors open following the 4:00PM Mass. Tickets are \$35.00 which covers 2 adults admission, heavy hor d'oeuvres, soft drinks and a chance to win prizes.

A cash bar will be available. The first ticket drawn wins \$100, last ticket drawn wins \$2000. Additional prizes will be awarded throughout the drawing. You need not be present to win. For tickets call the hall @ 878-2909 or contact PGK Minnick (FMINN@aol.com) or any of our K of C members.



Lenten Action for Dreamers: Congressional Call-In Campaign

Please participate in the Call-in Day to Congress on **Monday, February 26, 2018!** Your advocacy is critical to help the nearly 1.8 million Dreamers, young people who were brought into the United States by their parents as children. They may face deportation as soon as March 6, unless Congress reaches a bi-partisan deal to protect them. Please follow these easy steps to help:

1. Please call 855-589-5698 to reach the Capitol switchboard, and **press 1 to connect to your Senators**. Once you are connected to each Senator's office, please ask the person on the phone to **deliver this simple message**:

"I urge you to support a bipartisan, common-sense, and humane solution for Dreamers:

- *Protect Dreamers from deportation and provide them with a path to citizenship.*
- *Reject proposals that undermine family immigration or protections for unaccompanied children.*
- *As a Catholic, I know that families are not "chains," but a blessing to be protected.*
- *Act now to protect Dreamers, our immigrant brothers and sisters."*

2. Please call 855-589-5698 a second time to reach the Capitol switchboard again, and **press 2 to connect to your Representative**. Once you are connected to the Representative's office, please ask the person on the phone to **deliver the same message as above**.

After completing your call, please go to <http://www.justiceforimmigrants.org> to learn more about Dreamers and find other ways to voice your support.



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**CONTACT OUR CONGRESSPERSONS REPRESENTING THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CINCINNATI!
Phone Numbers for Washington, DC Offices**

U.S. SENATORS

Senator Sherrod Brown: (202) 224-2315

Senator Rob Portman: (202) 224-3353

U.S. REPRESENTATIVES

Rep. Steve Chabot: (202) 225-2216

Ohio's 1st Congressional District includes Hamilton and Warren Counties

Rep. Warren Davidson: (202) 225-6205

Ohio's 8th Congressional District is located in the western portion of the state and includes Darke, Miami, Clark, Preble and Butler Counties and a part of Mercer County.

Rep. Jim Jordan: (202) 225-2676

Ohio's 4th Congressional District is located in the northwestern portion of the state and includes Auglaize, Champaign, Logan, Shelby Counties along with areas of Mercer County.

Rep. Bob Latta: (202) 225-6405

Ohio's 5th Congressional District is located in the northwestern corner of the state and includes sections of Mercer County.

Rep. Steve Stivers: (202) 225-2015

Ohio's 15th Congressional District includes all of Clinton County

Rep. Mike Turner: (202) 225-6465

Ohio's 10th Congressional District includes Montgomery and Greene Counties.

Rep. Brad Wenstrup: (202) 225-3164

Ohio's 2nd Congressional District includes Adams, Brown, Highland, and Clermont Counties as well as a portion of Hamilton County.